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Both the U.S. total supply and total use forecasts for 2006/07 were reduced slightly this month. On the supply side, the rough rice crop was lowered 1 million hundredweight (cwt) to 192.3 million based on a weaker yield. Both the long and combined medium/short grain crop forecasts were lowered. Imports were raised 0.5 million cwt to a record 18 million. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 43.0 million cwt, the largest since 1987/88. These revisions resulted in a fractional reduction in total supplies to 253.3 million cwt, down 9 percent from a year earlier.

On the use side, total domestic and residual use was lowered 2 percent to 122.8 million cwt, still the highest on record. Exports remain projected at 97 million (rough equivalent of fully milled, brown, and rough rice), 16 percent below a year earlier and the lowest since 2001/02. On balance, these revisions resulted in a 1-percent reduction in total use to 219.8 million cwt.

The supply and use revisions resulted in a 5-percent increase in the 2006/07 ending stocks forecast to 33.4 million cwt, still 22 percent below a year earlier. The 2006/07 U.S. season-average farm price (SAFP) was raised 25 cents on both the high and low end to $9.00-$9.50 per cwt, well above $7.62 a year earlier and the highest since 1997/98.

Global rice production for 2006/07 is projected at a record 417.5 million tons (milled basis), fractionally below last month's forecast but slightly larger than a year earlier. Crop forecasts were lowered for Australia, South Korea, Spain, and the United States, but raised for Pakistan. Global ending stocks for 2006/07 are projected at 78.8 million tons, down fractionally from last month's forecast and 1.4 million tons below a year earlier. China accounts for most of this month's downward revision in global ending stocks.

Export prices for most grades of Thailand's regular milled white rice have dropped about $10 per ton since early September, mostly due to uncertainty over the new government's decisions regarding the 2006/07 intervention program and some weather-related problems that are making purchases difficult. Price quotes for Vietnam's rice exports are up $2-$5 per ton from the first week of September, a result of tight supplies until the summer-autumn crop is available for market and a recent large sale to Indonesia. Quotes for U.S. long grain milled rice are up from a month earlier, primarily due to a reluctance of growers to sell.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. 2006/07 Rough Rice Production Forecast Lowered 1 Million Cwt to 192.3 Million

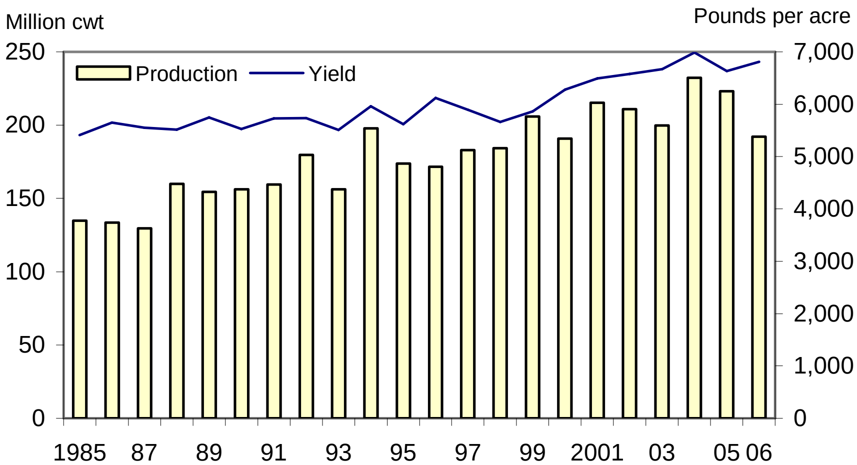
The 2006/07 U.S. rough rice production forecast was lowered 1 million hundredweight (cwt) to 192.3 million, a decline of 14 percent from a year earlier and the second consecutive year of a smaller U.S. rice crop. The crop forecast was lowered this month due to a reduced yield. Both the long grain and combined medium/short grain crop forecasts were lowered this month.

The average yield is forecast at 6,811 pounds per acre, a drop of 35 pounds from last month's forecast but 175 pounds above a year earlier. The yield is the second highest on record. Yields were lowered this month for California, Missouri, and Texas. In contrast, the Arkansas yield was raised slightly. Yields are projected to be higher than a year earlier in every reported State except Louisiana, where yields are projected to be down 3 percent.

Total plantings remain estimated at 2.84 million acres, 16 percent below a year earlier and the lowest since 1996/97. Area is estimated lower in 2006/07 in all reported States except Missouri and California, with Arkansas and Louisiana accounting for more than three-fourths of the 543,000-acre decline in U.S. plantings. Missouri's plantings are unchanged from the year-earlier record. An extremely wet and cool spring prevented California growers from expanding rice acreage despite high prices for medium and short grain rice. High fuel and fertilizer prices, difficulty in acquiring loans, and weather problems in some areas—primarily Arkansas, Louisiana, and California—were responsible for the decline in U.S. rice acreage in 2006/07.

Figure 1

U.S. rough rice production is projected to decline 14 percent in 2006



2006 are projections.
Sources: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service--Quick Stats, U.S. & All States Data--Crops.
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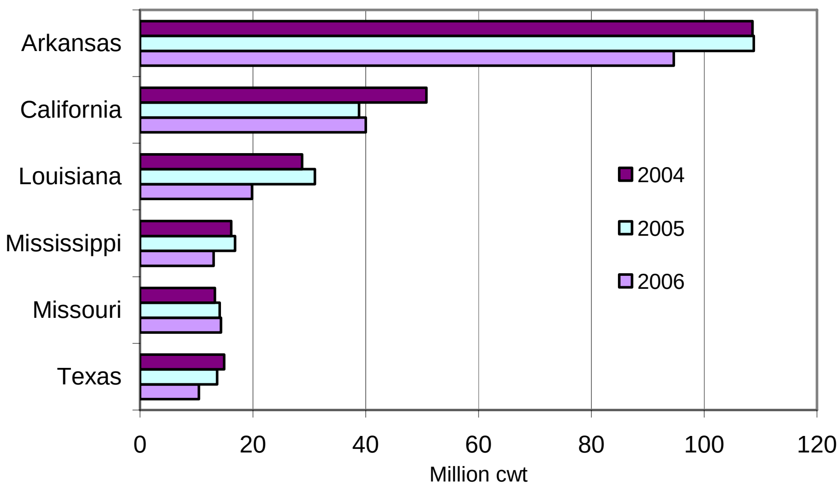
Figure 2
Arkansas and Louisiana account for the bulk of the decline in 2006 production



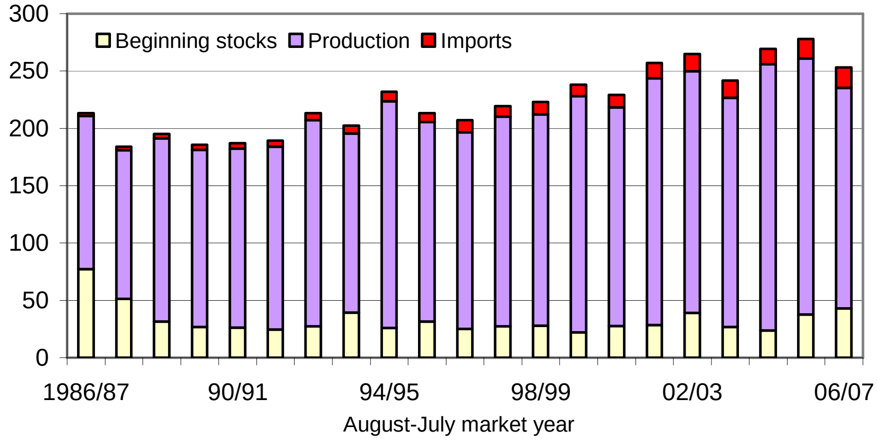
Source: *Crop Production,* October 2006, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Production is projected to decline in 2006/07 in all producing States except California and Missouri, primarily due to smaller plantings. The Arkansas rice crop is forecast at 94.6 million cwt, up fractionally from last month's forecast but 13 percent below a year earlier. At 19.8 million cwt, the Louisiana crop is 36 percent below a year earlier and the smallest since 1987/88. Some of Louisiana's rice growing areas experienced salt water intrusion from severe hurricanes in 2005, one of the reasons for the sharp decline in rice plantings in the State. Mississippi's rice crop is projected at 13.0 million cwt, a drop of 23 percent from a year earlier and the smallest since 2000/01. At 10.4 million cwt, the Texas crop is 5 percent below last month's forecast and 24 percent smaller than a year earlier. The Texas crop is the smallest since the 1930s. Missouri's production is projected at a record 14.3 million cwt, down 3 percent from last month's forecast but still up nearly 2 percent from a year earlier. The California crop is projected at 40.0 million cwt, a 1-percent decrease from last month's forecast but still 3 percent larger than last year's weather-reduced crop.

For the week ending October 8, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service reported 88 percent of the total U.S. rice crop harvested, slightly ahead of 84 percent a year earlier and the U.S. 5-year average of 86 percent. The harvest pace was generally ahead of a year earlier across the South. The Texas harvest was virtually complete by October 8, about the same as a year earlier and the State's 5-year average. The Louisiana harvest was reported complete, 2 or 3 percentage points ahead of a year earlier and the State's 5-year average.

Figure 3

Total U.S. rice supplies in 2006/07 are projected to decline 9 percent



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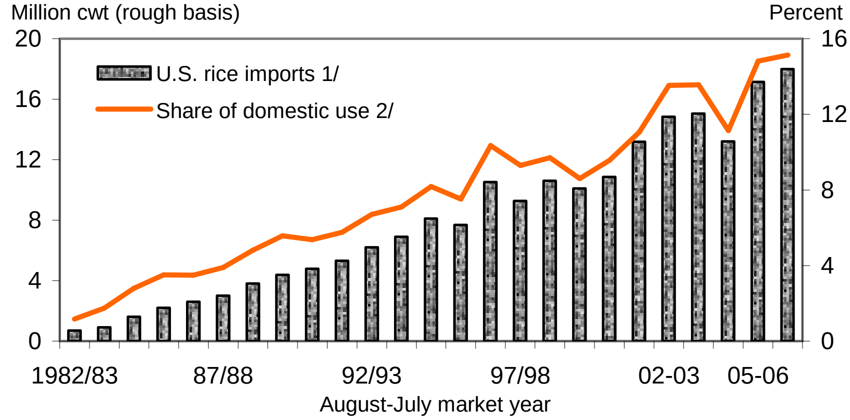
U.S. rice imports are projected to be the highest on record in 2006/07



1/ Includes imports by Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Reported imports are converted to a rough-equivalent basis using estimated annual milling rates.
2/ Does not include seed use.
Sources: 1982/83-2005/06 reported import data, Bureau of the Census; 2006/07 forecasts, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

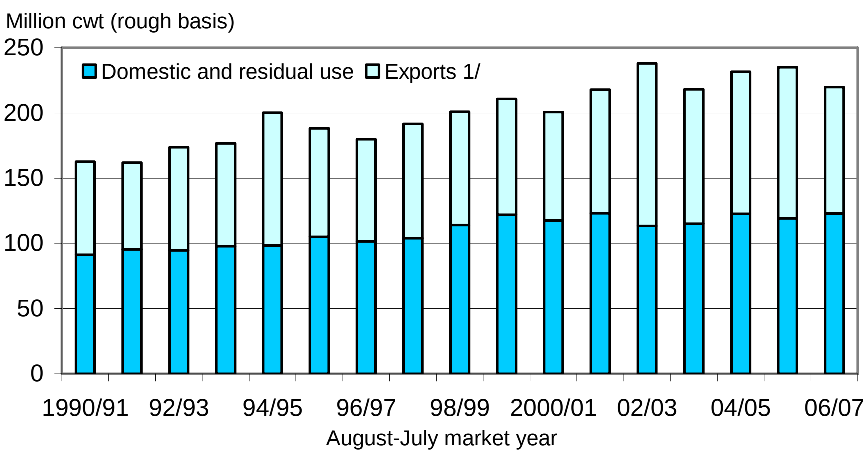
The harvest pace was ahead of a year earlier across the Delta. In Arkansas, 92 percent of the crop was reported harvested by October 8, up from 85 percent a year earlier and the State's 5-year average of 88 percent.   About 96 percent of the Mississippi crop was reported harvested by October 8, ahead of 91 percent last year and the State average of 89 percent. Missouri's crop was reported 81 percent harvested by October 8, up from 79 percent a year earlier and the State's 5-year average of 75 percent.   In contrast to the South, the harvest pace in California was behind that of a year earlier and the State's 5-year average. About 58 percent of the California crop was reported harvested by October 8, about 2 percentage points behind a year earlier and behind the State's 5-year average of 64 percent. In both 2005 and 2006, plantings in California were severely delayed by heavy rains.

Total supplies for 2006/07 are forecast at 253.3 million cwt, down fractionally from last month and 9 percent below a year earlier. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 43.0 million cwt, up 14 percent from a year earlier and the largest since 1987/88. Imports are forecast at a record 18.0 million cwt, up 0.5 million from last month's forecast and 5 percent above a year earlier. On a year-to-year basis, the much smaller crop more than offset a 14-percent larger carryin and record imports.

U.S. 2006/07 Rice Exports Projected To Decline 16 Percent to 97 Million Cwt

Total use of U.S. rice in 2006/07 is projected at 219.8 million cwt, down 1 percent from last month's forecast and 7 percent below a year earlier. Total domestic and residual use—lowered 2 percent to 122.8 million cwt—accounts for all of this month's downward revision in total use. The downward revision was based on reported annual millings from 1995/96-2005/06 that indicated a smaller increase in 2006/07. Even with this month's reduction, total domestic and residual use is 3 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest on record.

Figure 5
Total U.S. rice use is projected to drop 7 percent in 2006/07



1/ Rough equivalent of milled, brown, and rough rice exports. 2006/07 are forecasts.
Sources: 1990/91-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* ERS/USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

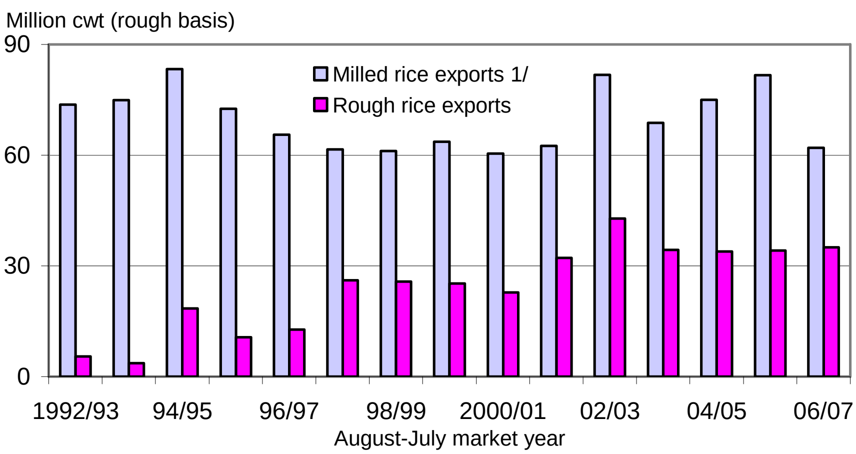
Exports remain projected at 97 million (rough equivalent of fully milled, brown, and rough rice), 16 percent below a year earlier and the lowest since 2001/02. This month's forecast includes impacts from the discovery of genetically modified rice in some supplies of U.S. rice. Through early October, data from the weekly *U.S. Export Sales* reported sales and shipments to Mexico and several Central American markets well ahead of a year earlier. In contrast, reported sales and shipments—including cancellations—to the EU-25 were substantially behind a year earlier.

U.S. rough rice exports are forecast at 35 million, down 5 percent from last month's forecast but up 3 percent from the year-earlier revised level. Milled rice exports (including brown rice) are forecast at 62 million cwt, up 2 million cwt from last month's forecast but 24 percent below a year earlier. Both long and medium/short grain exports are projected to decline in 2006/07, with long grain accounting for most of the decline.

U.S. ending stocks of all rice for 2006/07 are projected at 33.4 million cwt, up 5 percent from last month but 22 percent below a year earlier. Long grain accounts for the bulk of the year-to-year decline in total ending stocks. The resulting stocks-to-use ratio for all rice is projected at 15.2 percent, up from 14.4 percent last month but below 18.3 percent a year earlier.

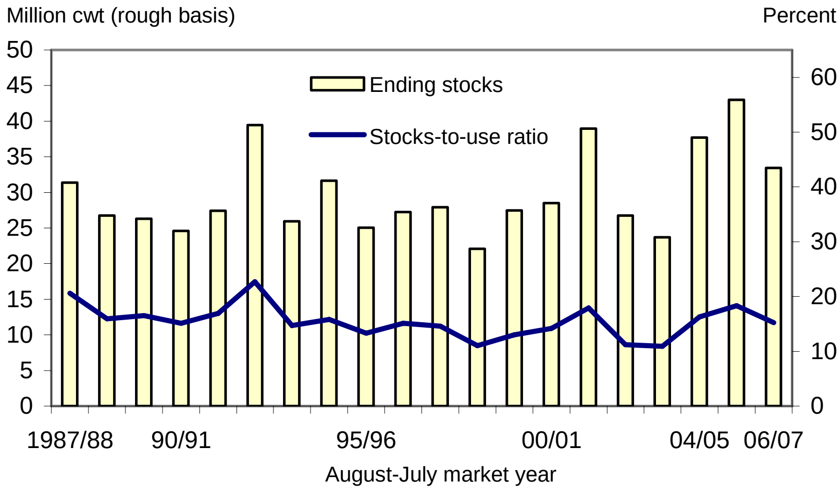
Figure 6

U.S. milled rice exports are projected to decline 24 percent in 2006/07



2006/07 are forecasts. 1/ Reported milled rice exports are converted to a rough-equivalent basis using annual milling rates.
Sources: 1992/93-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* Economic Research Service/USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

Figure 7
U.S. ending stocks are projected to decline 22 percent in 2006/07



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Sources: 1987/88-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* Economic Research Service, USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

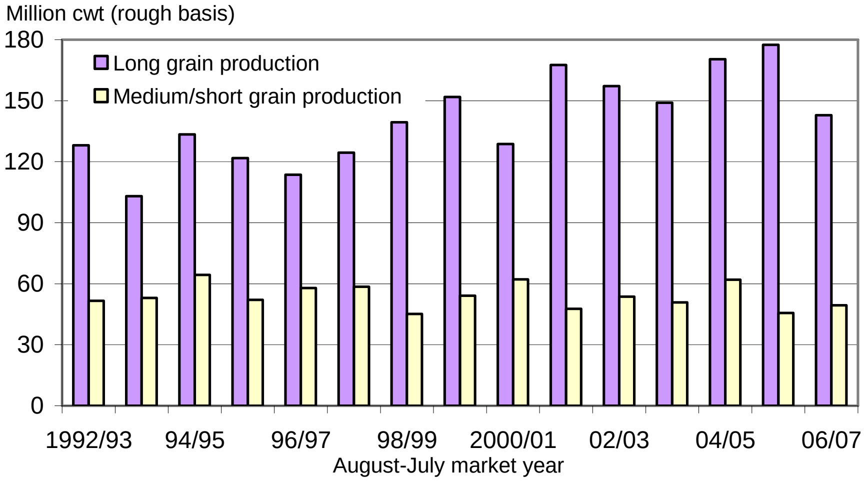
U.S. Long Grain Exports Are Projected To Decline 19 Percent in 2006/07

Total U.S. long grain supplies in 2006/07 are projected at 188.6 million cwt, down fractionally from last month's forecast—a result of a slightly smaller crop—and 11 percent smaller than a year earlier. Beginning stocks remain estimated at 32.7 million cwt, 44 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest since 1986/87. Long grain imports remain forecast at a record 13 million cwt. The long grain crop of 142.9 million cwt is 0.7 million cwt below last month's forecast and 20 percent smaller than a year earlier. On a year-to-year basis, the 20-percent drop in production is projected to more than offset the 44-percent boost in carryin and a 6-percent increase in long grain imports.

Total long grain use is projected at 164.8 million cwt, down 2 percent from last month and 8 percent below a year earlier. Total domestic and residual use of long grain rice is projected at a record 89.8 million cwt, down 2 percent from last month but up 3 percent from a year earlier. Long grain exports are forecast at 75 million cwt, down 1 million cwt from last month and 19 percent smaller than a year earlier. Ending stocks of long grain rice are projected at 23.8 million cwt, up 11 percent from last month's forecast but 27 percent below a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio is projected at 14.5 percent, above 12.8 percent last month but below the 18.2-percent ratio a year earlier.

Figure 8

U.S. long grain production is projected to decline 20 percent in 2006/07



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Sources: 1992/93-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* Economic Research Service, USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

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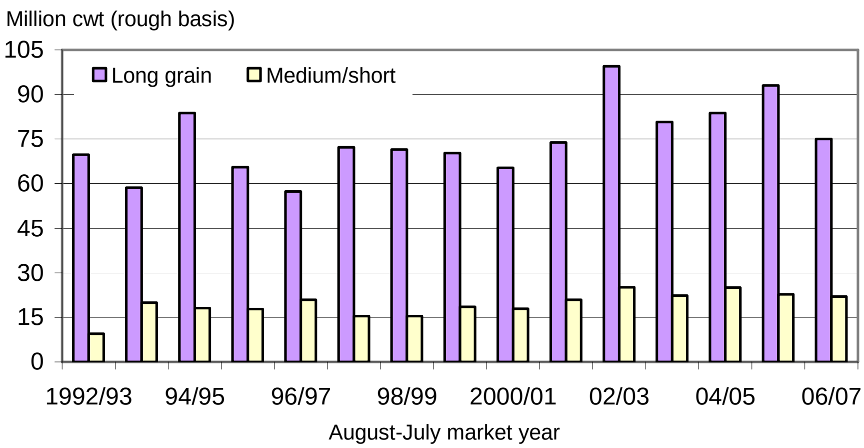
U.S. long grain exports are projected to drop 19 percent in 2006/07



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Sources: 1992/93-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* Economic Research Service, USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

Total U.S. supplies of combined medium/short grain rice in 2006/07 are projected at 63.8 million cwt, up fractionally from last month's forecast but 1 percent below a year earlier. Supplies of medium/short grain rice are the smallest since 1998/99. Beginning stocks of medium/short grain rice remain estimated 9.4 million cwt, 32 percent smaller than a year earlier. The medium/short grain crop of 49.4 million cwt is down fractionally from last month's forecast but 8 percent above a year earlier. Imports of medium/short grain rice are forecast at 5.0 million cwt, up 0.5 million cwt from last month's forecast and 3 percent larger than a year earlier.

Total use of medium/short grain rice in 2006/07 is projected at 55.1 million cwt, up 1 million cwt from last month's forecast but fractionally below a year earlier. Exports of medium/short grain rice are projected at 22 million cwt, up 1 million cwt from last month's forecast but 3 percent below a year earlier. This month's upward revision was partly based on expectations of weaker shipments from Australia—a major competitor in the global medium/short grain market—due to severe drought across much of the continent.

Total domestic and residual use of medium/short grain rice remains projected at 33.1 million cwt, 2 percent above a year earlier. Medium/short grain ending stocks are projected at 8.7 million cwt, down 8 percent from both last month's forecast and a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio for medium/short grain rice is projected at 15.8 percent, down from 17.5 percent last month and 17.1 a year earlier.

The 2005/06 U.S. supply and use table was revised this month based on end-of-year trade data reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. On the supply, imports were raised 1 percent to 17.1 million cwt, all medium/short grain. On the use side, the 2005/06 export estimate was lowered 1 percent to 115.8 million cwt. Long grain exports—reduced 1.5 million cwt—accounted for all of the reduction. Combined medium/short grain exports were raised 1 percent to 22.8 million. By type, rough rice exports were lowered 3 percent to 34.2 million cwt and milled rice exports were reduced fractionally to 81.7 million cwt. The smaller export estimate and higher import estimate were offset by a larger *food, industrial and residual use* estimate.

U.S. 2006/07 Rough Rice Season-Average Price Projection Raised to $9.00-$9.50 per Cwt

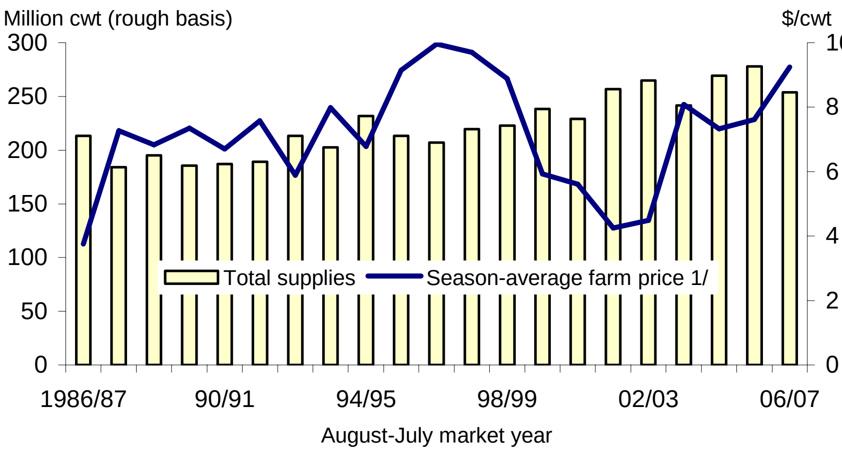
The 2006/07 U.S. season-average farm price (SAFP) was raised 25 cents on both the high and low end to $9.00-$9.50 per cwt, well above $7.62 a year earlier. This month's upward revision is based on reported cash prices through mid-September and expectations regarding prices for the remainder of the market year. The 2006/07 SAFP is the highest since 1997/98. Tighter U.S. supplies and expectations of higher global trading prices are behind projected stronger U.S. prices in 2006/07. In September, USDA raised the August reported rough rice cash price to $8.65 from a preliminary $8.19 and reported a preliminary price of $8.78 for September. The August and September prices are the highest since August 2004.

Actual trading of rough rice remains very light across the South. Reported price quotes for long grain rough rice are up from a month earlier in all three regions. In the mid-South, for the week ending October 10, last reported bids from mills for long grain rough rice reflect about $9.00 per cwt, up 50 cents from early September. Growers' expectations are closer to $10.00 per cwt, with very little actual trading reported. In Southwest Louisiana, the last reported long grain rough rice traded price was about $10.15 per cwt, up about 50 cents from the first week of September. In Texas, the last reported long grain rough rice trade price was about $10.15 per cwt, also up 50 cents from early September. All long grain rough rice quotes are based on U.S. No. 2, 55/70 milling yield (per cwt, fob country).

Price quotes for California medium grain rice for the week ending October 10 reflect a rough rice price of $12.04 per cwt, up $2.00 from the first week of September. California quoted prices are based on U.S. No. 1, 55/70 milling yield (per cwt, fob country). This is the second consecutive year of a below-average California harvest. As in the South, trading has been quite thin in California. The bulk of California rough rice is sold under pooling contracts whereby the final payment to growers is determined by the average price received for the milled rice. The actual price growers receive is not determined until after the end of the market year when all of the milled rice from that crop has been sold. The last reported traded price quote for medium grain rough rice in the Delta was close to $11.00 per cwt, nearly unchanged from a month earlier. Very little southern medium grain rice is trading. Southern medium grain price quotes are based on U.S. No. 2, 58/69 milling yield (per cwt, fob country). All weekly U.S. rough rice price quotes are from the *Creed Rice Market Report.*

Figure 10

The 2006/07 U.S. season-average farm price is projected to be the highest since 1997/98



1/ 2006/07 mid-points of $9.00-$9.50 projection range.

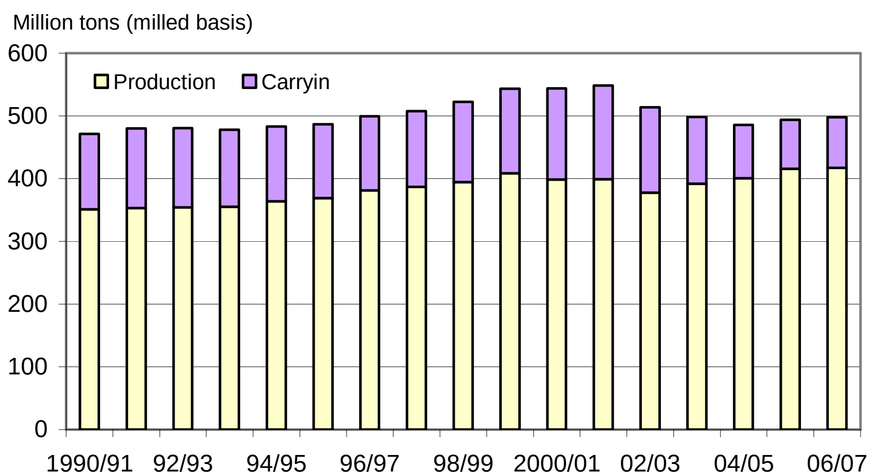
Sources: 1986/87-2003/04, 2005 *Rice Yearbook,* Economic Research Service, USDA; 2004/05-2006/07, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

2006/07 Crop Forecasts Lowered for Australia, South Korea, Spain, and the United States; Raised for Pakistan

Global rice production for 2006/07 is projected at a record 417.5 million tons (milled basis), fractionally below last month's forecast but slightly larger than a year earlier. China, Brazil, Bangladesh, Burma, Thailand, and Vietnam account for most of the projected year-to-year increase in global production in 2006/07. In contrast, smaller crops are projected for the United States, Japan, South Korea, and North Korea. Global rice use in 2006/07 is projected at a record 418.9 million tons, up fractionally from last month's forecast, but still 1 percent larger than a year earlier. India and Bangladesh account for most of the expected year-to-year increase in 2006/07 global consumption.

Global ending stocks for 2006/07 are projected at 78.8 million tons, down fractionally from last month's forecast and 1.4 million tons below a year earlier. China accounts for most of this month's downward revision in global ending stocks. The 2006/07 stocks-to-use ratio is projected at 18.8 percent, fractionally below the ratios for the previous 2 years.

Figure 11
Global rice production is projected to be the highest on record in 2006/07



2006/07 are projected.
Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd.

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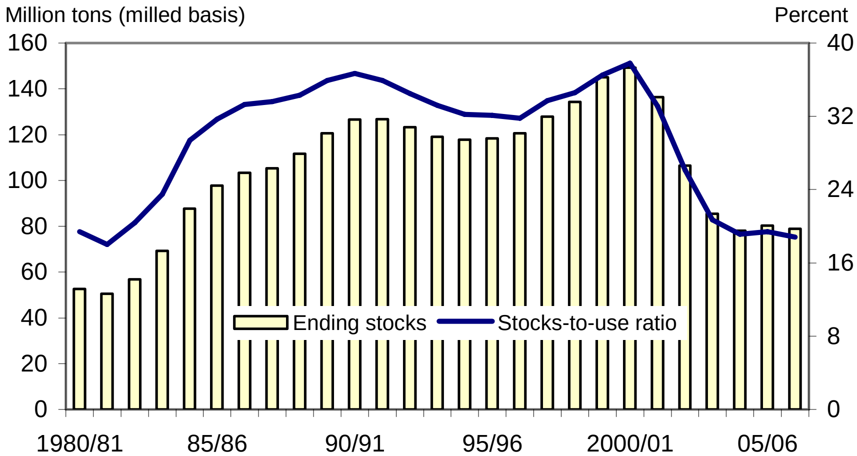
Global stocks are projected to drop slightly in 2006/07



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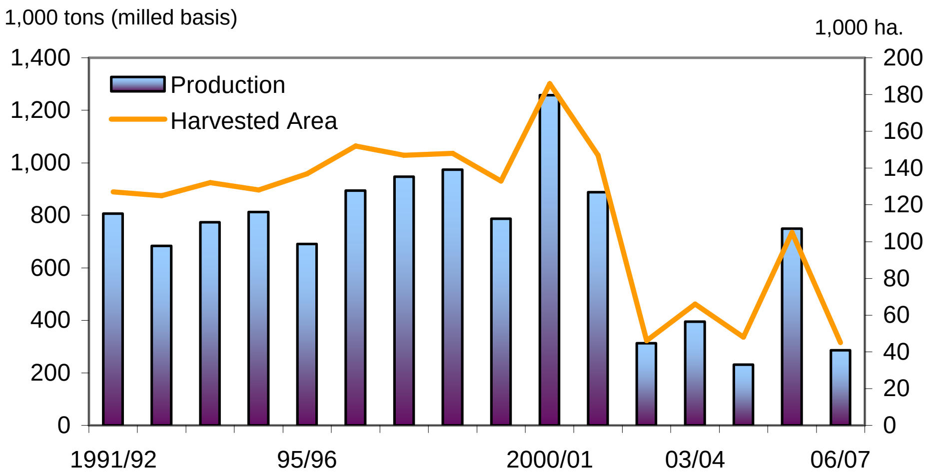
Austrailia's rice crop is projected to drop 62 percent in 2006/07



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Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd.

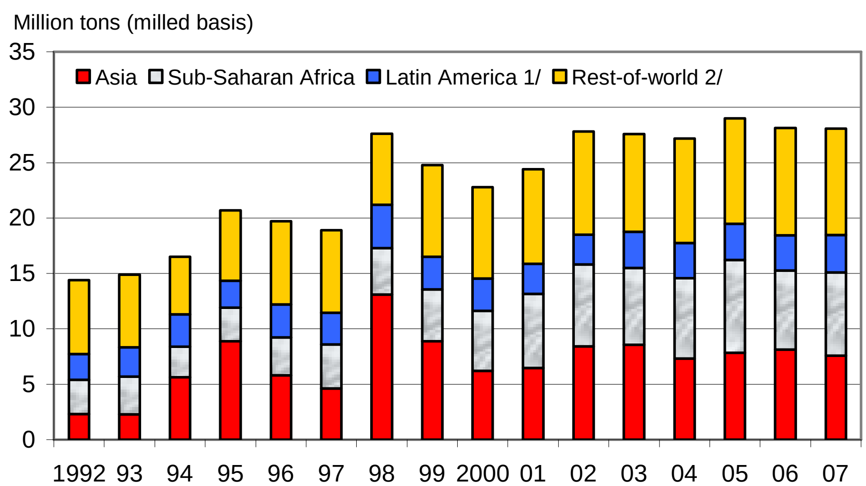
There were five country-specific production revisions this month, four reductions and one upward revision. First, Australia's 2006/07 crop forecast (to be harvested in March-April 2007) was lowered 63 percent to 286,000 tons based on a big drop in area and a lower yield. The 2006/07 harvested area forecast was lowered 65,000 hectares to just 45,000 based on extremely tight supplies of water due to severe drought. This is the smallest rice area for Australia since 1972/73. Second, Spain's 2006/07 crop forecast was lowered 62,000 tons to 533,000 based on slightly smaller area and a weaker yield, primarily due to an extremely hot and dry growing season. Third, the U.S. crop was lowered 31,000 tons to 6.1 million based on a reported weaker yield. Fourth, South Korea's 2006/07 production was lowered 50,000 tons to 4.65 million due to smaller plantings. The only upward revision this month was a 400,000-ton increase in Pakistan's production to a record 5.6 million, based on larger area and a slightly higher yield. Harvested area for Pakistan is estimated at a record 2.65 million hectares.

Export Forecasts for 2007 Raised for Pakistan, Egypt, and China; Lowered for Australia and the EU-25

Global rice trade for calendar year 2007 is projected at 28.1 million tons (milled basis), up 1 percent from last month's forecast but virtually unchanged from a year earlier. There were five revisions on the export side this month. First, Pakistan's 2007 exports were raised 400,000 tons to 2.9 million based on a larger crop. Second, China's exports were raised 200,000 tons to 1.0 million based on stronger exports in 2006 and adequate supplies. Third, Egypt's exports were raised 100,000 tons to 900,000 based on much tighter supplies in Australia, a major competitor in the global medium/short grain market.

Figure 14

Global rice imports are projected to decrease fractionally in 2007



1/ Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. 2006 and 2007 forecasts. 2/ Includes imports not assigned a specific country.
Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd.

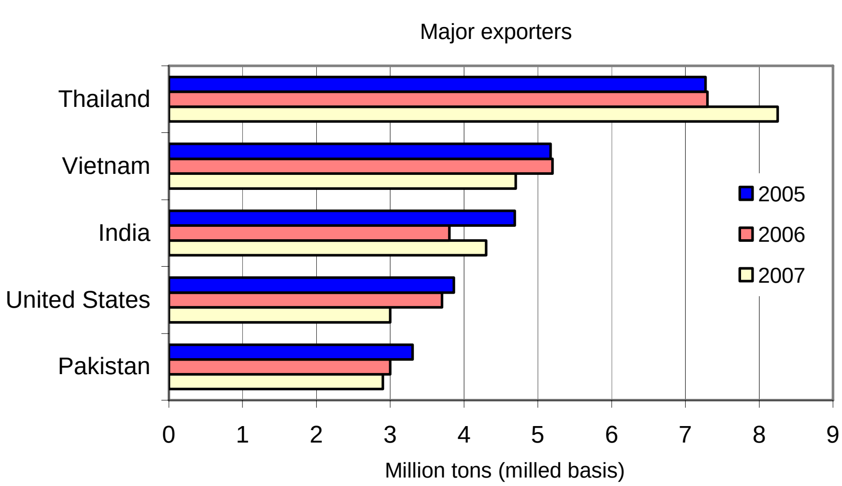
These three upward revisions in 2007 exports were partially offset by two reductions. First, Australia's 2007 exports were lowered 450,000 tons to 150,000 based on an expected big drop in supplies caused by a much smaller 2006/07 crop forecast. And second, EU-25 exports were lowered 25,000 tons to 150,000 based on smaller supplies due to a weaker crop. On an annual basis, weaker exports from Vietnam, the United States, Egypt, and Pakistan are expected to offset a big increase in Thailand's exports and larger shipments from Cambodia, Burma, India, and Uruguay.

There were only two import revisions for 2007 this month. First, imports by the EU-25 were lowered 50,000 tons to 925,000 based on concerns over the finding of trace amounts of GM rice in supplies of U.S. long grain rice. The United States typically supplies around 25 percent of EU-25 rice imports, nearly all long grain. The EU-25 2006 import forecast was lowered as well. And second, the U.S. 2007 import forecast was raised 15,000 tons to a record 590,000 based on stronger imports in 2006. On an annual basis, weaker imports by Iran, Indonesia, the Philippines, and South Korea are projected to offset increased imports by Brazil, China, North Korea, Madagascar, Nigeria, Senegal, and Turkey.

Global trade for 2006 is projected at 28.1 million tons, down fractionally from last month's forecast and 3 percent below a year earlier. There were two export revisions this month. First, Australia's exports were lowered 150,000 tons to 350,000 based on a weaker-than-expected pace through August. And second, China's exports were raised 100,000 tons to 1.0 million tons based on a strong January to August pace. Cote d'Ivoire, Russia, and South Korea have been major buyers of China's rice.

Figure 15

Thailand and India are projected to increase exports 2007



These five countries account for more than 80 percent of global rice exports. 2006 and 2007 are projections.
Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd.

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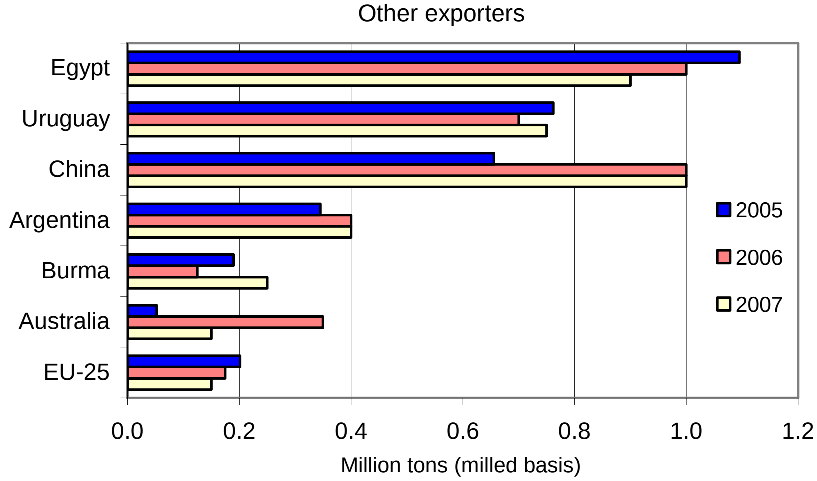
Australia, Egypt, and the EU-25 are projected to decrease exports in 2007



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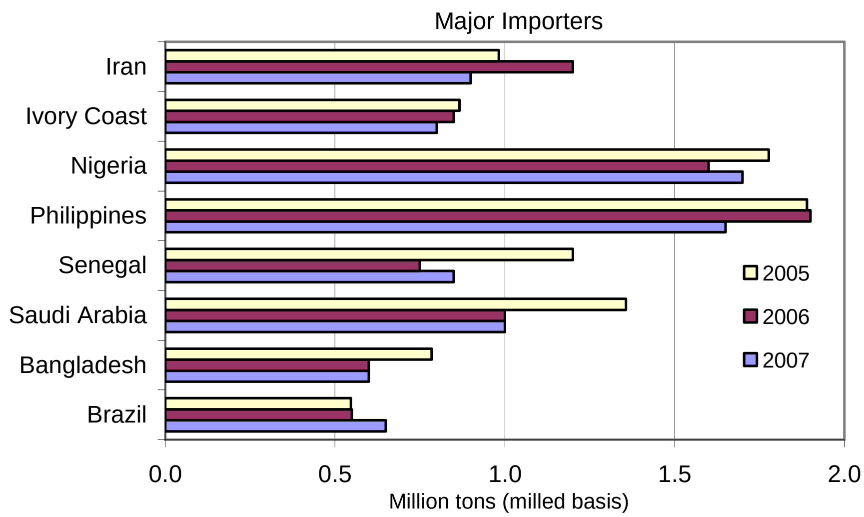
The Philippines and Iran are projected to decrease imports in 2007



2006 and 2007 are projections. These eight countries account for about 35 percent of global imports.
Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd.

There were three country-specific import revisions for 2006. First, Cuba's imports were lowered 100,000 tons to 600,000 based on a weaker-than-expected January-August pace. Vietnam has supplied the bulk of Cuba's rice imports in 2006. Second, the EU-25 import forecast was lowered 50,000 tons to 925,000, a decrease based on recent cancellations and very weak purchases of U.S. rice resulting from concerns over the discovery of trace amounts of GM rice in supplies of U.S. long grain rice. And finally, the U.S. 2006 import forecast was raised 40,000 tons to 565,000, based on a stronger-than-expected pace through July and expectations regarding purchases the remainder of the calendar year.

Thailand's Price Quotes Drop; Vietnam's Prices Continue To Rise

Export prices for most grades of Thailand's regular milled white rice have dropped about $10 per ton since early September, mostly due to uncertainty over the new government's decisions regarding the 2006/07 intervention program and some weather-related problems that are making purchases difficult. Government purchases of the 2006/07 main season harvest were scheduled to begin on November 1. Despite the price decline, Thailand's rice currently carries a substantial premium over similar grades and qualities of rice from other sources, limiting sales in many markets, such as the Philippines.

Prices for Thailand's high-quality 100-percent Grade B (free-on-board vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at $308 per ton for the week ending October 9, down $10 from the first week of September. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent brokens were quoted at $301, down $11 from the first week of September. For the week ending October 9, prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice were quoted at $309 per ton, down $3 from the start of September.

Prices for Thailand's 35-percent brokens—a low-quality rice—were quoted at $269 per ton, down $10 from the first week of September. In contrast to other grades of rice, prices for Thailand's low-quality (100-percent brokens) A-1 Special were quoted at $223 per ton for the week ending October 9, up $6 from the first week of September. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update,* reported by the U.S. agricultural counselor in Bangkok.

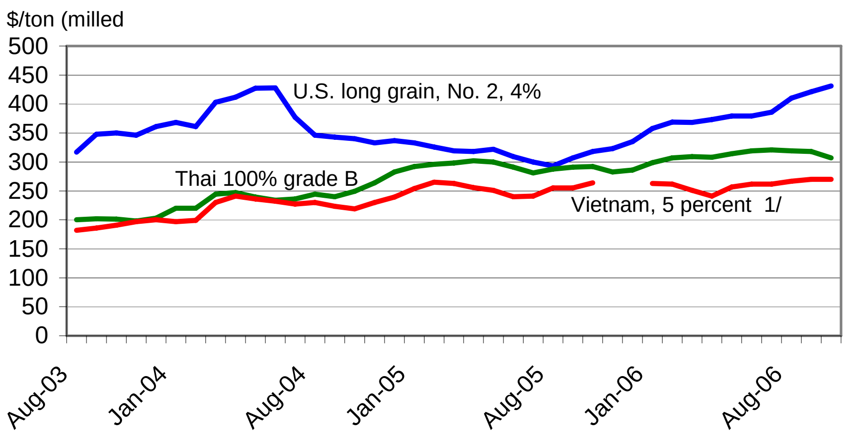
Price quotes for Vietnam's rice exports are up $2-$5 per ton from the first week of September, a result of tight supplies until the summer-autumn crop is available for market and a recent large sale to Indonesia. Price quotes for Vietnam's 5-percent brokens (free-on-board vessel, Ho Chi Minh City) were reported in the *Creed Rice Market Report* at $272 per ton for the week ending October 10, up $2 from the first week of September. Price quotes for Vietnam's 10-percent brokens were reported at $270 per ton, up $5 from the first week of September. Vietnam's rice is currently selling at around a $36-per-ton discount compared with similar grades of Thailand's rice, down about $5 from the first week of September.

Export price quotes for U.S. long grain milled and rough rice are up from a month earlier, primarily due to a reluctance of growers to sell. Except for a recent sale to Iraq, new sales of long grain milled rice in the global and domestic markets have been very limited. For the week ending October 10, offered prices by the mills for high-quality U.S. southern long grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent brokens, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at $420-$430 per ton, up around $20 from September 12. U.S. prices (adjusted to reflect a free-on-board vessel price at a U.S. Gulf port) are more than $125 per ton above prices for comparable grades of Thailand's rice, up about $25 from a month earlier. Price quotes for U.S. long grain rough rice for export (bulk, free on board vessel, New Orleans) was reported at $245 per ton for the week ending October 10, up $20 from September 12.

Prices for California package-quality medium grain rice (bulk, free on board a truck at a local mill, low end of reported projection range) for domestic sales were quoted at $485 per ton for the week ending October 10, up $22 from the first week of September. For exported U.S. medium grain rice (Number 1, 4-percent brokens, sacked in a container, Oakland, California), prices were quoted at $550 per ton for the week ending October 10, up $50 from the first week of September. A second consecutive year of a below-average California crop and projections of a much smaller 2006/07 Australian crop (harvested in March-May 2007) are behind the stronger U.S. medium/short prices. In the text and tables of this report, price quotes for U.S. long and medium grain milled rice and for U.S. rough rice exports are from the weekly *Creed Rice Market Report.*

Figure 18

U.S. export prices are more than $125 per ton higher than Thailand's



1/ No price quotes for Vietnam in November and December 2005.
Monthly prices are simple average of weekly quotes. All prices quoted "free-on-board" vessel at local port.
Sources: Thai price quotes, *Thailand Grain and Feed Weekly Rice Price Update,* U.S. Ag Counselor, Bangkok; U.S. and Vietnams price quotes, *Creed Rice Market Report.*

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Table 1--U.S. rice supply and use 1/

Item	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06 2/	2006/07 2/
TOTAL RICE			Million acres			
Area						
Planted	3.334	3.240	3.022	3.347	3.384	2.841
Harvested	3.314	3.207	2.997	3.325	3.364	2.823
			Pounds per harvested acre			
Yield	6,496	6,578	6,670	6,988	6,636	6,811
			Million cwt			
Beginning stocks	28.5	39.0	26.8	23.7	37.7	43.0
Production	215.3	211.0	199.9	232.4	223.2	192.3
Imports	13.2	14.8	15.0	13.2	17.1	18.0
Total supply	256.9	264.8	241.7	269.2	278.1	253.3
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	119.3	109.7	110.8	118.5	115.8	N/A
Seed	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.2	3.5	N/A
Total domestic use	123.3	113.4	115.0	122.7	119.3	122.8
Exports	94.7	124.6	103.1	108.8	115.8	97.0
Rough	32.2	42.8	34.4	33.9	34.1	35.0
Milled 4/	62.5	81.8	68.7	75.0	81.7	62.0
Total use	218.0	238.0	218.0	231.5	235.1	219.8
Ending stocks	39.0	26.8	23.7	37.7	43.0	33.4
			Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	17.9	11.2	10.9	16.3	18.3	15.2
			$/cwt			
Average farm price 5/	4.25	4.49	8.08	7.33	7.62	9.00 to 9.50
			Percent			
Average milling rate	68.76	68.30	70.80	70.80	70.20	70.00

N/A = not available. 1/ August-July market year; rough equivalent. 2/ Projected. 3/ Residual includes unreporte use, processing losses, and estimating errors. 4/ Rough rice equivalent. 5/ Market-year weighted average.
Source: *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* WAOB, USDA.
Updated October 12, 2006.

Table 2--U.S. rice supply and use, by class 1/

Item	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06 2/	2006/07 2/
LONG GRAIN						
			Million acres			
Planted	2.713	2.537	2.332	2.587	2.751	
Harvested	2.697	2.512	2.310	2.571	2.734	
			Pounds per harvested acre			
Yield	6,213	6,260	6,451	6,630	6,493	
			Million cwt			
Beginning stocks	11.6	26.8	15.7	10.3	22.7	32.7
Production	167.6	157.2	149.0	170.4	177.5	142.9
Imports	9.2	10.0	9.8	10.5	12.3	13.0
Total supply	188.3	194.1	174.5	191.3	212.5	188.6
Domestic use 3/	87.7	78.9	83.4	84.7	86.8	89.8
Exports	73.8	99.5	80.7	83.8	93.0	75.0
Total use	161.6	178.4	164.2	168.5	179.9	164.8
Ending stocks	26.8	15.7	10.3	22.7	32.7	23.8
			Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	16.6	8.8	6.3	13.5	18.2	14.5
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN			Million acres			
Planted	0.621	0.703	0.690	0.760	0.633	
Harvested	0.617	0.695	0.687	0.754	0.630	
			Pounds per harvested acre			
Yield	7,733	7,729	7,407	8,212	7,255	
			Million cwt			
Beginning stocks	15.6	10.7	9.3	12.4	13.8	9.4
Production	47.7	53.7	50.9	61.9	45.7	49.4
Imports	4.0	4.8	5.3	2.7	4.9	5.0
Total supply 4/	67.1	68.9	66.2	76.8	64.7	63.8
Domestic use 3/	35.5	34.5	31.5	38.0	32.5	33.1
Exports	20.9	25.1	22.3	25.0	22.8	22.0
Total use	56.4	59.6	53.9	63.0	55.2	55.1
Ending stocks	10.7	9.3	12.4	13.8	9.4	8.7
			Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	18.9	15.6	22.9	21.9	17.1	15.8
Ending stocks difference 1/	1.5	1.8	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.9

1/ Stock totals by type omit brokens, which are included in total stocks for all types of rice in table 1.
2/ Projected. 3/ Includes residual. 4/ Accounts for the difference in beginning and ending stocks of brokens. Thus, total supply of medium/short grain may not equal the sum of beginning stocks, production, and imports.
Source: *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* WAOB, USDA.
Updated October 12, 2006.

Table 3--U.S. monthly average farm prices and marketings

Month	2005/06		2005/06		2004/05	
	$/cwt	1,000 cwt	$/cwt	1,000 cwt	$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	8.65	12,801	6.58	14,130	8.93	9,104
September	8.78 1/	12,801 2/	6.76	14,753	8.46	12,719
October			6.99	15,036	7.59	13,590
November			7.46	14,534	7.38	11,343
December			7.49	16,167	7.37	13,310
January			7.72	21,023	7.39	21,859
February			7.95	17,616	6.90	15,622
March			8.05	18,272	6.97	15,959
April			8.20	13,046	6.98	14,859
May			8.03	12,945	6.98	14,193
June			8.11	13,168	6.96	13,841
July			8.16	11,837	6.82	13,536
Average price 3/	8.72 3/ 9.00-9.50 4/	25,602	7.62	15,211	7.33	14,161
Total volume marketed				182,527		169,935

N/A = not available 1/ Mid-month estimate. 2/ Average through previous month. 3/ Market-year weighted average; 2006/07 is weighted average through current month only. 4/ USDA season-average farm price forecast.
5/ Through current month only.

Source: Monthly cash price and marketings, *Agricultural Prices,* National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

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Table 4--USDA-calculated world market rice prices (rough basis) 1/

Month	2006/07			2005/06			2004/05		
	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short
	$/cwt								
August	6.85	6.78	6.80	5.73	5.17	5.19	5.91	5.40	5.47
September	6.87	6.80	6.82	5.74	5.24	5.26	5.98	5.47	5.54
October 2/	6.87	6.80	6.82	5.85	5.36	5.38	5.96	5.42	5.50
November				5.90	5.65	5.67	6.13	5.61	5.69
December				5.93	5.80	5.82	6.45	5.83	5.91
January				6.26	6.12	6.15	6.38	5.76	5.84
February				6.46	6.62	6.63	6.43	5.79	5.83
March				6.50	6.66	6.67	6.30	5.67	5.71
April				6.50	6.66	6.67	6.32	5.69	5.73
May				6.54	6.70	6.71	6.34	5.70	5.74
June				6.60	6.76	6.77	6.14	5.52	5.56
July				6.71	6.87	6.88	5.80	5.20	5.24
Market-year average 1/	6.86	6.79	6.81	6.23	6.13	6.15	6.18	5.59	5.65

1/ Simple average of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's weekly adjusted world market price. 2/ Preliminary.
Source: *Cotton and Rice Weekly Prices* (ftp://ftp.fsa.usda.gov/public/cotton/default.htm), Farm Service Agency, USDA.
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Table 5--U.S. commercial rice exports 1/

Country or region	2006/07 as of 10/5/06	2005/06 as of 10/06/05	2005/06 market year	2004/05 market year	2003/04 market year	2002/03 market year
			1,000 metric tons			
EUROPE & FSU	44.3	137.2	390.4	446.2	335.6	676.6
European Union	39.7	93.2	311.3	294.7	259.6	385.2
Turkey	0.0	34.8	58.3	117.0	59.6	209.9
Other Europe	3.4	8.4	17.8	31.6	14.6	25.8
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	1.2	0.8	3.0	2.9	1.8	55.7
NORTHEAST ASIA	34.0	85.5	483.6	511.9	507.0	532.6
Japan	33.9	84.8	352.4	347.0	355.9	387.8
South Korea	0.0	0.0	69.4	65.1	55.2	40.1
Taiwan	0.1	0.7	61.8	99.8	95.9	104.7
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & MIDDLE EAST	156.8	433.1	688.8	475.8	247.1	312.2
Indonesia	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.6	90.7
Iraq	120.0	210.2	349.8	123.6	0.0	0.0
Israel	0.8	10.8	14.7	15.2	0.6	0.9
Jordan	12.6	29.0	44.4	91.8	17.9	18.7
Papua New Guinea	0.0	20.6	21.9	37.9	0.0	0.0
Philippines	0.0	65.2	65.2	60.0	117.8	38.3
Saudi Arabia	15.0	44.8	116.0	86.8	80.8	115.7
Syria	0.0	0.9	0.9	8.1	0.0	1.0
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	8.4	51.6	75.4	52.2	29.4	46.9
AFRICA	38.9	52.4	131.7	169.3	72.0	219.3
Angola	0.0	3.1	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0
Cote d'Ivoire	0.0	5.0	14.0	10.0	0.8	29.9
Ghana	31.5	32.4	91.4	121.5	38.1	70.5
Liberia	5.8	3.7	12.6	10.2	10.7	8.9
Nigeria	0.1	0.5	0.0	12.2	0.1	0.0
South Africa	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	18.1	74.8
Togo	0.0	6.5	5.0	3.0	0.0	5.0
Other Africa	1.5	0.9	5.5	9.3	4.2	30.2
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	569.0	598.7	2,094.7	2,134.3	2,173.9	2,336.4
Brazil	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	221.1	327.0
Costa Rica	0.0	6.1	125.7	201.9	134.3	161.3
Canada	89.2	96.5	168.6	171.3	153.1	157.1
Colombia	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	5.1	1.9
Cuba	0.0	7.4	186.1	100.4	113.5	118.6
Dominican Republic	6.0	0.1	47.4	34.5	59.6	0.0
Guatemala	45.7	5.9	61.6	91.1	70.0	53.6
Haiti	45.1	105.7	327.5	304.4	283.4	297.6
Honduras	53.3	27.9	123.1	137.6	133.2	128.7
Jamaica	9.1	22.2	47.4	43.6	56.2	58.7
Leeward & Windward Is.	1.4	3.7	8.4	10.3	8.9	7.4
Mexico	237.5	215.9	682.2	600.8	677.7	694.7
Netherlands Antilles	1.4	2.0	6.2	6.1	5.0	6.9
Nicaragua	40.8	82.5	168.3	214.5	112.1	118.0
Panama	7.3	0.6	36.4	72.3	0.2	8.5
Peru	0.0	3.3	2.1	42.2	4.6	1.3
El Salvador	30.8	4.8	88.7	79.7	61.4	74.2
Trinidad	0.1	3.0	3.7	8.6	25.1	22.7
Venezuela	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.4	39.0	56.2
Other Western Hemisphere	1.0	10.8	10.4	14.0	10.4	42.0
TOTAL	843.0	1,306.8	3,789.2	3,737.5	3,335.8	4,077.1

1/ Columns labeled "market year" are total August-July exports reported in *U.S. Export Sales.* Columns labeled "as of" are combined exports and outstanding sales at a particular date. *U.S. Export Sales* reports on a product-weight basis. Food donations are not included in *U.S. Export Sales.*
Source: *U.S. Export Sales*, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.
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Table 6--U.S., Thailand, and Vietnam price quotes

Month or market year 1/	United States: Southern long grain milled 2/	Southern long grain rough 3/	California medium grain milled 4/	Thailand 5/: 100% grade B	5% parboiled	15% Brokens	35% Brokens	A.1 6/ special	Vietnam 7/: 5% brokens
				$ / metric ton					
2001/02	207	107	285	192	198	178	164	144	185
2002/03	223	123	327	199	195	186	175	150	182
2003/04	360	206	533	220	222	207	199	183	210
Aug. 2004	331	185	445	244	253	233	225	212	230
Sep. 2004	328	188	468	240	251	229	222	206	223
Oct. 2004	325	179	441	249	254	237	227	201	219
Nov. 2004	318	181	397	264	264	252	241	212	230
Dec. 2004	322	185	397	283	281	271	257	220	239
Jan. 2005	318	181	397	292	289	279	265	226	254
Feb. 2005	311	170	397	296	292	282	268	233	265
Mar. 2005	304	170	397	298	295	283	270	230	263
Apr. 2005	303	173	397	302	301	287	272	226	256
May 2005	307	175	379	300	294	283	267	220	251
June 2005	294	169	375	291	286	273	258	211	240
July 2005	285	152	367	281	279	265	252	207	241
2004/05	312	176	404	278	278	265	252	217	243
Aug. 2005	278	157	379	288	283	271	257	213	255
Sep. 2005	292	165	441	291	288	275	262	216	255
Oct. 2005	303	176	474	292	289	275	262	218	264
Nov. 2005	308	183	507	283	278	267	255	210	NQ
Dec. 2005	320	188	507	286	277	269	254	207	NQ
Jan. 2006	343	201	507	299	286	282	265	212	263
Feb. 2006	354	205	507	307	297	290	272	215	262
Mar. 2006	353	205	491	309	298	290	272	215	251
April 2006	358	205	485	308	299	290	270	217	241
May 2006	364	202	498	314	302	294	273	218	257
June 2006	364	202	507	319	306	298	276	216	262
July 2006	371	213	507	321	314	301	279	217	262
2005/06	334	192	484	301	293	284	266	215	257
Aug. 2006	395	220	507	319	313	299	277	218	267
Sep. 2006	406	227	518	318	313	299	278	223	270
Oct. 2006 8/	416	238	529	307	309	288	269	223	270
2006/07 8/	406	228	518	315	312	295	275	221	269

NQ = No quotes. 1/ Simple average of weekly quotes. 2/ Number 2, 4-percent brokens, sacked, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port. To convert to a free on board vessel price add $15 per ton. 3/ Bulk, free on board vessel, New Orleans, LA. 4/ Number 1, maximum 4-percent brokens, package quality for domestic sales, sacked, free on board truck, California mill, low end of reported price range. 5/ Nominal price quotes, long-grain, sacked, free on board vessel, Bangkok, Thailand. 6/ 100-percent brokens. 7/ Long grain, bagged, free on board vessel, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam. 8/ Preliminary.

Sources: U.S. and Vietnam prices, *Creed Rice Market Report;* Thailand prices, *Weekly Rice Price Update,* U.S. ag counselor, Bangkok, Thailand (www.fas.usda.gov).

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Table 7--Global rice producers: 2004/05-2006/07 monthly revisions and annual changes 1/

	2004/05	2005/06 2/				2006/07 2/			
	October	September	October	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September	October	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons								
Argentina	683	746	746	0	63	750	750	0	4
Australia	231	749	749	0	518	780	286	-494	-463
Bangladesh	25,600	28,758	28,758	0	3,158	29,100	29,100	0	342
Brazil	8,996	7,800	7,800	0	-1,196	8,500	8,500	0	700
Burma	9,570	10,440	10,440	0	870	10,700	10,700	0	260
Cambodia	2,330	2,835	2,835	0	505	3,025	3,025	0	190
China	125,363	126,414	126,414	0	1,051	128,000	128,000	0	1,586
Colombia	1,380	1,300	1,300	0	-80	1,290	1,290	0	-10
Dominican Republic	280	246	246	0	-34	240	240	0	-6
Ecuador	430	490	490	0	60	480	480	0	-10
Egypt	4,128	4,130	4,130	0	2	4,140	4,140	0	10
European Union-25	1,864	1,710	1,710	0	-154	1,736	1,674	-62	-36
Guinea	585	627	627	0	42	553	553	0	-74
Guyana	326	326	326	0	0	312	312	0	-14
India	83,130	91,040	91,040	0	7,910	91,000	91,000	0	-40
Indonesia	34,830	34,959	34,959	0	129	35,088	35,088	0	129
Iran	2,244	2,310	2,310	0	66	2,376	2,376	0	66
Japan	7,944	8,257	8,257	0	313	7,940	7,940	0	-317
Korea, North	1,540	1,600	1,600	0	60	1,550	1,550	0	-50
Korea, South	5,000	4,768	4,768	0	-232	4,700	4,650	-50	-118
Laos	1,620	1,560	1,560	0	-60	1,590	1,590	0	30
Madagascar	1,939	2,176	2,176	0	237	2,176	2,176	0	0
Malaysia	1,415	1,440	1,440	0	25	1,420	1,420	0	-20
Mali	475	597	597	0	122	594	594	0	-3
Mexico	195	181	181	0	-14	181	181	0	0
Nepal	2,857	2,803	2,803	0	-54	2,800	2,800	0	-3
Nigeria	2,300	2,700	2,700	0	400	2,800	2,800	0	100
Pakistan	4,920	5,547	5,547	0	627	5,200	5,600	400	53
Peru	1,724	1,550	1,550	0	-174	1,580	1,580	0	30
Philippines	9,425	9,800	9,800	0	375	9,750	9,750	0	-50
Russia	306	375	375	0	69	425	425	0	50
Sri Lanka	1,974	2,100	2,100	0	126	2,150	2,150	0	50
Taiwan	1,011	1,033	1,033	0	22	1,044	1,044	0	11
Tanzania	556	573	573	0	17	556	556	0	-17
Thailand	17,360	18,200	18,200	0	840	18,500	18,500	0	300
Turkey	300	360	360	0	60	360	360	0	0
United States	7,462	7,108	7,108	0	-354	6,136	6,105	-31	-1,003
Uruguay	850	880	880	0	30	800	800	0	-80
Venezuela	425	439	439	0	14	390	390	0	-49
Vietnam	22,716	22,418	22,418	0	-298	22,536	22,536	0	118
Others	4,203	4,452	4,452	0	249	4,438	4,438	0	-14
World total	400,487	415,797	415,797	0	15,310	417,686	417,449	-237	1,652

1/ Milled basis. 2/ Projected.

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Table 8--Global rice exporters, calendar years 2005-2007; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2005	2006 1/				2007 1/			
	October	September	October	Monthly revision	Annual changes	September	October	Monthly revision	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons (milled basis)								
Argentina	345	400	400	0	55	400	400	0	0
Australia	52	500	350	-150	298	600	150	-450	-200
Brazil	272	250	250	0	-22	150	150	0	-100
Burma	190	125	125	0	-65	250	250	0	125
Cambodia	200	350	350	0	150	450	450	0	100
China	656	900	1,000	100	344	800	1,000	200	0
Egypt	1,095	1,000	1,000	0	-95	800	900	100	-100
European Union-25	201	175	175	0	-26	175	150	-25	-25
Guyana	182	170	170	0	-12	170	170	0	0
India	4,687	3,800	3,800	0	-887	4,300	4,300	0	500
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Korea, South	400	100	100	0	-300	100	100	0	0
Pakistan	3,032	3,000	3,000	0	-32	2,500	2,900	400	-100
Thailand	7,274	7,300	7,300	0	26	8,250	8,250	0	950
Uruguay	762	700	700	0	-62	750	750	0	50
Vietnam	5,174	5,200	5,200	0	26	4,700	4,700	0	-500
Other	425	321	321	0	-104	265	265	0	-56
Subtotal	25,147	24,491	24,441	-50	-706	24,860	25,085	225	644
United States	3,862	3,700	3,700	0	-162	3,000	3,000	0	-700
U.S. Share	13.3%	13.1%	13.1%	--	--	10.8%	10.7%	--	--
World total	29,009	28,191	28,141	-50	-868	27,860	28,085	225	-56

-- Not available. Note: All trade data are reported on a calendar-year basis.
1/ Projected.
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Table 9--Global rice importers, calendar years 2005-2007; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2005	2006 1/				2007 1/			
	September	August	September	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	August	September	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
Angola	250	225	225	0	-25	225	225	0	0
Bangladesh	785	600	600	0	-185	600	600	0	0
Brazil	547	550	550	0	3	650	650	0	100
Cambodia	350	150	150	0	-200	150	150	0	0
Cameroon	350	275	275	0	-75	300	300	0	25
Canada	321	325	335	10	14	325	350	25	15
China	609	700	700	0	91	800	800	0	100
Colombia	92	100	100	0	8	100	100	0	0
Costa Rica	106	100	100	0	-6	100	100	0	0
Cote d'Ivoire	867	750	850	100	-17	750	800	50	-50
Cuba	736	700	700	0	-36	700	700	0	0
Dominican Republic	56	120	120	0	64	60	60	0	-60
El Salvador	69	75	75	0	6	75	75	0	0
Ghana	450	400	400	0	-50	450	450	0	50
Guatemala	58	50	50	0	-8	60	60	0	10
Guinea	300	300	300	0	0	300	300	0	0
Haiti	328	400	400	0	72	350	350	0	-50
Honduras	116	100	100	0	-16	100	100	0	0
Indonesia	500	600	900	300	400	600	600	0	-300
Iran	983	1,200	1,200	0	217	900	900	0	-300
Iraq	786	1,200	1,200	0	414	1,200	1,200	0	0
Jamaica	48	50	50	0	2	50	50	0	0
Japan	787	650	650	0	-137	650	650	0	0
Jordan	154	125	125	0	-29	125	125	0	0
Korea, North	600	500	400	-100	-200	500	500	0	100
Korea, South	120	475	475	0	355	265	265	0	-210
Madagascar	250	100	100	0	-150	200	200	0	100
Malaysia	751	750	750	0	-1	775	775	0	25
Mexico	553	600	600	0	47	600	600	0	0
Mozambique	350	350	350	0	0	350	350	0	0
Nicaragua	134	120	120	0	-14	130	130	0	10
Nigeria	1,777	1,700	1,600	-100	-177	1,700	1,700	0	100
Peru	125	50	50	0	-75	80	80	0	30
Philippines	1,890	1,900	1,900	0	10	1,650	1,650	0	-250
Russia	350	375	375	0	25	375	375	0	0
Saudi Arabia	1,357	1,000	1,000	0	-357	1,000	1,000	0	0
Senegal	1,200	750	750	0	-450	850	850	0	100
Singapore	375	375	375	0	0	375	375	0	0
South Africa	850	800	800	0	-50	800	800	0	0
Sri Lanka	50	50	50	0	0	50	50	0	0
Syria	232	250	250	0	18	250	250	0	0
Taiwan	125	125	125	0	0	125	125	0	0
Turkey	298	200	200	0	-98	300	300	0	100
United Arab Emirates	80	80	80	0	0	80	80	0	0
Yemen	250	250	250	0	0	250	250	0	0
Vietnam	320	350	350	0	30	300	300	0	-50
European Union	968	975	975	0	7	975	975	0	0
Other Europe	220	220	220	0	0	205	205	0	-15
United States	419	525	525	0	106	575	575	0	50
Subtotal	23,292	22,615	22,825	210	-467	22,380	22,455	75	-370
Other countries	3,653	3,411	3,411	0	-242	3,541	3,541	0	130
Unaccounted	2,064	2,140	1,955	-185	-109	1,939	1,864	-75	-91
World total	29,009	28,166	28,191	25	-818	27,860	27,860	0	-331

Note: All trade data are reported on a calendar-year basis.
1/ Projected. 2/ Includes countries not listed separately as well as imports not assigned a specific destination.
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