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U.S. 2008/09 Export Forecast Lowered to 94.0 Million Cwt

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There were no supply-side revisions this month to the 2008/09 U.S. rough-rice balance sheet. On the use side, the U.S. export forecast was lowered 4.0 million cwt to 94.0 million, partly based on a slower-than-expected shipment pace through late February. Through late February, U.S. sales to the Middle East, North America, Central America, and Sub-Saharan Africa were all well behind a year earlier. In contrast, U.S. sales to South America—primarily to Venezuela and Columbia—were well ahead of a year earlier.

By class, both long- and combined medium/short-grain exports were each lowered 2.0 million cwt. By type, both milled and rough exports were lowered 2.0 million hundred weight (wt), with milled-rice exports the lowest since 1985/86. The lower export forecast boosted the U.S. ending stocks forecast 15 percent to 30.2 million cwt, yielding a stocks-to-use ratio of 13.7 percent. The 2008/09 U.S. all-rice season-average farm price (SAFP) was lowered 50 cents per cwt on both the high and low ends to \$15.50-\$16.50 per cwt, still the highest on record and well above the 2007/08 SAFP of \$12.80.

Global rice production for 2008/09 is projected at a record 441.0 million tons (on a milled basis), up 1.2 million from last month's forecast and 2 percent above 2007/08 production. This year's record global rice production is due to expanded rice area; the average yield is virtually unchanged from last year's record. India accounts for most of the upward revision in production. Global ending stocks are projected at 86.1 million tons, up 2 percent from last month's forecast and the largest since 2002/03. India accounts for most of this month's upward revision in global ending stocks.

Thailand's trading prices for various grades and types of rice have changed little from a month earlier. Currently, Thailand is doing very little new business, as its quoted prices are well above prices from other sources, largely a result of its government's intervention program. Last month the Government of Vietnam announced a ban on new commercial sales through June 2009, as Vietnam has already oversold for the first half of the year and domestic prices are rising. Export price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice continue to drop, primarily due to a lack of any substantial new business and adequate supplies. Price quotes for California medium-grain milled rice have increased from a month ago and are only slightly below last fall's record highs.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. 2008/09 All-Rice Season-Average Farm Price Projection Lowered to \$15.50-\$16.50 per Cwt

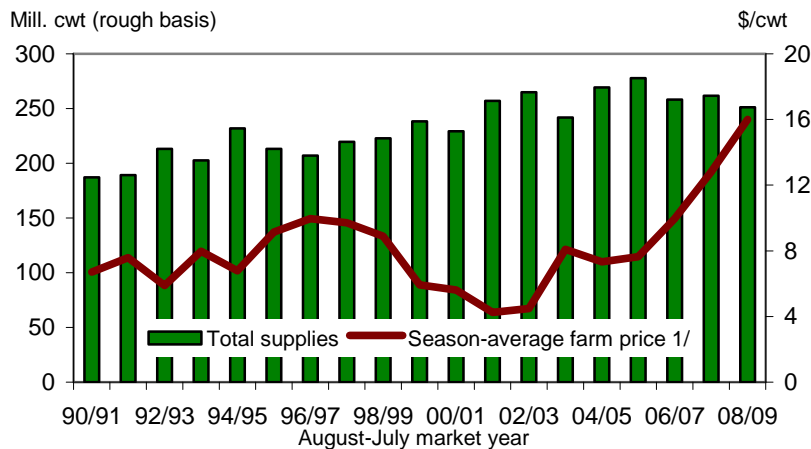
The 2008/09 U.S. all-rice season-average farm price (SAFP) was lowered 50 cents per hundredweight (cwt) on both the high and low ends to \$15.50-\$16.50 per cwt, still the highest on record and well above the 2007/08 SAFP of \$12.80. The downward revision was based on reported cash prices through mid-February and expectations regarding prices the remainder of the market year.

By class, the 2008/09 long-grain rough-rice price is forecast at a record \$14.50-\$15.50 per cwt, down 50 cents on each end from last month, but well above \$12.40 a year earlier. The combined medium/short-grain average price remains projected at a record \$20.50-\$21.50 per cwt, well above \$14.60 in 2007/08. The record U.S. 2008/09 SAFP is the result of many factors, including continued supply restrictions by key exporters, the surge in global commodity prices in 2008, and fallout from the global financial crisis.

Last month, USDA reported a mid-February all-rice rough-rice cash price of \$16.80 per cwt. The February preliminary cash price is more than \$4.00 above a year earlier. The January full-month price is unchanged from a preliminary \$17.00. By class, the long-grain mid-February cash price was reported at \$15.30 per cwt, unchanged from the revised January cash price. The January long-grain price was lowered 80 cents from the mid-month estimate. U.S. long-grain reported cash prices have dropped \$2.70 since the start of the 2008/09 market year.

Figure 1

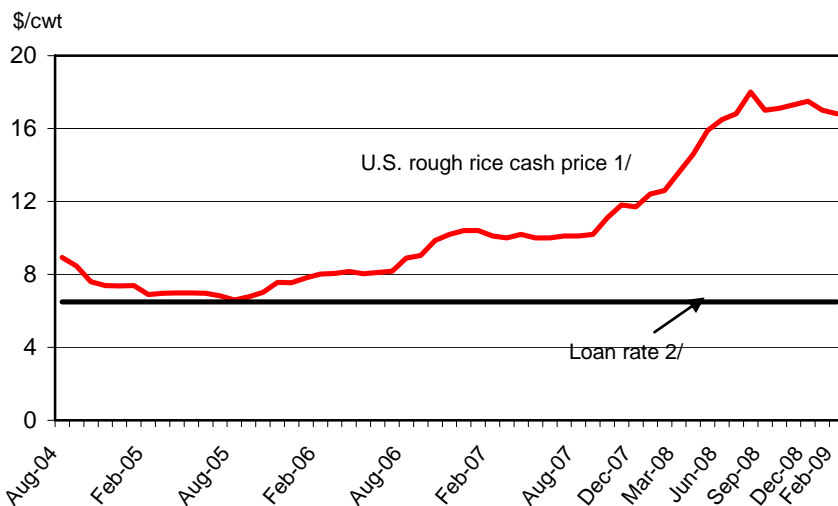
The 2008/09 U.S. season-average farm price is the highest on record



1/2008/09 mid-point of range. Sources: 1990/91-2005/06, *2007 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

Figure 2

U.S. rough-rice cash prices have dropped from the August record



February 2009 U.S. rough-rice cash price mid-month only.

1/ Monthly U.S. cash price for all-rice reported by NASS. 2/ Production-weighted average of reported rough-rice loan rates by class.

Sources: U.S. cash price, *Agricultural Prices*, NASS, USDA; Loan rates, FSA, USDA, <http://ftp.fsa.usda.gov/public/cotton/default.htm>.

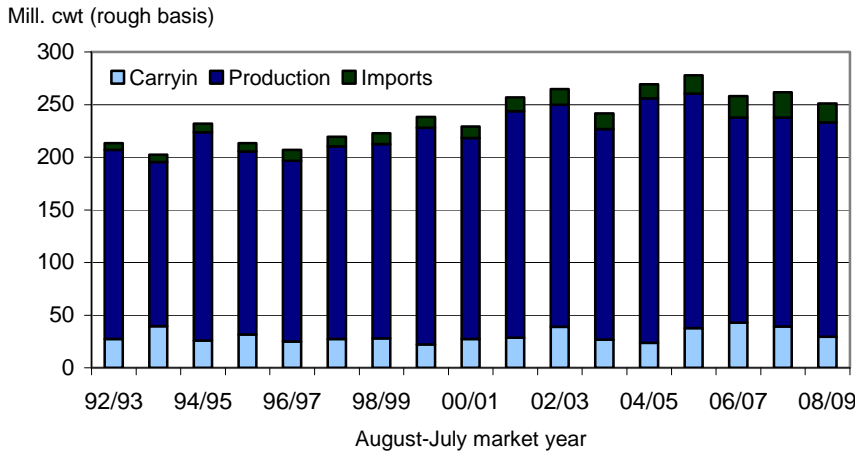
For medium/short-grain rice, the mid-February price was reported at a record \$23.20 per cwt, up \$2.10 from a revised January price. The January price was raised \$1.60 from the mid-month estimate. U.S. medium/short-grain prices are being supported by smaller U.S. supplies this year, concerns over water availability in California for 2009 plantings, and impacts from Egypt’s export ban.

U.S. Rice Imports Are Projected To Decline 25 Percent in 2008/09

There were no supply-side revisions this month. Total supplies remain projected at 251.2 million cwt, down 4 percent from a year earlier. This year, a much smaller carryin and a big decline in imports more than offset a larger crop. At 29.4 million cwt, carryin is 25 percent below a year earlier and the smallest since 2004/05. Long-grain accounts for the bulk of the decline in carryin. At 19.0 million cwt, long-grain carryin is 33 percent below a year earlier and the smallest since 2004/05. Medium/short-grain carryin is estimated at 9.1 million cwt, a drop of 9 percent from a year ago and the smallest since 1999/2000.

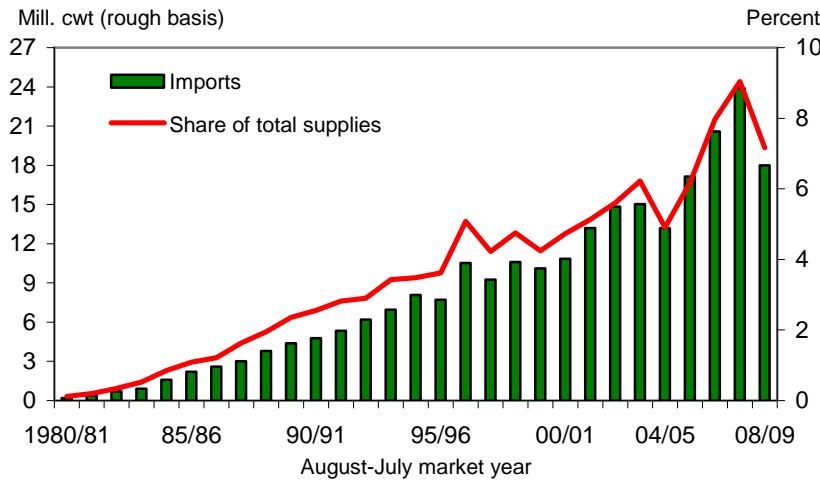
Imports of all-rice remain forecast at 18.0 million cwt, down 25 percent from the year-earlier record. Reported deliveries by the U.S. Census Bureau from August-December 2008 were more than a third behind a year earlier. Shipments from the three largest suppliers—Thailand, India, and China—were behind a year earlier.

Figure 3
Total U.S. rice supplies are projected to decline 4 percent in 2008/09



2008/09 are forecasts.
 Sources: 1992/93-2005/06, *2007 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA;
 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*,
<http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

Figure 4
Imports are projected to decline 25 percent in 2008/09



2008/09 are forecasts. Sources: 1980/81-2005/06, *2007 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

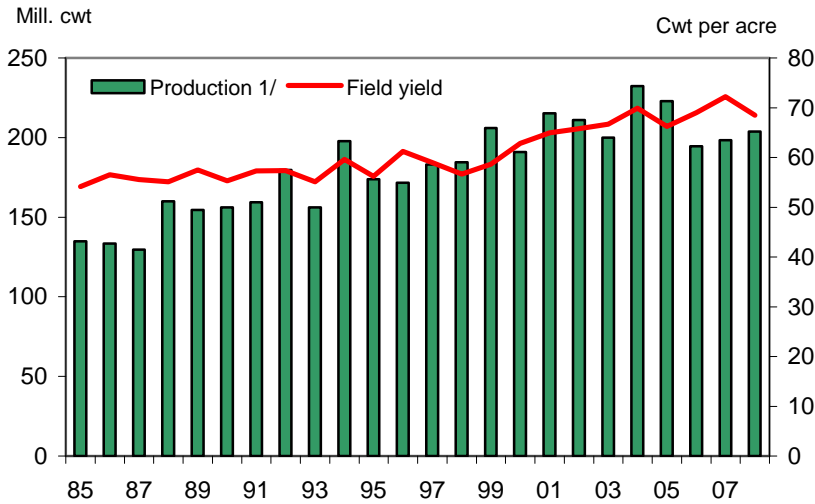
Long-grain imports remain projected at 15.0 million cwt, 15 percent below the year-earlier record. Almost all U.S. long-grain imports are aromatics from Asia. Thailand, India, and Pakistan supply virtually all aromatics imported by the United States, with Thailand being the largest supplier of imported rice to the United States.

Medium/short-grain imports remain forecast at 3.0 million cwt, more than 50 percent below the year-earlier near-record. In recent years, large purchases by Puerto Rico have accounted for a substantial share of U.S. medium/short-grain imports, with China as the principle supplier. Through December 2008, there have been virtually no reported shipments of medium/short-grain rice to Puerto Rico for the 2008/09 market year.

The U.S. 2008/09 rough-rice crop remains estimated at 203.7 million cwt, almost 3 percent above a year earlier. The larger crop was the result of an 8-percent area expansion that more than offset a 5-percent yield decline. By class, long-grain accounted for all of the production increase. At 153.3 million cwt, long-grain production is 7 percent larger than a year earlier, a result of an almost 15-percent increase in area that more than offsetting a lower yield. In contrast, medium/short-grain production declined almost 9 percent to 50.5 million cwt, a result of smaller plantings. The yield was up almost 2 percent from last year and is the second-highest on record.

Rice acreage increased in 2008/09 in all southern rice-growing States, primarily due to extremely high prices at planting and expectations of very strong prices in 2008/09. In contrast, rice acreage declined about 3 percent in California. Yields were lower in 2008/09 in all southern growing States except Texas, a result of late planting in much of the region and two late-summer hurricanes that damaged crops across most of the South. Texas was an exception, as most of the Texas crop was harvested prior to the hurricanes. The California yield was up slightly from last year. All States except California and Arkansas harvested larger crops in 2008/09, with Louisiana accounting for the largest share of the production increase.

Figure 5
Average U.S. field yields dropped 5 percent in 2008/09



Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Quick Stats*, U.S. & All States Data--Crops. http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data_and_Statistics/Quick_Stats/index.asp

***U.S. 2008/09 All-Rice Export Forecast
Lowered 4.0 Million Cwt to 94.0 Million Cwt***

Total use of U.S. rice in 2008/09 is projected at 221.0 million cwt, down 4.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 5 percent below last year. Exports account for all of this month's reduction in total use. The 2008/09 all-rice export forecast was lowered 4.0 million cwt to 94.0 million cwt, down 13 percent from last year. The downward revision was largely based on shipment data reported by the Census Bureau through December, shipment and sales through late February 2009 reported in the weekly *U.S. Export Sales*, and expectations regarding sales and shipment pace the remainder of the market year.

U.S. milled-rice exports were lowered 2.0 million cwt to 58.0 million, 14 percent below a year ago and the lowest since 1985/86. Prior to 1989/90, almost all U.S. rice exports were brown or milled rice. Through late February 2009, U.S. shipments of milled rice to the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa were substantially lower than a year earlier.

The U.S. rough-rice export forecast was lowered 2.0 million cwt to 36.0 million, down 10 percent from a year earlier. Through late February, the U.S. rough-rice shipment pace to Mexico and Central America was sharply behind a year earlier. These are the two largest markets for U.S. rough-rice. In 2007/08, Mexico imported more than 900,000 tons of U.S. rough-rice, the highest on record and 26 percent above a year earlier. The decline in sales to these two markets has been partially offset by substantial U.S. rough-rice sales to Venezuela and Columbia. These two South American countries have not typically been buyers of U.S. rice. Long-grain accounts for almost all of the rice imported by Latin America.

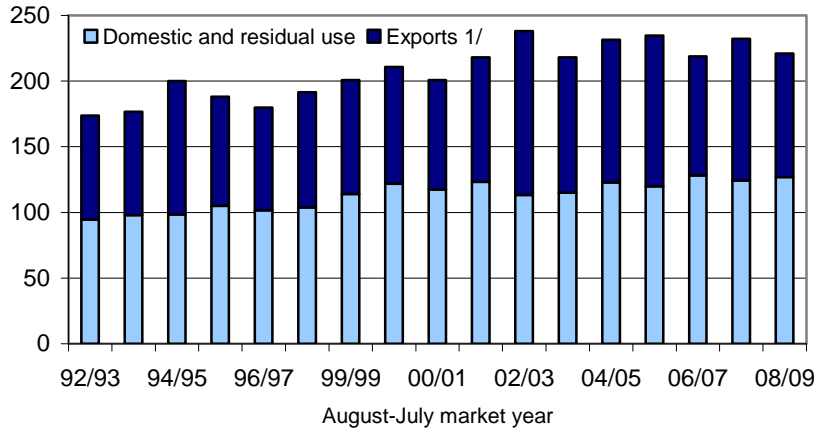
By class, long-grain exports were lowered 2.0 million cwt to 72.0 million, 12 percent below a year earlier. Through late February, the pace of shipments of long-grain rice to the Middle East, North and Central America, and Sub-Saharan Africa was well behind a year earlier. This was partially offset by the large sales of long-grain rice to South America. The medium/short-grain export forecast was lowered 2.0 million cwt to 22.0 million, 16 percent below last year's near-record. Through late February, sales to Turkey were behind a year earlier, and Taiwan has yet to make any of its 2009 WTO purchases. Despite the projected decline in U.S. medium/short-grain exports, the U.S. has picked up markets in Oceania this year previously supplied by Australia. Prolonged drought has sharply lowered Australia's exports.

Total domestic disappearance—including the residual that accounts for losses in processing, marketing, and transportation—remains projected at a near-record 127.0 million cwt, up 2 percent from a year earlier. Long-grain domestic and residual use remains forecast at a record 95 million cwt. Medium/short-grain domestic and residual use remains forecast at 32.0 million cwt, 10 percent below a year earlier. Due to the record high prices of medium/short-grain rice, some U.S. processors are likely switching from medium/short-grain rice to lower-priced U.S. long-grain rice.

Figure 6

U.S. exports are projected to decline 13 percent in 2008/09

Mill. cwt (rough basis)

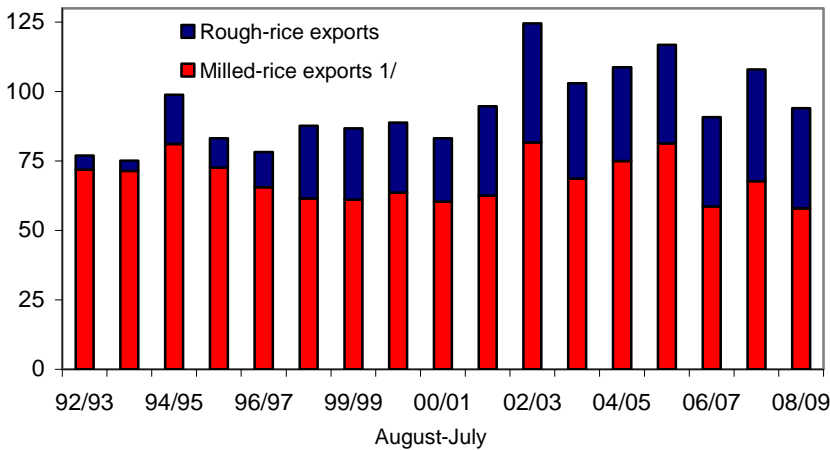


1/ Rough-equivalent of milled, brown, and rough-rice exports. 2008/09 forecasts.
Sources: 1992/93-2005/06, *2008 Rice Yearbook*, ERS/USDA; 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

Figure 7

Both U.S. milled- and rough-rice exports are projected smaller in 2008/09 1/

Mil. cwt



Rough-basis. 2008/09 forecasts. Source: *World Agricultural Supply and Use Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

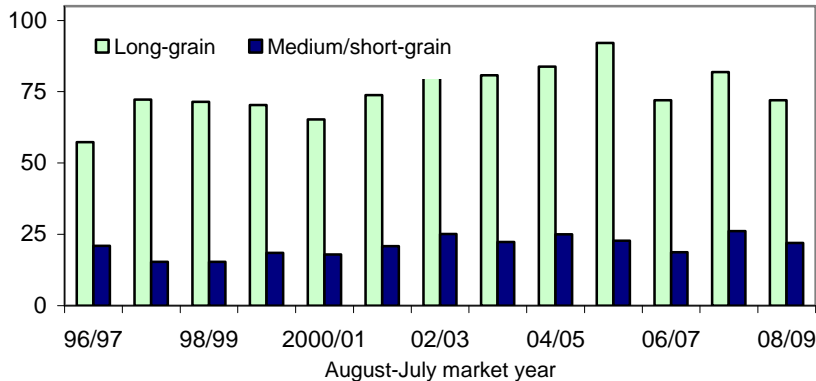
U.S. ending stocks for 2008/09 are projected at 30.2 million cwt, up 4.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and more than 2 percent larger than the previous year. The stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 13.7 percent, up 1 percentage point from last year. By class, long-grain ending stocks are projected at 20.3 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 7 percent larger than a year earlier.

Medium/short-grain ending stocks are projected at 8.6 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month and 6 percent smaller than a year earlier. Despite the upward revision, medium/short-grain ending stocks are the lowest since at least 1998/99.

Figure 8

U.S. long-grain exports are projected to decline 12 percent in 2008/09

Mill. cwt (rough basis)



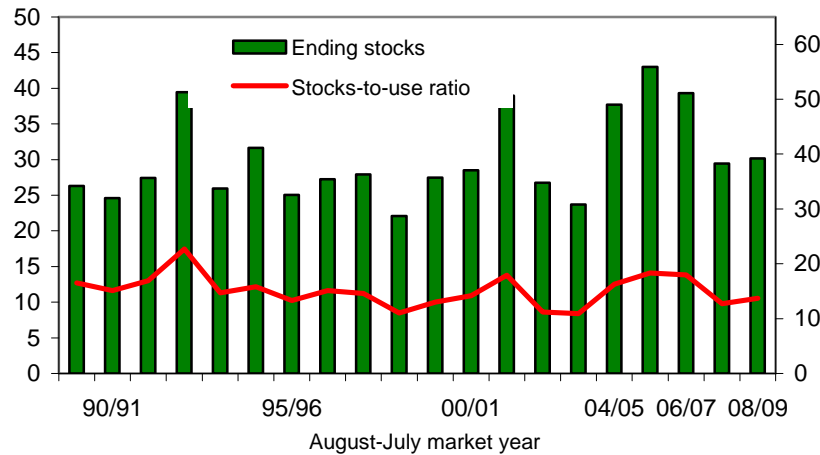
2008/09 forecasts. 1/ Total of milled, brown, and rough-rice exports on a rough basis. Sources: 1996/97-2005/06, *2007 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service/USDA; 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

Figure 9

U.S. ending stocks are projected to increase 2 percent in 2008/09

Mill. cwt (rough basis)

Percent



2008/09 forecasts. Sources: 1989/90-2005/06, *2007 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2006/07-2008/09, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

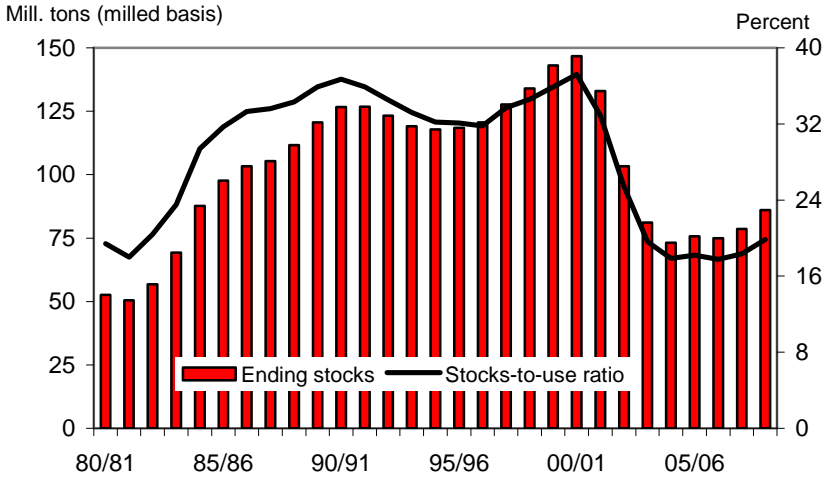
India's 2008/09 Production Forecast Raised to a Record 98.9 Million Tons

Global rice production for 2008/09 is projected at a record 441.0 million tons (on a milled basis), up 1.2 million from last month's forecast and 2 percent above 2007/08 production. This is the fourth consecutive year of a record global crop. This year's record global rice production is due to expanded rice area, estimated at a record 155.5 million hectares. The average yield of 4.2 tons per hectare—the highest on record—is virtually unchanged from last year.

Global disappearance is projected at a record 433.4 million tons, down fractionally from last month's forecast, but more than 1 percent larger than a year earlier. Consumption forecasts (including a residual component) were lowered this month for India and Bangladesh.

Global ending stocks are projected at 86.1 million tons, up 2 percent from last month's forecast and 10 percent larger than a year earlier. Global ending stocks are the highest since 2002/03. This is the second consecutive year of a significant build-up in global stocks. The global stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 19.9 percent, up from 18.3 percent in 2007/08 and the highest since 2002/03. India accounts for most of this month's increase in global stocks. India's ending stocks forecast was raised 1.5 million tons to 17.0 million tons, the largest since 2001/02. The U.S. ending stocks forecast was raised almost 130,000 tons to 965,000.

Figure 10
Global ending stocks are projected to increase 10 percent in 2008/09



2008/09 are forecasts. Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA. <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

India accounts for the largest share of this month's upward revision in global production. India's 2008/09 production forecast was raised 1.4 million tons to a record 98.9 million based on a higher yield reported by the government. The area estimate was actually lowered. This upward revision was partially offset by an 87,000-ton reduction in Argentina's production to 813,000, based on government data indicating a lower yield resulting from severe drought in the region.

In 2008/09, most rice exporters are projected to harvest larger crops, with record production projected for three of the top six exporters—Thailand, India, and Pakistan. Of the remaining top three exporters, only Vietnam is projected to harvest a smaller crop in 2008/09, with China and the United States increasing production in 2008/09. Cambodia—a midsized exporter—is projected to produce more rice in 2008/09 as well. Production was little changed from last year in Egypt and Argentina, also midsized exporters.

Most major importers are projected to harvest larger crops in 2008/09, with production in Sub-Saharan Africa, the Philippines, Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Malaysia the largest on record. Iran and Iraq are exceptions among the major importers, with big declines in production estimated for both countries due to weak crops.

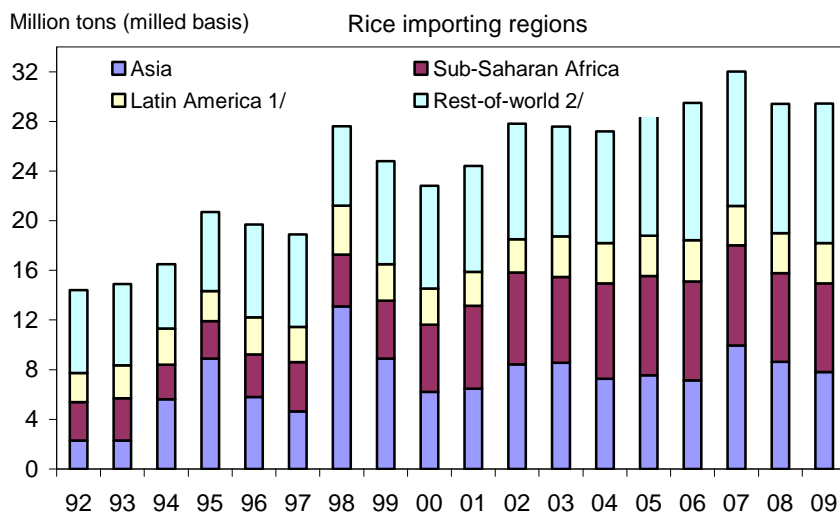
Global Rice Trade in 2009 Projected To Be Unchanged from Last Year

The 2009 calendar year global rice trade forecast was lowered fractionally to 29.4 million tons (milled basis), virtually unchanged from last year. Global trade in 2009 is 8 percent below the 2007 record of 32.0 million tons. Export bans and high prices account for much of the decline in global trade in 2008. The high prices last spring and summer likely encouraged expanded plantings in many importing countries, limiting any trade growth this year.

There was only one export revision this month for 2009. The U.S. export forecast was decreased 100,000 tons to 3.1 million tons, a result of a slower-than-expected shipment pace early in the year, a reduced forecast for market year 2008/09 U.S. exports, and expectations regarding shipments the remainder of 2009.

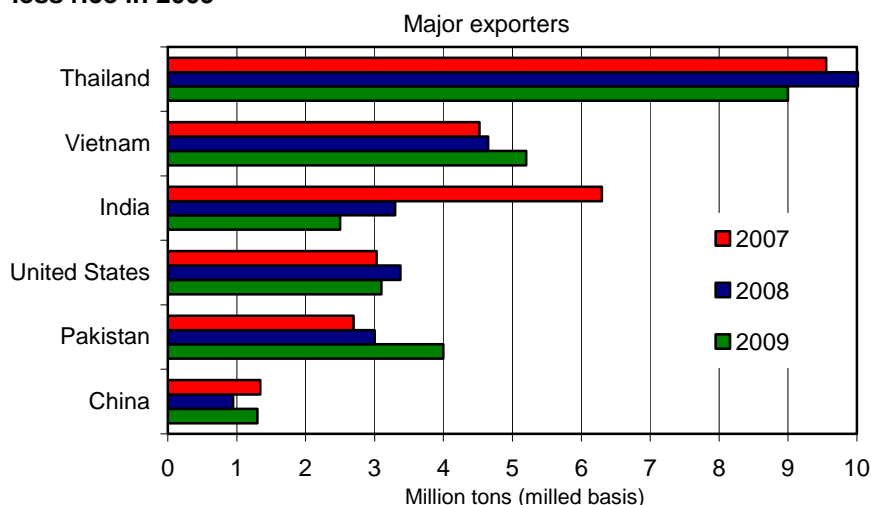
There were four 2009 import revisions this month. First, Saudi Arabia's imports were boosted 270,000 tons to 1.37 million, primarily based on an upward revision in 2008 imports. Second, Yemen's imports were raised 75,000 tons to 325,000, also based on higher 2008 purchases. Third, the U.S. 2009 import forecast was raised 50,000 tons to a record 700,000 tons based on 2008 year-end import data and expectations regarding 2009 purchases. These three upward revisions were partially offset by a 50,000-ton reduction in Malaysia's imports to 830,000. The revision was based on information from the U.S. agricultural counselor in Kuala Lumpur. Malaysia's 2008/09 production is projected to be the highest on record.

Figure 11
Global rice trade is projected virtually unchanged in 2009



1/ Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. 2008 are estimated. 2009 are forecast. 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>.

Figure 12
Thailand, India, and the United States are projected to export less rice in 2009

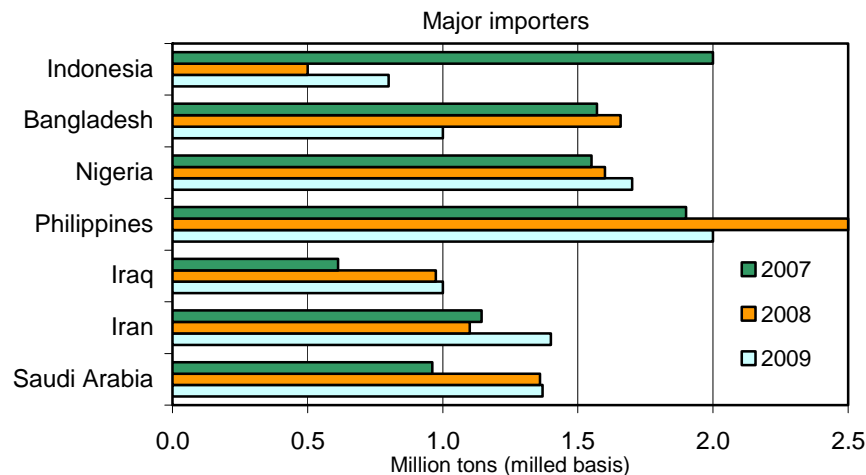


2009 projections. These six countries account for more than 85 percent of global rice exports.
 Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

The 2008 global trade estimate was reduced 1 percent this month to 29.4 million tons, 8 percent below the 2007 record. Country-specific revisions were primarily based on year-end or near-year-end shipment data. On the export side, Argentina's exports were lowered 42,000 tons to 408,000, and Uruguay's were decreased 141,000 tons to 634,000.

Figure 13

Bangladesh and the Philippines are projected to reduce imports in 2009



2009 projections. These seven countries account for about one-third of global imports. Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

Lower-than-expected sales to Brazil account for most of the downward revision for both regional exporters. The U.S. export estimate was lowered 125,000 tons to 3.375 million based year-end shipment data. In contrast, Brazil's 2008 exports were raised 11,000 tons to a record 511,000.

There were several revisions on the 2008 import side, with most of the revisions minor. South Africa reported the largest reduction. South Africa's imports were lowered 185,000 tons to 665,000 tons based on shipment data and information from the U.S. agricultural counselor. The U.S. import estimate was reduced 49,000 tons to 651,000 based on year-end U.S. Census data. Singapore's imports were lowered 55,000 tons to 320,000 tons based on near-year-end data. Smaller import reductions were made for Cote d'Ivoire, the European Union, and Libya.

The largest upward revision for 2008 imports was a 345,000-ton boost in Saudi Arabia's imports to 1.36 million tons based on information from the U.S. agricultural counselor in Riyadh. Syria's imports were raised 150,000 tons to 250,000, based on information from the U.S. agricultural counselor in Damascus. Yemen's imports were raised 75,000 tons to 325,000 tons based on near-complete shipment data. Malaysia's 2008 imports were raised 65,000 tons to a record 1.02 million. Smaller upward revisions were made this month for Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Canada, and Honduras.

***Thailand's Prices Are Little Changed from Last Month;
U.S. Long-Grain Prices Continue To Decline***

Thailand's trading prices for various grades and types of rice have changed little from a month earlier. Currently, Thailand is doing very little new business, as its quoted prices are well above prices from other sources, largely a result of its government's intervention program. The Government of Thailand purchased about 6.0 million tons of rough-rice from producers from its 2008/09 main-crop harvest and has announced that it plans to purchase 2.5 million tons of rough-rice from its smaller 2008/09 second-crop. Second-crop purchases began March 16, with proposed prices 10-30 percent above market prices.

Prices for Thailand's high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (fob vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$619 per ton for the week ending March 9, up \$7 from the week ending February 9. Prices for 5-percent brokens were quoted at \$591 per ton for the week ending March 9, virtually unchanged from February 9. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice—a specialty rice—were quoted at \$628 per ton for the week ending March 9, down \$11 from February 9.

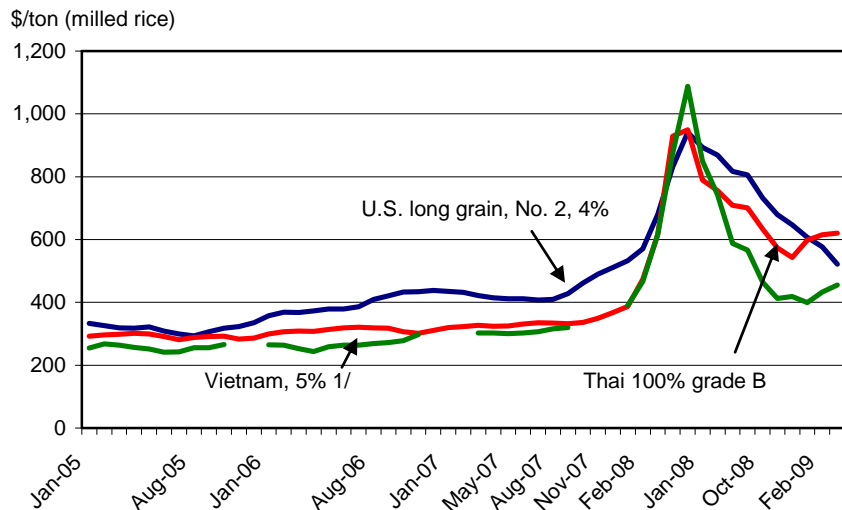
Prices for lower quality rice have increased since last month. For the week ending March 9, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent brokens were quoted at \$331 per ton, up \$14 from February 9. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update*, reported by the U.S. agricultural counselor in Bangkok.

On February 21, the Government of Vietnam announced a ban on new commercial sales through June 2009, as Vietnam has already oversold for the first half of the year and domestic prices are rising. Vietnam has sold 3.0 million tons of rice for delivery in the first half of 2009. The ban does not restrict government sales. For the week ending March 10, the minimum export price announced by the Vietnam Food Association for Vietnam's top-quality 5-percent brokens for July-September delivery was \$460 per ton. This is \$40 higher than reported quotes in early February. There is currently little interest by buyers in sales this far forward.

Export price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice continue to drop, primarily due to a lack of any substantial new business and adequate supplies. For the week ending March 10, price quotes for high-quality southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent brokens, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at \$507 per ton, down \$55 from a month earlier and almost \$450 below the late-April record. U.S. prices (adjusted to reflect fob vessel price) are actually lower than Thailand's price quotes. However, there have been very little, if any, sales of high-quality rice by Thailand at quoted prices. Price quotes for U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) are reported at \$305 per ton for the week ending March 10, down \$35 from February 10.

Figure 14

U.S. price long-grain prices continue to fall



Monthly prices are simple average of weekly quotes. All prices quoted "free-on-board" vessel. 1/ April-June 2008 nominal price quotes, not actual trading prices.

Sources: Thai price quotes, *Thailand Grain and Feed Weekly Rice Price Update*, U.S. Agricultural Counselor, Bangkok; U.S. and Vietnam price quotes, *Creed Rice Market Report*.

In contrast to long grain, price quotes for California medium-grain milled rice have increased from a month ago and are only slightly below last fall's record highs. Prices for California package-quality medium-grain rice (sacked) for domestic sales are quoted at \$1,091 per ton for the week ending March 10, up \$55 from February 10. Export price quotes (in 30-kg bags, fob vessel) are reported at \$1,125 per ton, up \$25 from February 10. U.S. medium-grain prices are being supported at near-record levels by Egypt's export ban, a lack of any significant exportable supplies in Australia, a smaller U.S. crop in 2008/09, and uncertainty regarding water availability for California plantings. The first indication of 2009 planting intentions by farmers will be released on March 31.

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

Item	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09 2/
TOTAL RICE						
Million acres						
Area:						
Planted	3.022	3.347	3.384	2.838	2.761	2.995
Harvested	2.997	3.325	3.364	2.821	2.748	2.976
Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,670	6,988	6,624	6,898	7,219	6,846
Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	26.8	23.7	37.7	43.0	39.3	29.4
Production	199.9	232.4	222.8	194.6	198.4	203.7
Imports	15.0	13.2	17.1	20.6	23.9	18.0
Total supply	241.7	269.3	277.7	258.2	261.6	251.2
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	110.8	118.5	116.4	124.7	120.6	N/A
Seed	4.1	4.2	3.5	3.4	3.6	N/A
Total domestic use	114.9	122.7	119.9	128.1	124.2	127.0
Exports	103.1	108.8	114.8	90.8	107.9	94.0
Rough	34.4	33.8	33.4	32.1	40.2	36.0
Milled 4/	68.7	75.0	81.4	58.7	67.8	58.0
Total use	218.0	231.5	234.7	218.8	232.1	221.0
Ending stocks	23.7	37.7	43.0	39.3	29.4	30.2
Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	10.9	16.3	18.3	18.0	12.7	13.7
\$/cwt						
Average farm price 5/	8.08	7.33	7.65	9.96	12.80	15.50 to 16.50
Percent						
Average milling rate	70.79	70.80	70.29	71.00	70.50	70.50

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

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

Item	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09 2/
LONG GRAIN:						
Million acres						
Planted	2.332	2.587	2.751	2.200	2.063	2.365
Harvested	2.310	2.571	2.734	2.186	2.052	2.350
Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,451	6,630	6,479	6,727	6,980	6,522
Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	15.7	10.3	22.7	32.7	28.5	19.0
Production	149.0	170.4	177.1	147.1	143.2	153.3
Imports	9.8	10.5	12.3	14.2	17.7	15.0
Total supply	174.5	191.3	212.1	194.0	189.4	187.3
Domestic use 3/	83.4	84.7	87.4	93.4	88.5	95.0
Exports	80.7	83.8	92.1	72.0	81.9	72.0
Total use	164.2	168.5	179.5	165.4	170.4	167.0
Ending stocks	10.3	22.7	32.7	28.5	19.0	20.3
Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	6.3	13.5	18.2	17.3	11.2	12.1
Average farm price	7.60	7.34	7.30	9.47	12.40	14.50 to 15.50
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:						
Million acres						
Planted	0.690	0.760	0.633	0.638	0.698	0.630
Harvested	0.687	0.754	0.630	0.635	0.696	0.626
Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	7,407	8,212	7,255	7,484	7,921	8,063
Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	9.3	12.4	13.8	9.4	10.0	9.1
Production	50.9	61.9	45.7	47.5	55.1	50.5
Imports	5.3	2.7	4.9	6.3	6.2	3.0
Total supply 4/	66.2	76.8	64.7	63.4	70.8	62.6
Domestic use 3/	31.5	38.0	32.5	34.6	35.7	32.0
Exports	22.3	25.0	22.8	18.8	26.1	22.0
Total use	53.9	63.0	55.2	53.4	61.7	54.0
Ending stocks	12.4	13.8	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.6
Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	22.9	21.9	17.1	18.8	14.7	15.8
Average farm price	9.94	7.29	9.49	12.10	14.60	20.50 to 21.50
Ending stocks difference 1/	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.8	1.3	1.3

1/ Stock totals by type omit broken, 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 broken. 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.

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

Month	2008/09		2007/08		2006/07	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	18.00	9,699	10.10	9,579	8.89	12,845
September	17.00	10,947	10.20	14,396	9.04	10,212
October	17.10	14,799	11.10	16,382	9.86	13,237
November	17.30	13,046	11.80	11,919	10.20	11,790
December	17.50	11,979	11.70	20,402	10.40	13,083
January	17.00	15,081	12.40	19,569	10.40	18,199
February	16.80	N/A	12.60	14,761	10.10	12,502
March			13.60	14,581	10.00	13,604
April			14.60	12,083	10.20	11,540
May			15.90	12,271	10.00	11,979
June			16.50	8,533	10.00	9,977
July			16.80	8,709	10.10	10,156
Average price	17.24 1/ 15.50-16.50 2/	12,592 3/	12.80	13,599 3/	9.96	12,427 3/
Total volume marketed 4/		75,551		163,185		149,124

N/A = Not available. 1/ 2008/09 simple-average through current month only.

2/ Season-average farm price projection. 3/ Average marketings. 4/ 2008/09 through current month only.

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

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Table 4 -- Reported U.S. monthly average farm prices and marketings by type 2008/09

Month	Long Grain		Medium/Short Grain	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	18.00	7,394	18.30	2,305
September	16.90	9,469	17.80	1,478
October	16.80	10,702	17.80	4,097
November	16.30	8,297	19.10	4,749
December	16.20	8,461	20.70	3,518
January	15.30	10,509	21.10	4,572
February 1/	15.30	N/A	23.20	N/A
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
Average price	16.40 2/	9,139 3/	19.71 2/	3,453 3/
Total volume marketed 4/		54,832		20,719

N/A = Not available. 1/ Preliminary estimates. 2/ 2008/09 simple-average through current month only.

3/ Average marketings. 4/ 2008/09 through current month only.

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

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Table 5--USDA-calculated world market rice prices (rough basis) 1/

Month	2008/09		2007/08			2006/07		
	Long	Medium/short	Long	Medium	Short	Long	Medium	Short
	\$/cwt							
August	17.33	17.48	7.56	7.51	7.59	6.85	6.78	6.80
September	17.83	17.98	7.72	7.66	7.75	6.87	6.80	6.82
October	16.93	17.08	7.90	7.84	7.93	6.93	6.85	6.87
November	15.52	15.65	8.59	8.53	8.63	6.97	6.90	6.92
December	14.17	14.28	8.96	8.90	9.00	7.02	6.95	6.97
January	12.71	12.81	9.10	9.05	9.14	7.26	7.20	7.22
February	12.74	12.80	9.67	9.91	9.85	7.53	7.75	7.91
March 2/	12.47	12.53	12.01	12.33	12.26	7.75	7.97	8.14
April			15.09	15.14	15.06	7.75	7.97	8.14
May			18.81	18.88	18.78	7.64	7.86	8.03
June			17.85	17.92	17.82	7.57	7.79	7.95
July			16.59	16.65	16.56	7.54	7.76	7.91
Market-year average 1/	14.96	15.08	11.65	11.69	11.70	7.31	7.38	7.47

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 6--U.S. commercial rice exports 1/

Country or region	2008/09 as of 03/5/09	2007/08 as of 03/6/08	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year	2005/06 market year	2004/05 market year
1,000 metric tons						
EUROPE & FSU	44.7	65.9	89.8	53.9	332.1	329.2
European Union	39.5	64.2	87.0	51.4	311.3	294.7
Other Europe	2.8	1.3	0.8	1.3	17.8	31.6
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	2.4	0.4	2.0	1.2	3.0	2.9
NORTHEAST ASIA	422.7	403.9	450.9	467.0	486.2	517.1
Hong Kong	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.6	2.6	5.2
Japan	336.4	301.6	339.9	324.5	352.4	347.0
South Korea	85.3	75.8	78.6	69.0	69.4	65.1
Taiwan	0.6	25.7	31.3	72.9	61.8	99.8
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	414.6	557.8	697.5	483.6	744.5	587.6
French Pacific Islands	6.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.7
Iraq	0.0	218.9	188.6	308.8	349.8	123.6
Iran	31.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Israel	29.6	26.8	30.0	4.8	14.7	15.2
Jordan	54.3	69.2	79.7	50.8	44.4	91.8
Papua New Guinea	92.6	0.0	2.3	0.0	21.9	37.9
Philippines	46.3	44.1	70.7	0.0	65.2	60.0
Saudi Arabia	101.0	113.3	111.3	87.1	116.0	86.8
Turkey	7.9	52.0	154.9	0.1	58.3	117.0
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	44.5	33.5	60.0	32.0	74.0	54.6
AFRICA	81.5	120.6	119.6	97.7	131.7	169.3
Cote d'Ivoire	15.0	15.0	0.0	0.0	14.0	10.0
Ghana	46.8	83.1	75.9	80.4	91.4	121.5
Liberia	13.8	15.9	8.3	11.2	12.6	10.2
Libya	1.1	0.5	0.7	2.1	0.2	0.0
Nigeria	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.0	12.2
Senegal	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
South Africa	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
Togo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	3.0
Other Africa	4.7	6.0	21.4	3.5	8.3	12.3
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	1,527.2	1,893.7	2,258.7	2,023.4	2,094.7	2,134.3
Brazil	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Costa Rica	97.7	146.2	146.6	146.4	125.7	201.9
Canada	130.6	149.8	182.1	198.4	168.6	171.3
Colombia	73.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.7
Cuba	0.0	0.0	20.6	59.6	186.1	100.4
Dominican Republic	9.5	8.2	9.0	0.7	47.4	34.5
Guatemala	40.0	60.2	58.8	95.4	61.6	91.1
Haiti	159.6	241.0	279.0	251.1	327.5	304.4
Honduras	104.9	98.0	131.3	157.3	123.1	137.6
Jamaica	23.2	37.3	50.7	37.0	47.4	43.6
Leeward & Windward Islands	12.3	10.8	12.4	5.8	8.4	10.3
Mexico	506.4	779.0	855.3	734.4	682.2	600.8
Netherlands Antilles	2.5	4.6	5.3	6.1	6.2	6.1
Nicaragua	87.8	137.3	179.2	138.3	168.3	214.5
Panama	0.4	100.6	96.4	80.6	36.4	72.3
Peru	0.1	2.7	2.8	0.0	2.1	42.2
El Salvador	51.0	70.8	86.0	99.1	88.7	79.7
Venezuela	221.5	33.3	125.9	0.6	0.5	0.4
Other Western Hemisphere	6.5	13.7	17.1	12.4	14.1	22.3
TOTAL	2,490.9	3,041.9	3,616.4	3,125.8	3,789.2	3,737.5

1/ Columns labeled "market year" are total August-July exports reported in *U.S. Export Sales*. Column labeled "as of" are shipments 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 7--U.S., Thailand, and Vietnam price quotes

Month or market year 1/	United States			Thailand 5/				Vietnam 7/	
	Southern long grain	Southern long grain	California medium grain	100%	5%	15%	35%	A.1 6/	5%
	milled 2/	rough 3/	milled 4/	Grade B	Parboiled	Brokens		Super	Brokens
	\$ / metric ton								
2002/03	223	123	327	199	195	186	175	151	184
2003/04	360	206	533	220	222	207	199	184	212
2004/05	312	176	405	278	278	265	252	219	244
Aug. 2005	278	157	379	288	283	271	257	215	256
Sep. 2005	292	165	441	291	288	275	262	218	256
Oct. 2005	303	176	474	292	289	275	262	220	266
Nov. 2005	308	183	507	283	278	267	255	212	NQ
Dec. 2005	320	188	507	286	277	269	254	209	NQ
Jan. 2006	343	201	507	299	286	282	265	214	265
Feb. 2006	354	205	507	307	297	290	272	217	264
Mar. 2006	353	205	491	309	298	290	272	217	253
April 2006	358	205	485	308	299	290	270	219	243
May 2006	364	202	498	314	302	294	273	219	259
June 2006	364	202	507	319	306	298	276	217	264
July 2006	371	213	507	321	314	301	279	219	264
2005/06	334	192	484	301	293	284	266	216	259
Aug. 2006	395	220	507	319	313	299	277	220	268
Sep. 2006	406	227	518	318	313	299	278	225	272
Oct. 2006	418	242	529	307	309	288	269	224	278
Nov. 2006	419	245	529	302	301	285	264	221	297
Dec. 2006	423	245	551	312	309	293	273	228	NQ
Jan. 2007	420	243	551	320	313	303	281	244	NQ
Feb. 2007	417	240	551	323	317	305	285	258	NQ
Mar. 2007	405	240	551	327	324	309	292	262	303
April 2007	400	240	551	324	322	307	291	258	303
May 2007	397	237	551	325	321	308	283	256	300
June 2007	397	235	536	331	327	314	293	257	303
July 2007	392	235	529	335	333	319	297	260	307
2006/07	407	237	538	320	317	302	282	243	292
Aug. 2007	395	249	535	334	331	317	298	261	316
Sep. 2007	413	284	576	332	330	315	300	272	320
Oct. 2007	446	285	584	336	336	320	311	293	NQ
Nov. 2007	475	295	584	349	358	333	326	311	NQ
Dec. 2007	496	302	584	368	380	353	347	333	NQ
Jan. 2008	518	315	590	384	394	368	349	358	390
Feb. 2008	565	353	595	474	484	NQ	NQ	434	467
Mar. 2008	664	413	595	615	580	NQ	NQ	538	588
Apr. 2008	816	480	758	929	1,025	NQ	NQ	763	830
May 2008	926	530	926	949	1,008	NQ	NQ	752	1,075
June 2008	878	467	963	789	828	NQ	NQ	588	883
July 2008	854	444	1,036	756	789	NQ	NQ	547	712
2007/08	621	368	694	551	570	334	322	454	620
Aug. 2008	802	421	1,061	709	737	650	NQ	469	588
Sep. 2008	791	436	1,119	701	718	640	NQ	420	573
Oct. 2008	717	414	1,113	634	619	563	NQ	348	465
Nov. 2008	664	393	1,102	574	563	483	NQ	307	413
Dec. 2008	632	360	1,102	543	547	462	NQ	287	419
Jan. 2009	592	358	1,102	598	615	506	NQ	318	399
Feb. 2009	562	333	1,075	615	634	515	NQ	317	433
Mar. 2009 8/	507	305	1,091	620	629	522	NQ	332	455
2008/09 8/	658	378	1,096	624	633	543	N/A	350	468

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, new price series. 7/ Long-grain, double water-polished, bagged,

free on board vessel, Ho Chi Minh City. January-March 2008 quotes for new crop only. From April to June 2008, Vietnam

banned commercial exporters from making sales. April-June 2008 reported price quotes are nominal price quotes only

and are not based on actual sales. 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 8--Global rice producers: 2006/07-2008/09 monthly revisions and annual changes 1/

	2006/07		2007/08			2008/09 2/			
	March	February	March	Monthly	Annual	February	March	Monthly	Annual
	2009	2009	2009	revisions	changes	2009	2009	revisions	changes
1,000 metric tons									
Afghanistan	362	335	335	0	-27	168	168	0	-167
Argentina	691	810	810	0	119	900	813	-87	90
Australia	163	23	23	0	-140	73	73	0	50
Bangladesh	29,000	28,800	28,800	0	-200	29,600	29,700	100	800
Brazil	7,695	8,199	8,199	0	504	8,296	8,296	0	97
Burma	10,600	10,730	10,730	0	130	9,800	9,800	0	-930
Cambodia	3,946	4,221	4,221	0	275	4,284	4,284	0	63
China	127,200	130,224	130,224	0	3,024	135,100	135,100	0	4,876
Colombia	1,408	1,453	1,453	0	45	1,555	1,555	0	102
Cuba	282	325	325	0	43	292	292	0	-33
Dominican Republic	455	455	455	0	0	461	461	0	6
Egypt	4,383	4,385	4,385	0	2	4,387	4,387	0	2
European Union-27	1,688	1,678	1,678	0	-10	1,828	1,629	-199	150
Ghana	150	111	111	0	-39	150	150	0	39
India	93,350	96,430	96,690	260	3,080	97,500	98,900	1,400	1,070
Indonesia	35,300	35,800	35,800	0	500	36,250	36,250	0	450
Iran	1,980	2,178	2,178	0	198	1,500	1,500	0	-678
Japan	7,786	7,930	7,930	0	144	8,000	8,000	0	70
Korea, North	1,895	1,527	1,527	0	-368	1,860	1,860	0	333
Korea, South	4,680	4,408	4,408	0	-272	4,843	4,843	0	435
Laos	1,596	1,590	1,590	0	-6	1,650	1,650	0	60
Madagascar	2,240	2,304	2,304	0	64	2,304	2,304	0	0
Malaysia	1,385	1,480	1,480	0	95	1,520	1,520	0	40
Mali	695	714	714	0	19	759	759	0	45
Nepal	2,804	2,810	2,810	0	6	2,850	2,850	0	40
Nigeria	2,900	3,000	3,000	0	100	3,300	3,300	0	300
Pakistan	5,450	5,700	5,700	0	250	6,300	6,300	0	600
Peru	1,600	1,862	1,862	0	262	1,700	1,700	0	-162
Philippines	9,775	10,479	10,479	0	704	10,650	10,650	0	171
Russia	445	460	460	0	15	475	475	0	15
Sierra Leone	420	390	390	0	-30	390	390	0	0
Sri Lanka	2,145	2,200	2,200	0	55	2,300	2,300	0	100
Tanzania	785	818	818	0	33	851	851	0	33
Taiwan	1,100	1,012	1,012	0	-88	1,130	1,130	0	118
Thailand	18,250	19,300	19,300	0	1,050	19,400	19,400	0	100
United States	6,267	6,344	6,344	0	77	6,515	6,515	0	171
Uruguay	802	931	931	0	129	1,008	1,008	0	77
Venezuela	490	560	560	0	70	540	540	0	-20
Vietnam	22,922	24,375	24,375	0	1,453	23,500	23,500	0	-875
Others	5,928	5,850	5,850	0	-78	5,917	5,917	0	67
World total	420,651	431,866	432,126	260	11,215	439,738	440,952	1,214	7,872

1/ Milled basis. 2/ Projected.

Source: Production, Supply, & Distribution Online Data Base, FAS/USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/psdHome.aspx>.

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Table 9--Global rice exporters, calendar years 2007-2009; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2007		2008 1/			2009 2/			
	March 2009	February 2009	March 2009	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	February 2009	March 2009	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons (milled basis)								
Argentina	436	450	408	-42	-28	500	500	0	92
Australia	190	100	100	0	-90	40	40	0	-60
Brazil	201	500	511	11	310	300	300	0	-211
Burma	31	541	541	0	510	500	500	0	-41
Cambodia	450	500	500	0	50	400	400	0	-100
China	1,340	945	945	0	-395	1,300	1,300	0	355
Ecuador	100	25	25	0	-75	100	100	0	75
Egypt	1,209	450	450	0	-759	800	800	0	350
European Union-27	139	150	144	-6	5	150	150	0	6
Guyana	210	210	210	0	0	220	220	0	10
India	6,301	3,300	3,300	0	-3,001	2,500	2,500	0	-800
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Korea, South	161	0	0	0	-161	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	2,696	3,000	3,000	0	304	4,000	4,000	0	1,000
Thailand	9,557	10,016	10,016	0	459	9,000	9,000	0	-1,016
Uruguay	734	775	634	-141	-100	800	800	0	166
Vietnam	4,522	4,649	4,649	0	127	5,200	5,200	0	551
Other	502	376	411	35	-91	310	332	22	-79
Subtotal	28,979	26,187	26,044	-143	-2,935	26,320	26,342	22	298
United States	3,029	3,500	3,375	-125	346	3,200	3,100	-100	-275
U.S. Share	9.5%	11.8%	11.5%	--	--	10.8%	10.5%	--	--
World total	32,008	29,687	29,419	-268	-2,589	29,520	29,442	-78	23

-- Not available. Note: All trade data are reported on a calendar-year basis.

1/Estimated 2/ Projected.

Source: *Production, Supply, & Distribution Online Data Base*, FAS/USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/psdHome.aspx>.

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Table 10--Global rice importers, calendar years 2007-2009; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2007	2008 1/			2009 2/		Monthly revisions	Annual changes	
	March 2009	February 2009	March 2009	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	February 2009			March 2009
1,000 tons (milled basis)									
Bangladesh	1,570	1,600	1,658	58	88	1,000	1,000	0	-658
Brazil	684	410	410	0	-274	500	500	0	90
Cameroon	300	300	300	0	0	300	300	0	0
Canada	341	340	365	25	24	345	345	0	-20
China	472	250	250	0	-222	330	330	0	80
Colombia	123	45	45	0	-78	100	100	0	55
Costa Rica	133	100	85	-15	-48	100	100	0	15
Cote d'Ivoire	1,100	980	980	0	-120	800	800	0	-180
Cuba	574	555	555	0	-19	600	600	0	45
European Union	1,342	1,450	1,433	-17	91	1,200	1,200	0	-233
Ghana	340	350	350	0	10	350	350	0	0
Guinea	300	250	250	0	-50	250	250	0	0
Haiti	292	300	300	0	8	300	300	0	0
Honduras	82	100	111	11	29	90	90	0	-21
Hong Kong	348	399	399	0	51	350	350	0	-49
Indonesia	2,000	500	500	0	-1,500	800	800	0	300
Iran	1,144	1,100	1,100	0	-44	1,400	1,400	0	300
Iraq	613	975	975	0	362	1,000	1,000	0	25
Japan	642	700	700	0	58	700	700	0	0
Jordan	213	125	125	0	-88	125	125	0	0
Korea, North	486	30	30	0	-456	300	300	0	270
Korea, South	242	257	257	0	15	290	290	0	33
Liberia	163	170	170	0	7	200	200	0	30
Malaysia	799	955	1,020	65	221	880	830	-50	-190
Mexico	609	650	657	7	48	650	650	0	-7
Mozambique	410	250	250	0	-160	250	250	0	0
Nicaragua	131	100	100	0	-31	130	130	0	30
Nigeria	1,550	1,600	1,600	0	50	1,700	1,700	0	100
Philippines	1,900	2,500	2,500	0	600	2,000	2,000	0	-500
Russia	221	237	237	0	16	220	220	0	-17
Saudi Arabia	961	1,015	1,360	345	399	1,100	1,370	270	10
Senegal	850	700	700	0	-150	700	700	0	0
Singapore	393	375	320	-55	-73	375	375	0	55
South Africa	914	850	665	-185	-249	850	720	-130	55
Syria	235	100	250	150	15	300	300	0	50
Taiwan	128	93	93	0	-35	126	126	0	33
Turkey	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
United Arab Emirates	300	300	300	0	0	300	300	0	0
United States	695	700	651	-49	-44	650	700	50	49
Yemen	338	250	325	75	-13	250	325	75	0
Venezuela	37	240	240	0	203	245	245	0	5
Vietnam	450	400	400	0	-50	300	300	0	-100
Subtotal	24,625	22,801	23,216	415	-1,409	22,656	22,871	215	-345
Other countries 3/	7,383	6,886	6,203	-683	-1,180	6,864	6,571	-293	368
World total	32,008	29,687	29,419	-268	-2,589	29,520	29,442	-78	23

Note: All trade data are reported on a calendar-year basis.

1/ Estimated. 2/ Projected. 3/ Includes unaccounted imports (imports not assigned a particular market).

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