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U.S. 2009/10 Rough-Rice Crop Projection Raised to 219.85 Million Cwt

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This month, USDA raised its 2009/10 U.S. rough-rice crop estimate almost 1 percent to 219.85 million cwt, 8 percent larger than a year earlier. The upward revision is the result of both a higher yield and larger area estimate. Medium/short-grain accounts for most of the upward revision in production. Crops are estimated larger in 2009/10 than last year in all reported States.

Total U.S. supplies of rice in 2009/10 are projected at 271.3 million cwt, up 1.6 million cwt from last month's forecast and 8 percent larger than a year earlier. Medium/short-grain accounts for most of the year-to-year increase in supplies.

Total use of U.S. rice in 2009/10 is projected at 228.5 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month. Exports account for all of the upward revision in total use. Exports are projected at 99.0 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month and 6 percent above last year. Total domestic and residual use remains projected at a record 129.5 million. U.S. ending stocks for 2009/10 are projected at 42.8 million cwt, down 1 percent from last month's forecast, but 41 percent above a year earlier and the second highest since 1986/87. Medium/short-grain accounts for most of the stocks buildup.

The medium/short-grain 2009/10 season-average farm price (SAFP) is projected at \$17.00-\$18.00 per cwt, down 75 cents on both ends from last month and the second consecutive month of a downward revision. The long-grain SAFP is projected at \$12.50-\$13.50 per cwt, down slightly from last months forecast.

Global rice production for 2009/10 is revised up 0.88 million tons this month to 434.7 million tons (milled basis), still 3 percent below the 2008/09 record. Production forecasts were raised for India, Pakistan, and the United States, but lowered for Indonesia, Brazil, and Uzbekistan. The 2009/10 global ending stocks forecast was increased to 90.7 million tons, based primarily on a larger crop estimate for India.

Global trade for 2010 was revised upward 1 percent to 30.8 million tons, nearly 7 percent larger than 2009. Export forecasts were raised for Pakistan and the United States, but lowered for Brazil.

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of nonspecialty rice have fallen 1-4 percent from the first week of December, largely due to the conclusion of the large Philippines tenders in December and a larger-than-expected Kharif crop for India. U.S. long- and medium-grain milled-rice prices have also declined since early December. Vietnam price quotes have dropped as well.

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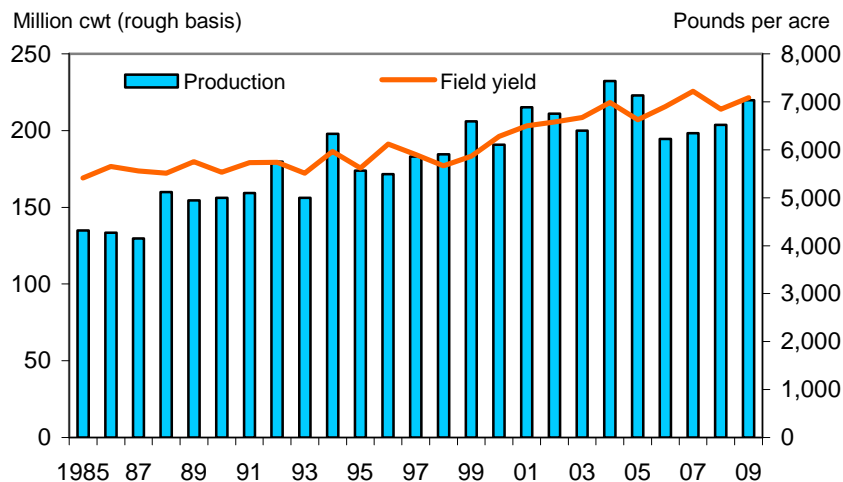
The 2009/10 U.S. rough-rice crop is estimated at 219.85 million cwt, up almost 1 percent from the previous NASS forecast released in November, and 8 percent larger than a year earlier. The upward revision in production is the result of both a higher yield and larger area estimate. At 3.10 million acres, harvested area is up 2,000 acres from the previous estimate and more than 4 percent larger than 2008/09 area. Harvested area estimates were slightly raised for California, Mississippi, and Missouri. In contrast, harvested area estimates were lowered for Arkansas and Louisiana. The Texas harvested area estimate is unchanged.

The 2009/10 average field yield is raised 47 pounds to 7,085 pounds per acre, up 239 pounds from last year and the second highest on record. Yield forecasts were raised this month for Arkansas, California, Mississippi, and Texas, with the Texas yield raised 8 percent from the November forecast. In contrast, the yield estimates for Louisiana and Missouri were lowered.

By class, medium/short-grain accounts for the bulk of the upward revision in 2009/10 production. The U.S. 2009/10 medium/short-grain crop was raised 1.4 million cwt to a near-record 67.1 million, 33 percent larger than a year earlier. Expanded plantings account for all of the year-to-year increase. Medium/short-grain plantings in 2009/10 expanded 34 percent to 845,000 acres, the largest since 2000/01. The South accounted for almost 60 percent of the area increase. At 8,010

Figure 1

The 2009/10 U.S. rice crop is 8 percent larger than a year earlier



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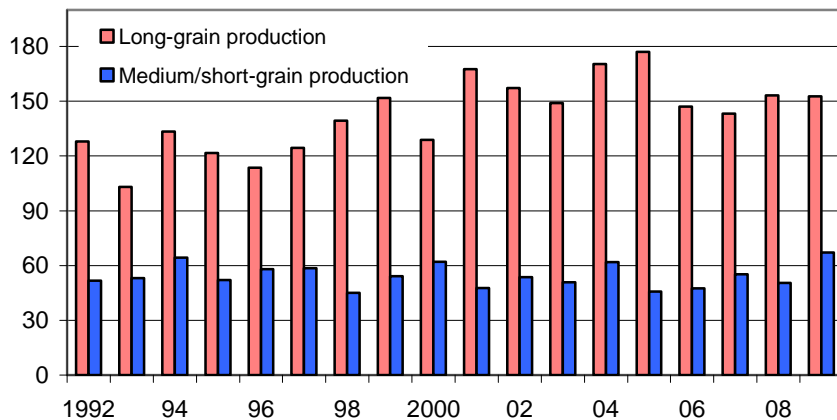
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Figure 2

U.S. medium/short-grain production increased 33 percent in 2009/10

Million cwt (rough basis)



2009 are forecasts.

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service--*Quick Stats*, U.S. & All States Data--Crops.

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pounds per acre, the medium/short-grain average yield is 53 pounds below a year earlier. The decline is largely due to a greater share of the medium/short-grain crop grown in the South this year, with Arkansas accounting for most of the southern expansion in medium/short-grain plantings. The South typically achieves yields nearly 20 percent below average yields in California.

The 2009/10 U.S. long-grain production estimate was raised 0.2 million cwt to 152.7 million cwt, fractionally below a year earlier. This year, a higher average yield was more than offset by smaller area. At 2.29 million acres, long-grain plantings are more than 3 percent below a year earlier. Some of the area reduction is due to excessive rain last spring that severely delayed plantings. In contrast to planted area, the long-grain average yield—estimated at 6,743 pounds per acre—is 221 pounds above a year earlier and the second highest on record.

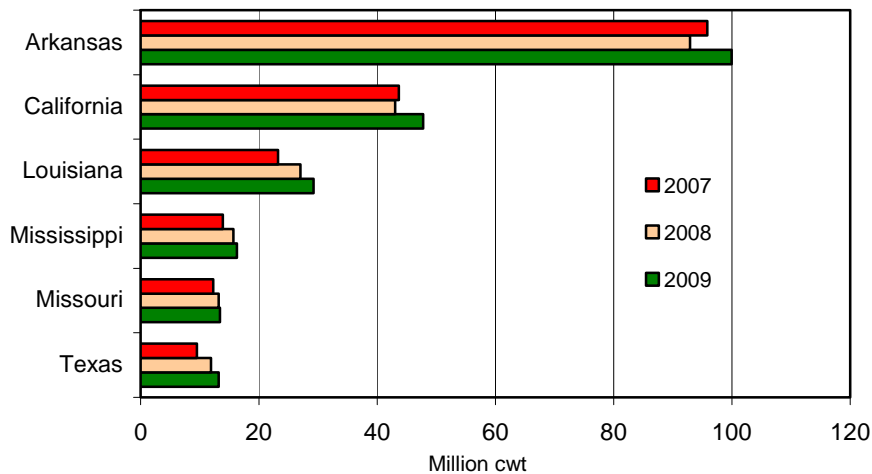
Production estimates were raised this month for all reported States except Louisiana and Missouri, where crop estimates were lowered. California accounts for more than 70 percent of this month's upward revision in U.S. production. The downward revision in Louisiana's 2009/10 crop—a result of both a lower area and reduced yield estimate—nearly offset the upward revision for California.

Rice Production Estimated Higher in 2009/10 In All Reported States

In 2009/10, all reported States harvested rice crops larger than a year earlier, with Arkansas, California, and Louisiana accounting for 86 percent of the U.S. all-rice production increase. These are the largest rice-producing States in the U.S.

Figure 3

Arkansas, California, and Louisiana account for most of the 2009/10 production increase



These six States account for more than 99 percent of U.S. production.
Source: *Crop Production Annual Summary*, January 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

At 99.9 million cwt, the Arkansas rice crop is almost 8 percent larger than a year earlier, a result of both expanded area and a higher yield. Expected returns were quite favorable at planting. California's rice production is estimated at 47.8 million cwt, up 11 percent from a year earlier and second only to the 2004/05 record. Both area and yield are higher than a year ago in California, with the average yield of 8,600 pounds per acre unchanged from the 2004/05 record. Louisiana growers harvested 29.2 million cwt of rice in 2009/10, more than 8 percent larger than last year's crop. A higher yield accounts for nearly all of the production increase. At 6,300 pounds per acre, the Louisiana 2009/10 average yield is the highest on record.

Production is estimated higher in the smaller rice producing States as well. At 16.3 million cwt, the Mississippi 2009/10 rice crop is 4 percent larger than a year ago. The larger crop is solely due to expanded plantings. The average yield—estimated at 6,700 pounds per acre—is 2 percent below a year ago. Missouri's production is estimated at 13.4 million cwt, a 2-percent increase from a year earlier. A higher yield accounts for most of the production increase. At 6,710 pounds per acre, Missouri's average field yield is more than 1 percent above a year earlier. The Texas 2009/10 crop is estimated at 13.2 million cwt, up 11 percent from last year's crop. The larger crop is the result of a record yield. At 7,770 pounds per acre, the average Texas field yield is almost 13 percent larger than last year and the highest ever reported for a southern State. In contrast to most of the Delta, Texas growers did not experience delayed plantings and excessive rains at harvest.

Total U.S. Supplies of Rice in 2009/10 Are Projected Almost 8 Percent Larger Than a Year Earlier

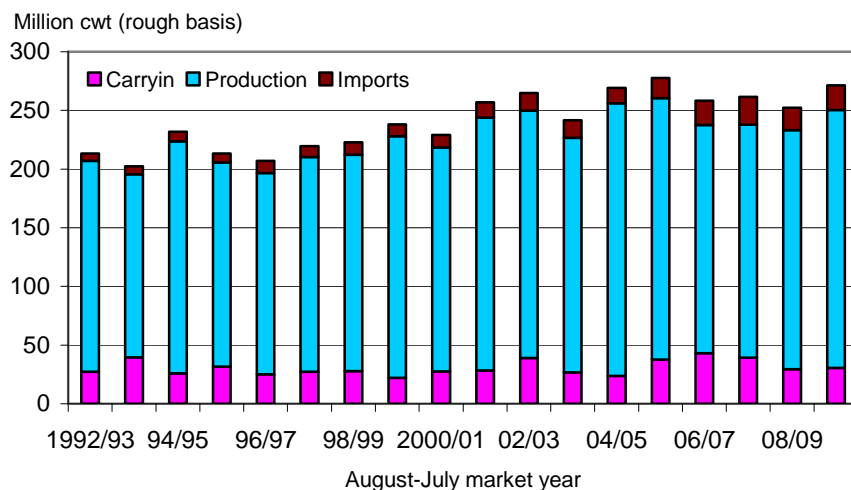
Total U.S. supplies of rice in 2009/10 are projected at 271.3 million cwt, up 1.6 million cwt from last month's forecast and almost 8 percent larger than a year ago. Supplies are the largest since 2005/06. Carryin, production, and imports are all estimated larger in 2009/10 than a year earlier, with the larger crop accounting for most of the increase in total supplies.

Medium/short-grain accounts for the bulk of the year-to-year increase in U.S. rice supplies. At 78.1 million cwt, total supplies of medium/short-grain rice are 26 percent above last year and the largest since 1983/84. The near-record crop accounts for all of the medium/short-grain supply expansion. The supply buildup is a major factor behind the substantial decline in U.S. medium/short-grain prices since August. U.S. long-grain supplies are estimated at 190.8 million cwt, up 1 percent from last year. Long-grain supplies are the largest since 2006/07. Record imports and a larger carryin account for the slight increase in U.S. long-grain supplies.

The 2009/10 all-rice carryin remains estimated at 30.4 million cwt, more than 3 percent above a year earlier, with long-grain accounting for all of the increase. Imports of all-rice remain projected at 21.0 million cwt, up 9 percent from 2008/09 and the second highest on record. Long-grain imports were raised 500,000 cwt to a record 18.0 million. Medium/short-grain imports were lowered 500,000 to 3.0 million. Import revisions were based on U.S. Census data through October—the most current Census data available prior to the January 12 release of the *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates* report—and on expectations regarding purchases the remainder of the market year.

Figure 4

Total U.S. rice supplies projected nearly 8 percent higher in 2009/10



Sources: 1992/93-2006/07, *2008 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2007/08-2009/10, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

U.S. Rice Export Forecast Raised 2.0 Million Cwt to 99.0 Million

Total use of U.S. rice in 2009/10 is projected at 228.5 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 3 percent higher than last year. Exports account for all of this month's upward revision in total use. On an annual basis, both exports and domestic disappearance are projected to be higher than last year, with exports accounting for most of the increase.

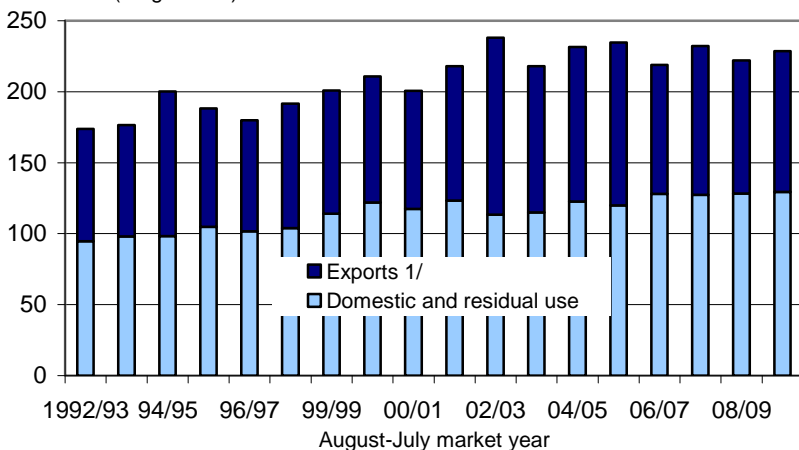
U.S. exports are projected at 99.0 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 6 percent above last year. The 2009/10 rough-rice export forecast remains projected at 35.0 million, up almost 13 percent from last year. Expanded sales to Mexico/Central America—the largest markets for U.S. rough-rice—and to the Middle East account for most of the expected increase in U.S. rough-rice exports in 2009/10.

Combined milled and brown rice exports are projected at 64.0 million cwt, up 2.0 million from last month's forecast and more than 2 percent larger than a year earlier. The upward revision was largely based on shipment data reported by the Census Bureau through October, sales and shipment data reported in *U.S. Export Sales* through December, and expectations regarding sales for the remainder of the market year. Northeast Asia accounts for most of the expected expansion in U.S. milled rice exports in 2009/10. The region buys almost exclusively medium/short-grain rice from the United States.

Figure 5

U.S. 2009/10 exports projected 6 percent higher than previous year

Million cwt (rough basis)

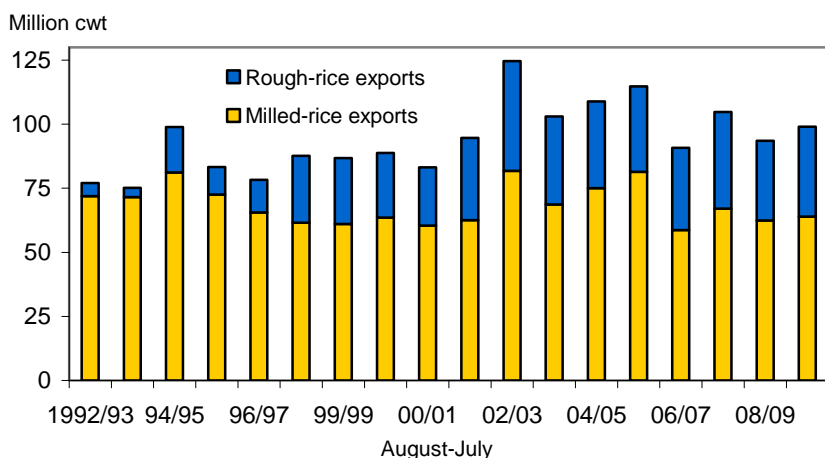


2009/10 are forecasts. 1/ Rough equivalent of milled, brown, and rough-rice exports.

Sources: 1992/93-2006/07, *2008 Rice Yearbook*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2007/08-2009/10, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

Figure 6

Growth in all-rice exports in 2009/10 largely due to greater rough-rice exports 1/



2009/10 are forecasts. 1/ Total of milled, brown, and rough-rice exports on a rough basis.

Sources: 1992/93-2006/07, *2008 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service/USDA; 2007/08-2009/10, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

By class, long-grain exports are forecast at 69.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 6 percent larger than in 2008/09. Sales of U.S. long-grain rice—mostly rough-rice to Latin America—were quite strong in late 2009. Combined medium/short-grain U.S. exports are forecast at a near-record 30.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million from last month's forecast and 5 percent above 2008/09. The year-to-year increase is largely based on expanded sales to Northeast Asia and the Middle East. Egypt—a major supplier in the Mediterranean—continues to restrict exports, a factor behind the near-record U.S. medium/short-grain exports since 2008/09. Egypt's long-term trade policy is unknown. Oceania was previously supplied by Australia, until severe drought sharply reduced Australia's production. The U.S. has picked up most of Australia's markets in Oceania.

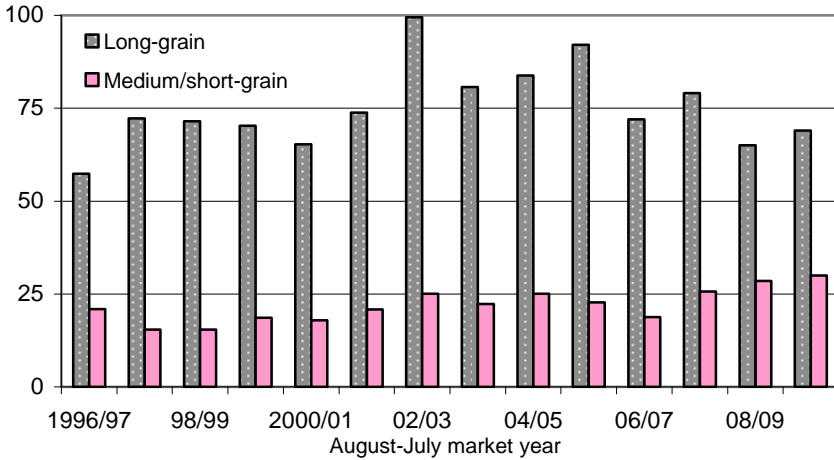
Total domestic and residual use remains projected at 129.5 million, about 1 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest on record. Since 2006/07, total domestic disappearance has increased very little. Monthly data from the U.S. Treasury Department indicate a substantial decline in the use of rice in beer since 2003/04. In 2008/09, less than 11 million cwt (rough basis) of rice was reported shipped for brewers' use, down from more than 16 million cwt in 2003/04. For the period August-October 2009, reported shipments of rice for beer were down 10 percent from a year earlier.

By class, long-grain domestic and residual use remains forecast at 99.5 million, down more than 3 percent from the year-earlier record. Medium/short-grain domestic and residual remains forecast at 30.0 million, up more than 18 percent from a year earlier. In 2008/09, many food and industrial processors switched to long-grain rice from the much higher priced medium/short-grain rice. This price differential has substantially narrowed since August and is expected to continue to contract.

Figure 7

Exports of both long- and medium/short-grain rice are projected higher in 2009/10 1/

Million cwt (rough basis)

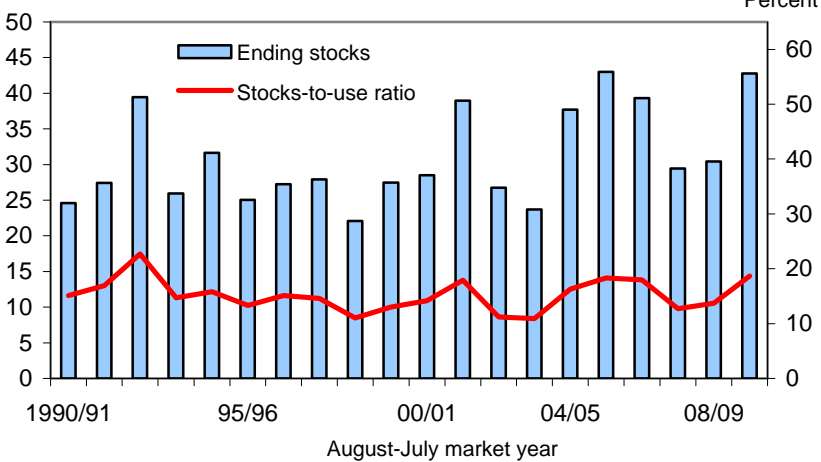


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Figure 8

U.S. ending stocks are projected to increase 41 percent in 2009/10

Mill. cwt (rough basis)



2009/10 are forecasts. Sources: 1990/91-2006/07, 2008 *Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2007/08-2009/10, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

U.S. ending stocks for 2009/10 are projected at 42.8 million cwt, down 1 percent from last month's forecast, but 41 percent above a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio, calculated at 18.7 percent, is the highest since 1992/93. By class, long-grain ending stocks are projected at 22.3 million cwt, down more than 1 percent from last month's forecast, but 11 percent above a year earlier. Medium/short-grain ending stocks are projected at 18.1 million cwt, almost unchanged from last month's forecast, but 126 percent larger than a year earlier. At 30.2 percent, the medium/short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is twice the 2008/09 ratio, the highest since 1992/93.

Data from the January 2010 NASS *Rice Stocks* report indicate total U.S. rice stocks on December 1, 2009, at 164.7 million (rough-basis of both milled and rough-rice stocks), up almost 13 percent from a year earlier. Long-grain stocks on December 1 are calculated at 106.3 million cwt, up almost 6 percent from a year earlier. December 1 combined medium/short-grain stocks are calculated at a near-record 55.4 million cwt, up 26 percent from a year earlier.

Stocks on December 1, 2009, are estimated higher in all reported States except Missouri. At 76.4 million cwt, rice stocks in Arkansas are up nearly 11 percent from a year earlier. Louisiana's stocks of 17.5 million cwt are almost 25 percent above a year earlier. In California, rice stocks are estimated at 45.5 million cwt, an increase of almost 17 percent from a year earlier and a near record. Mississippi's December 1 stocks of 6.7 million cwt were up less than 1 percent. Texas stocks of 10.7 million cwt are almost 24 percent larger than a year earlier. In contrast, stocks of rice in Missouri of 7.5 million cwt on December 1, 2009, are almost 9 percent below a year earlier. U.S. stocks of brokens—not reported by class—are calculated at 2.96 million cwt, up 83 percent from December 1, 2008.

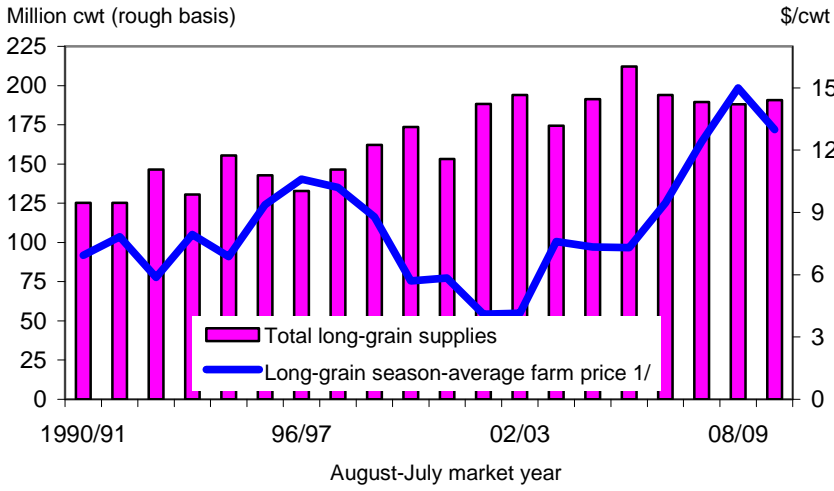
U.S. 2009/10 Medium/Short-Grain Season-Average Farm Price Forecast Lowered to \$17.00 to \$18.00 per Cwt

The 2009/10 season-average farm price (SAFP) for all-rice is projected at \$13.65-\$14.65 per cwt, down 25 cents on both ends from last month's forecast and well below the 2008/09 record of \$16.80. The medium/short-grain 2009/10 SAFP is projected at \$17.00-\$18.00 per cwt, down 75 cents on both ends from last month and the second consecutive month of a reduction. The 2009/10 medium/short-grain SAFP is well below last year's record of \$23.70. The downward revision is based on reported NASS prices through mid-December and expectations regarding price movements the remainder of the market year. The substantial year-to-year decline is primarily due to a near-record U.S. medium/short-grain crop.

The long-grain 2009/10 SAFP is projected at \$12.50-\$13.50 per cwt, down 10 cents on both ends from last month and below the record \$15.00 last year. The slight downward revision is based on reported NASS prices through mid-December and expectations regarding prices the remainder of the market year.

Figure 9

The U.S. 2009/10 long-grain season-average farm price is projected to decline more than 10 percent

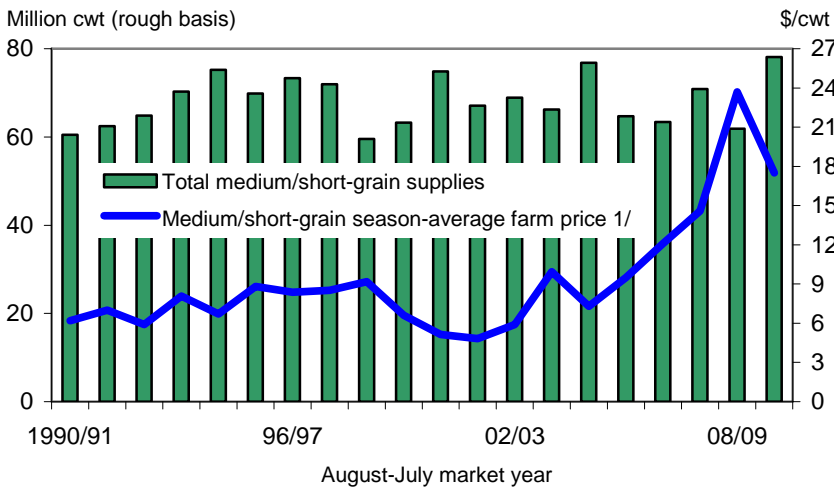


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Figure 10

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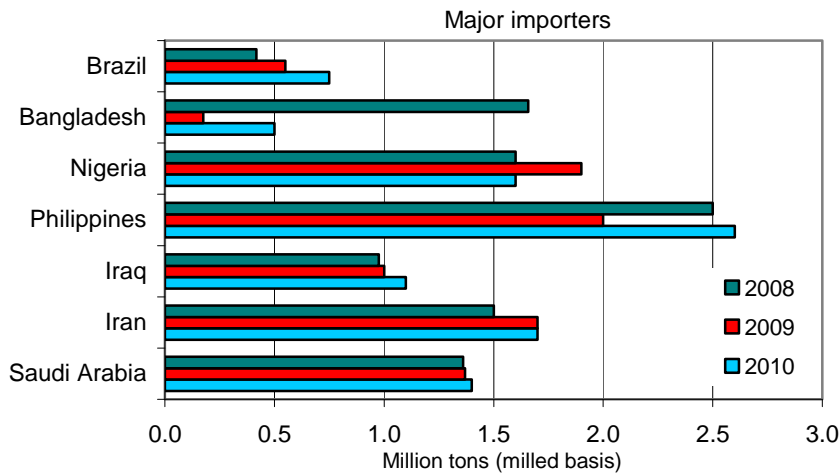


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Figure 18

The Philippines, Bangladesh, and Brazil are projected to increase rice imports in 2010



2010 are 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>.

Last month, USDA reported a mid-December all-rice rough-rice cash price of \$14.20 per cwt and lowered the November price 30 cents from the mid-month estimate to \$13.80. By class, the long-grain mid-December cash price was reported at \$12.70 per cwt, down 30 cents from the revised November cash price. The November long-grain price was raised 60 cents from the mid-month estimate to \$13.00. For medium/short-grain rice, the mid-December price was reported at \$16.30 per cwt, down 30 cents from the revised November price and the lowest since July 2008. The November medium/short-grain price was lowered \$2.30 from the mid-month estimate to \$16.60 per cwt.

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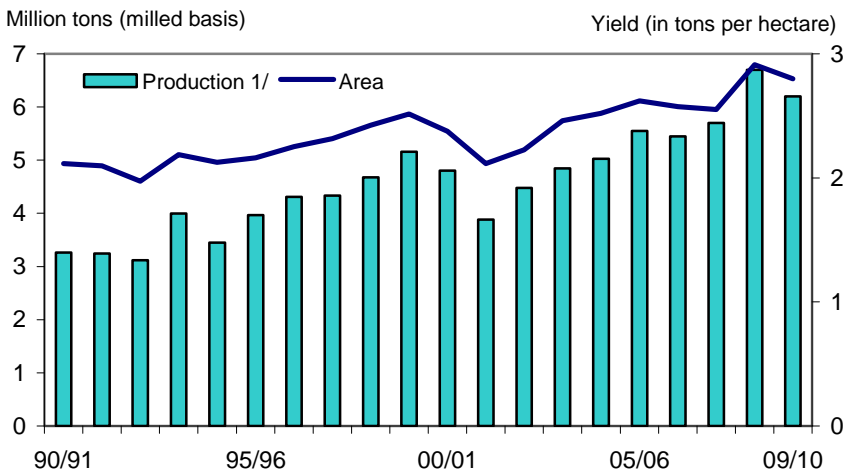
Larger Crop Forecasts for India, Pakistan, and U.S. Boost 2009/10 Global Production Forecast

Global rice production for 2009/10 is raised 877,000 tons this month to 434.7 million tons (milled basis), still 3 percent below the 2008/09 record. The year-to-year global production decline is largely due to adverse weather in Brazil, India, Indonesia, and the Philippines that has caused production shortfalls.

There were three upward production revisions for 2009/10 this month. India's production was raised 1.5 million tons to 84.5 million tons based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in New Delhi. While an erratic monsoon left many Indian farmers without sufficient water for planting the primary kharif (summer) crop, favorable moisture toward the end of the growing season limited yield losses, and a bumper rabi (second-season) crop is expected. Neighboring Pakistan's crop is also revised upward this month, raised 200,000 tons to 6.2 million tons based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Islamabad. Finally, the U.S. crop was raised fractionally to 7.03 million tons based on yearend area and yield estimates from the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The production increase was mostly due to a higher yield estimate.

These crop increases were partially offset by several reductions. The largest crop reduction was for Indonesia, whose crop was reduced by 600,000 tons to 37.0 million tons, a result of a lower yield forecast. Dry conditions in parts of Java have delayed planting, and the El Niño phenomenon causing this dryness has been forecast to continue into the summer months.

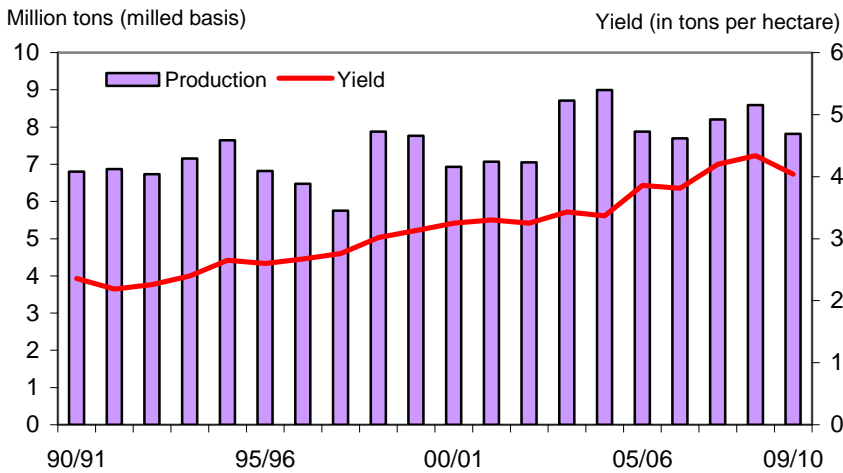
Figure 12
Pakistan has sharply boosted rice area and production since 2001/02



2009/10 are forecasts. 1/ Milled basis.
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Figure 13

Brazil's 2009/10 rice production projected to decline 9 percent due to excessive rain



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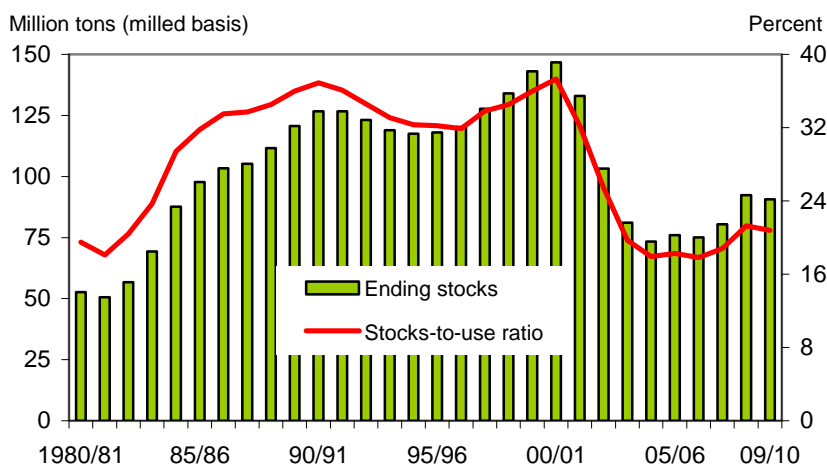
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Brazil's 2009/10 crop estimate was reduced by 340,000 tons to 7.82 million tons. Extremely wet weather in Brazil's principal rice-growing state of Rio Grande do Sul has significantly delayed planting. Consequently, planting of shorter duration, but lower-yielding, varieties, has been reported. Panama's crop was also reduced due to weather problems. Drought in the Central American nation caused a reduction in both area and yield, lowering the crop estimate by 40,000 tons to 165,000 tons. Finally, preliminary harvest data from Uzbekistan resulted in a reduction in that country's crop estimate by 50 percent to 75,000 tons.

Additionally, production series for Rwanda and Uganda were added to the Foreign Agriculture Service's *Production, Supply and Demand* database this month. The rice sectors of both of these Sub-Saharan African nations have grown over the last decade, with Uganda becoming a minor regional exporter. USDA will continue to report supply and use estimates for these two countries.

The largest 2008/09 production revision was for Pakistan. Pakistan's production was raised 400,000 tons to a record 6.7 million tons on information from the Agricultural Counselor in Islamabad. Ecuador's production estimate was increased 146,000 tons to 908,000 tons based on the Government of Ecuador's final 2008/09 crop production estimates. These increases were partially offset by a 92,000-ton reduction in Uzbekistan's crop to 58,000 tons, based on information from the Agricultural Counselor in Tashkent.

Figure 14
Global stocks-to-use ratio projected to decline slightly in 2009/10



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

The global disappearance forecast for 2009/10 was increased slightly this month to a record 436.5 million tons, up less than 1 percent from 2008/09. Upward revisions in disappearance for China, Ecuador, and Thailand more than offset reductions for Bolivia, Pakistan, Tanzania, and Uzbekistan.

The 2009/10 global ending stocks forecast was increased this month to 90.7 million tons based primarily on a larger crop estimate for India. Despite the upward revision, global stocks remain nearly 2 percent below 2008/09. Upward revisions in stock estimate for China and India were partially offset by reductions for Brazil, Indonesia, and Pakistan. The global stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 20.8 percent, up fractionally from last month's estimate, but still below a year earlier.

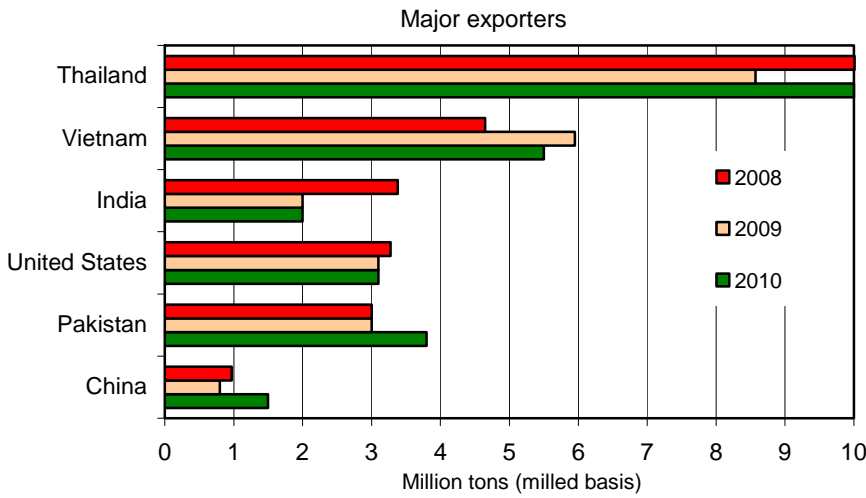
Increased Export Forecast for Pakistan Boosts 2010 Global Trade Forecast to 30.8 Million Tons

The global trade forecast for calendar year 2010 was revised upward 1 percent to 30.8 million tons, nearly 7 percent larger than 2009 trade. Despite the trade expansion in 2010, trade would still be below the 2007 record of 31.9 million tons.

There were three upward revisions to exporters for 2010 this month. First, Pakistan's export forecast was raised by 500,000 tons to a record 3.8 million tons, primarily based on a larger 2009/10 crop estimate. The U.S. 2010 export forecast was increased by 50,000 tons to 3.1 million tons because of larger supplies and more competitive prices. One smaller change was made for the Sub-Saharan African nation of Tanzania, whose export forecast was raised to 20,000 tons. The only export reduction for 2010 was for Brazil. Brazil's exports were lowered by 180,000 tons to 300,000 tons based on a smaller 2009/10 crop.

Figure 16

Pakistan is projected to export 3.8 million tons of rice in 2010

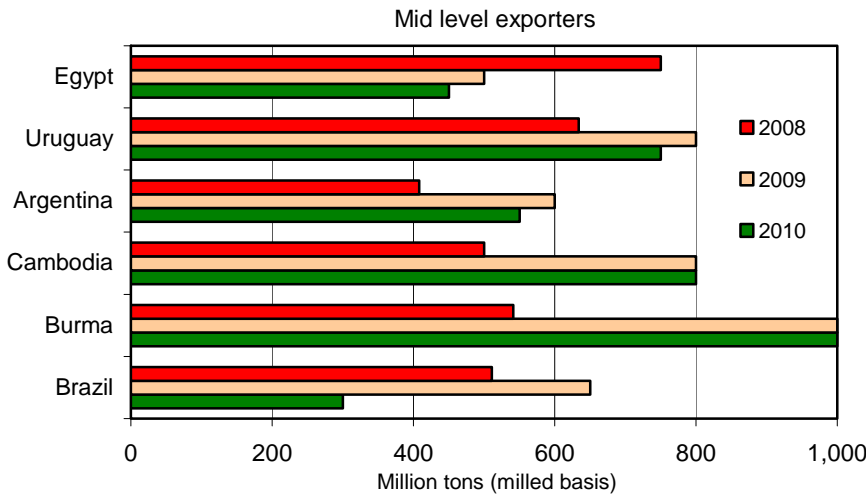


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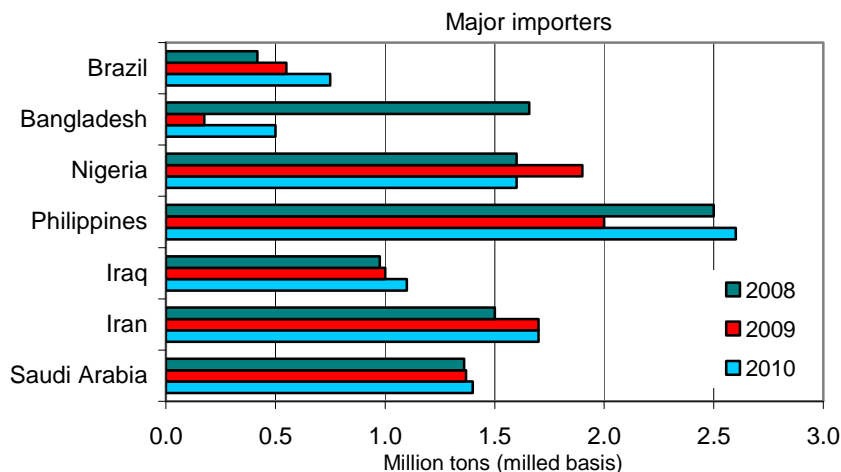


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The Philippines, Bangladesh, and Brazil are projected to increase rice imports in 2010



2010 are 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>.

Four revisions were made for 2010 importers. Tanzania's imports were decreased by 50,000 tons to 100,000 tons. Import forecasts were increased for three other markets, all based on reductions in 2009/10 crop forecasts: Brazil's imports were revised up 50,000 tons to 750,000 tons, Panama's import forecast was raised 50 percent to 60,000 tons, and Uzbekistan's imports were raised 15,000 tons to 40,000 tons.

Global trade for 2009 is revised upward nearly 160,000 tons to 28.8 million tons. The largest exporter revision for 2009 was for Vietnam, whose export forecast was raised 150,000 tons to 5.95 million tons based on pace-to-date. Tanzania's exports were raised to 20,000 tons based on U.N. data. These increases were partially offset by a 30,000-ton reduction in Thailand's forecast exports to 8.57 million tons based on pace-to-date.

There were several import changes for 2009. While there was a slight increase for Ecuador, the rest of these changes were reductions. Bolivia's imports were reduced 25,000 tons to 25,000 tons based on pace-to-date. Panama's imports were reduced by 20,000 tons to 10,000 tons, also based on pace-to-date. Finally, Tanzania's imports were reduced by 50,000 tons to 100,000 tons based on U.N. data.

Global Trading Prices Decline on the Conclusion of Major Philippine Tenders

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of nonspecialty rice have fallen 1-4 percent from the first week of December. Prices have declined due to there being little market activity since the large Philippines tenders of December

were executed, as well as a report from the Government of India indicating a larger-than-expected kharif crop. Fluctuations in the value of the dollar over the past month have also impacted global price. Prices had actually risen 1-2 percent in mid-December due to the substantial Philippine tenders.

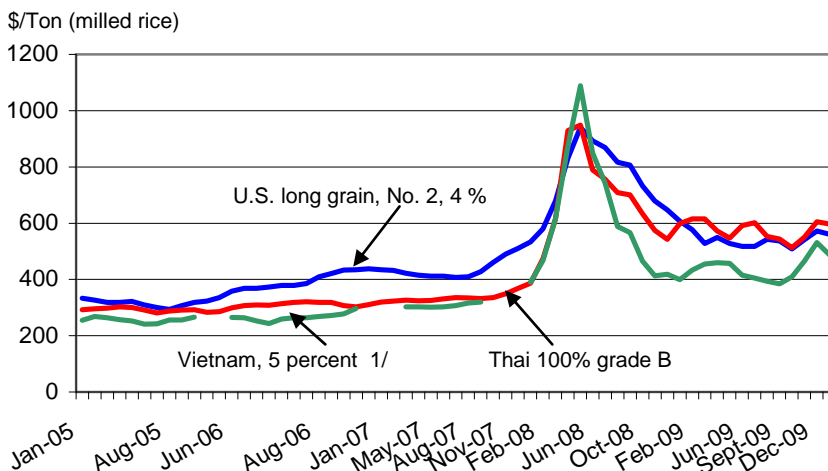
Prices for Thailand's high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (fob vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$599 per ton for the week ending January 10, down 2 percent from the week ending December 8. Prices for 5-percent broken were quoted at \$578 per ton for the week ending January 10, down 3 percent from the week ending December 8. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice—a specialty rice—were quoted at \$599 per ton for the week ending January 10, down 2 percent from the week ending December 8.

In contrast, Thailand's low-quality rice prices have increased slightly. For the week ending January 10, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent broken were quoted at \$420 per ton, up 5 percent from the week ending December 8. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update*, reported by the U.S. Post in Bangkok.

While Vietnam's prices in mid-December were quoted at \$530-\$540 per ton, price quotes for 5-percent broken slid substantially to \$475 for the week ending January 12. Since the conclusion of the large Philippines tenders in late 2009, prices have declined. Vietnam's price quotes remain significantly below Thailand's quotes, currently trading at a difference of nearly \$125.

Figure 19

Global prices decline on conclusion of large Philippine tenders



Monthly prices are simple average of weekly quotes. All prices quoted "free-on-board" vessel. 1/ April-June 2008 and December 2009 are nominal price quotes only, not actual trading prices.

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

U.S. long-grain milled rice export prices have also declined over the last month. For the week ending January 12, price quotes for high-quality southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent broken, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at \$551 per ton, down \$11 from the week ending December 8. U.S. prices (adjusted to reflect the fob vessel price) are currently \$48 per ton below Thailand's quotes. U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) is quoted at \$340 per ton for the week ending January 12, down \$5 from December 8.

While prices for U.S. long-grain have declined along with global trading prices since the Philippines tenders, prices for California rice have decreased primarily due to large domestic medium-grain rice supplies. Prices for California package-quality medium-grain rice (sacked) for domestic sales are quoted at \$772 per ton for the week ending January 12, down \$44 from the week ending December 8. Export price quotes (for 30-kg bags, fob vessel) are reported at \$750 per ton, down \$25 from December 8. California milled rice export prices have dropped more than 20 percent since August. A bumper California harvest, a big expansion of medium-grain area in the South, and an expected big increase in carryout are behind the decline in U.S. medium/short-grain prices. Price quotes for Vietnam, U.S. long- and medium-grain milled rice prices, and U.S. rough-rice export prices are from the weekly *Creed Rice Market Report*.



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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/	2009/10 2/
TOTAL RICE							
Million acres							
Area:							
Planted	3.022	3.347	3.384	2.838	2.761	2.995	3.135
Harvested	2.997	3.325	3.364	2.821	2.748	2.976	3.103
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,670	6,988	6,624	6,898	7,219	6,846	7,085
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	26.8	23.7	37.7	43.0	39.3	29.4	30.4
Production	199.9	232.4	222.8	194.6	198.4	203.7	219.9
Imports	15.0	13.2	17.1	20.6	23.9	19.2	21.0
Total supply	241.7	269.3	277.7	258.2	261.6	252.4	271.3
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	110.8	118.5	116.4	124.7	123.9	124.5	N/A
Seed	4.1	4.2	3.5	3.4	3.6	3.9	N/A
Total domestic use	114.9	122.7	119.9	128.1	127.4	128.4	129.5
Exports	103.1	108.8	114.8	90.8	104.7	93.6	99.0
Rough	34.4	33.8	33.4	32.1	37.7	31.1	35.0
Milled 4/	68.7	75.0	81.4	58.7	67.1	62.5	64.0
Total use	218.0	231.5	234.7	218.8	232.2	222.0	228.5
Ending stocks	23.7	37.7	43.0	39.3	29.4	30.4	42.8
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	10.9	16.3	18.3	18.0	12.7	13.7	18.7
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 5/	8.08	7.33	7.65	9.96	12.80	16.80	13.65 to 14.65
Percent							
Average milling rate	70.79	70.80	70.29	71.00	70.50	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	2009/10
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LONG GRAIN:							
	Million acres						
Planted	2.332	2.587	2.751	2.200	2.063	2.365	2.290
Harvested	2.310	2.571	2.734	2.186	2.052	2.350	2.265
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,451	6,630	6,479	6,727	6,980	6,522	6,743
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	15.7	10.3	22.7	32.7	28.5	19.0	20.1
Production	149.0	170.4	177.1	147.1	143.2	153.3	152.7
Imports	9.8	10.5	12.3	14.2	17.7	15.9	18.0
Total supply	174.5	191.3	212.1	194.0	189.4	188.2	190.8
Domestic use 3/	83.4	84.7	87.4	93.4	91.3	103.0	99.5
Exports	80.7	83.8	92.1	72.0	79.1	65.1	69.0
Total use	164.2	168.5	179.5	165.4	170.4	168.1	168.5
Ending stocks	10.3	22.7	32.7	28.5	19.0	20.1	22.3
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	6.3	13.5	18.2	17.3	11.2	11.9	13.2
Average farm price	7.60	7.34	7.30	9.47	12.40	15.00	12.50- 13.50
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:							
	Million acres						
Planted	0.690	0.760	0.633	0.638	0.698	0.630	0.845
Harvested	0.687	0.754	0.630	0.635	0.696	0.626	0.838
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	7,407	8,212	7,255	7,484	7,924	8,063	8,010
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	9.3	12.4	13.8	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.0
Production	50.9	61.9	45.7	47.5	55.2	50.5	67.1
Imports	5.3	2.7	4.9	6.3	6.2	3.4	3.0
Total supply 4/	66.2	76.8	64.7	63.4	70.8	61.9	78.1
Domestic use 3/	31.5	38.0	32.5	34.6	36.1	25.3	30.0
Exports	22.3	25.0	22.8	18.8	25.7	28.5	30.0
Total use	53.9	63.0	55.2	53.4	61.8	53.9	60.0
Ending stocks	12.4	13.8	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.0	18.1
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	22.9	21.9	17.1	18.8	14.7	14.9	30.2 17.00-
Average farm price	9.94	7.29	9.49	12.10	14.60	23.70	18.00
Ending stocks difference 1/	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.8	1.3	2.4	2.4

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	2009/10		2008/09		2007/08	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	14.60	11,754	18.10	8,956	10.10	9,579
September	14.20	14,787	16.90	10,621	10.20	14,396
October	14.20	18,608	18.10	14,787	11.10	16,382
November	13.80	13,277	19.40	13,046	11.80	11,919
December	14.20 1/	N/A	18.60	11,717	11.70	20,402
January			18.10	14,294	12.40	19,569
February			16.10	13,407	12.60	14,761
March			15.70	12,227	13.60	14,581
April			14.90	12,530	14.60	12,083
May			14.80	8,192	15.90	12,271
June			14.60	9,084	16.50	8,533
July			14.30	11,256	16.80	8,709
Average price to date	14.20 2/					
Season average farm price	14.15 3/		16.80		12.80	
Average Marketings		14,607		11,676		13,599
Total volume marketed		58,426		140,117		163,185

N/A = Not available.

1/ Mid-month only. 2/ Simple average. 3/ Mid-point of season-average farm price projection.

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

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Table 4 -- U.S. monthly average farm prices and marketings by class

Month	Long-grain				Medium/Short Grain			
	2009/10		2008/09		2009/10		2008/09	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	12.50	9,661	18.20	7,394	24.30	2,093	17.50	1,562
September	12.70	10,702	16.90	9,489	20.40	4,085	16.70	1,132
October	12.60	12,677	16.80	10,702	17.70	5,931	21.60	4,085
November	13.00	10,274	16.50	8,297	16.60	3,003	24.80	4,749
December	12.70 1/	N/A	16.30	8,461	16.30 1/	N/A	24.30	3,256
January			15.50	10,509			25.10	3,785
February			14.60	11,358			24.50	2,049
March			13.80	10,301			25.30	1,926
April			13.10	10,742			25.70	1,788
May			12.80	6,891			25.00	1,301
June			12.80	7,729			24.90	1,355
July			12.60	9,834			25.90	1,422
Average to date 2/	12.70				19.06			
Season-average farm price	12.50-13.50		15.00		17.00-18.00		23.70	
Average marketings		10,829		9,309		3,778		2,368
Total volume marketed		43,314		111,707		15,112		28,410

N/A = Not available. 1/ Mid-month only. 2/ Simple average.

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	2009/10		2008/09		2007/08		
	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium	Short
	\$/cwt						
August	11.33	11.42	17.33	17.48	7.56	7.51	7.59
September	11.25	11.35	17.83	17.98	7.72	7.66	7.75
October	11.02	11.11	16.93	17.08	7.90	7.84	7.93
November	11.40	11.50	15.52	15.65	8.59	8.53	8.63
December	13.03	13.15	14.17	14.28	8.96	8.90	9.00
January 2/	13.32	13.44	12.71	12.81	9.10	9.05	9.14
February			12.74	12.80	9.67	9.91	9.85
March			12.36	12.42	12.01	12.33	12.26
April			12.25	12.31	15.09	15.14	15.06
May			11.89	11.94	18.81	18.88	18.78
June			11.21	11.26	17.85	17.92	17.82
July			11.68	11.72	16.59	16.65	16.56
Market-year average 1/	11.89	12.00	13.89	13.98	11.65	11.69	11.70

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 imports 1/

Country or region	2009/10 as of November 2009 2/	2008/09 as of November 2008	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year	2005/06 market year
1,000 metric tons						
ASIA	203.6	148.0	536.7	720.2	604.0	488.1
China	1.3	0.8	4.0	123.0	119.7	50.8
India	35.1	26.2	74.1	119.1	71.0	70.3
Pakistan	6.4	6.5	17.1	19.4	16.7	16.7
Thailand	124.9	113.7	422.1	454.4	394.4	349.1
Vietnam	34.9	0.3	17.5	0.6	1.2	0.3
Other	0.8	0.5	1.9	3.8	1.1	1.0
EUROPE & FSU	2.6	2.5	7.6	8.5	8.7	6.5
Italy	1.9	2.0	5.7	6.3	6.2	5.2
Spain	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.3
Russia	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
United Kingdom	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3
Other	0.3	0.3	0.9	1.2	1.5	0.6
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	10.2	10.2	31.0	28.5	22.9	23.6
Argentina	0.6	0.5	1.1	2.6	2.6	13.7
Brazil	1.4	2.2	3.9	2.4	2.0	0.7
Canada	4.7	4.8	18.0	13.6	7.8	7.9
Mexico	1.3	2.6	6.1	9.2	10.2	0.8
Uruguay	2.2	0.0	1.7	0.3	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5
OTHER	1.6	0.4	39.3	5.2	21.4	30.3
Egypt	0.1	0.0	36.6	2.7	19.3	27.5
United Arab Emirates	1.4	0.3	2.2	2.2	1.7	2.6
Other	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.2
TOTAL	218.0	161.1	614.6	762.4	657.0	548.5

1/ Columns labeled "market year" are total August-July imports reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. Column labeled "as of" are imports at a particular date. All data are reported on a product-weight basis.

2/ Latest available month for Census data.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

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Table 7--U.S. commercial rice exports 1/

Country or region	2009/10 as of 12/31/2009	2008/09 as of 1/1/2009	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year	2005/06 market year
1,000 metric tons						
EUROPE & FSU	56.9	31.7	77.6	89.7	54.0	332.1
European Union	49.4	28.4	71.0	87.0	51.4	311.3
Other Europe	2.0	1.1	3.9	0.7	1.4	17.8
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	5.5	2.2	2.7	2.0	1.2	3.0
NORTHEAST ASIA	394.1	352.7	472.3	450.9	467.0	486.2
Hong Kong	0.4	0.5	0.6	1.1	0.6	2.6
Japan	269.1	266.8	386.1	339.9	324.5	352.4
South Korea	64.4	85.3	85.0	78.6	69.0	69.4
Taiwan	60.2	0.1	0.6	31.3	72.9	61.8
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	275.9	355.6	669.0	697.5	483.7	744.6
French Pacific Islands	2.2	3.9	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.2
Iraq	0.0	0.0	121.0	188.6	308.8	349.8
Iran	0.0	31.5	31.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Israel	16.9	29.6	33.4	30.0	4.8	14.7
Jordan	44.8	44.3	86.2	79.7	50.8	44.4
Papua New Guinea	36.1	74.1	103.2	2.3	0.0	21.9
Philippines	0.0	46.3	46.3	70.7	0.0	65.2
Saudi Arabia	65.7	86.1	143.6	111.3	87.1	116.0
Turkey	61.4	7.9	22.7	154.9	0.1	58.3
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	48.8	31.9	76.2	60.0	32.1	74.1
AFRICA	59.8	41.4	131.6	119.6	97.7	131.6
Cote d'Ivoire	0.0	0.0	15.3	15.0	0.0	14.0
Ghana	20.5	28.9	50.9	75.9	80.4	91.4
Liberia	5.2	7.9	11.1	8.3	11.2	12.6
Libya	1.3	1.1	2.8	0.7	2.1	0.9
Nigeria	14.2	0.0	24.3	0.0	0.1	0.0
Senegal	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.0	0.0
South Africa	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2
Togo	0.0	0.0	6.8	0.0	0.0	5.0
Other Africa	18.4	3.4	20.1	6.5	3.8	7.5
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	1,184.6	1,198.5	1,972.4	2,258.7	2,023.4	2,094.7
Brazil	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Canada	82.3	96.1	168.9	182.1	198.4	168.6
Costa Rica	117.0	91.8	153.8	146.6	146.3	125.7
Colombia	0.1	0.0	71.6	0.0	0.1	0.2
Cuba	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.6	59.6	186.1
Dominican Republic	15.2	9.5	30.7	9.0	0.7	47.4
Guatemala	45.5	25.7	65.0	58.8	95.4	61.6
Haiti	125.5	117.2	257.0	279.0	251.1	327.5
Honduras	70.0	72.9	150.1	131.2	157.3	123.1
Jamaica	12.7	22.8	26.9	50.7	37.0	47.4
Leeward & Windward Islands	6.0	12.2	9.3	12.4	5.8	8.4
Mexico	487.7	410.1	594.2	855.3	734.4	682.2
Netherlands Antilles	2.2	2.0	4.4	5.3	6.1	6.2
Nicaragua	105.0	77.6	97.3	179.2	138.3	168.3
Panama	69.5	0.3	9.4	96.4	80.6	36.4
Peru	0.0	0.1	0.2	2.8	0.0	2.1
El Salvador	40.7	34.3	79.2	86.0	99.1	88.7
Venezuela	0.1	221.5	243.7	125.9	0.6	0.5
Other Western Hemisphere	5.0	4.4	10.6	17.2	12.5	14.1
TOTAL	1,971.3	1,979.9	3,322.9	3,616.4	3,125.8	3,789.2

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 8--U.S., Thailand, and Vietnam price quotes

Month or market year 1/	United States			Thailand 5/					Vietnam 7/
	Southern	Southern	California	100%	5%	15%	35%	A.1 6/	5%
	long grain	long grain	medium grain	Grade B	Parboiled	Brokens		Super	Brokens
	milled 2/	rough 3/	milled 4/						
\$ / 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
2005/06	334	192	484	301	293	284	266	216	259
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	566
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	513	305	1,123	615	620	516	NQ	332	455
Apr. 2009	534	318	1,208	572	570	491	NQ	336	460
May 2009	513	312	1,202	547	541	497	NQ	322	457
June 2009	502	312	1,150	592	604	526	NQ	321	415
July 2009	502	315	1,067	602	624	531	NQ	325	405
2008/09	610	356	1,119	609	616	532	NQ	342	456
Aug. 2009	528	329	948	553	576	492	NQ	307	393
Sep. 2009	522	330	895	544	592	477	NQ	303	384
Oct. 2009	493	330	849	513	562	451	NQ	296	410
Nov. 2009	526	348	816	550	570	481	NQ	326	465
Dec. 2009	557	348	794	605	607	549	NQ	393	NQ
Jan. 2010 8/	546	340	772	597	598	545	NQ	419	488
2009/10 8/	529	338	846	560	584	499	NQ	341	428

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 9--Global rice producers: 2007/08-2009/10 monthly revisions and annual changes 1/

	2007/08		2008/09 2/			2009/10 2/			
	January 2010	December 2009	January 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	December 2009	January 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons					1,000 metric tons			
Afghanistan	335	168	168	0	-167	335	335	0	167
Argentina	810	780	780	0	-30	949	949	0	169
Australia	14	45	45	0	31	125	125	0	80
Bangladesh	28,800	31,000	31,000	0	2,200	30,000	30,000	0	-1,000
Brazil	8,199	8,591	8,591	0	392	8,160	7,820	-340	-771
Burma	10,730	10,150	10,150	0	-580	10,730	10,730	0	580
Cambodia	4,238	4,520	4,520	0	282	4,630	4,630	0	110
China	130,224	134,330	134,330	0	4,106	137,000	137,000	0	2,670
Colombia	1,453	1,600	1,600	0	147	1,450	1,450	0	-150
Cuba	283	312	312	0	29	345	345	0	33
Dominican Republic	455	507	507	0	52	530	530	0	23
Egypt	4,385	4,387	4,387	0	2	4,374	4,374	0	-13
European Union-27	1,757	1,680	1,680	0	-77	1,988	1,988	0	308
Ghana	111	150	150	0	39	156	156	0	6
India	96,690	99,150	99,150	0	2,460	83,000	84,500	1,500	-14,650
Indonesia	37,000	38,300	38,300	0	1,300	37,600	37,000	-600	-1,300
Iran	2,178	1,500	1,500	0	-678	2,000	2,000	0	500
Japan	7,930	8,029	8,029	0	99	7,620	7,620	0	-409
Korea, North	1,527	1,860	1,860	0	333	1,700	1,700	0	-160
Korea, South	4,408	4,843	4,843	0	435	4,910	4,910	0	67
Laos	1,725	1,800	1,800	0	75	1,900	1,900	0	100
Madagascar	2,304	2,624	2,624	0	320	2,688	2,688	0	64
Malaysia	1,475	1,530	1,530	0	55	1,575	1,575	0	45
Mali	714	813	813	0	99	858	858	0	45
Nepal	2,810	2,850	2,850	0	40	2,900	2,900	0	50
Nigeria	3,000	3,200	3,200	0	200	3,400	3,400	0	200
Pakistan	5,700	6,300	6,700	400	1,000	6,000	6,200	200	-500
Peru	1,920	1,270	1,270	0	-650	1,685	1,685	0	415
Philippines	10,479	10,753	10,753	0	274	10,300	10,300	0	-453
Russia	460	480	480	0	20	575	575	0	95
Sierra Leone	435	450	450	0	15	465	465	0	15
Sri Lanka	2,200	2,227	2,227	0	27	2,663	2,663	0	436
Taiwan	955	1,042	1,042	0	87	1,020	1,020	0	-22
Tanzania	818	851	851	0	33	857	857	0	6
Thailand	19,300	19,600	19,600	0	300	20,500	20,500	0	900
Uganda	117	-	124	-	7	-	130	-	6
United States	6,344	6,515	6,515	0	171	6,979	7,030	51	515
Uruguay	931	901	901	0	-30	896	896	0	-5
Venezuela	560	540	540	0	-20	460	460	0	-80
Vietnam	24,375	24,388	24,388	0	13	24,300	24,300	0	-88
Others	5,737	5,899	6,006	107	269	6,230	6,161	-69	155
World total	433,886	445,935	446,566	631	12,680	433,853	434,725	872	-11,841

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 10--Global rice exporters, calendar years 2008-2010; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2008		2009 1/			2010 1/			
	January 2010	December 2009	January 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	December 2009	January 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons (milled basis)					1,000 metric tons (milled basis)			
Argentina	408	600	600	0	192	550	550	0	-50
Australia	48	25	25	0	-23	40	40	0	15
Brazil	511	650	650	0	139	480	300	-180	-350
Burma	541	1,000	1,000	0	459	1,000	1,000	0	0
Cambodia	500	800	800	0	300	800	800	0	0
China	969	800	800	0	-169	1,500	1,500	0	700
European Union-27	157	140	140	0	-17	135	135	0	-5
Ecuador	5	10	10	0	5	10	10	0	0
Egypt	750	500	500	0	-250	450	450	0	-50
Guyana	210	250	250	0	40	220	220	0	-30
India	3,383	2,000	2,000	0	-1,383	2,000	2,000	0	0
Indonesia	0	10	10	0	10	0	0	0	-10
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Kazakhstan	35	30	30	0	-5	30	30	0	0
Korea, South	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	-2
Malaysia	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	-2
Mexico	10	10	10	0	0	5	5	0	-5
Pakistan	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0	3,300	3,800	500	800
Paraguay	70	70	70	0	0	70	70	0	0
Peru	17	50	50	0	33	15	15	0	-35
Russia	21	20	20	0	-1	35	35	0	15
Saudi Arabia	20	50	50	0	30	50	50	0	0
South Africa	24	25	25	0	1	25	25	0	0
Suriname	15	20	20	0	5	20	20	0	0
Taiwan	53	20	20	0	-33	20	20	0	0
Tanzania	20		20	20	0		20	20	0
Thailand	10,011	8,600	8,570	-30	-1,441	10,000	10,000	0	1,430
Turkey	3	25	25	0	22	15	15	0	-10
Uganda	25	-	20	-	-5	-	25	-	5
Uruguay	634	800	800	0	166	750	750	0	-50
Venezuela	80	80	80	0	0	80	80	0	0
Vietnam	4,649	5,800	5,950	150	1,301	5,500	5,500	0	-450
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Subtotal	26,370	25,589	25,749	160	-621	27,300	27,665	365	1,916
United States	3,273	3,100	3,100	0	-173	3,050	3,100	50	0
U.S. Share	11.0%	10.8%	10.7%	--	--	10.0%	10.1%	--	--
World total	29,643	28,689	28,849	160	-794	30,350	30,765	415	1,916

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

1/ Projected.

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

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Table 11--Global rice importers, calendar years 2008-2010; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2008	2009 1/	2009 1/	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	2010 1/	2010 1/	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	January 2010	December 2009	January 2010			December 2009	January 2010		
	1,000 tons (milled basis)								
Afghanistan	240	250	250	0	10	250	250	0	0
Angola	260	260	260	0	0	260	260	0	260
Australia	204	200	200	0	-4	225	225	0	229
Bangladesh	1,658	175	175	0	-1,483	500	500	0	325
Benin	150	160	160	0	10	160	160	0	0
Brazil	417	550	550	0	133	700	750	50	200
Cameroon	250	300	300	0	50	300	300	0	0
Canada	365	345	345	0	-20	340	340	0	-5
China	295	330	330	0	35	350	350	0	20
Colombia	30	125	125	0	95	30	30	0	-95
Costa Rica	85	135	135	0	50	110	110	0	-25
Cote d'Ivoire	800	800	800	0	0	800	800	0	0
Cuba	558	425	425	0	-133	575	575	0	150
European Union	1,520	1,350	1,350	0	-170	1,350	1,350	0	0
Gambia	95	95	95	0	0	95	95	0	0
Ghana	300	350	350	0	50	350	350	0	0
Guinea	150	150	150	0	0	150	150	0	0
Guinea-Bissau	80	80	80	0	0	80	80	0	0
Haiti	320	300	300	0	-20	325	325	0	25
Honduras	111	115	115	0	4	115	115	0	0
Hong Kong	399	325	325	0	-74	350	350	0	25
Indonesia	350	250	250	0	-100	300	300	0	50
Iran	1,500	1,700	1,700	0	200	1,700	1,700	0	0
Iraq	975	1,000	1,000	0	25	1,100	1,100	0	100
Israel	105	100	100	0	-5	100	100	0	0
Japan	546	700	700	0	154	700	700	0	0
Jordan	135	155	155	0	20	140	140	0	-15
Korea, North	30	50	50	0	20	50	50	0	0
Korea, South	282	260	260	0	-22	300	300	0	40
Kenya	240	250	250	0	10	250	250	0	0
Kuwait	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Liberia	170	150	150	0	-20	200	200	0	50
Libya	135	175	175	0	40	175	175	0	0
Malaysia	1,020	830	830	0	-190	850	850	0	20
Mexico	578	500	500	0	-78	600	600	0	100
Mozambique	300	350	350	0	50	350	350	0	0
Nicaragua	100	85	85	0	-15	103	103	0	18
Nigeria	1,600	1,900	1,900	0	300	1,600	1,600	0	-300
Oman	350	100	100	0	-250	100	100	0	0
Philippines	2,500	2,000	2,000	0	-500	2,600	2,600	0	600
Russia	237	200	200	0	-37	165	165	0	-35
Saudi Arabia	1,360	1,370	1,370	0	10	1,400	1,400	0	30
Senegal	860	700	700	0	-160	700	700	0	0
Singapore	320	300	300	0	-20	350	350	0	50
Somalia	80	125	125	0	45	150	150	0	25
South Africa	665	650	650	0	-15	800	800	0	150
Syria	250	300	300	0	50	310	310	0	10
Taiwan	94	90	90	0	-4	126	126	0	36
Tanzania	100	--	100	--	0	--	100	--	0
Turkey	195	200	200	0	5	200	200	0	0
Uganda	60	--	60	--	0	--	60	--	0
United Arab Emirates	300	300	300	0	0	300	300	0	0
United States	651	700	700	0	49	735	735	0	35
Venezuela	314	190	190	0	-124	150	150	0	-40
Vietnam	300	500	500	0	200	500	500	0	0
Yemen	325	325	325	0	0	325	325	0	0
Subtotal	25,514	23,525	23,685	160	-1,829	25,044	25,254	210	1,569
Other countries 2/	4,129	5,164	5,164	0	1,035	5,306	5,511	205	347
World total	29,643	28,689	28,849	160	-794	30,350	30,765	415	1,916

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

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

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