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U.S. 2010/11 Rice Crop Forecast Raised to 255.3 Million Cwt

There were several supply-side revisions this month to the 2010/11 U.S. rice balance sheet. First, the crop forecast was raised 4 percent to 255.3 million cwt—the largest crop on record. The upward revision is primarily due to a 130,000-acre increase in the harvested area estimate to 3.62 million acres, the second highest area on record. The average yield was raised 8 pounds per acre to 7,047 pounds. Carryin was raised 8 percent from last month to 36.7 million cwt. In contrast, the 2010/11 import forecast was lowered 0.5 million cwt to 19.5 million cwt.

On the use side, the 2010/11 export forecast was raised 5 million cwt to 119.0 million cwt, while total domestic and residual use was lowered 2.0 million cwt to 127.0 million cwt. These revisions resulted in a 3.0-million cwt increase in the total use forecast to a record 246.0 million cwt. The U.S. ending stocks forecast was raised 8.7 million cwt to 65.5 million cwt, the largest since 1985/86. The stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 26.6 percent, up from 15.8 percent in 2009/10 and the highest since 1986/87. The 2010/11 season-average farm price (SAFP) for long-grain rice was lowered 50 cents on both ends to \$8.50-\$9.50 per cwt. The combined medium/short-grain SAFP was lowered \$1.00 on both ends to \$16.00-\$17.00 per cwt.

The global production forecast for 2010/11 was lowered 4.6 million tons to 454.6 million tons due to weather problems in several major rice-producing countries. Production forecasts were lowered for Indonesia, China, Pakistan, and Thailand. The global disappearance forecast for 2010/11 was reduced by 4.5 million tons to 452.1 million tons, still a record. The global ending stocks forecast for 2010/11 was lowered 3.0 million tons to 94.6 million tons.

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The global trade forecast for 2011 was reduced by almost 0.7 million tons to 30.66 million tons, with Pakistan accounting for most of the downward revision. Pakistan's exports were lowered 750,000 tons to 2.85 million tons. In contrast, the U.S. export forecast was raised 75,000 tons to 3.55 million tons. Import forecasts for 2011 were lowered for Iran, Afghanistan, and Cuba.

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have risen 4 to 13 percent from the second week of August, due to concerns over tightening global supplies and a stronger Thai baht. Vietnam's prices have also increased due to concerns over Pakistan's rice output, as well as a tightening of Vietnam's supplies until the main crop is harvested. Price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice firmed slightly this week on global supply concerns.

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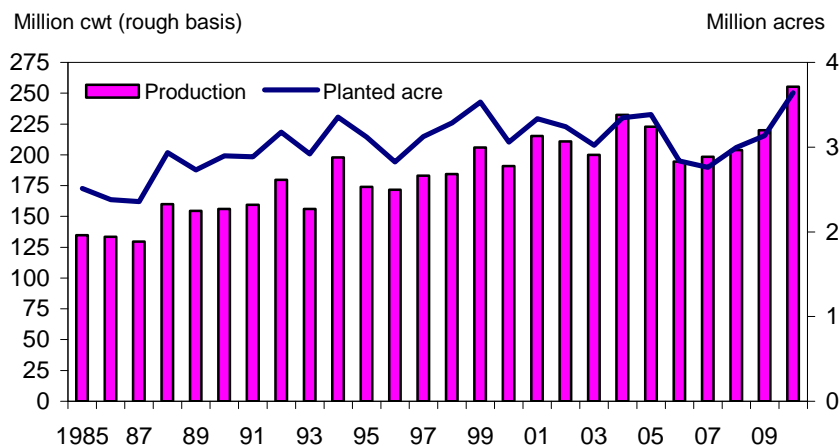
U.S. 2010/11 Rice Crop Forecast Raised to a Record 255.3 Million Cwt

The 2010/11 U.S. rice production forecast was raised 4 percent from last month to 255.3 million cwt, 16 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest on record. This month's upward revision is primarily due to a larger area estimate. Harvested area is estimated at 3.62 million acres, up 130,000 acres from the June survey and nearly 17 percent larger than last year. Area is second only to the 1981/82 record of 3.83 million acres. The average yield, forecast at 7,047 pounds per acre, is up 8 pounds from last month's forecast, but 38 pounds below a year earlier and 2 percent below the 2007 record.

By class, long-grain 2010/11 production is projected at record 191.8 million cwt, up 4.6 million cwt from last month's forecast and almost 26 percent larger than a year earlier. Expanded plantings account for most of this year's projected increase in long-grain production. Long-grain plantings are estimated at a record 2.84 million acres, up 24 percent from last year. Combined medium/short-grain production is projected at 63.5 million cwt, up 4.9 million cwt from last month's forecast, but 5 percent below the 2009/10 crop. Reduced plantings account for all of the year-to-year decline in U.S. medium/short-grain production. Combined medium/short-grain plantings are estimated at 806,000 acres, down almost 5 percent from last year, with the South accounting for all of the decline.

Figure 1

The U.S. 2010/11 rice crop is projected a record 255.3 million cwt



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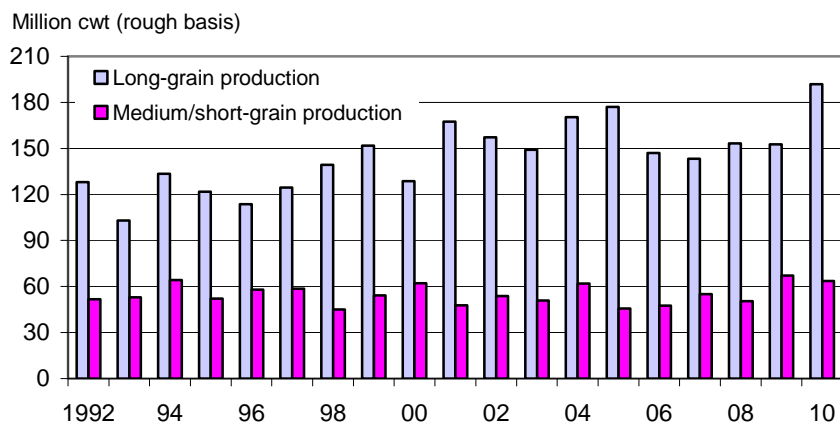
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Figure 2

U.S. long-grain production is projected to increase 26 percent in 2010/11



2010 is a forecast.

Sources: 1992-2009 estimates, USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Quick Stats*, U.S. & All States Data--Crops.

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Area forecasts for 2010/11 were raised this month for all reported States except Louisiana and Texas. Arkansas accounts for the bulk of the upward revision in plantings. The Arkansas area estimate was raised 110,000 acres to a record 1.79 million. Both the long-grain and medium-grain area estimates for Arkansas were raised this month. Missouri's area estimate was raised 36,000 acres to a record 253,000, with long-grain accounting for nearly all of the upward revision. California's area estimate was raised 14,000 acres to 569,000 acres, as an increase in the medium-grain area estimate more than offset a reduced short-grain area estimate. Mississippi's area was raised 10,000 acres to 310,000. Mississippi produces only long-grain rice.

In contrast, Louisiana's 2010/11 plantings were lowered 30,000 acres to 530,000, with long-grain accounting for all of the downward revision. The Texas planting estimate was lowered 10,000 acres to 189,000 acres, with long-grain also accounting for all of the reduction and the bulk of the State's rice production.

On a year-to-year basis, plantings are estimated larger in 2010/11 in all reported States. Arkansas plantings are up almost 21 percent and account for 60 percent of the 2010/11 total U.S. area increase of 507,000 acres. Long-grain accounts for all of the Arkansas area increase this year; medium-grain area declined 13 percent. Louisiana growers increased total rice area 13 percent this year, with long-grain accounting for all of the increase. Medium-grain plantings were down 27 percent in Louisiana. Rice area is up almost 27 percent in Mississippi and 25 percent in Missouri, with long-grain accounting for all of the increase in both States. Texas producers expanded rice area almost 11 percent in 2010/11, also all long-grain. California reported the smallest area expansion, slightly more than 1 percent, with medium-grain accounting for almost all of the increase.

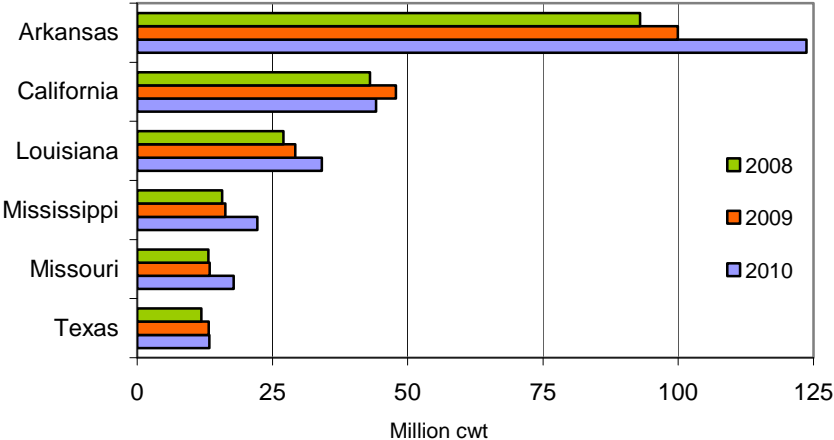
This month, USDA raised its 2010/11 yield forecasts for Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas, but lowered the California yield. California's 2010 yield was lowered 300 pounds per acre. The Mississippi and Texas yields were each raised 200 pounds per acre. Louisiana's yield was revised up 100 pounds. The Arkansas yield forecast is unchanged from last month.

On an annual basis, yields are projected higher in 2010/11 in all reported States except California and Texas. Mississippi's yield is forecast at 7,200 pounds per acres, an increase of 500 pounds from last year. At 7,100 pounds per acre, the average yield in Missouri is 390 pounds above last year and the highest on record. Arkansas' yield is projected at 6,930 pounds per acre, an increase of 130 pounds from last year. In 2009/10, heavy rains early in the growing season delayed plantings and contributed to weak yields across most of the Delta. Louisiana's 2010/11 yields are projected at a record 6,500 pounds per acre, up 100 pounds from last year.

In contrast, the average Texas yield is projected at 7,100 pounds per acre, down nearly 9 percent from last year. The State has experienced severe heat this summer. California's yield is projected at 7,800 pounds per acre, a 9-percent decline from last year and the weakest yield since 2006/07. A cool, wet spring delayed plantings in California, and the summer has been abnormally cool as well.

All reported States are projected to harvest larger crops in 2010/11 except California, with record crops projected for Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Missouri. At 123.7 million cwt, Arkansas rice production is 24 percent larger than last year, mostly due to expanded plantings. Louisiana's production is forecast at 34.1 million cwt, up almost 17 percent, also mostly due to expanded plantings.

Figure 3
Arkansas accounts for two-thirds of the total increase in U.S. rice production in 2010/11



These six States account for more than 99 percent of U.S. production.
 Source: *Crop Production*, September 10, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Mississippi's projected crop of 22.2 million cwt is 36 percent larger than last year, a result of both larger plantings and higher yield. In Missouri, production is forecast at 17.8 million cwt, an increase of 33 percent from a year earlier, a result of both record area and a record yield. The Texas rice crop is projected at 13.3 million cwt, up 1 percent from last year, as expanded area offsets a much weaker yield. In contrast, at 44.1 million cwt, California's production is almost 8 percent smaller than last year, a result of a much weaker yield.

The progress of the 2010/11 U.S. rice crop continues to be ahead of normal and last year. For the week ending September 5, the U.S. harvest was reported 45 percent complete, more than 20 percentage points ahead of last year and the U.S. 5-year average. In Texas, 97 percent of the crop was reported harvested by September 5, ahead of the State's 5-year average of 87 percent. In Louisiana, 80 percent of the crop was harvested by September 5, ahead of its 5-year average of 73 percent. In Arkansas, 47 percent of the crop was reported harvested by September 5, well ahead of the State's 5-year average of 13 percent. Half of the Mississippi crop was harvested by September 5, well ahead of its 5-year average of 16 percent. Missouri's crop was 23-percent harvested by September 5 and, like the rest of the Delta, well ahead of its 5-year average of just 6 percent. In contrast to the South, harvest of the 2010/11 crop has not yet begun in California. Typically, 2 percent of the California crop is harvested by September 5.

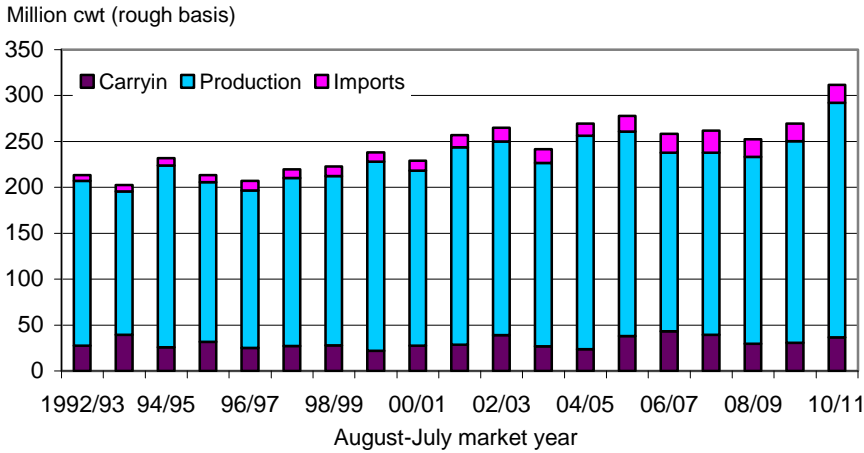
U.S. 2010/11 Total Rice Supplies Are Projected at a Record 311.5 Million Cwt

Total U.S. rice supplies in 2010/11 are projected at a record 311.5 million cwt, up 4 percent from last month's forecast and 16 percent larger than a year earlier. Carryin, production, and imports are all projected to be larger in 2010/11 than last year. Long-grain accounts for all of the year-to-year increase in total supplies. Long-grain supplies are forecast at a record 231.9 million cwt, up 3 percent from last month's forecast and 23 percent larger than a year earlier. Combined medium/short-grain supply is forecast at 78.1 million cwt, up 10 percent from last month's forecast, but almost 1 percent below a year earlier.

Estimates for all-rice beginning stocks and production were raised this month. At 36.7 million cwt, the 2010/11 carryin is up 8 percent from last month's forecast and 20 percent larger than a year earlier. The revision is based on data from the August *Rice Stocks* report. Estimates for both the long-grain and medium/short-grain carryin were revised upward this month. The 2010/11 long-grain carryin was raised 9 percent to 23.2 million cwt, up 15 percent from a year earlier. The medium/short-grain carryin is estimated at 12.1 million cwt, up 19 percent from last month's forecast and 50 percent larger than last year.

Figure 4

Total U.S. rice supplies in 2010/11 are projected at 311.5 million cwt

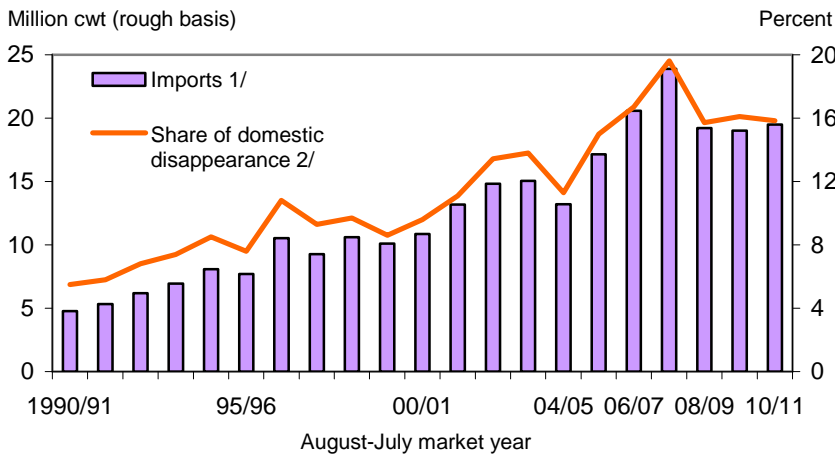


2010/11 is a forecast.

Sources: 1992/93-2007/08, *2010 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2008/09-2010/11, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

Figure 5

U.S. rice imports have been nearly stable since 2008/09



2010/11 is a forecast. 1/ Total of rough, brown, and milled imports on a rough-basis. 2/ Does not include seed use.

Sources: 1990/91-2007/08, *2010 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2008/09-2010/11, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

Total imports for 2010/11 are forecast at 19.5 million cwt, down 0.5 million cwt from last month's forecast, but still up almost 3 percent from a year earlier. The downward revision was based on a revised 2009/10 import estimate that indicates weaker growth. Long-grain imports are projected at 17.0 million cwt, down 0.5 million from last month's forecast, but still up 3 percent from a year earlier. Thailand supplies the bulk of U.S. long-grain imports, with its premium jasmine rice accounting for nearly all of these shipments. Medium/short-grain imports remain projected at 2.5 million cwt, unchanged from 2009/10.

U.S. 2010/11 Export Forecast Raised 5.0 Million Cwt to 119.0 Million Cwt

Total use of U.S. rice in 2010/11 is projected at a record 246.0 million cwt, up 3.0 million cwt from last month's projection and 6 percent above a year earlier. The 2010/11 export forecast was revised upward, while the total domestic and residual use forecast was lowered. Long-grain total use is projected at a record 181.0 million cwt, up 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 9 percent larger than a year earlier. Medium/short-grain total use is forecast at 65.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million cwt from last month, but more than 2 percent below last year.

Total domestic and residual use of all-rice is projected at 127.0 million cwt for 2010/11, down 2.0 million cwt from last month, but still almost 4 percent above a year earlier and the highest on record. This month's downward revision is based on a revised 2009/10 estimate indicating slower growth. By class, long-grain domestic disappearance is projected at 98.0 million cwt, down 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast, but 8 percent above a year earlier and the second highest on record. Combined medium/short-grain domestic disappearance is projected at 29.0 million cwt, also down 1.0 million cwt from last month and 9 percent below 2009/10. The substantial year-to-year decline in medium/short-grain domestic disappearance is based on expectations of some switching by processors from medium/short-grain rice to lower-priced long-grain rice.

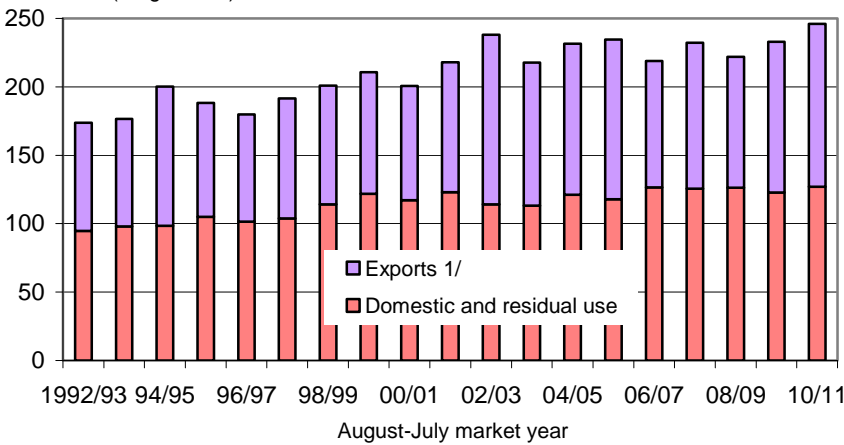
Total exports of U.S. rice in 2010/11 are projected at 119.0 million cwt, up 5.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 8 percent above the year-earlier revised estimate. This month's upward revision in 2010/11 exports is based on larger U.S. supplies, more competitive U.S. prices, and substantial sales already on the books.

By type, U.S. rough-rice exports are projected at a record 44.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 8 percent above a year earlier. Latin America accounts for most of the expected increase in U.S. rough-rice exports in 2010/11. Milled rice exports (combined milled and brown rice exports on a rough basis) are projected at 75.0 million cwt, up 4 million from the August forecast and 8 percent larger than a year earlier. The Middle East, the Caribbean, and Africa account for much of this month's upward revision in the 2010/11 milled rice export forecast.

Figure 6

Domestic and residual use has been nearly stable since 2006/07

Million cwt (rough basis)



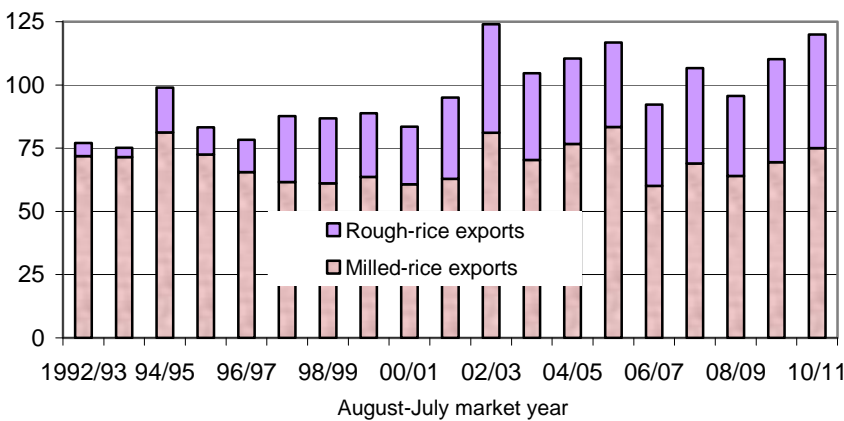
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Sources: 1992/93-2008/09, *2010 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, ERS/USDA; 2008/09-2010/11, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

Figure 7

U.S. rough-rice exports are projected to be the highest on record in 2010/11 1/

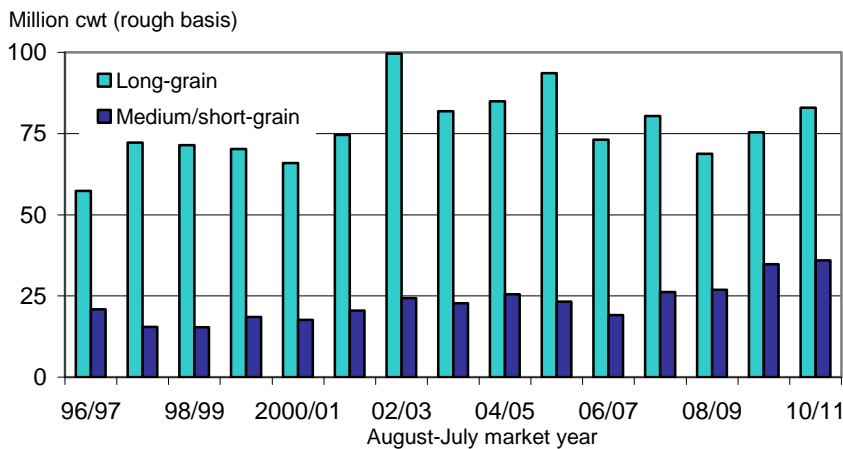
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Figure 8
Record U.S. medium/short-grain exports are projected for 2010/11 ^{1/}



Sources: 1996/97-2007/08, *2010 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service/USDA; 2009/09-2010/11, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

By class, U.S. long-grain exports are projected at 83.0 million cwt, up 3.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 10 percent larger than a year earlier. Africa, the Middle East, and Latin America account for much of the expected increase in U.S. long-grain exports in 2010/11. Combined medium/short-grain exports are projected at a record 36.0 million cwt, up 2.0 million from last month's forecast and 1.2 million cwt larger than last year. Expectations of another year of strong U.S. medium/short-grain exports are based on continued export restrictions by Egypt and only a modest production expansion in 2010/11 in Australia, both major U.S. competitors in the market.

U.S. 2010/11 Ending Stocks Are Projected To Climb to 65.5 Million Cwt

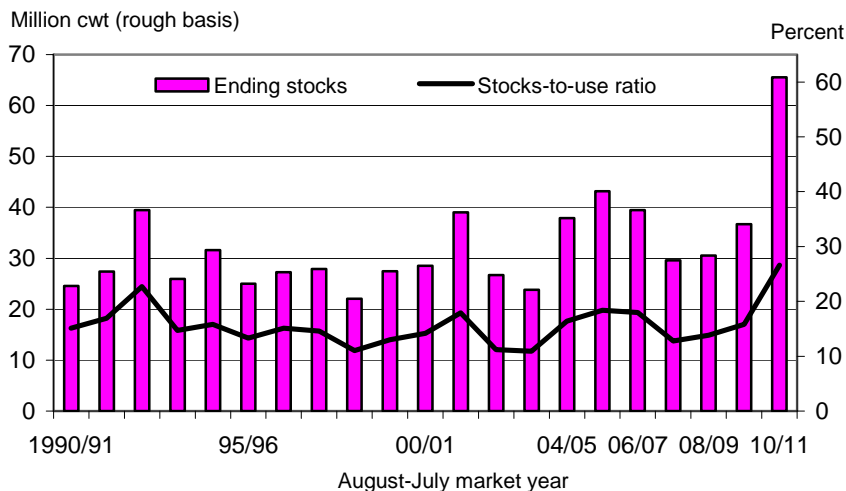
U.S. ending stocks in 2010/11 are projected at 65.5 million cwt, up 8.7 million cwt from last month's forecast, up 79 percent from a year earlier and the largest ending stocks since 1985/86. The stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 26.6 percent, up from 15.8 percent in 2009/10 and the highest since 1986/87.

By class, the 2010/11 long-grain carryout was raised 3.9 million cwt to 50.9 million cwt, 120 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest since 1985/86. The long-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 28.1 percent, also the highest since 1985/86. Stocks of this size will keep substantial downward pressure on U.S. long-grain prices throughout the 2010/11 market year.

The medium/short-grain carryout was raised 5.8 million cwt to 13.1 million cwt, more than 8 percent above a year earlier. The medium/short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 20.2 percent, almost double last month's calculated ratio and

Figure 9

U.S. ending stocks are projected to increase 79 percent in 2010/11



2010/11 is a forecast.

Sources: 1989/90-2007/08, *2010 Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2008/09-2010/11, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

about 2 percentage points above the 2009/10 ratio. Similar to the long-grain market, the medium/short-grain stocks-to-use situation indicates downward price pressure in 2010/11.

There were several revisions this month to the 2009/10 U.S. rice balance sheet based on year-end data. On the supply side, total imports were lowered 0.5 million cwt to 19.0 million based on U.S. Census data through July 2010. Long-grain accounts for all of the downward revision.

On the 2009/10 use side, total exports were revised up 1.2 million cwt to 110.2 million cwt, also based on Census data through July. Both long-grain and medium/short-grain 2009/10 exports were revised up about 1 percent this month. Ending stocks of all-rice were revised up 2.8 million cwt to 36.7 million cwt based on data reported in the August *Rice Stocks*. Long-grain ending stocks were raised 1.8 million cwt to 23.15 million cwt, and combined medium/short-grain ending stocks were raised 1.9 million cwt to 12.1 million. Stocks of brokens are not reported by class of rice, but are included in the all-rice stocks estimate. On a year-to-year basis, ending stocks of brokens declined about 1.0 million cwt.

These supply and use revisions are responsible for a 4.4 million cwt reduction in the 2009/10 total domestic and residual use estimate to 122.6 million cwt. Both the long-grain and medium/short-grain domestic and residual use estimates were lowered this month.

Both Long- and Medium/short-grain 2010/11 U.S. Season-Average Price Forecasts Lowered

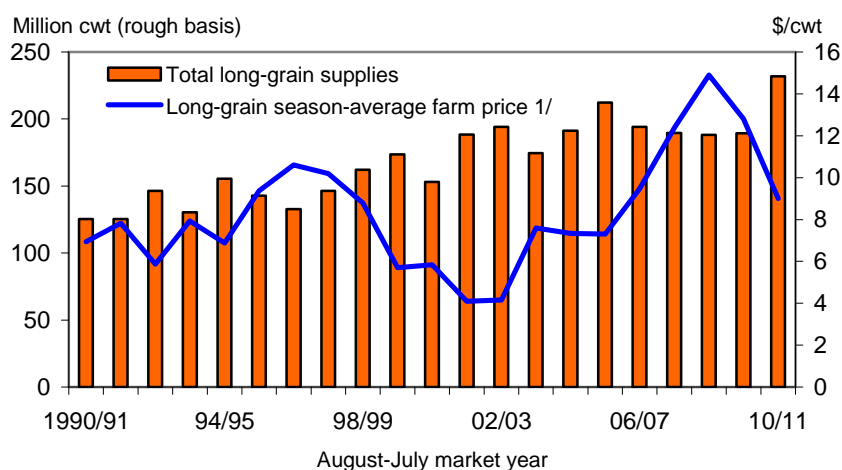
The 2010/11 season-average farm price (SAFP) for U.S. long-grain rice was lowered 50 cents on both ends to \$8.50-\$9.50 per cwt, well below \$12.80 in 2009/10. The projected decline in U.S. long-grain prices in 2010/11 is primarily based on larger U.S. supplies and expectations of lower global trading prices. Because the U.S. accounts for only 10-11 percent of global long-grain exports, U.S. prices are heavily influenced by events in the global market.

The combined medium/short-grain 2010/11 U.S. SAFP was lowered \$1.00 on both ends to \$16.00-\$17.00 per cwt. The mid-point of the 2010/11 price is \$1.20 below the 2009/10 SAFP of \$17.70. This month's downward revision in the U.S. medium/short-grain SAFP is primarily due to a higher supply forecast. The year-to-year decline in U.S. medium/short-grain prices will be limited by continued tight supplies in the global market. The U.S. is currently the largest exporter of medium/short-grain rice.

Last month, NASS reported a mid-August 2010 cash price for long-grain rice of \$10.80 per cwt, 40 cents below the revised July price and the lowest since November 2007. The July price was lowered 80 cents from a preliminary estimate to \$12.00 per cwt. For medium/short-grain rice, the mid-August NASS price was reported at \$17.20 per cwt, up 80 cents from the revised July price. The July medium/short-grain rough-rice cash price was lowered 80 cents per cwt from the mid-month estimate to \$16.40 per cwt.

Figure 10

With record supplies, U.S. long-grain rough-rice prices are projected to decline 30 percent in 2010/11

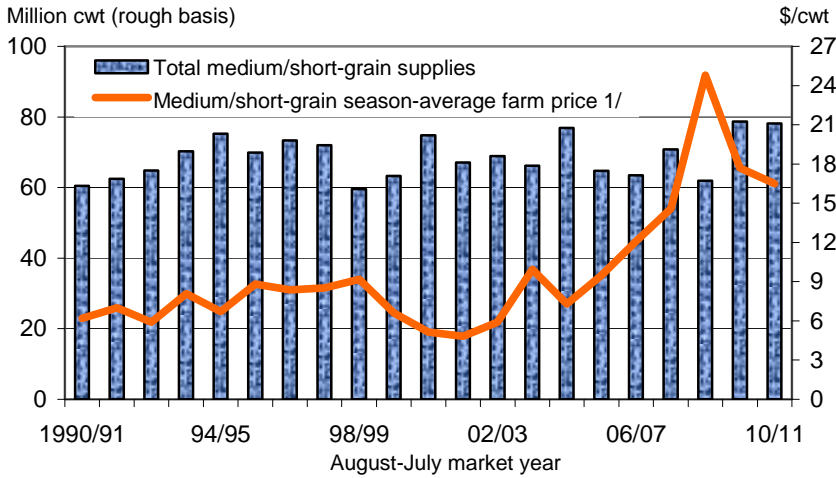


1/ 2010/11 is the mid-point of the price range.

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Figure 11

U.S. medium/short-grain prices are projected to be lower in 2010/11

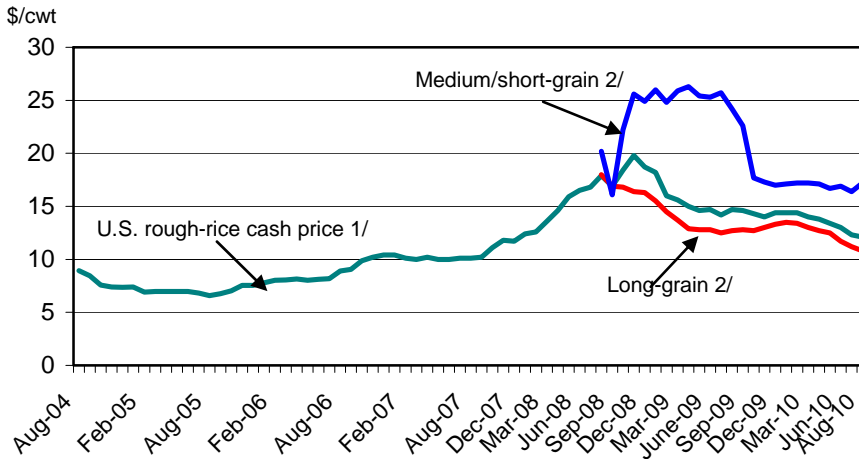


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Figure 12

U.S. long-grain prices continue to decline



August 2010 prices are mid-month estimates only.

1/ Monthly U.S. cash price for all-rice reported by NASS. 2/ Monthly rough-rice prices by class first reported August 2008.

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

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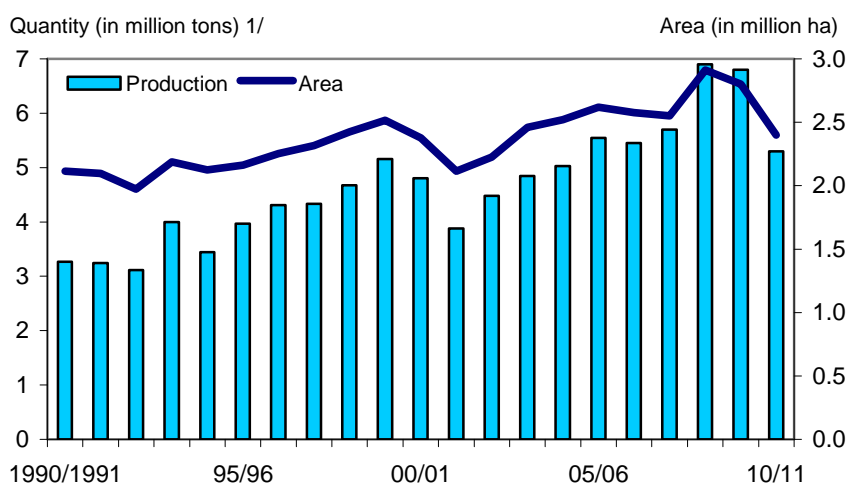
Despite Weather Problems, Global Production Is Forecast A+A Record High

Weather problems in several major rice-producing countries are largely responsible for a 4.6-million ton reduction in the 2010/11 global rice production forecast to 454.6 million tons (milled basis), still 3 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest on record. On a year-to-year basis, larger crops in India, Bangladesh, Brazil, the Philippines, and the United States are expected to more than offset production declines in China, Egypt, South Korea, and Pakistan.

The largest production change this month for 2010/11 was a 2-million-ton reduction in Indonesia's production, now forecast at 38 million tons. This reduced estimate was based on a reduced 2009/10 production estimate, with yields largely stagnating year-to-year due to a continuous rice cropping rotation that has reduced soil fertility.

China's production estimate was reduced by 1.5 million tons this month to 136.0 million tons, down 1 percent from last month. This decreased estimate is based on a report by China's National Bureau of Statistics detailing the size of the country's early rice crop. Early rice plantings in the country's southwestern provinces were damaged by extremely dry conditions early in the season, but wet conditions toward the end of the season in China's southeastern provinces made harvesting difficult. However, the country has mobilized resources to increase plantings and yields of both its single-cropped rice and late-season rice.

Figure 13
Pakistan's 2010/11 production projected to fall 22 percent due to widespread flooding



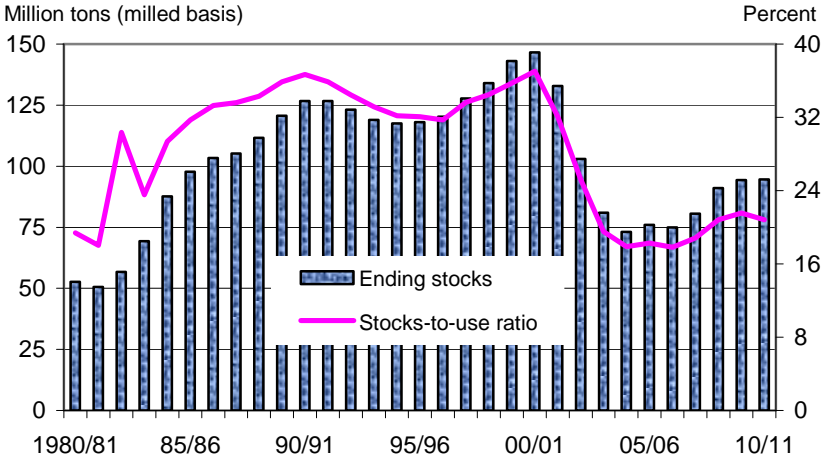
1/ Milled basis. 2010/11 is a forecast. Source: Production, Supply, and Distribution data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

The ongoing flooding in Pakistan has severely affected crop prospects in the rice-growing areas of Punjab and Sindh provinces. Using before-and-after satellite images of the affected areas, USDA estimates that approximately 400,000 hectares of rice plantings have been lost, with total production estimated at 5.3 million tons, down 1.2 million tons from last month's forecast. While the floods have destroyed crops planted in the river bottoms, the heavy rains have been beneficial for the country's upland rice plantings. USDA will continue to monitor the situation as the floodwaters begin to recede.

Rather than too much rain, Thailand's production this year has suffered from a lack of rain during planting of its main season crop and low reservoir levels. The country's 2010/11 production estimate was reduced 200,000 tons to 20.4 million tons. Though monsoon rains came late to the region, farmers actually expanded rice plantings due to the country's attractive price insurance scheme. But with low reservoir reserves, yields are projected slightly lower than previously forecast. Smaller downward production revisions were made this month for North Korea, Colombia, and Chile.

A large lower production revision for Indonesia was primarily responsible for a reduction in the 2009/10 global production estimate, down 1.5 million tons to 441.2 million tons. Indonesia's 2009/10 production estimate was reduced 1.7 million tons to 37.1 million tons based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Jakarta. This reduction comes after an extensive survey of the production situation. In 2009/10, the main season rice plantings were delayed by excessive rains attributed to El Niño. Successive rice crops were also delayed, and were also affected by floods, pests, and disease. Rainy conditions have left farmers with few options aside from planting a continuous rice rotation.

Figure 14
Little change is projected for global ending stocks in 2010/11



2010/11 is a forecast.
 Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

This large decrease was partially offset by a 300,000-ton increase in Pakistan’s production estimate to 6.8 million tons, based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Islamabad. Smaller 2009/10 production changes were made this month for Guyana, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam.

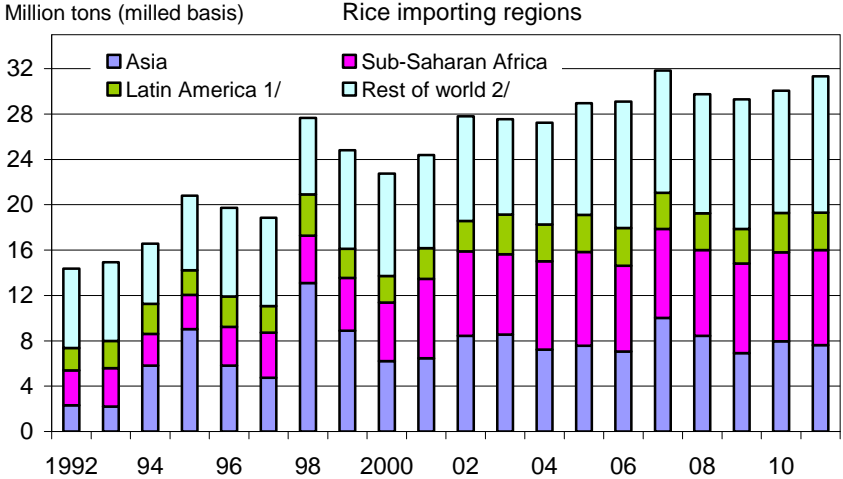
The global disappearance forecast for 2010/11 was reduced this month by 4.5 million tons to 452.1 million tons – still the highest on record. Reductions for China, Indonesia, Iran, and others more than offset increases for Russia and Thailand. The global ending stocks forecast for 2010/11 also fell this month, down nearly 3 million tons from last month to 94.6 million tons, but up slightly from estimated 2009/10 global rice stocks. Large stocks decreases for China, Indonesia, Iran, and Vietnam were partially offset by a higher U.S. stocks estimate. The global stocks-to-use ratio is reduced nearly half a point this month to 20.9 percent, down from 21.7 percent in 2009/10.

2011 Global Trade Forecast Reduced to 30.7 Million Tons

Global trade for 2011 was reduced this month by nearly 0.7 million tons to 30.66 million tons, primarily due to trade impacts caused by a large production decrease forecast for Pakistan. Despite the large decrease, global trade remains forecast 2 percent larger than in 2010.

There were two upward 2011 export revisions this month, both based on revised production forecasts. The largest of these was for the United States. U.S. exports were increased 75,000 tons to 3.55 million tons based on a larger U.S. crop projection, lower prices, and increased U.S. competitiveness on the world market. Russia’s 2011 export forecast was increased 10,000 tons to 120,000 tons, also based on a larger 2010/11 crop estimate.

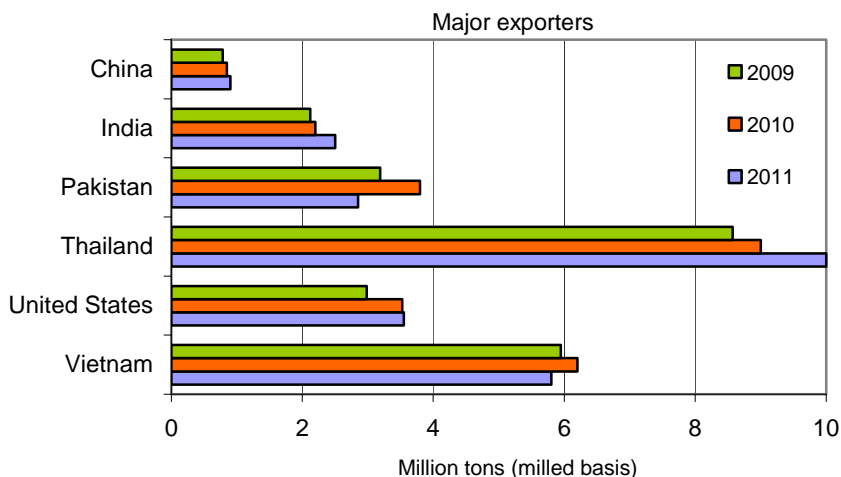
Figure 15
Global imports projected to be second highest on record in 2011



2010 and 2011 are forecast. 1/ Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America. 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 16

Pakistan is projected to reduce exports by almost 1 million tons in 2010



2010 and 2011 are 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>.

These upward revisions were more than offset by a large decrease in Pakistan’s export forecast, reduced 750,000 tons to 2.85 million tons. In addition to reductions in the 2010/11 crop, the floods have destroyed part of the country’s export infrastructure, making it difficult to export even undamaged rice supplies.

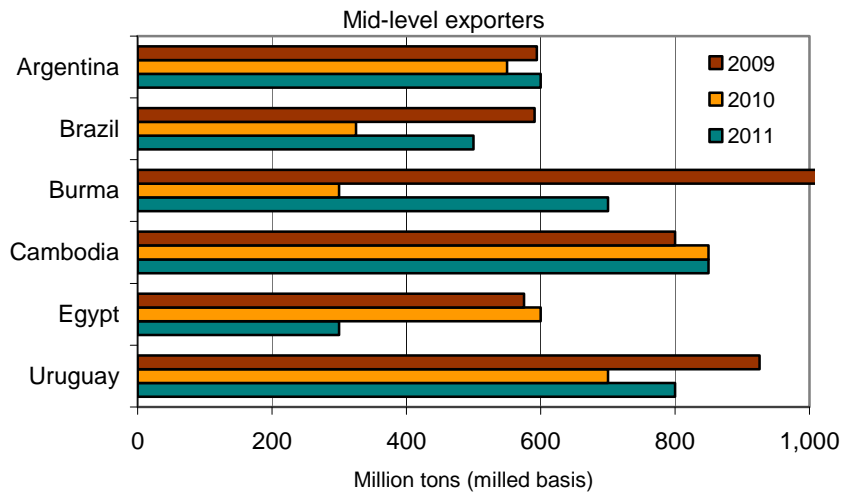
On the import side, Haiti’s imports for 2011 were increased 25,000 tons to 300,000 tons based on a continuation of pace-to-date. Colombia’s imports were raised 20,000 tons to 70,000 tons based on a slightly smaller 2010/11 crop forecast.

These increases were offset by several reductions. Iran’s imports were reduced by 300,000 tons to 1.2 million tons based on reduced Pakistani supplies, and Afghanistan’s imports were reduced 100,000 tons to 200,000 tons, also based on smaller Pakistani supplies. The only other change was a 25,000-ton reduction in Cuba’s imports to 525,000 tons, based on a continuation of the 2009/10 import pace.

Global exports for 2010 were raised this month by 50,000 tons to 30.1 million tons. Vietnam’s 2010 exports were raised 450,000 tons to a record 6.2 million tons based on a report from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Hanoi. U.S. exports were increased 75,000 tons to 3.5 million tons based on export pace-to-date and the current outstanding sales balance. More competitive U.S. rice prices have boosted U.S. sales to several markets typically supplied by Thailand or Vietnam. Smaller increases in 2010 export forecasts were made for Brazil, Guyana, and Pakistan.

Figure 17

Egypt is projected to sharply drop exports in 2011

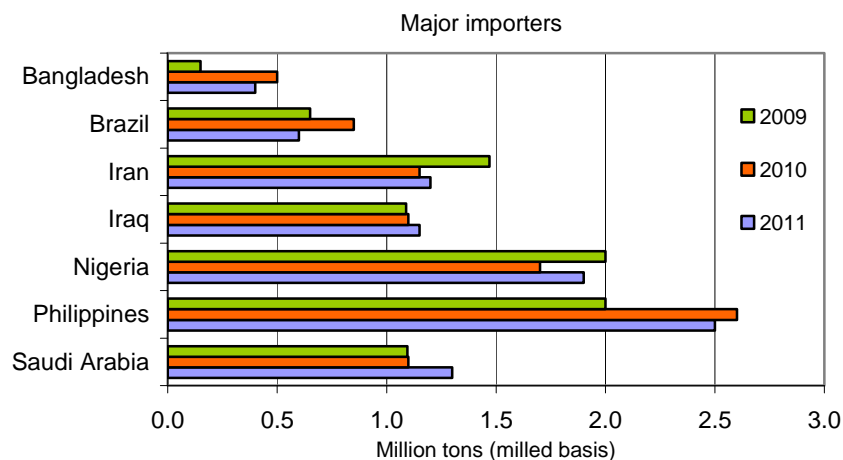


2010 and 2011 are projections.

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Figure 18

Bangladesh's imports are projected to more than triple in 2010



2010 and 2011 are projections. These 7 countries typically 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>.

These export increases were nearly offset by several reductions—particularly a 500,000-ton reduction to Thailand’s 2010 exports, now estimated at 9.0 million tons. This revision was based on a slower-than-expected shipment pace, taking into account that the country’s recent decision to release some intervention stocks may somewhat accelerate the pace of exports in the remainder of the year. Also, Ecuador’s 2010 exports were reduced 55,000 tons to 70,000 tons. While large sales to Venezuela were reported earlier in the year, problems with export infrastructure have hindered Ecuador’s ability to export.

Importer changes for 2010 were also mixed. Indonesia’s import forecast was raised 250,000 tons to 500,000 tons based on a large reduction to the country’s 2009/10 production estimate. A slower-than-expected import pace-to-date was responsible for several import estimate reductions this month; Iran’s imports were reduced 150,000 tons to 1.15 million tons, Nigeria’s imports were reduced 100,000 tons to 1.7 million tons, and Vietnam’s imports were reduced 100,000 tons to 400,000 tons. Smaller import estimate reductions were made for Bolivia and Cuba.

Concerns Over Pakistan’s Crop Damage Fuel Global Price Increases

Trading prices for Thailand’s high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have risen 4 to 13 percent from the second week of August, partially due to concerns of tightening global supplies, but also due to a stronger Thai baht.

Prices for Thailand’s high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (fob vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$483 per ton for the week ending September 6, up 4 percent from the week ending August 9. Prices for Thailand’s 5-percent brokens were quoted at \$465 per ton for the week ending September 6, up 5 percent from the week ending August 9. Prices for Thailand’s 5-percent parboiled rice—a specialty rice—were quoted at \$512 per ton for the week ending September 6, up 8 percent from the week ending August 9.

Price increases were more pronounced for Thailand’s lower quality rice varieties, as these varieties compete directly with Pakistani rice on the global market. For the week ending September 6, prices for Thailand’s A-1 Super 100-percent brokens were quoted at \$404 per ton, up 13 percent from the week ending August 9. All price quotes for Thailand’s rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update*, reported by the U.S. Post in Bangkok.

Vietnam’s prices have also increased due to concerns over Pakistan’s rice output, as well as a tightening of Vietnam’s supplies until the main crop is harvested. Price quotes for 5-percent brokens rose to \$460 for the week ending September 7, up 15 percent from the week ending August 10. With Vietnam’s price quotes rising faster than Thailand’s, the premium of Thai rice has been reduced to \$23, compared with a difference of \$66 last month.

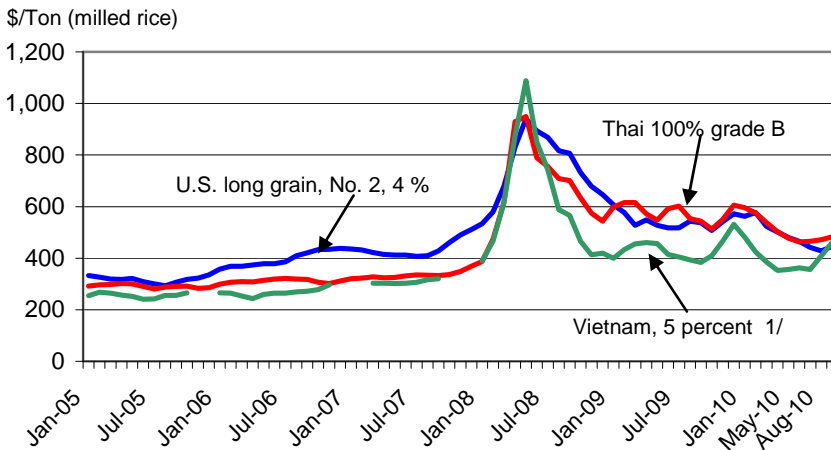
Though a record rice crop is projected for the U.S. in 2010/11, price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice firmed slightly this week on global supply concerns. For the week ending September 7, prices for high-quality southern long-grain rice (No. 2,

4-percent broken, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at \$430 per ton, up \$17 from the week ending August 10. However, because of the large U.S. crop, U.S. price increases were less pronounced than price increases for rice from Asia. U.S. rice (adjusted to reflect the fob vessel price) is quoted with a \$21 discount to similar varieties from Thailand. U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) is quoted at \$245 per ton for the week ending September 7, up \$5 from the week ending August 10.

Prices for California rice have also risen over the past month. Prices for California package-quality medium-grain rice (sacked) for domestic sales are quoted at \$750 per ton for the week ending September 7, up \$22 from the week ending August 10. Export price quotes (for 30-kg bags, fob vessel) are reported at \$790 per ton, up \$50 from the week ending August 10. Taiwan has already announced tenders for its WTO market access commitments this year. South Korea is scheduled to tender later this month. 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*.

Figure 19

U.S. prices are currently below quotes from Thailand and Vietnam



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 price quotes, *Creed Rice Market Report*.

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

Item	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11 2/
TOTAL RICE							
Million acres							
Area:							
Planted	3.347	3.384	2.838	2.761	2.995	3.135	3.642
Harvested	3.325	3.364	2.821	2.748	2.976	3.103	3.623
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,988	6,624	6,898	7,219	6,846	7,085	7,047
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	23.8	37.9	43.1	39.4	29.6	30.6	36.7
Production	232.4	222.8	194.6	198.4	203.7	219.9	255.3
Imports	13.2	17.1	20.6	23.9	19.2	19.0	19.5
Total supply	269.4	277.8	258.3	261.7	252.6	269.4	311.5
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	116.9	114.4	123.2	121.8	122.5	118.1	-
Seed	4.2	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.9	4.5	-
Total domestic use	121.1	117.9	126.6	125.5	126.4	122.6	127.0
Exports	110.4	116.8	92.3	106.6	95.6	110.2	119.0
Rough	33.8	33.4	32.1	37.7	31.6	40.8	44.0
Milled 4/	76.6	83.4	60.1	69.0	64.0	69.4	75.0
Total use	231.5	234.7	218.9	232.1	222.0	232.7	246.0
Ending stocks	37.9	43.1	39.4	29.6	30.6	36.7	65.5
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	16.4	18.4	18.0	12.8	13.8	15.8	26.6
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 5/	7.33	7.65	9.96	12.80	16.80	14.00	10.30 to 11.30
Percent							
Average milling rate	69.10	68.38	68.98	68.33	69.25	69.36	68.86

-- = 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	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11 2/
LONG GRAIN:							
	Million acres						
Planted	2.587	2.751	2.200	2.063	2.365	2.290	-
Harvested	2.571	2.734	2.186	2.052	2.350	2.265	-
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,630	6,479	6,727	6,980	6,522	6,743	-
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	10.4	22.8	32.8	28.6	19.1	20.1	23.2
Production	170.4	177.1	147.1	143.2	153.3	152.7	191.8
Imports	10.5	12.3	14.2	17.7	15.9	16.5	17.0
Total supply	191.4	212.2	194.1	189.5	188.2	189.3	231.9
Domestic use 3/	83.6	85.9	92.4	90.0	99.4	90.8	98.0
Exports	84.9	93.6	73.1	80.4	68.8	75.4	83.0
Total use	168.5	179.4	165.5	170.4	168.1	166.2	181.0
Ending stocks	22.8	32.8	28.6	19.1	20.1	23.2	50.9
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	13.5	18.3	17.3	11.2	11.9	13.9	28.1
Average farm price	7.34	7.30	9.47	12.40	14.90	12.80	8.50- 9.50
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:							
	Million acres						
Planted	0.760	0.633	0.638	0.698	0.630	0.845	-
Harvested	0.754	0.630	0.635	0.696	0.626	0.838	-
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	8,212	7,255	7,484	7,924	8,063	8,010	-
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	12.4	13.9	9.5	10.0	9.1	8.0	12.1
Production	61.9	45.7	47.5	55.2	50.5	67.1	63.5
Imports	2.7	4.9	6.3	6.2	3.4	2.5	2.5
Total supply 4/	76.8	64.7	63.4	70.8	61.9	78.7	78.1
Domestic use 3/	37.5	32.0	34.2	35.5	27.0	31.8	29.0
Exports	25.5	23.2	19.1	26.2	26.9	34.8	36.0
Total use	63.0	55.3	53.4	61.7	53.9	66.6	65.0
Ending stocks	13.9	9.5	10.0	9.1	8.0	12.1	13.1
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	22.0	17.1	18.8	14.7	14.9	18.1	20.2
Average farm price	7.29	9.49	12.10	14.60	24.80	17.70	16.00- 17.00
Ending stocks difference 1/	1.2	0.9	0.8	1.4	2.4	1.5	1.5

-- = Not available. 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	2010/11		2009/10		2008/09	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	12.10 1/	N/A	14.70	10,504	17.90	8,956
September			14.60	11,061	16.90	10,621
October			14.30	13,819	18.40	14,366
November			14.00	13,279	19.80	13,191
December			14.40	15,429	18.70	11,606
January			14.40	18,449	18.20	13,779
February			14.40	13,494	16.00	13,365
March			14.00	15,912	15.60	12,158
April			13.80	12,130	15.00	12,712
May			13.40	12,870	14.60	8,069
June			13.00	10,952	14.70	9,075
July			12.30	12,101	14.20	11,246
Average price to date	12.10 2/					
Season average farm price	10.80 3/		14.00		16.80	
Average Marketings		N/A		13,333		11,595
Total volume marketed		0		160,000		139,144

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		2009/10		2009/10		2009/10				
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt			
August	10.80	1/	N/A		12.70	8,677	17.20	1/	N/A	24.20	1,827
September					12.80	9,125				22.60	1,936
October					12.70	9,410				17.70	4,409
November					13.00	10,266				17.30	3,013
December					13.30	11,091				17.00	4,338
January					13.50	13,598				17.10	4,851
February					13.40	10,012				17.20	3,482
March					13.00	12,261				17.20	3,651
April					12.70	9,141				17.10	2,989
May					12.50	10,068				16.70	2,802
June					11.80	8,361				16.90	2,591
July					11.20	9,460				16.40	2,641
Average to date 2/	10.80						17.20				
Season-average farm price	9.00				12.80		16.50			17.70	
Average marketings			N/A			10,123			N/A		3,211
Total volume marketed			0			121,470			0		38,530

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	2010/11		2009/10		2008/09	
	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium/ short
	\$/cwt					
August	9.58	9.68	11.33	11.42	17.33	17.48
September 2/	9.98	10.08	11.25	11.35	17.83	17.98
October			11.02	11.11	16.93	17.08
November			11.40	11.50	15.52	15.65
December			13.03	13.15	14.17	14.28
January			13.03	13.14	12.71	12.81
February			12.74	12.99	12.74	12.80
March			11.21	11.42	12.36	12.42
April			10.53	10.72	12.25	12.31
May			9.92	10.10	11.89	11.94
June			9.41	9.57	11.21	11.26
July			9.42	9.58	11.68	11.72
Market-year average 1/	9.78	9.88	11.19	11.34	13.89	13.98

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 market year	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year	2005/06 market year
	1,000 metric tons				
ASIA	563.8	536.4	720.2	604.0	488.1
China	3.8	4.0	123.0	119.7	50.8
India	94.7	74.0	119.1	71.0	70.3
Pakistan	19.4	16.9	19.4	16.7	16.7
Thailand	401.0	422.1	454.4	394.4	349.1
Vietnam	41.6	17.5	0.6	1.2	0.3
Other	3.4	1.9	3.8	1.1	1.0
EUROPE & FSU	9.4	7.6	8.5	8.7	6.5
Italy	6.2	5.7	6.3	6.2	5.2
Spain	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.3
Russia	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
United Kingdom	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3
Other	1.5	0.9	1.2	1.5	0.6
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	30.4	31.1	28.5	22.9	23.6
Argentina	2.5	1.1	2.6	2.6	13.7
Brazil	3.5	3.9	2.4	2.0	0.7
Canada	15.4	18.0	13.6	7.8	7.9
Mexico	6.1	6.1	9.2	10.2	0.8
Uruguay	2.9	1.7	0.3	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5
OTHER	5.5	39.3	5.2	21.4	30.3
Egypt	0.6	36.6	2.7	19.3	27.5
United Arab Emirates	4.4	2.2	2.2	1.7	2.6
Other	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.2
TOTAL	609.0	614.3	762.4	657.0	548.5

1/ "Market year" imports are total August-July imports reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.

All data is reported on a product-weight basis.

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

Last updated September 13, 2010.

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

Country or region	2010/11 as of 9/2/2010	2009/10 as of 9/3/2009	2009/10 market year	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year
1,000 metric tons						
EUROPE & FSU	10.6	18.4	98.3	77.6	89.7	54.0
European Union	10.0	17.7	88.6	71.0	87.0	51.4
Other Europe	0.2	0.6	2.6	3.9	0.7	1.4
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	0.4	0.1	7.1	2.7	2.0	1.2
NORTHEAST ASIA	3.8	40.6	571.3	472.3	450.9	467.0
Hong Kong	0.3	0.3	1.1	0.6	1.1	0.6
Japan	0.1	40.2	388.9	386.1	339.9	324.5
South Korea	2.4	0.0	79.4	85.0	78.6	69.0
Taiwan	1.0	0.1	101.9	0.6	31.3	72.9
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	247.1	131.5	751.5	669.0	697.5	483.7
French Pacific Islands	0.0	2.2	2.2	4.7	0.0	0.0
Iraq	120.0	0.0	135.1	121.0	188.6	308.8
Iran	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.7	0.0	0.0
Israel	10.7	6.8	45.7	33.4	30.0	4.8
Jordan	19.2	50.4	66.4	86.2	79.7	50.8
Papua New Guinea	0.0	25.0	37.9	103.2	2.3	0.0
Philippines	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.3	70.7	0.0
Saudi Arabia	32.4	16.4	108.5	143.6	111.3	87.1
Turkey	45.1	14.0	267.0	22.7	154.9	0.1
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	19.7	16.7	88.7	76.2	60.0	32.1
AFRICA	100.0	33.8	117.4	131.6	119.6	97.7
Cote d'Ivoire	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.3	15.0	0.0
Ghana	42.1	15.3	43.7	50.9	75.9	80.4
Liberia	6.8	2.7	8.4	11.1	8.3	11.2
Libya	0.3	1.0	1.1	2.8	0.7	2.1
Nigeria	47.0	14.0	36.6	24.3	0.0	0.1
Senegal	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	0.0
South Africa	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.0
Togo	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.8	0.0	0.0
Other Africa	3.7	0.8	27.1	20.1	6.5	3.8
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	534.3	462.1	2,142.9	1,972.4	2,258.7	2,023.4
Brazil	51.9	0.0	15.4	0.1	0.2	0.1
Canada	7.8	50.1	124.8	168.9	182.1	198.4
Costa Rica	64.3	44.9	166.8	153.8	146.6	146.3
Colombia	0.0	0.0	0.2	71.6	0.0	0.1
Cuba	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.6	59.6
Dominican Republic	1.2	2.0	25.2	30.7	9.0	0.7
Guatemala	13.0	17.6	72.6	65.0	58.8	95.4
Haiti	33.8	71.5	226.5	257.0	279.0	251.1
Honduras	30.7	24.7	119.3	150.1	131.2	157.3
Jamaica	10.6	3.8	20.2	26.9	50.7	37.0
Leeward & Windward Islands	6.2	5.8	8.3	9.3	12.4	5.8
Mexico	148.5	197.8	775.1	594.2	855.3	734.4
Netherlands Antilles	0.9	0.7	5.2	4.4	5.3	6.1
Nicaragua	63.4	29.4	147.0	97.3	179.2	138.3
Panama	27.5	0.3	104.0	9.4	96.4	80.6
Peru	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.8	0.0
El Salvador	17.7	11.1	78.5	79.2	86.0	99.1
Venezuela	55.0	0.0	241.8	243.7	125.9	0.6
Other Western Hemisphere	1.6	2.4	12.0	10.6	17.2	12.5
UNKNOWN	45.0	2.7	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	940.8	689.1	3,681.4	3,322.9	3,616.4	3,125.8

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 long grain milled 2/	Southern long grain rough 3/	California medium grain milled 4/	100% Grade B	5% Parboiled	15% 35% Brokens	A.1 6/ Super	5% 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
2005/06	334	192	484	301	293	284	266	216	259
2006/07	407	237	538	320	317	302	282	243	292
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	547	340	772	596	600	539	NQ	420	482
Feb. 2010	562	328	772	576	582	516	NQ	415	425
Mar. 2010	509	310	732	538	542	474	NQ	382	386
Apr. 2010	486	301	728	502	494	445	NQ	354	353
May 2010	466	293	719	478	468	421	NQ	330	356
June 2010	451	284	739	463	462	409	NQ	330	363
July 2010	427	255	728	465	470	411	NQ	349	356
2009/10	506	316	791	532	544	472	NQ	350	397
Aug. 2010	413	240	722	472	489	425	NQ	367	410
Sep. 2010 8/	430	245	728	483	512	448	NQ	404	460
2010/11 8/	422	243	725	478	501	437	NQ	386	435

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: 2008/09-2010/11 monthly revisions and annual changes 1/

	2008/09	2009/10 2/			2010/11 2/				
	September 2010	August 2010	September 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	August 2010	September 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons					1,000 metric tons			
Afghanistan	275	335	335	0	60	275	275	0	-60
Argentina	867	910	910	0	43	1,040	1,040	0	130
Australia	44	147	147	0	103	235	235	0	88
Bangladesh	31,000	31,000	31,000	0	0	32,300	32,300	0	1,300
Brazil	8,570	7,641	7,641	0	-929	8,400	8,400	0	759
Burma	10,150	10,597	10,597	0	447	11,000	11,000	0	403
Cambodia	4,520	4,780	4,780	0	260	4,800	4,800	0	20
China	134,330	137,000	137,000	0	2,670	137,500	136,000	-1,500	-1,000
Colombia	1,680	1,500	1,500	0	-180	1,440	1,400	-40	-100
Cuba	312	375	375	0	63	375	375	0	0
Dominican Republic	507	552	552	0	45	560	560	0	8
Egypt	4,402	4,300	4,300	0	-102	3,900	3,900	0	-400
European Union-27	1,620	1,984	1,984	0	364	2,010	2,010	0	26
Ghana	181	235	235	0	54	240	240	0	5
India	99,180	89,130	89,130	0	-10,050	99,000	99,000	0	9,870
Indonesia	38,300	38,800	37,100	-1,700	-1,200	40,000	38,000	-2,000	900
Iran	1,500	2,000	2,000	0	500	2,050	2,050	0	50
Japan	8,029	7,711	7,711	0	-318	7,850	7,850	0	139
Korea, North	1,860	1,910	1,910	0	50	1,920	1,870	-50	-40
Korea, South	4,843	4,916	4,916	0	73	4,600	4,710	110	-206
Laos	1,755	1,821	1,821	0	66	1,900	1,900	0	79
Madagascar	2,505	2,688	2,688	0	183	2,688	2,688	0	0
Malaysia	1,536	1,590	1,590	0	54	1,600	1,600	0	10
Mali	873	1,010	1,010	0	137	1,040	1,040	0	30
Nepal	2,850	2,900	2,900	0	50	2,900	2,900	0	0
Nigeria	3,200	3,400	3,400	0	200	3,600	3,600	0	200
Pakistan	6,900	6,500	6,800	300	-100	6,500	5,300	-1,200	-1,500
Peru	1,928	2,063	2,063	0	135	1,977	1,977	0	-86
Philippines	10,755	9,757	9,772	15	-983	10,800	10,800	0	1,028
Russia	480	590	590	0	110	630	650	20	60
Sierra Leone	450	465	465	0	15	465	465	0	0
Sri Lanka	2,227	2,566	2,566	0	339	2,594	2,594	0	28
Taiwan	1,025	1,111	1,111	0	86	1,018	1,018	0	-93
Tanzania	903	877	877	0	-26	883	883	0	6
Thailand	19,850	20,300	20,260	-40	410	20,600	20,400	-200	140
Uganda	124	130	130	0	6	130	130	0	0
United States	6,400	6,917	6,917	0	517	7,680	7,975	295	1,058
Uruguay	940	805	805	0	-135	925	925	0	120
Venezuela	520	428	428	0	-92	320	320	0	-108
Vietnam	24,393	24,380	24,398	18	5	24,750	24,750	0	352
Others	6,446	6,492	6,438	-54	-8	6,672	6,670	-2	232
World total	448,230	442,613	441,152	-1,461	-7,078	459,167	454,600	-4,567	13,448

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 2009-2011; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2009	2010 1/			2011 1/				
	September 2010	August 2010	September 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	August 2010	September 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons (milled basis)					1,000 metric tons (milled basis)			
Argentina	594	550	550	0	-44	600	600	0	50
Australia	17	40	40	0	23	105	105	0	65
Brazil	591	300	325	25	-266	500	500	0	175
Burma	1,052	300	300	0	-752	700	700	0	400
Cambodia	800	850	850	0	50	850	850	0	0
China	783	850	850	0	67	900	900	0	50
Ecuador	37	125	70	-55	33	100	100	0	30
Egypt	575	600	600	0	25	300	300	0	-300
European Union-27	150	140	140	0	-10	140	140	0	0
Guyana	200	200	225	25	25	250	250	0	25
India	2,123	2,200	2,200	0	77	2,500	2,500	0	300
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0	0
Korea, South	4	4	4	0	0	5	5	0	1
Pakistan	3,187	3,750	3,800	50	613	3,600	2,850	-750	-950
Thailand	8,570	9,500	9,000	-500	430	10,000	10,000	0	1,000
Uganda	20	20	20	0	0	20	20	0	0
Uruguay	926	700	700	0	-226	800	800	0	100
Vietnam	5,950	5,750	6,200	450	250	5,800	5,800	0	-400
Other	477	522	502	-20	25	480	490	10	-12
Subtotal	26,256	26,601	26,576	-25	320	27,850	27,110	-740	534
United States	2,983	3,450	3,525	75	542	3,475	3,550	75	25
U.S. Share	10.2%	11.5%	11.7%	--	--	11.1%	11.6%	--	--
World total	29,239	30,051	30,101	50	862	31,325	30,660	-665	559

-- 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 2009-2011; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2009		2010 1/			2011 1/			
	September	August	September	Monthly	Annual	August	September	Monthly	Annual
	2010	2010	2010	revisions	changes	2010	2010	revisions	changes
	1,000 tons (milled basis)					1,000 tons (milled basis)			
Bangladesh	150	500	500	0	350	400	400	0	-100
Brazil	650	850	850	0	200	600	600	0	-250
Cameroon	300	300	300	0	0	310	310	0	10
Canada	322	330	330	0	8	330	330	0	0
China	337	300	300	0	-37	330	330	0	30
Colombia	111	30	30	0	-81	50	70	20	40
Costa Rica	86	65	65	0	-21	50	50	0	-15
Cote d'Ivoire	800	860	860	0	60	900	900	0	40
Cuba	457	550	500	-50	43	550	525	-25	25
European Union	1,383	1,350	1,350	0	-33	1,350	1,350	0	0
Ghana	410	300	300	0	-110	320	320	0	20
Guinea	150	330	330	0	180	375	375	0	45
Haiti	300	325	325	0	25	275	300	25	-25
Honduras	104	115	115	0	11	110	110	0	-5
Hong Kong	395	400	400	0	5	410	410	0	10
Indonesia	250	250	500	250	250	250	250	0	-250
Iran	1,470	1,300	1,150	-150	-320	1,500	1,200	-300	50
Iraq	1,089	1,100	1,100	0	11	1,150	1,150	0	50
Japan	750	700	700	0	-50	700	700	0	0
Jordan	177	140	140	0	-37	160	160	0	20
Korea, North	62	50	50	0	-12	50	50	0	0
Korea, South	245	300	300	0	55	330	330	0	30
Liberia	105	200	200	0	95	200	200	0	0
Malaysia	1,070	1,020	1,020	0	-50	1,020	1,020	0	0
Mexico	610	600	600	0	-10	650	650	0	50
Mozambique	385	320	320	0	-65	375	375	0	55
Nicaragua	77	100	100	0	23	100	100	0	0
Nigeria	2,000	1,800	1,700	-100	-300	1,900	1,900	0	200
Philippines	2,000	2,600	2,600	0	600	2,500	2,500	0	-100
Russia	230	170	170	0	-60	140	140	0	-30
Saudi Arabia	1,095	1,100	1,100	0	5	1,300	1,300	0	200
Senegal	715	700	700	0	-15	700	700	0	0
Singapore	280	300	300	0	20	300	300	0	0
South Africa	745	800	800	0	55	850	850	0	50
Syria	300	350	350	0	50	350	350	0	0
Taiwan	85	130	130	0	45	120	120	0	-10
Turkey	282	400	400	0	118	300	300	0	-100
United Arab Emirates	320	340	340	0	20	350	350	0	10
United States	682	650	650	0	-32	665	665	0	15
Venezuela	100	325	325	0	225	300	300	0	-25
Vietnam	500	500	400	-100	-100	500	500	0	100
Yemen	325	325	325	0	0	335	335	0	10
Subtotal	21,904	23,175	23,025	-150	1,121	23,455	23,175	-280	150
Other countries 2/	7,335	6,876	7,076	200	-259	7,870	7,485	-385	409
									0
World total	29,239	30,051	30,101	50	862	31,325	30,660	-665	559

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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