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The U.S. 2010/11 total supply forecast was lowered 4 percent this month to 298.5 million, still the highest on record. The smaller supply forecast was the result of a 5-percent reduction in the 2010/11 crop forecast to 242.3 million cwt, still a record. An extremely hot summer lowered yield expectations in the Delta, resulting in a 5-percent reduction in the 2010/11 average yield forecast to 6,687 pounds per acre, the weakest yield since 2005/06. Import and carryin projections are unchanged from last month.

The 2010/11 U.S. total rice use forecast of a record 246.0 million cwt is unchanged from last month. Total domestic and residual use remains forecast at 127.0 million cwt, also a record. Total exports remain forecast at 119.0 million cwt, the second highest on record. By type, a 1.0-million cwt increase in rough-rice exports to a record 45.0 million cwt was offset by a 1.0-million reduction in the milled export forecast to 74.0 million. There were no export revisions by class this month.

The reduced crop forecast resulted in a 20-percent reduction in the 2010/11 U.S. ending stocks forecast to 52.5 million cwt, still the highest since 1985/86. The 2010/11 season-average farm price (SAFP) for U.S. long-grain rice was raised $2.00 per cwt on both ends to $10.50-$11.50 per cwt, still below $12.80 in 2009/10. The combined medium/short-grain 2010/11 U.S. SAFP was raised $1.30 on both ends to $17.30-$18.30 per cwt, little changed from $17.70 per cwt a year earlier.

Global production in 2010/11 is forecast at 452.5 million tons, down 2.1 million tons from last month's forecast, but up nearly 2 percent from 2009/10 and the highest on record. Production forecasts were lowered this month for India, the United States, Burma, and several countries in Sub-Saharan Africa. The global ending stocks forecast for 2010/11 was lowered this month to 94.3 million tons, down 0.3 million tons from last month.

The 2011 global trade forecast was reduced slightly this month to 30.54 million tons. Export forecasts were lowered for both Burma and Russia, while 2011 import forecasts for Indonesia and for the United Arab Emirates were raised.

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have risen 4 to 6 percent from the first week of September, largely due to a stronger Thai baht. Price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice firmed over the past month, mostly due to concerns that extremely hot weather this summer in the Mississippi Delta hindered rice plant development. In contrast, price quotes from Vietnam are unchanged from a month earlier.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. 2010/11 Rice Crop Forecast Lowered 5 Percent to 242.3 Million Cwt

The 2010/11 U.S. rice production forecast was lowered 5 percent from last month to 242.3 million cwt, still 10 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest on record. This month's downward revision in production is due to a lower yield. At 6,687 pounds per acre, the 2010/11 average yield is 360 pounds below the September forecast and almost 6 percent below a year earlier. This is the lowest average U.S. yield since 2005/06. Harvested area remains estimated at 3.62 million acres, almost 17 percent larger than last year and the second highest on record.

By class, long-grain 2010/11 production is projected at 182.0 million cwt, down 9.8 million cwt from last month's forecast, but 19 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest on record. Expanded plantings account for all of this year's projected increase in U.S. long-grain production. Long-grain plantings remain estimated at a record 2.84 million acres, up 24 percent from last year. Combined medium/short-grain production is projected at 60.3 million cwt, down 3.25 million cwt from last month's forecast and 10 percent below the 2009/10 crop. Both harvested area and the average yield for U.S. medium/short-grain are lower than a year earlier.

Plantings are estimated larger in 2010/11 in all reported States, with record plantings estimated for Arkansas and Missouri. Arkansas plantings of 1.8 million acres are up almost 21 percent from last year and account for 60 percent of the 2010/11 U.S. area increase of 507,000 acres. Long-grain accounts for all of the Arkansas area increase this year; Arkansas medium-grain area declined 13 percent.

Figure 1
The U.S. average field yield declined almost 6 percent in 2010

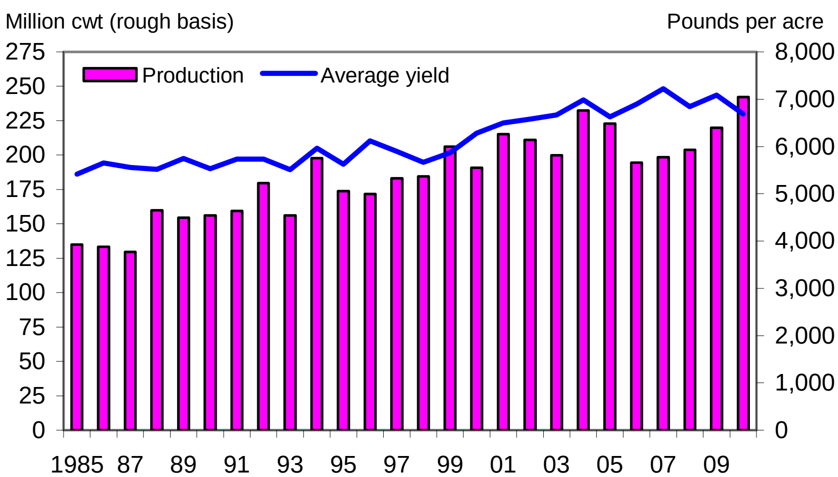

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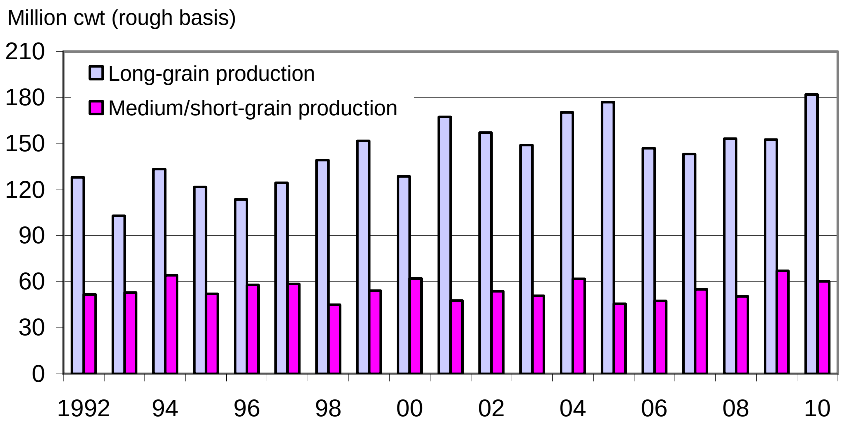
Figure 2
U.S. long-grain production is projected to be the highest on record in 2010



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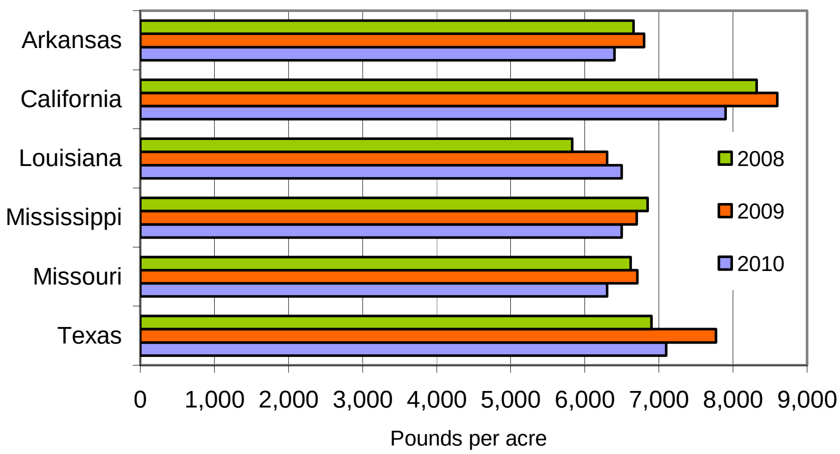
Louisiana growers increased total 2010/11 rice area 13 percent to 530,000 acres, with long-grain accounting for all of the increase. Medium-grain plantings are down 27 percent in Louisiana. Rice area in Mississippi is estimated at 310,000 acres, up almost 27 percent from last year. In Missouri, plantings expanded 25 percent to 253,000 acres. Long-grain accounts for all of the rice area increases in Mississippi and Missouri. Texas producers expanded rice area almost 11 percent to 189,000 acres, with long-grain accounting for all of the expansion. California reported the smallest area expansion, with rice plantings increasing slightly more than 1 percent to 569,000 acres. Medium-grain accounts for almost all of California's area increase.

This month, USDA lowered its 2010/11 yield forecasts for all three Delta States—Arkansas, Mississippi, and Missouri. The region experienced record heat this summer that adversely impacted yields. Arkansas' average yield was lowered 530 pounds per acre to 6,400 pounds, 6 percent below a year earlier and the lowest since 2001/02. Missouri's average field yield was lowered 800 pounds to 6,300 pounds, also 6 percent below last year. This is the lowest yield for Missouri since 2003/04. The average field yield in Mississippi was reduced 700 pounds per acre to 6,500 pounds, 3 percent below the 2009/10 yield. This is the weakest yield for Mississippi since 2005/06.

Figure 3
Yields are projected lower in 2010 in all States except Louisiana



2010 is a forecast. These six States account for more than 99 percent of U.S. production.
Source: *Crop Production,* October 8, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In contrast, the California average yield was raised 100 pounds per acre this month to 7,900 pounds, still 8 percent below last year and the smallest since 2006/07. Gulf Coast yields are unchanged from last month's forecasts. At 6,500 pounds per acre, Louisiana's average field yield is up 3 percent from last year and the highest on record. The Texas average yield of 7,100 pounds per acre is almost 9 percent below 2009/10.

This month, crop forecasts were lowered for all rice-growing States in the Delta, a result of the downward revisions in yield. The Arkansas production forecast was lowered 9.5 million cwt, the Missouri crop was revised downward 2.0 million cwt, and Mississippi's production was lowered almost 2.2 million cwt. In contrast, the higher yield forecast raised California's production forecast more than 1 percent from last month.

Production Projected Higher in 2010 in All States Except California

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 114.2 million cwt, Arkansas' rice production is 14 percent larger than last year, a result of expanded plantings. Louisiana's production is forecast at 34.1 million cwt, up almost 17 percent, mostly due to expanded plantings. Mississippi's projected crop of 20.0 million cwt is 23 percent larger than last year, a result of larger plantings. In Missouri, production is forecast at 15.8 million cwt, an increase of 18 percent from a year earlier and the result of record area. The Texas rice crop is projected at 13.3 million cwt, up 1 percent from last year, as expanded area offset a much weaker yield. In contrast, at 44.7 million cwt, California's production is 6.5 percent smaller than last year, a result of a much weaker yield.

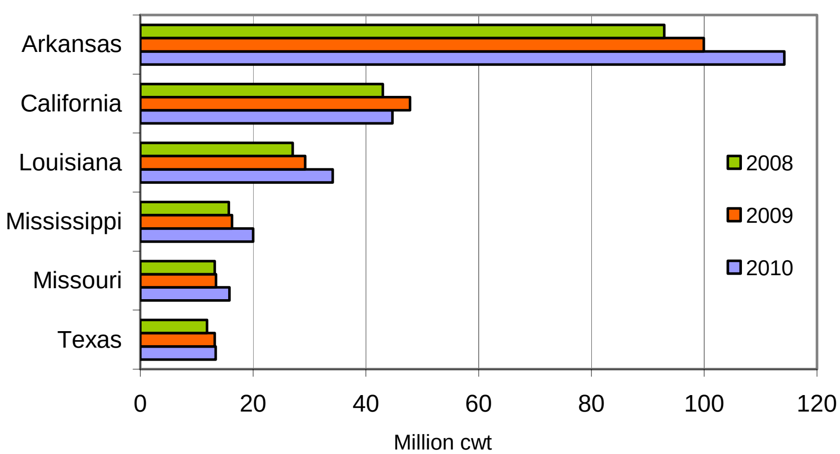
The progress of the 2010/11 U.S. rice crop continues to be ahead of normal and last year. For the week ending October 3, the U.S. harvest was reported 78 percent complete, 18 percentage points ahead of last year and 6 percentage points ahead of the U.S. 5-year average. The Texas main-crop harvest is complete, slightly ahead of normal. In Louisiana, 98 percent of the main-crop was reported harvested by October 3, also slightly ahead of last year and the State's 5-year average. Some growers in Texas and Louisiana are able to harvest a partial second crop from the stubble of the main crop harvest.

Harvest was reported 89 percent complete in Arkansas for the week ending October 3, well ahead of just 50 percent a year earlier and the State's 5-year average of 70 percent. In 2009/10, an extremely wet spring delayed plantings by several weeks in the Delta. Mississippi's 2010/11 crop was reported 95 percent harvested by October 3, well ahead of just 40 percent last year and the State's 5-year average of 75 percent. In Missouri, 93 percent of the 2010/11 crop was reported harvested by October 3, also well ahead of 39 percent a year earlier and the State's 5-year average of 61 percent.

In contrast, just 10 percent of the California crop was reported harvested by October 3, well behind 61 percent a year earlier and the State's 5-year average of 49 percent. California experienced an abnormally wet spring that delayed plantings several weeks and that was followed by a cool summer that has slowed maturation.

Figure 4

Rice production in 2010 is projected higher in all States except California



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U.S. 2010/11 Total Rice Supply Forecast Lowered 4 Percent to 298.5 Million Cwt

Total U.S. rice supplies in 2010/11 are projected at 298.5 million cwt, down 4 percent from last month's forecast, but 11 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest on record. 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 222.1 million cwt, down 4 percent from last month's forecast, but 17 percent larger than a year earlier. Combined medium/short-grain total supply is forecast at 74.9 million cwt, down 4 percent from last month's forecast and 5 percent below a year earlier.

Beginning stocks of all-rice remain estimated at 36.7 million cwt, 20 percent larger than a year earlier. The 2010/11 long-grain carryin remains estimated at 23.2 million cwt, up 15 percent from a year earlier. The medium/short-grain carryin remains estimated at 12.1 million cwt, 50 percent larger than last year and the largest since 2005/06.

Total imports for 2010/11 remain forecast at 19.5 million cwt, up almost 3 percent from a year earlier. Long-grain imports remain projected at 17.0 million cwt, up 3 percent from a year earlier, but still 4 percent below the 2007/08 record. Thailand supplies the bulk of U.S. long-grain imports, with its premium jasmine rice accounting for nearly all of its shipments to the United States. Basmati rice from India and Pakistan accounts for most of the remaining U.S. long-grain rice imports. Medium/short-grain imports remain projected at 2.5 million cwt, unchanged from 2009/10, but well below the 2006/07 record of 6.3 million.

Figure 5

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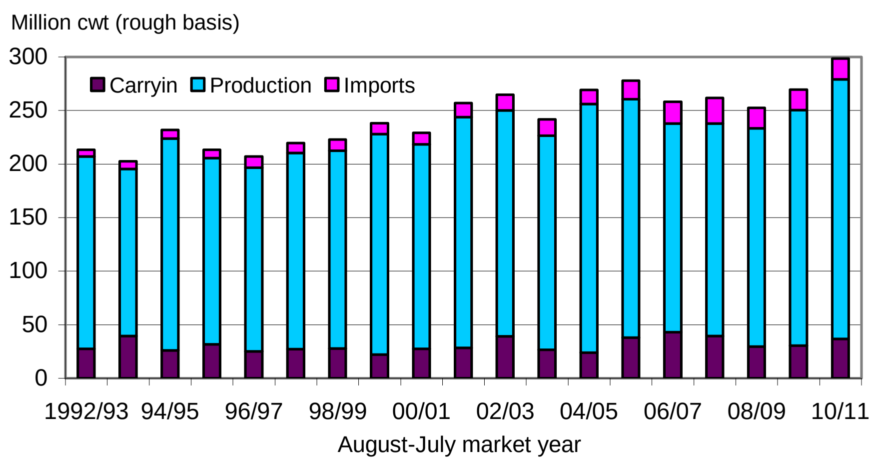

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U.S. 2010/11 Rough-Rice Export Forecast Raised 1.0 Million Cwt to 45.0 Million Cwt

Total use of U.S. rice in 2010/11 remains projected at a record 246.0 million cwt, almost 6 percent above a year earlier. Long-grain total use remains projected at a record 181.0 million cwt, 9 percent larger than a year earlier. Medium/short-grain total use remains forecast at 65.0 million cwt, more than 2 percent below last year.

Total domestic and residual use of all-rice remains projected at 127.0 million cwt for 2010/11, almost 4 percent above a year earlier and the highest on record. Since 2006/07, there has been very little increase in total domestic and residual use. By class, long-grain domestic disappearance remains projected at 98.0 million cwt, 8 percent above a year earlier and the second highest on record. Combined medium/short-grain domestic disappearance remains projected at 29.0 million cwt, 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 remain projected at 119.0 million cwt, 8 percent above a year earlier. By type, U.S. rough-rice exports are projected at a record 45.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 10 percent above a year earlier. This month's upward revision in the U.S. rough-rice export forecast is largely due to stronger-than-expected sales to South America and the Eastern Mediterranean. On a year-to-year basis, Latin America accounts for

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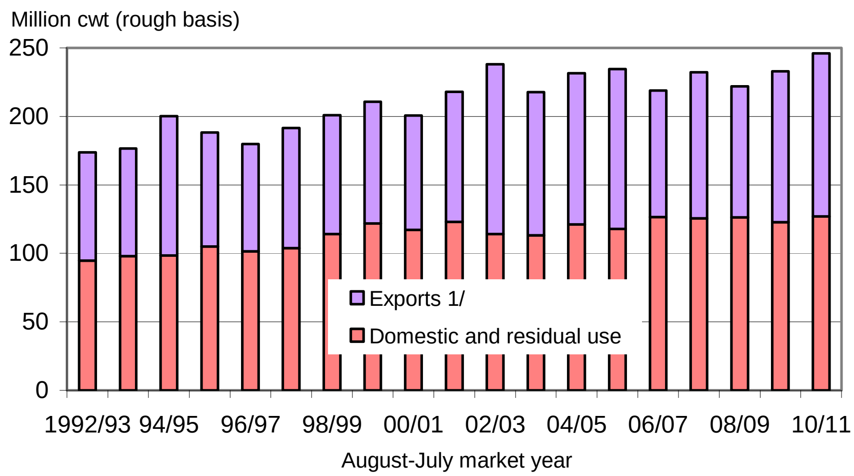
Total use of U.S. rice in 2010/11 is projected to be the highest on record



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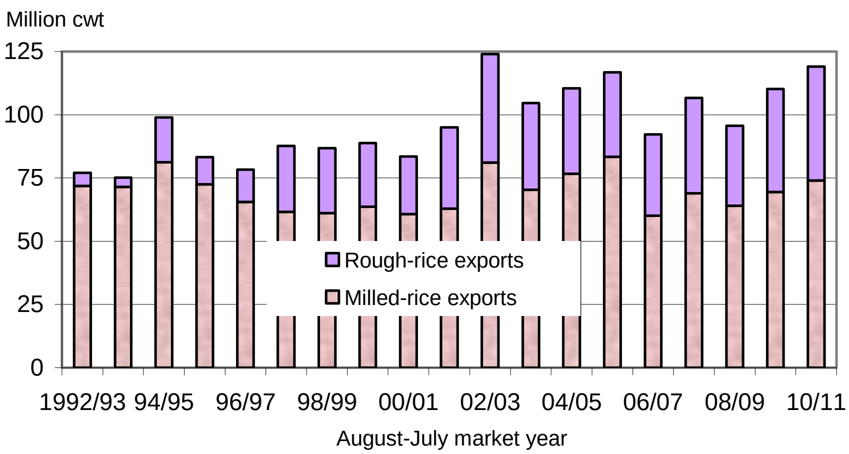
most of the expected increase in U.S. rough-rice exports in 2010/11. U.S. milled rice exports (combined milled and brown rice exports on a rough basis) are projected at 74.0 million cwt, down 1.0 million from the September forecast, but 7 percent larger than a year earlier.

By class, U.S. long-grain exports remain projected at 83.0 million cwt, 10 percent larger than a year earlier. Sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America account for much of the expected increase in U.S. long-grain exports in 2010/11. Combined medium/short-grain exports remain projected at a record 36.0 million cwt, 1.2 million cwt larger than last year. North Africa and the Eastern Mediterranean account for most of the expected increase in U.S. medium/short-grain exports in 2010/11. The strong U.S. medium/short-grain export forecast is based on continued trade restrictions by Egypt and only a modest production expansion in 2010/11 in Australia. Both Egypt and Australia had been major U.S. competitors in the global medium/short-grain market.

Figure 7

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



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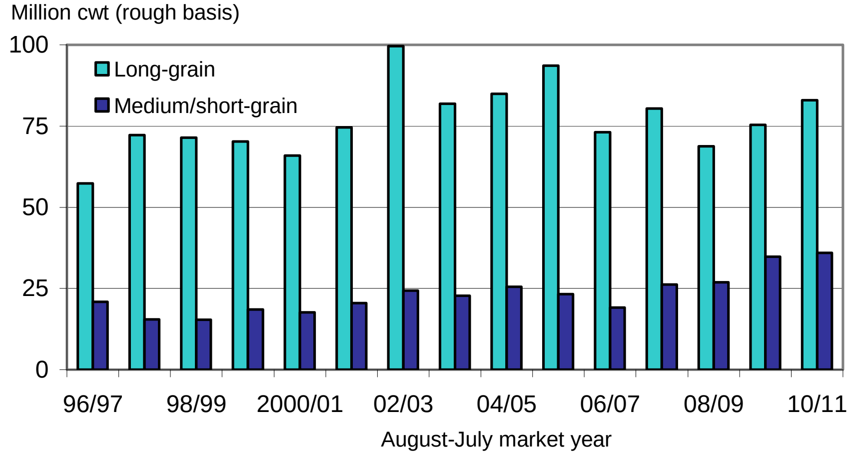
Long-grain accounts for most of the increase in U.S. rice exports in 2010/11 1/



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U.S. 2010/11 Ending Stock Forecast Lowered 20 Percent to 52.5 Million Cwt

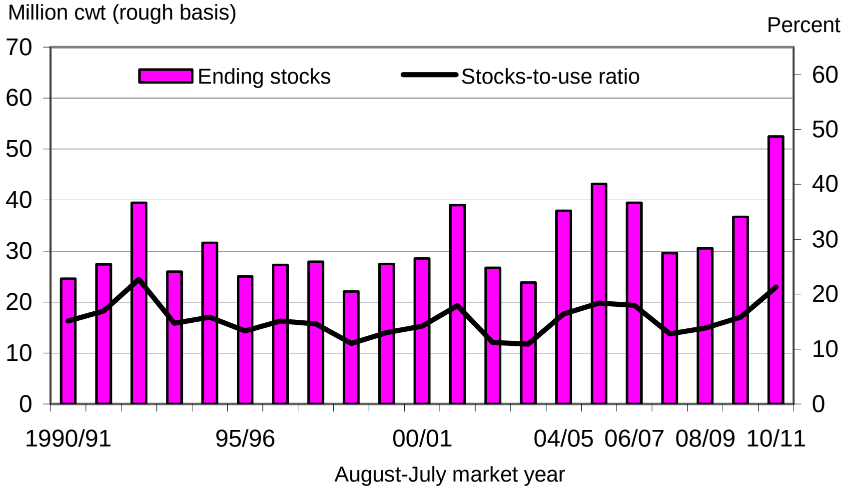
U.S. ending stocks in 2010/11 are projected at 52.5 million cwt, down 20 percent from last month's forecast, but up 43 percent from a year earlier and the largest ending stocks since 1985/86. The stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 21.3 percent, up from 15.8 percent in 2009/10 and the highest since 1992/93.

By class, the 2010/11 long-grain carryout was lowered 9.8 million cwt to 41.1 million cwt, 78 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest since 1985/86. The long-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 22.7 percent, also the highest since 1985/86.

The medium/short-grain carryout was lowered 3.2 million cwt to 9.9 million cwt, more than 18 percent below a year earlier. The medium/short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 15.2 percent, about 3 percentage points below the 2009/10 ratio. The medium/short-grain stocks-to-use situation indicates little, if any, downward price pressure in 2010/11.

Figure 9

The U.S. ending stocks-to-use ratio in 2010/11 is the highest since 1992/93



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

The 2010/11 season-average farm price (SAFP) for U.S. long-grain rice was raised $2.00 per cwt on both ends to $10.50-$11.50 per cwt, still 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. 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 raised $1.30 on both ends to $17.30-$18.30 per cwt. The mid-point of the 2010/11 price is little changed from the 2009/10 SAFP of $17.70. U.S. medium/short-grain prices will continue to be supported by tight supplies in the global market. The U.S. is currently the largest exporter of medium/short-grain rice. This month's upward revisions in the U.S. long-grain and medium/short-grain SAFPs are primarily due to the reduced U.S. supply forecast for both classes of rice.

Last month, NASS reported a mid-September 2010 cash price for long-grain rice of $10.40 per cwt, 10 cents above the revised August price. The August price was lowered 50 cents from a preliminary estimate to $10.30 per cwt. For medium/short-grain rice, the mid-September NASS price was reported at $17.60 per cwt, up $1.50 from the revised August price. The August medium/short-grain rough-rice cash price was lowered $1.10 per cwt from the mid-month estimate to $16.20 per cwt.

Figure 10

U.S. long-grain rough-rice prices are projected to decline in 2010/11

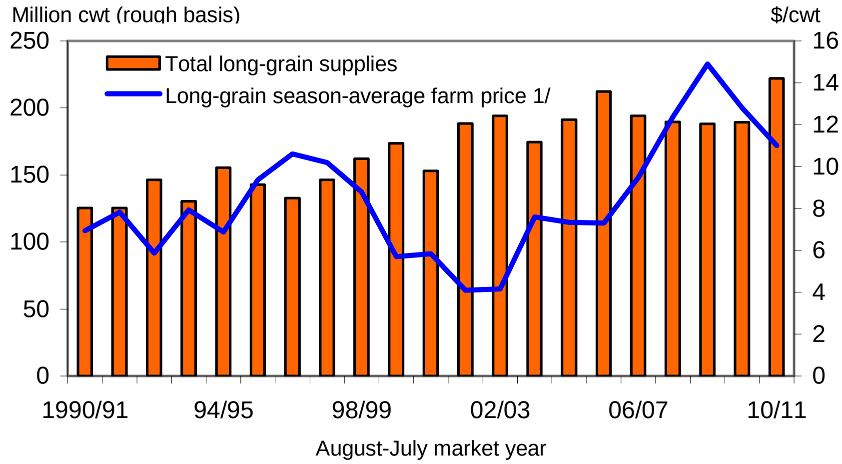

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Figure 11

Little change is projected for U.S. medium/short-grain prices in 2010/11

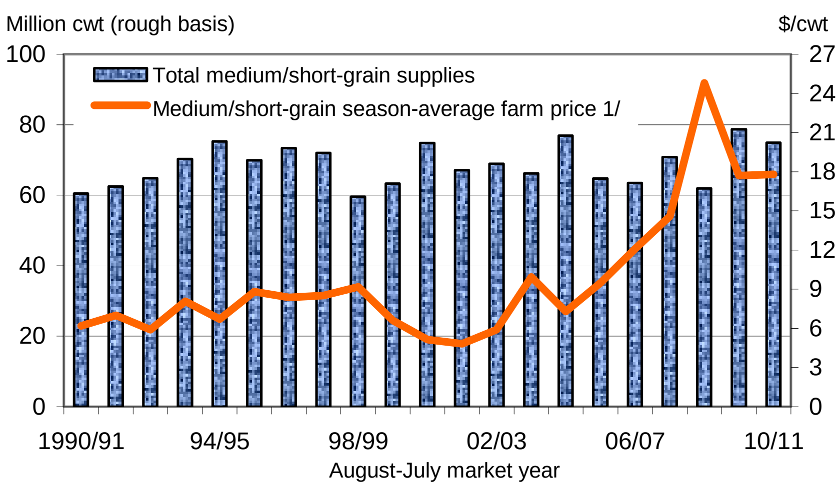

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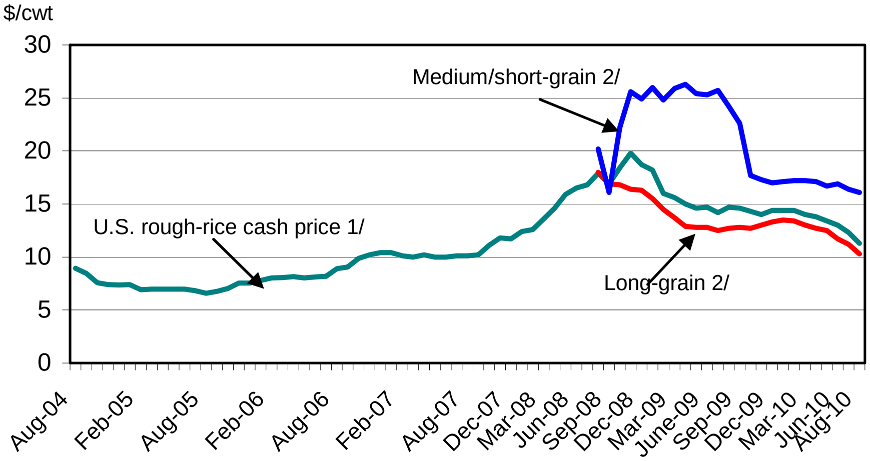
Figure 12

U.S. medium/short-grain prices have changed little since late 2009



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International Outlook

Despite Reductions for India and the U.S., Global Production Remains Forecast Record High

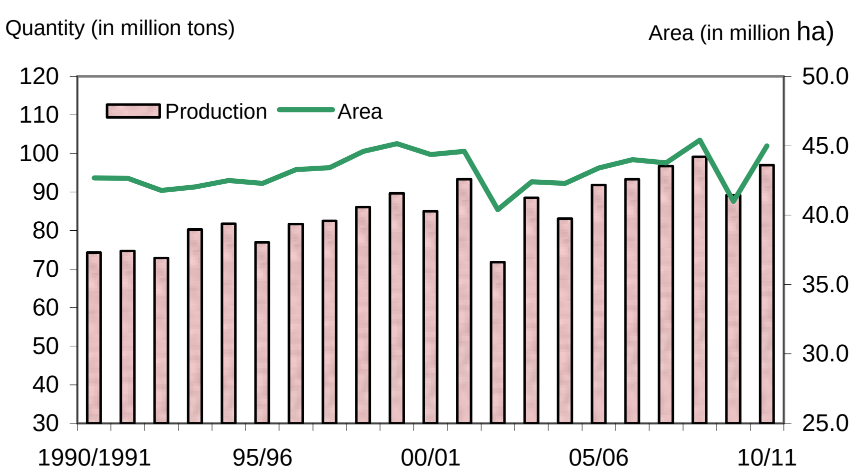
Although large downward production revisions were made this month for India and the United States, global rice production for 2010/11 is still forecast to be the highest on record. At 452.5 million tons, the global production is down 2.1 million tons from last month's forecast, but up nearly 2 percent from 2009/10.

The largest production revision this month was for India, whose production was reduced 2.0 million tons to 97.0 million tons. While the country as a whole experienced an average monsoon this year, differences among regions were evident. In the country's Eastern states of Bihar and West Bengal, 2010/11 has been the driest year in several decades. In contrast, heavy rains and flooding have affected the Punjab. Last month, the Government of India released its First Advanced Estimate of the 2010/11 *kharif* crop – the largest of the country's rice crops – estimating a *kharif* crop of 80.4 million tons. The Government of India will revise this estimate as the season progresses. India will harvest a dry-season crop or *rabi* crop early in 2011. The *rabi* crop typically accounts for around 15 percent of India's total rice production.

The U.S. crop was also reduced this month, down 400,000 tons to 7.6 million tons, still the largest on record. Excessive heat this summer in the Delta growing region has sharply lowered yields. The impact on U.S. milling yields is unknown at this time.

Figure 13

Isolated weather problems keep India's 2010/11 production below 2008/09 levels



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

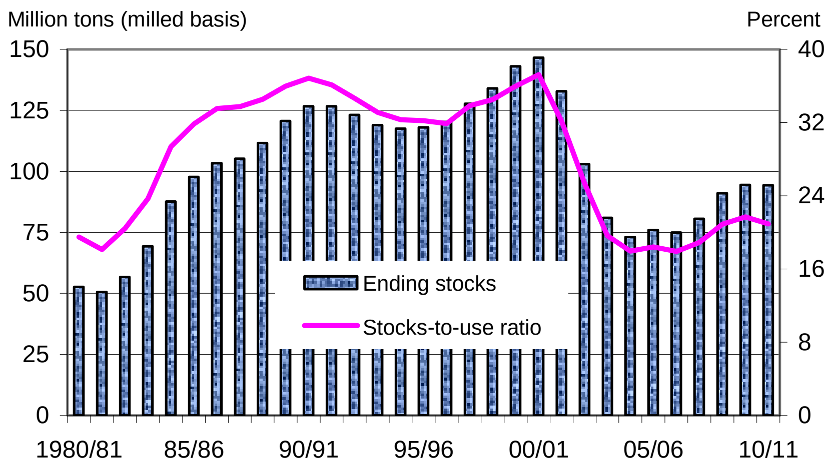
Burma's 2010/11 production estimate was reduced 200,000 tons to 10.8 million tons. This year, Burma's main season rice crop was planted late due to dry conditions similar to the previous year. Additionally, widespread crop damage from bird and rat infestation has been reported, also similar to 2009/10. These factors resulted in a reduction in the 2010/11 yield forecast this month. Smaller reductions in 2010/11 production forecasts were made this month for Angola, Benin, Cote D'Ivoire, the European Union, Mozambique, and Rwanda.

These 2010/11 downward revisions were partially offset by several increases. The largest production increase this month was for Guinea, whose production forecast was raised 325,000 tons to 975,000 tons based on new production estimates from the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The country has sharply increased planted rice area since the global run-up in food prices in 2007/08, and abundant rainfall throughout West Africa during the latest monsoon season greatly benefited rice. Similarly, Mali's production was raised 148,000 tons to 1.19 million tons. Over the past 5 years, the Government of Mali has made significant investments in irrigation infrastructure and provided farmers subsidies for fertilizer and seeds, including seeds of the higher yielding NERICA (New Rice for Africa) variety.

Smaller 2010/11 production increases were made this month for Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritania, Niger, Sudan, Tanzania, and Zambia.

Figure 14

Global ending stocks in 2010/11 are nearly unchanged from 2009/10



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Global production for 2009/10 was revised upward this month to 441.5 million tons. The largest upward revision was for Guinea, whose 2009/10 crop was raised 248,000 tons to 910,000 tons. Smaller upward revisions were made for Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Sudan, and Togo. These increases were partially offset by several small production decreases for Angola, Benin, Cote D'Ivoire, Uganda, and Uruguay.

The global disappearance forecast for 2010/11 was reduced this month by 1.7 million tons to 452.7 million tons – still the highest on record. Reductions for Benin, Cote D'Ivoire, India, and others more than offset increases for Cameroon, Guinea, and Mali. The global ending stocks forecast for 2010/11 was lowered this month to 94.3 million tons, down nearly 300,000 tons from last month, and down slightly from 2009/10 global rice ending stocks. Large reductions in the ending stocks forecasts for Burma and the U.S. were partially offset by increased forecasts for Indonesia and Mali. The global stocks-to-use ratio is nearly unchanged this month at 20.8 percent, down from 21.6 percent in 2009/10.

2011 Global Rice Trade Forecast Slightly Reduced to 30.5 Million Tons

Global trade for 2011 was reduced slightly this month to 30.54 million tons – less than a 1-percent decrease from last month's projection. Global trade remains forecast nearly 2 percent higher than in 2010.

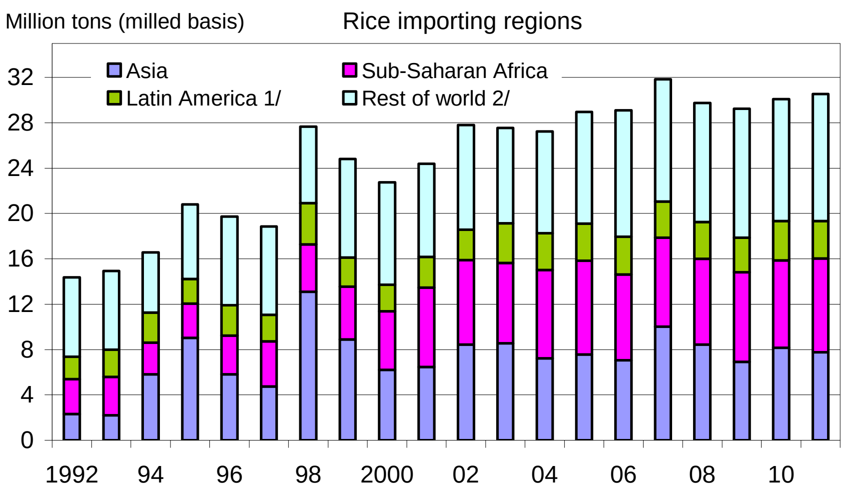
The only exporter revisions this month were decreases for Burma and Russia. Burma's export forecast was reduced 100,000 tons to 600,000 tons, based on a smaller production forecast for 2010/11. Russia's exports were reduced 20,000 tons to 100,000 tons based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Moscow.

For the importers, Indonesia's 2011 imports were raised 150,000 tons this month to 400,000 tons, based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Jakarta indicating future government-to-government purchases from Thailand. Imports by the United Arab Emirates (UAE) were raised 50,000 tons this month to 400,000 tons. While the UAE is a major hub of rice transshipments for the Middle East, its imports are also rising to keep pace with growing domestic rice consumption. Several smaller import increases were made for Mozambique, Russia, Rwanda, and Togo.

These increases were slightly offset by decreases in import forecasts for several African countries, motivated largely by changes in 2010/11 production forecasts. The largest of these was a 150,000-ton reduction in Guinea's imports to 225,000 tons. Smaller import reductions were made for Burkina Faso, Guinea-Bissau, and Zambia.

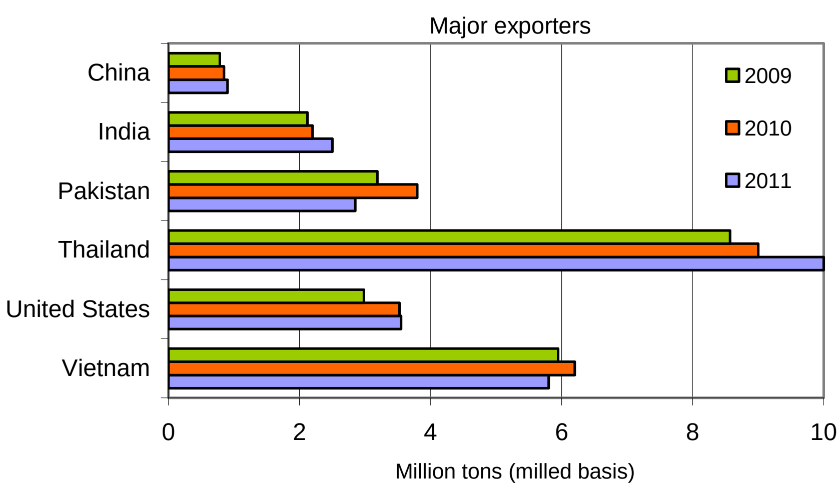
The global export forecast for 2010 remains unchanged this month at 30.1 million tons, with no adjustments in exports for either major or minor exporting countries.

Figure 15
Global trade is projected to be stronger in 2011



2010 and 2011 are forecasts. 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
Thailand's exports are projected to grow more than 10 percent in 2011



2010 and 2011 are projections. These six countries account for more than 85 percent of global rice exports.
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Figure 17
Burma's exports are expected to rebound in 2011

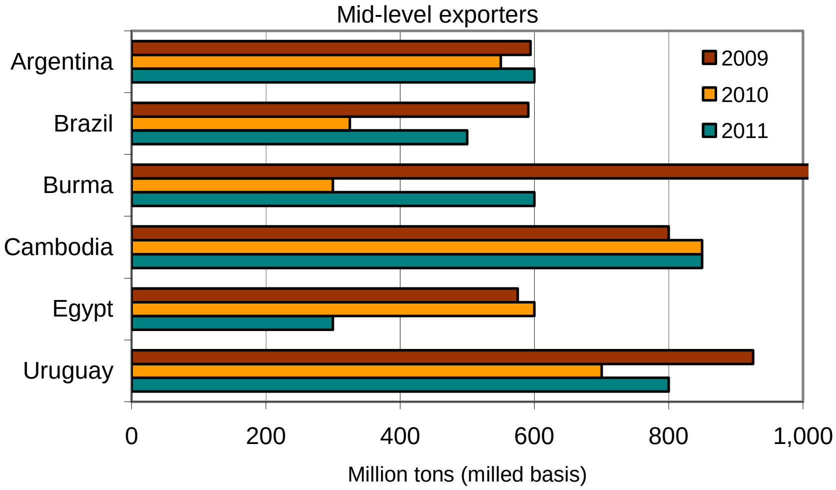

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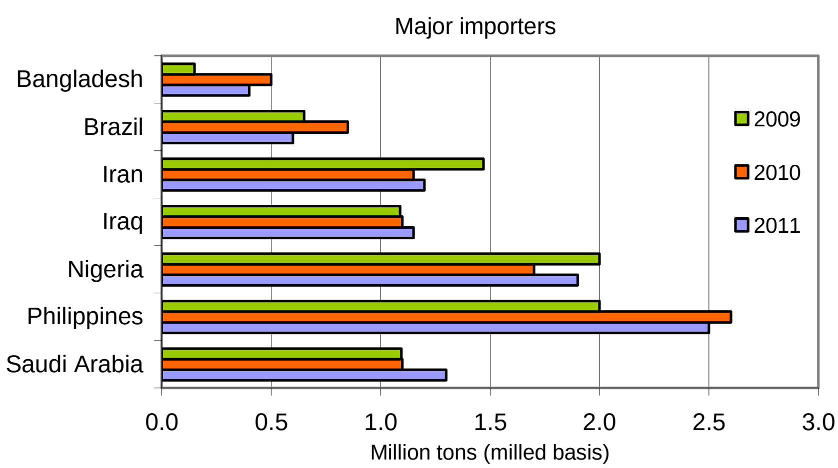
Figure 18
The Philippines are projected to import a record 2.6 million tons in 2010



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.

Revisions to importers for 2010 were mixed. Indonesia's import forecast was raised 200,000 tons to 700,000 tons based on expected shipments of a government-to-government purchase from Thailand before the end of the year. The import forecast for the United Arab Emirates was raised 60,000 tons to 400,000 tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Counselor in Abu Dhabi. These increases were partially offset by a 130,000-ton reduction in Guinea's 2010 import forecast to 200,000 tons, based on a large increase in the country's 2009/10 production estimate and a slower-than-expected shipment pace.

Thailand and U.S. Trading Prices Are Up from a Month Ago

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have risen 4 to 6 percent from the first week of September, due largely 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 $502 per ton for the week ending October 4, up 4 percent from the week ending September 6. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent brokens were quoted at $486 per ton for the week ending October 4, up 5 percent from the week ending September 6. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice—a specialty rice—were quoted at $540 per ton for the week ending October 4, up 5 percent from the week ending September 6.

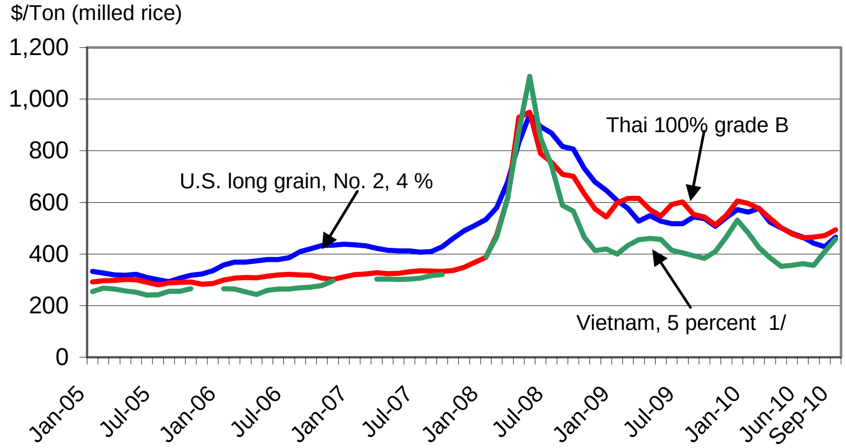
Prices also increased for Thailand's lower quality rice varieties. For the week ending October 4, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent brokens were quoted at $429 per ton, up 6 percent from the week ending September 6. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update,* reported by the U.S. Post in Bangkok.

Vietnam's prices have remained unchanged over the past month, quoted at $460 for the week ending September 28, due to light demand and tight supplies leading up to the country's main-season harvest. Because Thailand's prices rose this month as Vietnam's quotes remained unchanged, the premium of Thai rice increased to $42 in late September, compared with a difference of $23 early in September.

Though a record rice crop is projected for the U.S. in 2010/11, price quotes for U.S. long-grain milled rice firmed due to concerns over yields in the Delta, where extremely hot weather this summer hindered rice plant development. For the week ending September 28, prices for high-quality southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent brokens, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at $485 per ton, up $55 from the week ending September 7. This large rise in prices pushed U.S. prices (adjusted to reflect the fob vessel price) close to Thai quotes, with U.S. rice quoted at a $2 discount to similar varieties from Thailand this week, compared to a discount of nearly $40 a month ago. U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) is quoted at $285 per ton for the week ending September 28, up $40 from the week ending September 7.

Figure 19

The price gap between U.S., Thai, and Vietnamese rice narrowed in September



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.*

Prices for California rice have remained mostly unchanged over the past month, with prices for California package-quality medium-grain rice (sacked) for domestic sales still quoted at $750 per ton for the week ending September 28. Export price quotes (for 30-kg bags, fob vessel) are reported at $800 per ton, up $10 from the week ending September 7. Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan have all begun tendering to fulfill their WTO market access commitments, and demand for U.S. medium-grain from Middle-East origins remains strong. 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*. There was no *Creed Rice Market Report* published the first week of October.

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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	6,687
				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	242.3
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	298.5
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	45.0
Milled 4/	76.6	83.4	60.1	69.0	64.0	69.4	74.0
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	52.5
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	16.4	18.4	18.0	12.8	13.8	15.8	21.3
				$/cwt			
Average farm price 5/	7.33	7.65	9.96	12.80	16.80	14.00	12.10 to 13.10
				Percent			
Average milling rate	69.10	68.38	68.98	68.33	69.25	69.36	68.86

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.

Updated October 12, 2010.

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	182.0
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	222.1
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	41.1
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	13.5	18.3	17.3	11.2	11.9	13.9	22.7
Average farm price	7.34	7.30	9.47	12.40	14.90	12.80	10.50-11.50
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	60.3
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	74.9
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	9.9
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	22.0	17.1	18.8	14.7	14.9	18.1	15.2
Average farm price	7.29	9.49	12.10	14.60	24.80	17.70	17.30-18.30
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 brokens, which are included in total stocks for all types of rice in table 1.
2/ Projected. 3/ Includes residual. 4/ Accounts for the difference in beginning and ending stocks of brokens. Thus, total supply of medium/short-grain may not equal the sum of beginning stocks, production, and imports.
Source: *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates,* WAOB, USDA.
Updated October 12, 2010.

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

Month	2010/11 $/cwt	2010/11 1,000 cwt	2009/10 $/cwt	2009/10 1,000 cwt	2008/09 $/cwt	2008/09 1,000 cwt
August	11.30	11,071	14.70	10,504	17.90	8,956
September	11.30 1/	N/A	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	11.30 2/					
Season average farm pric	12.60 3/		14.00		16.80	
Average Marketings		N/A		13,333		11,595
Total volume marketed		11,071		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.

Last updated October 12, 2010.

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

	Long-grain				Medium/Short-Grain			
	2009/10		2009/10		2009/10		2009/10	
Month	$/cwt	1,000 cwt	$/cwt	1,000 cwt	$/cwt	1,000 cwt	$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	10.30	9,056	12.70	8,677	16.10	2,015	24.20	1,827
September	10.40 1/	N/A	12.80	9,125	17.60 1/	N/A	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/	10.35				16.85			
Season-average farm price	11.00		12.80		17.80		17.70	
Average marketings		N/A		10,123		N/A		3,211
Total volume marketed		9,056		121,470		2,015		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	10.51	10.62	11.25	11.35	17.83	17.98
October 2/	11.67	11.80	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/	10.59	10.70	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.
Last updated October 12, 2010.

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/ Columns labeled "market year" 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 October 12, 2010.

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

Country or region	2010/11 as of 9/30/2010	2009/10 as of 10/1/2009	2009/10 market year	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year	2006/07 market year
			1,000 metric tons			
EUROPE & FSU	24.8	32.3	98.3	77.6	89.7	54.0
European Union	23.8	31.4	88.6	71.0	87.0	51.4
Other Europe	0.4	0.6	2.6	3.9	0.7	1.4
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	0.6	0.3	7.1	2.7	2.0	1.2
NORTHEAST ASIA	57.8	64.8	571.3	472.3	450.9	467.0
Hong Kong	0.4	0.3	1.1	0.6	1.1	0.6
Japan	27.3	54.2	388.9	386.1	339.9	324.5
South Korea	28.0	0.0	79.4	85.0	78.6	69.0
Taiwan	2.1	10.3	101.9	0.6	31.3	72.9
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	320.8	168.4	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	10.9	7.0	45.7	33.4	30.0	4.8
Jordan	45.3	47.0	66.4	86.2	79.7	50.8
Papua New Guinea	0.0	27.0	37.9	103.2	2.3	0.0
Philippines	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.3	70.7	0.0
Saudi Arabia	45.5	43.7	108.5	143.6	111.3	87.1
Turkey	78.0	14.0	267.0	22.7	154.9	0.1
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	21.1	27.5	88.7	76.2	60.0	32.1
AFRICA	126.7	52.1	117.4	131.6	119.6	97.7
Cote d'Ivoire	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.3	15.0	0.0
Ghana	62.8	15.3	43.7	50.9	75.9	80.4
Liberia	6.9	5.2	8.4	11.1	8.3	11.2
Libya	0.0	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	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.0
Togo	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.8	0.0	0.0
Other Africa	9.9	16.5	27.1	20.1	6.5	3.8
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	649.8	572.5	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	81.6	62.7	124.8	168.9	182.1	198.4
Costa Rica	8.0	50.3	166.8	153.8	146.6	146.3
Colombia	0.1	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	1.3	4.4	25.2	30.7	9.0	0.7
Guatemala	14.4	20.4	72.6	65.0	58.8	95.4
Haiti	70.5	71.5	226.5	257.0	279.0	251.1
Honduras	39.1	30.6	119.3	150.1	131.2	157.3
Jamaica	10.7	3.9	20.2	26.9	50.7	37.0
Leeward & Windward Islands	6.2	5.8	8.3	9.3	12.4	5.8
Mexico	181.4	253.2	775.1	594.2	855.3	734.4
Netherlands Antilles	1.2	1.2	5.2	4.4	5.3	6.1
Nicaragua	58.6	44.5	147.0	97.3	179.2	138.3
Panama	27.4	0.3	104.0	9.4	96.4	80.6
Peru	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2	2.8	0.0
El Salvador	15.4	20.6	78.5	79.2	86.0	99.1
Venezuela	79.2	0.0	241.8	243.7	125.9	0.6
Other Western Hemisphere	2.5	3.1	12.0	10.6	17.2	12.5
UNKNOWN	95.0	6.2	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,274.9	896.3	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: Southern long-grain milled 2/	United States: Southern long-grain rough 3/	United States: California medium-grain milled 4/	Thailand 5/: 100% Grade B	Thailand 5/: 5% Parboiled	Thailand 5/: 15% Brokens	Thailand 5/: 35% Brokens	Thailand 5/: A.1 6/ Super	Vietnam 7/: 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	450	265	741	494	522	458	NQ	412	458
Oct. 2010 8/	-	-	-	502	540	470	NQ	429	-
2010/11 8/	432	253	731	489	517	451	NQ	403	434

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/			
Country	October 2010	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2010	October 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	7,657	16	-913	8,400	8,400	0	743
Burma	10,150	10,597	10,597	0	447	11,000	10,800	-200	203
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	136,000	136,000	0	-1,000
Colombia	1,680	1,500	1,500	0	-180	1,400	1,400	0	-100
Cote d'Ivoire	374	430	378	-52	4	440	399	-41	21
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	2,006	-4	22
Ghana	181	235	235	0	54	240	258	18	23
Guinea	780	662	910	248	130	650	975	325	65
India	99,180	89,130	89,130	0	-10,050	99,000	97,000	-2,000	7,870
Indonesia	38,300	37,100	37,100	0	-1,200	38,000	38,000	0	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	1,870	1,870	0	-40
Korea, South	4,843	4,916	4,916	0	73	4,710	4,710	0	-206
Laos	1,755	1,821	1,821	0	66	1,900	1,900	0	79
Liberia	172	150	176	26	4	180	180	0	4
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	1,043	33	170	1,040	1,188	148	145
Mozambique	141	172	172	0	31	165	119	-46	-53
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	6,800	6,800	0	-100	5,300	5,300	0	-1,500
Peru	1,928	2,063	2,063	0	135	1,977	1,977	0	-86
Philippines	10,755	9,772	9,772	0	-983	10,800	10,800	0	1,028
Russia	480	590	590	0	110	650	650	0	60
Sierra Leone	408	465	465	0	57	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	916	33	39
Thailand	19,850	20,260	20,260	0	410	20,400	20,400	0	140
Uganda	117	130	120	-10	3	130	130	0	10
United States	6,400	6,917	6,917	0	517	7,975	7,567	-408	650
Uruguay	901	805	804	-1	-97	925	925	0	121
Venezuela	520	428	428	0	-92	320	320	0	-108
Vietnam	24,393	24,398	24,398	0	5	24,750	24,750	0	352
Others	4,989	5,024	5,119	95	130	5,235	5,351	116	232
World total	448,152	441,152	441,507	355	-6,645	454,600	452,541	-2,059	11,034

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/			
	October	September	October	Monthly	Annual	September	October	Monthly	Annual
Country	2010	2010	2010	revisions	changes	2010	2010	revisions	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	325	325	0	-266	500	500	0	175
Burma	1,052	300	300	0	-752	700	600	-100	300
Cambodia	800	850	850	0	50	850	850	0	0
China	783	850	850	0	67	900	900	0	50
Ecuador	37	70	70	0	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	225	225	0	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	3,800	3,800	0	613	2,850	2,850	0	-950
Thailand	8,570	9,000	9,000	0	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	6,200	6,200	0	250	5,800	5,800	0	-400
Other	477	502	502	0	25	490	470	-20	-32
Subtotal	26,256	26,576	26,576	0	320	27,110	26,990	-120	414
United States	2,983	3,525	3,525	0	542	3,550	3,550	0	25
U.S. Share	10.2%	11.7%	11.7%	--	--	11.6%	11.6%	--	--
World total	29,239	30,101	30,101	0	862	30,660	30,540	-120	439

-- 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/			
Country	October 2010	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2010	October 2010	Monthly revisions	Annual 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	70	70	0	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	500	500	0	43	525	525	0	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	200	-130	50	375	225	-150	25
Haiti	300	325	325	0	25	300	300	0	-25
Honduras	104	115	115	0	11	110	110	0	-5
Hong Kong	395	400	400	0	5	410	410	0	10
Indonesia	250	500	700	200	450	250	400	150	-300
Iran	1,470	1,150	1,150	0	-320	1,200	1,200	0	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	400	25	80
Nicaragua	77	100	100	0	23	100	100	0	0
Nigeria	2,000	1,700	1,700	0	-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	150	10	-20
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	380	340	400	60	20	350	400	50	0
United States	682	650	650	0	-32	665	665	0	15
Venezuela	100	325	325	0	225	300	300	0	-25
Vietnam	500	400	400	0	-100	500	500	0	100
Yemen	325	325	325	0	0	335	335	0	10
Subtotal	21,964	23,025	23,155	130	1,191	23,175	23,260	85	105
Other countries 2/	7,275	7,076	6,946	-130	-329	7,485	7,280	-205	334
									0
World total	29,239	30,101	30,101	0	862	30,660	30,540	-120	439

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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