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# Rice Outlook

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## U.S. 2011/12 Crop Projection Lowered to 186.9 Million Cwt

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There were several revisions to the U.S. rice supply and use tables this month. On the supply side, the crop forecast was reduced nearly 4.0 million cwt to 186.9 million cwt based on a smaller yield estimate reported by NASS. The 2011/12 average yield was lowered 150 pounds per acre to 7,123 pounds, still the second highest on record. There were no significant revisions to beginning stocks and imports this month. The smaller crop resulted in a nearly 2-percent reduction in the 2011/12 total supply forecast to 254.4 million cwt, 15 percent below a year earlier.

The 2011/12 total use forecast was lowered 2.0 million cwt to 218.0 million based on a revised export forecast. Total exports were lowered 2.0 million cwt to 91.0 million cwt, with both long-grain and combined medium- and short-grain export lowered 1.0 million cwt. Total domestic and residual use of all-rice remains projected at 127.0 million cwt, almost 8 percent smaller than the year-earlier record.

On balance, these supply and use revisions resulted in a 5-percent reduction in the 2011/12 ending stocks forecast to 36.4 million cwt. The 2011/12 U.S. season-average farm price (SAFP) for U.S. long-grain rice remains projected at \$13.50-\$14.50 per cwt, well above the \$11.10 estimated for 2010/11. The combined medium- and short-grain 2011/12 U.S. SAFP was raised 50 cents on both the high and low ends to \$15.50-\$16.50 per cwt, down from \$18.40 a year earlier.

The 2011/12 global rice production forecast was raised by 3.0 million tons this month to 461.4 million tons (milled basis), up more than 2 percent from 2010/11 and the highest on record. India accounts for most of the upward revision, while crop projections were lowered for the Philippines, Pakistan, and the United States.

Global disappearance in 2011/12 is projected at a record 457.8 million tons, up 1.8 million tons from last month's forecast and more than 10 million tons larger than 2010/11. Global ending stocks for 2011/12 are projected at 101.41 million tons, up 2.8 million tons from last month's forecast and 4 percent larger than a year earlier. Upward stock revisions for

Bangladesh, India, the Philippines, and Vietnam were partially offset by decreases for Russia and the United States.

The 2012 global trade forecast was raised 1.2 million tons this month to 33.0 million tons (milled basis), up 4 percent from last month, but down 4 percent from the 2011 record. Export projections for 2012 were raised for India and Vietnam, but lowered for Pakistan. Import forecasts for 2012 were raised for Nigeria and Philippines.

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have fluctuated between \$600 and \$625 since the first week of September, as buyers and sellers await the October implementation of the country's new paddy rice mortgaging scheme. In Vietnam, prices fell less than 1 percent over the past month. Global trading prices have been supported since June by the announcement of Thailand's just-implemented paddy mortgage scheme. U.S. long-grain milled-rice prices have fallen over the past month, partially in response to weak export demand for U.S. rice. Prices for California rice were unchanged over the past month.

## Domestic Outlook

### *U.S. 2011/12 Rice Crop Projection Lowered 2 Percent to 186.9 Million Cwt*

The 2011/12 U.S. rice production forecast was lowered almost 4.0 million cwt this month to 186.9 million cwt. The crop is down 23 percent from the year-earlier record and is the smallest U.S. rice crop since 1998/99. This month's downward revision is based on a lower yield forecast. At 7,123 pounds per acre, the average field yield is down 150 pounds from last month's forecast, but 6 percent above a year earlier and the second highest on record. Harvested area remains estimated at 2.624 million acres—27 percent below a year earlier and the smallest since 1987/88.

By class, the long-grain production estimate was lowered 2.5 million cwt to 116.8 million, down 36 percent from a year earlier and the smallest since 1996/97. Almost all U.S. long-grain rice is grown in the South. The combined medium- and short-grain production estimate was lowered 1.5 million cwt to 70.1 million cwt, still 17 percent higher than a year earlier and the largest on record. California typically produces more than two-thirds of the U.S. medium- and short-grain crop and accounts for the bulk of U.S. exports.

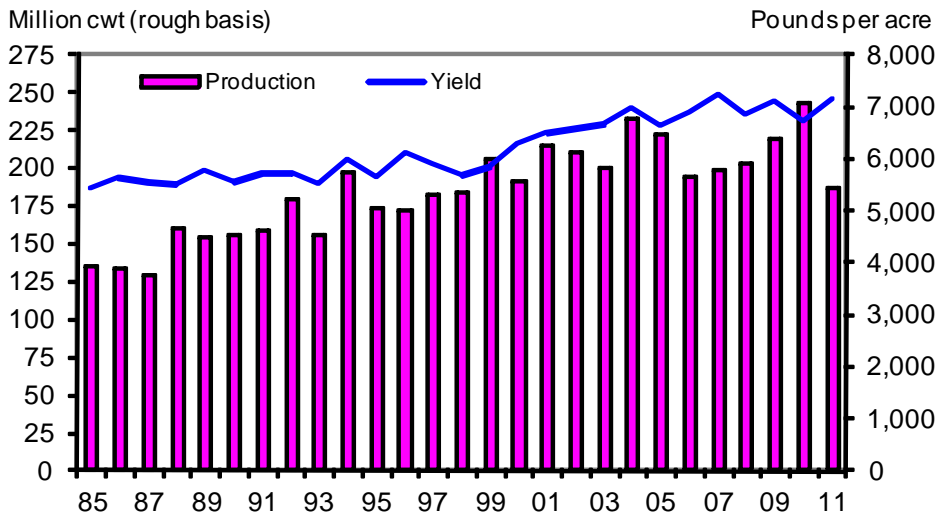
Yield estimates were lowered this month for all reported States except Louisiana and Missouri, which were unchanged from last month. The Texas 2011/12 yield was lowered 500 pounds per acre. The Texas rice area has experienced severe heat and drought this year. Average yield estimates for California and Mississippi were each lowered 100 pounds per acre. Arkansas's yield was reduced 200 pounds per acre. The Delta rice growing area experienced severe flooding early in the season, followed by a second consecutive extremely hot summer.

Arkansas accounts for more than half of the almost 4.0 million cwt reduction in the 2011/12 crop projection. The Arkansas crop projection was lowered 3 percent from last month's forecast. The Texas crop projection was reduced 7 percent. Production forecasts for California and Mississippi were each reduced 1 percent this month.

On an annual basis, rice plantings declined in 2011/12 in all reporting States except California. In Arkansas, total rice plantings dropped 33 percent to 1.2 million acres, the smallest since 1989/90. Missouri's plantings declined 44 percent to 143,000 acres, the smallest since 1997/98. Rice plantings in Mississippi dropped 49 percent from a year earlier to 155,000 acres, the smallest since 1977/78. The severe flooding in the Delta early this spring contributed to the area decline.

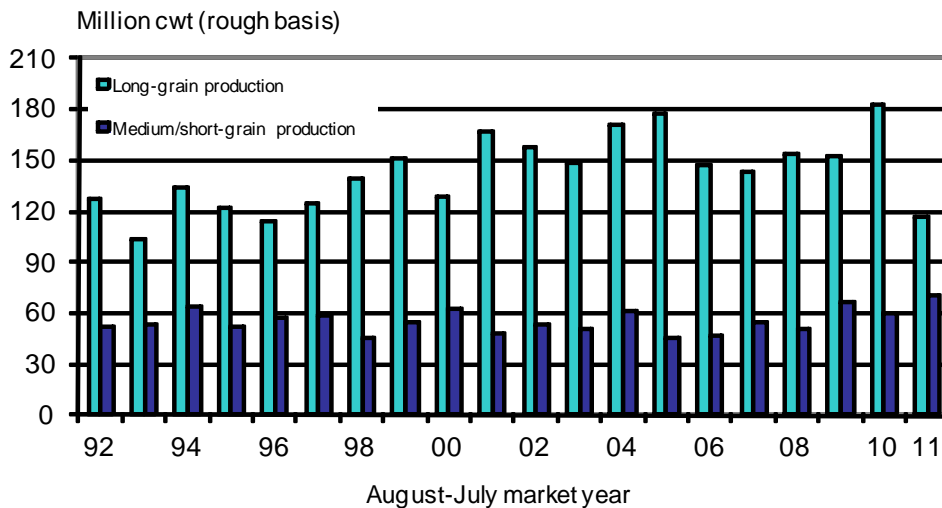
In Louisiana, rice plantings dropped 21 percent to 425,000 acres. Texas plantings of 183,000 acres are down 3 percent from a year earlier. In contrast to the South, plantings in California increased 6 percent to 591,000 acres, one of the highest on record for the State. Unlike long-grain prices, which declined in 2010/11, U.S. medium - and short-grain rough-rice prices remained high in 2010/11—a factor behind the expansion in California plantings in 2011/12.

Figure 1  
**The U.S. 2011/12 rice crop is projected to decline 23 percent**



Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service--Quick Stats, U.S. & All States Data--Crops. [http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data\\_and\\_Statistics/Quick\\_Stats/index.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data_and_Statistics/Quick_Stats/index.asp).

Figure 2  
**U.S. long-grain roduction is projected to decline 36 percent in 2011/12**



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Yields are projected higher in 2011/12 than a year earlier in all reported States except Texas. At 6,800 pounds per acre, the Arkansas average field yield is up 5 percent from a year earlier. In Louisiana, the average field yield remains estimated at a record 6,400 pounds per acre, also up 5 percent from a year earlier. Mississippi's average yield is estimated at 7,100 pounds per acre, up almost 4 percent from a year earlier. The average field yield in Missouri remains estimated at 7,200 pounds per acre, an increase of 11 percent from 2010/11. The Texas field yield is estimated at 7,000 pounds per acre, down 2 percent from last year. Finally, in California, field yields are projected at 8,300 pounds per acre, almost 4 percent above a year earlier.

Production declined in 2011/12 in all reported States except California. The smaller crops are largely the result of reduced plantings. In Arkansas, rice production is estimated at 78.5 million cwt, down 32 percent from last year. Louisiana's crop is projected at 26.9 million cwt, a decline of 18 percent from a year earlier. Mississippi's production is projected at 10.9 million cwt, a decline of 48 percent from a year earlier and the smallest since 1987/88. Production in Missouri declined 43 percent to 9.2 million cwt, the smallest since 1998/99. At 12.6 million cwt, production in Texas is 6 percent below a year earlier, a result of both reduced plantings and a lower yield. In contrast, production in California is projected to increase 10 percent to 48.8 million cwt, the second highest on record. The larger California crop is a result of both expanded plantings and a higher yield.

### ***Pace of 2011/12 California Harvest Remains Behind the 5-Year Average***

For the week ending October 9, 74 percent of the U.S. 2011/12 crop had been harvested, behind 84 percent last year and behind the U.S. 5-year average of 80 percent. Harvest pace is behind normal in California and parts of the Delta. In Arkansas, 77 percent of the crop was reported harvested by October 9, well behind 94 percent a year earlier and behind the State's 5-year average of 81 percent. Missouri's crop was reported 69 percent harvested by October 9, well behind a year-earlier's 99 percent and behind the State's 5-year average of 78 percent. Elsewhere in the Delta, Mississippi's crop was reported 90-percent harvested, behind 98 percent last year, but ahead of the State's 5-year average of 84 percent.

In California, just 22 percent of the 2011/12 crop was reported harvested by October 9, slightly ahead of a year earlier, but well behind the State's 5-year average of 52 percent. Planting of the 2011/12 California rice crop was delayed several weeks by rain and temperatures were abnormally cool during late-summer. Harvest of the main crop was complete by October 9 in both Texas and Louisiana, typical for both States. Harvest of the ratoon crop—a partial second-crop achieved from the stubble of the harvested main crop—has just begun in Texas and will continue in both Gulf States this fall.

### ***U.S. 2011/12 Total Rice Supplies Are Forecast To Decline Almost 15 Percent***

The total U.S. rice supply for 2011/12 is forecast at 254.4 million cwt, down 3.9 million cwt from last month's forecast and 15 percent below the year-earlier record. Total supplies are the smallest since 2008/09. In 2011/12, a much smaller crop is expected to more than offset a larger carryin and a small increase in imports. By

class, the long-grain total supply forecast was lowered 2.5 million cwt to 168.9 million cwt, 24 percent below a year earlier and the smallest since 2000/01. The combined medium- and short- grain total supplies forecast was lowered 1.5 million cwt to 82.8 million cwt, still 13 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest since 1982/83. Supplies of brokens are not specified by class.

Beginning stocks of all-rice are calculated at 48.5 million cwt, virtually unchanged from last month, but 33 percent larger than a year earlier and the largest since 1987/88. The 2011/12 long-grain carryin remains calculated at 35.6 million cwt, 55 percent larger than a year earlier and the highest since 1986/87. In contrast, the medium/short-grain carryin is calculated at 10.1 million cwt, 16 percent below a year earlier. Beginning stocks of brokens are calculated at 2.7 million cwt, a 91-percent increase from a year earlier. All 2011/12 beginning stocks estimates are based on revised data from the September *Rice Stocks* report.

Total U.S. rice imports for 2011/12 remains forecast at 19.0 million cwt, almost 4 percent above a year earlier. Long-grain imports remain projected at 16.5 million cwt, 4 percent higher than a the year earlier. 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. U.S. medium/short-grain imports remain projected at 2.5 million cwt, virtually unchanged from 2010/11. Specialty rice from Thailand, classified by the U.S. Census Bureau as medium- and short-grain rice, accounts for the bulk of current U.S. medium- and short-grain imports. Arborio rice from Italy accounts for most of the remainder.

### ***U.S. 2011/12 Export Forecast Lowered 2.0 Million Cwt to 91.0 Million Cwt***

Total use of U.S. rice in 2011/12 is projected at 218.0 million cwt, down 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 13 percent below the year-earlier record. Exports account for all of this month's downward revision in total use projection. By class, long-grain total use is projected at 152.0 million cwt, 1.0 million cwt below last month's forecast and almost 19 percent smaller than the year-earlier record. Medium/short-grain total use is forecast at a near-record 66.0 million cwt, down 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast, but 5 percent above a year earlier.

Total domestic and residual use of all-rice remains projected at 127.0 million cwt for 2011/12, almost 8 percent smaller than the year-earlier record. The decline is largely based on expectations of smaller losses in processing, handling, and transporting associated with a smaller crop. By class, long-grain domestic disappearance remains projected at 92.0 million cwt, 15 percent below the year-earlier record. Combined medium- and short-grain domestic disappearance remains projected at 35.0 million cwt, 19 percent larger than in 2010/11.

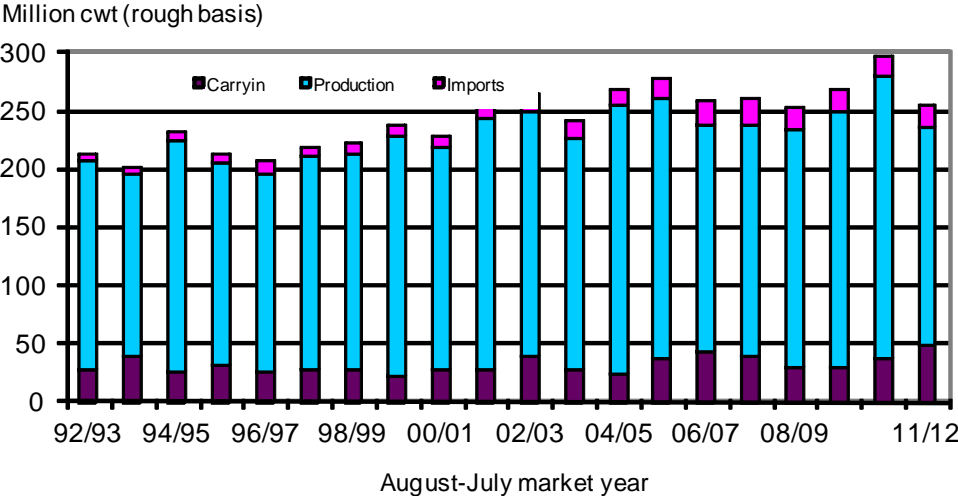
Total exports of U.S. rice in 2011/12 are projected at 91.0 million cwt, down 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and more than 18 percent below 2010/11. Forecasts for both long-grain and combined medium- and short-grain were lowered 1.0 million cwt this month. The downward revisions in exports were primarily based on shipment and sales data reported in the weekly *U.S. Export Sales* report and expectations regarding shipments and sales the remainder of the 2011/12 market year.

By type, U.S. rough-rice exports remain projected at 34.0 million cwt, almost 3 percent below the year-earlier estimate. Latin America—especially Mexico and Central America—is the primary market for U.S. rough-rice exports, taking almost exclusively long-grain from the South. U.S. milled rice exports (combined milled and brown rice exports on a rough basis) are projected at 57.0 million cwt, down 2.0 million cwt from the previous forecast and 26 percent smaller than a year earlier. These are the smallest milled-rice exports since 1975/76. Africa and the Middle East account for the bulk of the expected decline in U.S. milled-rice exports in 2011/12.

By class, U.S. long-grain exports are projected at 60.0 million cwt, down 1.0 million cwt from last month’s forecast and 23 percent below a year earlier. These will be the smallest U.S. long-grain exports since 1996/97. Sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, and South America account for most of the expected decline in U.S. long-grain exports in 2011/12.

Combined medium-and short-grain exports are projected at 31.0 million cwt, also down 1.0 million cwt from last month’s forecast and 8 percent below a year earlier. The U.S. is expected to face much stronger competition from both Australia and Egypt in the Pacific and Middle East in 2011/12 than a year earlier.

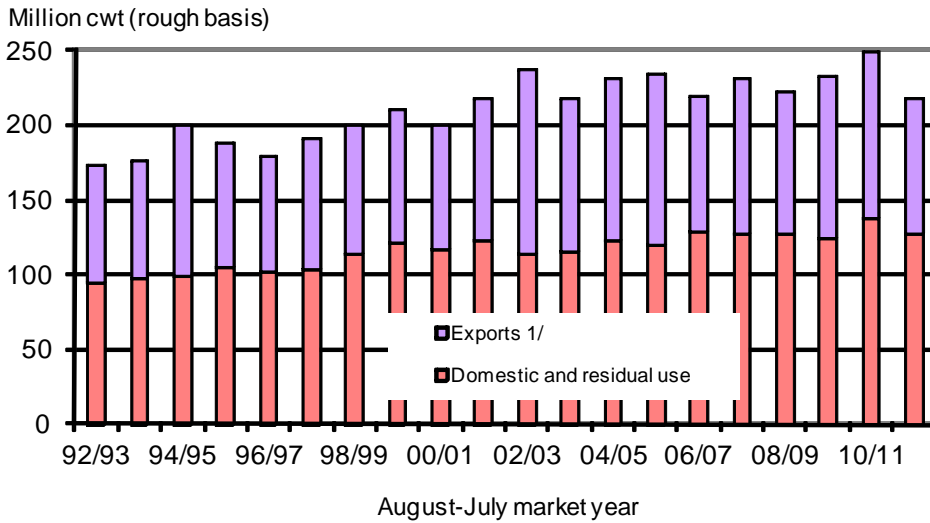
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**Total U.S. rice supplies in 2011/12 are projected to decrease 15 percent**



2011/12 are forecasts.  
 Sources: 1992/93-2008/09, *Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2009/10-2011/12, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>.

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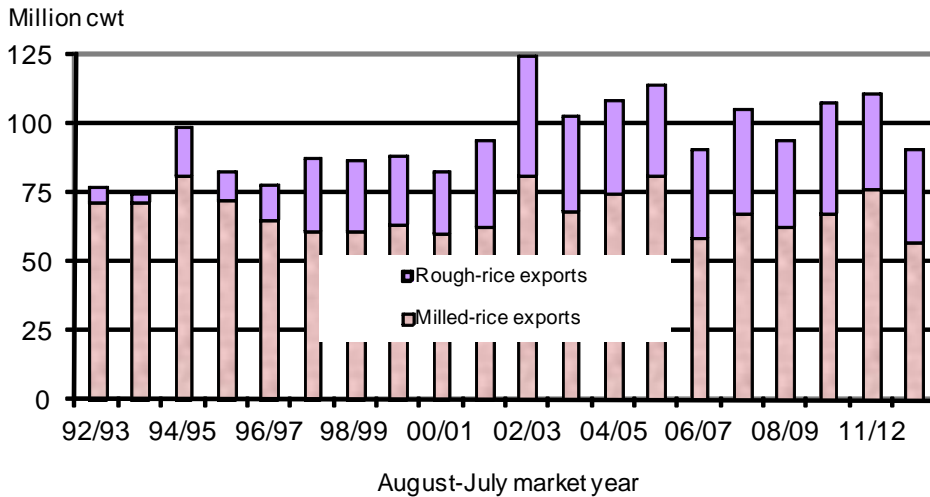
**U.S. exports are projected to decline almost 19 percent in 2011/12**



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Figure 5

**U.S. milled-rice exports are projected to decline 26 percent in 2011/12 1/**

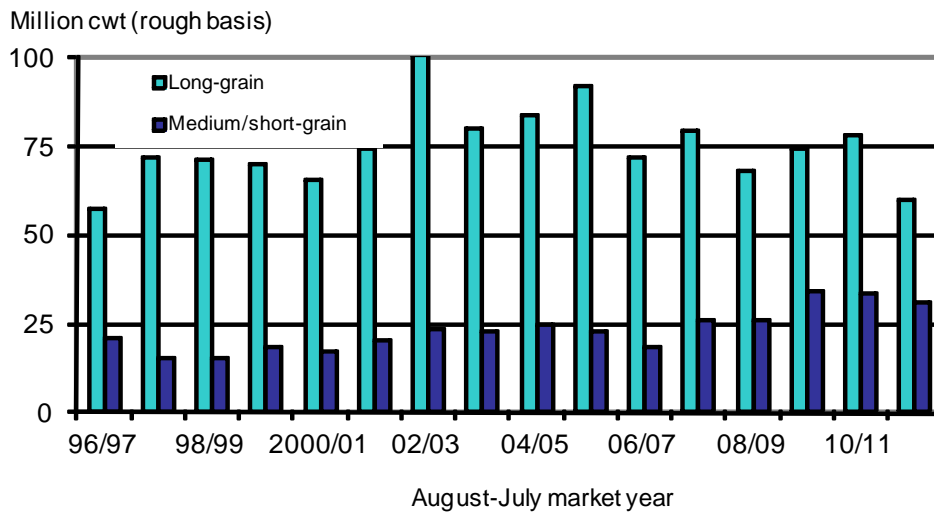


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Figure 6

**U.S. long-grain exports are projected to decline 23 percent in 2011/12 1/**



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**U.S. 2011/12 Ending Stocks Forecast Lowered to 36.4 Million Cwt**

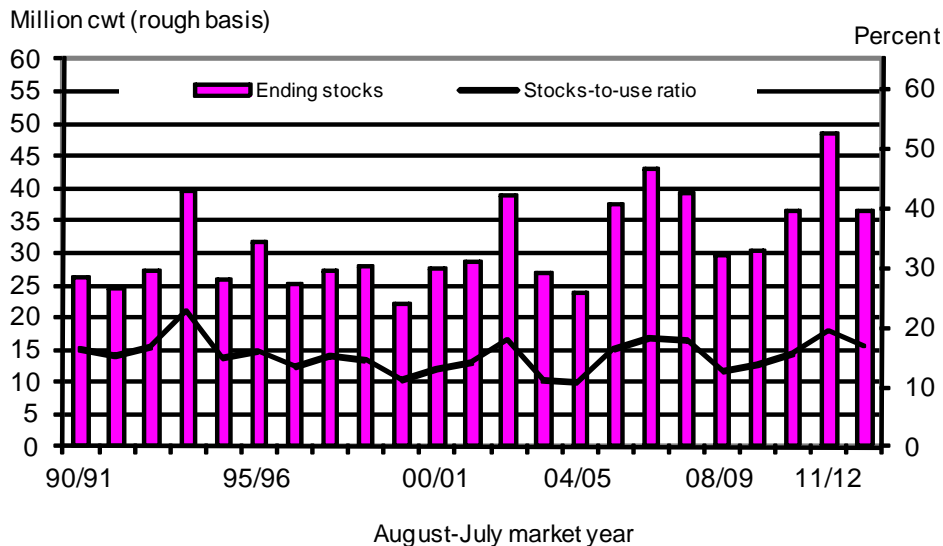
U.S. ending stocks of all-rice in 2011/12 are projected at 36.4 million cwt, 1.9 million cwt below last month's forecast and 25 percent below a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 16.7 percent, down from 17.4 percent last month and below 19.4 percent in 2010/11.

By class, the 2011/12 U.S. long-grain carryout is projected at 16.9 million cwt, down 1.5 million cwt from last month and 53 percent below a year earlier. The long-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 11.1 percent, down sharply from 19.1 percent in 2010/11. Stocks of this level will likely pressure prices higher in 2011/12.

The medium/short-grain carryout is projected at 16.8 million cwt, down almost 3 percent from last month's forecast, but 65 percent larger than a year earlier. This is the largest medium- and short-grain carryout since 1986/87. The year-to-year increase is primarily due to much larger supplies and only a modest expansion in use.

The medium/short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is calculated at 25.4 percent, up from 16.1 percent in 2010/11. Ending stocks of this size are expected to pressure U.S. medium- and short-grain downward all year. Stocks of brokens, included in the total stocks estimate, are not reported by class.

Figure 7  
**U.S. 2011/12 ending stocks are projected to decline 25 percent**



2011/12 are forecasts.

Sources: 1990/91-2008/09, *Rice Yearbook Data Set*, Economic Research Service, USDA; 2009/01-2011/12, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, World Agricultural Outlook Board, USDA.

### ***U.S. 2011/12 Season-Average Price for Medium- and Short-grain Raised***

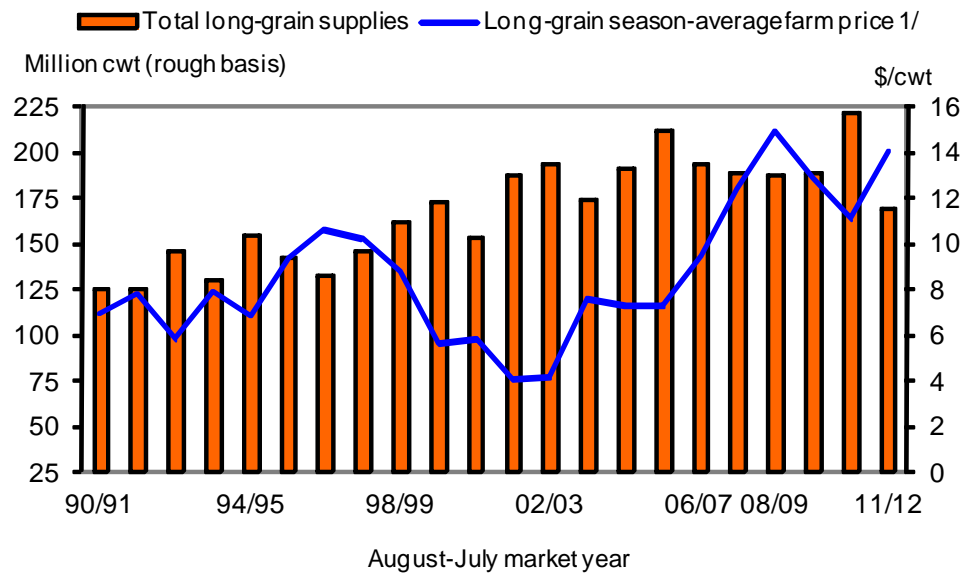
The 2011/12 season-average farm price (SAFP) for U.S. long-grain rice is projected at \$13.50-\$14.50 per cwt, unchanged from last month. The 2011/12 SAFP for long-grain rice is well above the \$11.10 estimated for 2010/11. U.S. long-grain prices in 2011/12 will be supported by smaller U.S. supplies, higher quality, and stronger world prices.

The combined medium- and short-grain 2011/12 U.S. SAFP is projected at \$15.50-\$16.50 per cwt, up 50 cents on both the high and low ends from last month's forecast. The upward revision is largely based on reported cash prices through mid-September and expectations regarding prices the remainder of the market year. The mid-point of the 2011/12 SAFP is \$2.40 below the 2010/11 SAFP of \$18.40 per cwt. In 2011/12 U.S. medium- and short-grain prices are expected to face downward pressure from larger U.S. supplies and increased competition from Australia and Egypt in the global rice market.

In late September, NASS reported a mid-September long-grain rough-rice price of \$12.70 per cwt, up 30 cents from a revised \$12.40 in August. The August price was raised 70 cents from the mid-month estimate. For combined medium- and short-grain rice, the mid-September NASS price was reported at \$18.80 per cwt, up 20 cents from the revised August price. The August medium- and short-grain rough-rice cash price was lowered 70 cents from the mid-month estimate to \$18.60 per cwt.

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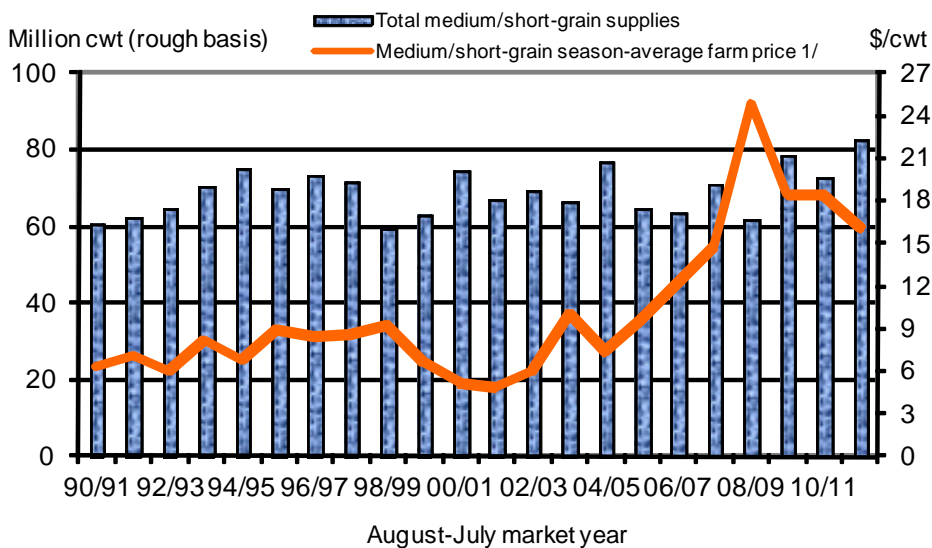
**U.S. long-grain prices are projected to increase in 2011/12**



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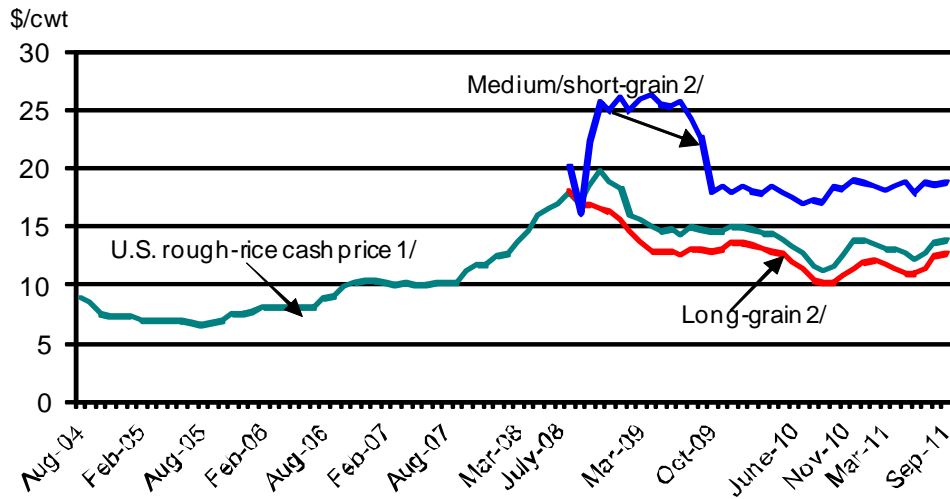
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**U.S. medium/short-grain prices are projected to decline in 2011/12**



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Figure 10  
**U.S rough-rice prices continue to increase**



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.fsa.usda.gov/public/cotton/default.htm>.

### ***Higher Production Estimate for India Pushes 2011/12 Global Rice Production Forecast Up 1 Percent***

The 2011/12 global rice production forecast was raised by 3.0 million tons this month to 461.4 million tons (milled basis), led principally by a higher production forecast for India. Global rice production in 2011/12 is projected at a record, up more than 2 percent from 2010/11.

The largest production change this month was for India, whose 2011/12 production estimate was raised 3.0 million tons to 100.0 million tons. In September, the Government of India's First Advanced Estimate showed a kharif crop of 87.1 million tons, and conditions for the rabi crop have been favorable thus far. This is the largest total rice crop on record for India.

Thailand's crop was raised 500,000 tons this month to a record 21.25 million tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Bangkok. While substantial flooding of the Mekong River has caused damage to the current monsoon-season crop, the flooding has replenished irrigation supplies for the dry-season crop in the country's Northeastern provinces, raising expectations for that crop. Additionally, due to the recent implementation of a paddy mortgage scheme offering prices significantly above export market levels, farmers are expected to plant a record rice area this year. Smaller production increases for 2011/12 were made for the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

These increases were partially offset by several downward revisions. The Philippines production estimate was reduced to 250,000 tons to 10.65 million tons due to losses from typhoons *Nesat* and *Nalgael*. The U.S. Agricultural Officer in Manila reported that losses in Luzon have been substantial, with area estimated down 1 percent and yields losses estimated at 2 percent below last month's forecast. Production in the Philippines is still forecast 1 percent higher than last year.

Pakistan's production estimate was revised down 150,000 tons this month to 6.65 million tons due to flooding in the Sindh province in August. While flooding in Sindh was severe, there were few rice plantings in the most heavily affected districts. Area losses are estimated at 50,000 hectares, while yields were largely unaffected. Despite the downward revision, Pakistan's production in 2011/12 is forecast 41 percent higher than in 2010/11, when severe flooding in the Punjab devastated rice plantings.

U.S. production for 2011/12 was reduced 127,000 tons this month to 6.0 million tons. The revision was entirely due to a lower yield estimate from the National Agricultural Statistics Service. A variety of weather problems this spring and summer in several rice-producing States have hindered the crop's development, leading to the reduction.

Global rice production for 2010/11 was raised nearly 200,000 tons this month to 451.4 million tons. Vietnam's 2010/11 production estimate was raised 158,000 tons to a record 26.1 million tons based on information from the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Ho Chi Minh City.

While estimated harvested area declined from last month, a large yield increase was reported for the Mekong Delta’s autumn crop. Smaller production increases were made for the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

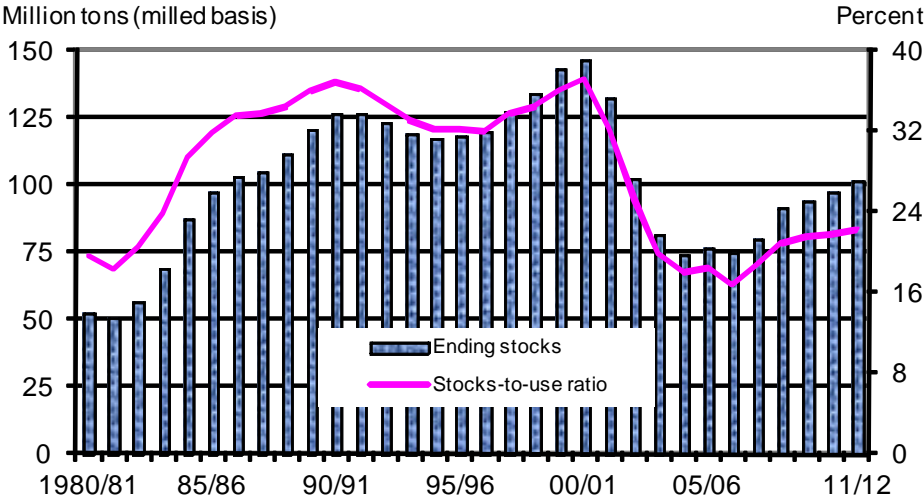
Global disappearance in 2011/12 is projected at a record 457.8 million tons, up 1.8 million tons from last month’s forecast and more than 10 million tons larger than 2010/11. Upward revisions for India and Nigeria were partially offset by a reduction for the Philippines.

Global ending stocks for 2011/12 are projected at 101.41 million tons, up 2.8 million tons from last month and 4 percent larger than a year earlier. Upward revisions for Bangladesh, India, the Philippines, and Vietnam were partially offset by decreases for Russia and the United States. This is the fifth consecutive annual increase in global ending stocks, with ending stocks the forerecast the highest since 2002/03. The global stocks-to-use ratio for 2011/12 is calculated at 22.2 percent compared with 21.8 percent in 2010/11.

**Global Trade in 2012 Is Projected To Fall 4 Percent from the 2011 Record High**

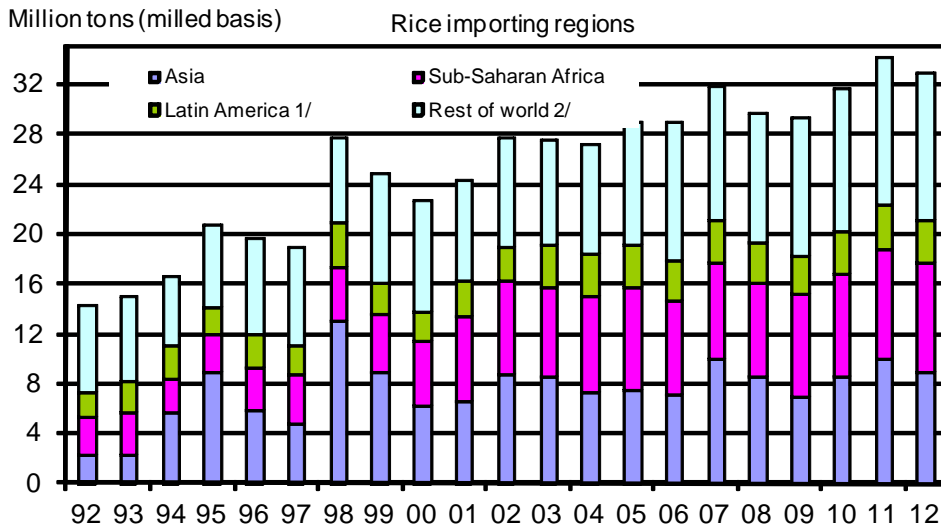
The global calendar year 2012 trade forecast was raised 1.2 million tons this month to 33.0 million tons (milled basis), up 4 percent from last month, but down 4 percent from the 2011 record.

Figure 11  
**Global ending stocks are projected to be the highest since 2002/03**



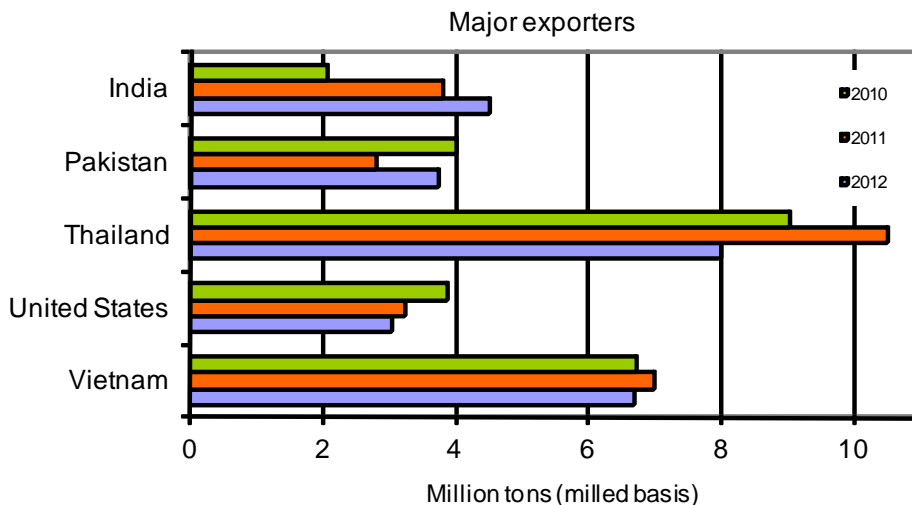
2011/12 are forecasts.  
 Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>

Figure 12  
**Global rice trade is projected to be record-high in 2011**



2011 and 2012 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 13  
**India's rice exports are projected to increase in 2011 and 2012**



2011 and 2012 are forecasts. These 5 countries account for more than 80 percent of global rice exports. Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>

India's 2012 export forecast was raised 1.0 million tons to 4.5 million tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in New Delhi. In addition to a larger crop forecast this month, the country has relaxed its export ban on non-basmati rice and is competitively priced on the international market. With Thailand's trading prices largely uncompetitive, India is expected to play a larger role in the global rice market in the upcoming year. Vietnam's export forecast was raised 300,000 tons to 6.7 million tons on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Ho Chi Minh City. Vietnam has large supplies going into 2012, and is expected to offer lower trading prices than Thailand. Russia's 2012 export forecast was raised 15,000 tons to 150,000 tons.

In contrast, Pakistan's 2012 export forecast was reduced 150,000 tons this month to 3.75 million tons based on a smaller 2011/12 production estimate.

On the importer side, Bangladesh's import estimate was raised 200,000 to 750,000 tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Dhaka. The country's private sector is expected to increase imports from neighboring India now that India's non-basmati rice export ban has been lifted. Nigeria's import estimate was also boosted 200,000 tons to a near-record 2.15 million tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Lagos. There were no importer reductions this month.

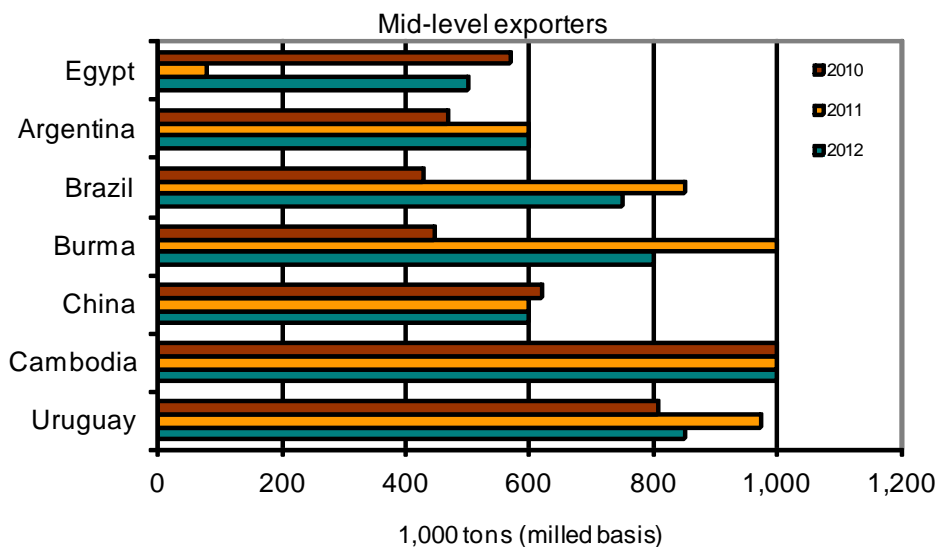
Global trade for 2011 was raised by 1.1 million tons this month to a record 34.2 million tons. Thailand's 2011 export forecast was raised 500,000 tons to a record 10.5 million tons on pace-to-date. Although Thai exports are expected to drop sharply after this month's implementation of the paddy mortgage scheme, exports to date have been strong. India's export forecast was raised 300,000 tons this month to 3.8 million tons based on sales announced since the lifting of that country's non-basmati rice export ban. Burma's export estimate was raised 200,000 tons to 1.0 million tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Rangoon.

Brazil's 2011 export estimate was raised 100,000 tons to a record 8.5 million tons based on pace-to-date. Similarly, Uruguay's export estimate was raised 50,000 tons to 975,000 tons—also a record—based on updated export 2011 sales data from the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The only reduction this month was for China—a decrease of 100,000 tons to 500,000 tons based on export pace-to-date.

Several 2011 import revisions were made this month. Nigeria's imports were raised 300,000 tons to a record 2.2 million tons based on a report from the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Lagos. Imports to the Philippines were raised 300,000 tons to 1.5 million tons based on the recommendation of the U.S. Agricultural Officer in Manila, due principally to this month's downward production revision for 2011/12. The remaining 2011 import changes were all based on import pace-to-date: Brazil's imports were raised 50,000 tons to 500,000 tons, Peru's imports were raised 50,000 tons to 150,000 tons, and Togo's estimate was raised 30,000 tons to 130,000.

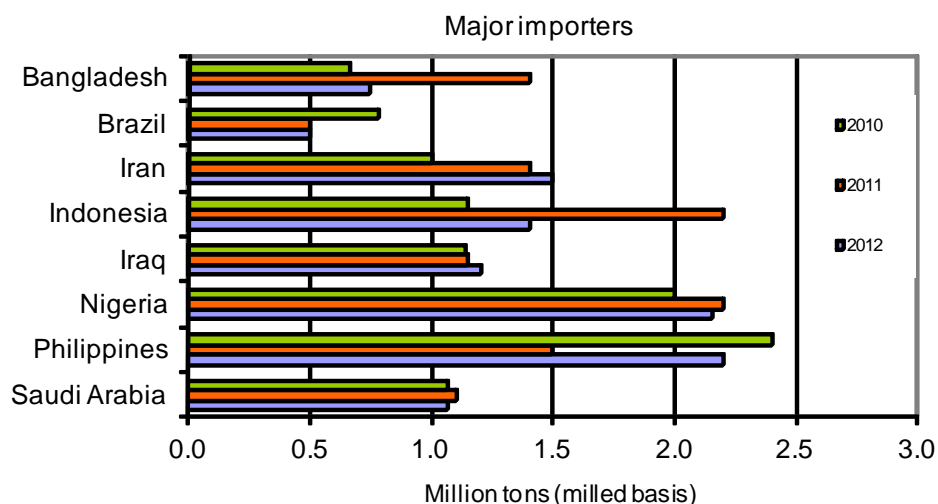


Figure 14  
**Brazil, Argentina, and Uruguay's exports are projected record-high in 2011**



2011 and 2012 are forecasts. Source: *Production, Supply, and Distribution* data base, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psd>.

Figure 15  
**Bangladesh is projected to sharply boost imports in 2011**



2011 and 2012 are forecasts. 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>.

## ***Trading Prices from Most Origins Have Declined Over the Past Month***

Trading prices for Thailand's high- and medium-quality grades of non-specialty rice have fluctuated between \$600 and \$625 since the first week of September, as buyers and sellers await the October implementation of the country's new paddy rice mortgaging scheme. Prices for Thailand's high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (fob vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$616 per ton for the week ending October 10, down 1 percent from the week ending September 5. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent broken rice were quoted at \$600 per ton for the week ending October 10, down 2 percent from the week ending September 5. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice—a specialty rice—were quoted at \$603 per ton for the week ending October 10, down 5 percent from the week ending September 5.

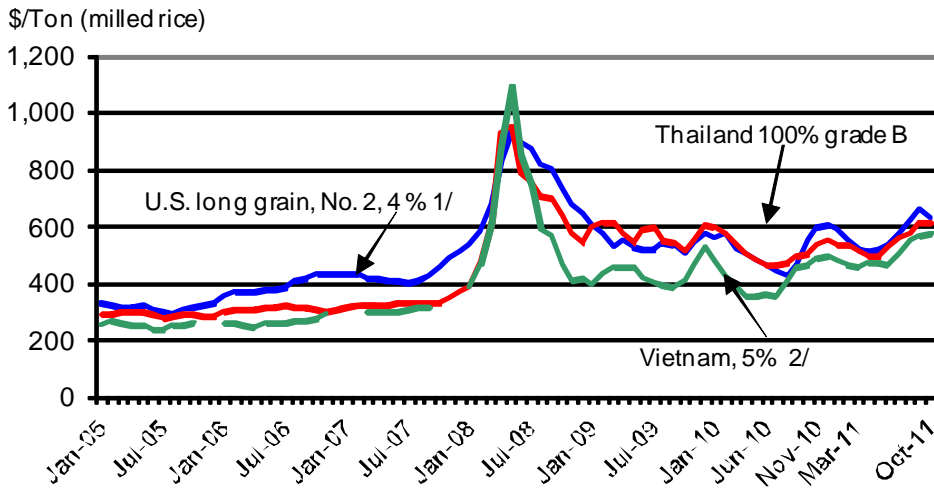
Prices also fluctuated for Thailand's lower quality rice varieties. For the week ending October 10, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent broken rice were quoted at \$490 per ton, up 3 percent from the week ending September 5. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update*, reported by the U.S. Post in Bangkok.

In Vietnam, prices fell less than 1 percent over the past month. Global trading prices have been supported since June by the announcement of Thailand's just-implemented Paddy Mortgage Scheme. For the week ending October 11, prices for 5-percent broken rice were quoted at \$570 per ton—down \$5 per ton from the week ending September 6. With little movement in both Thai and Vietnam trading prices, the premium of Thailand's rice has fallen slightly to \$46 compared with a difference of \$49 last month.

U.S. long-grain milled-rice prices have fallen over the past month, partially in response to weak export demand. For the week ending October 11, prices for high-quality Southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent broken, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at \$617 per ton, down \$22 from the week ending September 6. Thailand's prices remained almost stable while U.S. prices fell over the past month, reducing the premium of U.S. rice (adjusted to reflect the fob vessel price) to just \$16 over similar grades of Thai rice, compared with a difference of \$30 last month. U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) was quoted at \$365 per ton for the week ending October 11, unchanged from the week ending September 6.

Prices for California rice were unchanged over the past month, with harvest now underway. California's package-quality medium-grain rice (sacked) for domestic sales is quoted at \$860 per ton for the week ending October 11, unchanged from the week ending September 6. In contrast, export price quotes (for 30-kg bags, fob vessel) have also declined, principally due to larger global supplies of medium/short-grain. For the week ending October 11, prices were reported at \$775 per ton, down \$75 per ton from the week ending September 6. 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 16  
**U.S. export prices have slightly declined**



October prices are mid-month only. Monthly prices are simple average of weekly quotes. All prices quoted "free-on-board" vessel. 1/ The U.S. reported free-alongside price is adjusted to reflect a free-on-board status. 2/ April-June 2008 and December 2009 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	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12 2/
<b>TOTAL RICE</b>							
Million acres							
Area:							
Planted	3.384	2.838	2.761	2.995	3.135	3.636	2.693
Harvested	3.364	2.821	2.748	2.976	3.103	3.615	2.624
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,624	6,898	7,219	6,846	7,085	6,725	7,123
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	37.7	43.0	39.3	29.5	30.4	36.5	48.5
Production	222.8	194.6	198.4	203.7	219.9	243.1	186.9
Imports	17.1	20.6	23.9	19.2	19.0	18.3	19.0
Total supply	277.7	258.2	261.6	252.4	269.3	297.9	254.4
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	116.3	124.7	123.2	123.8	120.0	134.5	-
Seed	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.9	4.5	3.3	-
Total domestic use	119.8	128.1	126.8	127.6	124.5	137.8	127.0
Exports	114.9	90.8	105.3	94.4	108.3	111.6	91.0
Rough	33.4	32.1	37.7	31.6	40.4	34.9	34.0
Milled 4/	81.4	58.7	67.6	62.8	68.0	76.8	57.0
Total use	234.7	218.8	232.1	222.0	232.8	249.5	218.0
Ending stocks	43.0	39.3	29.5	30.4	36.5	48.5	36.4
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	18.3	18.0	12.7	13.7	15.7	19.4	16.7
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 5/	7.65	9.96	12.80	16.80	14.40	12.70	14.00 to 15.00
Percent							
Average milling rate	70.25	71.00	69.88	70.83	71.53	68.86	70.75

N/A = not available. 1/ August-July market year; rough equivalent. 2/ Projected. 3/ Residual includes unreported use, processing losses, and estimating errors. 4/ Rough-rice equivalent. 5/ Market-year weighted average.

Source: *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*, WAOB, USDA.

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

Item	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11 2/	2011/12 2/
<b>LONG GRAIN:</b>							
	Million acres						
Planted	2.751	2.200	2.063	2.365	2.290	2.841	-
Harvested	2.734	2.186	2.052	2.350	2.265	2.826	-
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	6,479	6,727	6,980	6,522	6,743	6,486	-
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	22.7	32.7	28.5	19.1	20.0	23.0	35.6
Production	177.1	147.1	143.2	153.3	152.7	183.3	116.8
Imports	12.3	14.2	17.7	15.9	16.5	15.8	16.5
Total supply	212.1	194.0	189.4	188.2	189.3	222.2	168.9
Domestic use 3/	87.3	93.4	90.9	100.1	91.9	108.5	92.0
Exports	92.2	72.0	79.4	68.0	74.3	78.0	60.0
Total use	179.4	165.4	170.4	168.1	166.2	186.5	152.0
Ending stocks	32.7	28.5	19.1	20.0	23.0	35.6	16.9
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	18.2	17.2	11.2	11.9	13.9	19.1	11.1
Average farm price	7.30	9.47	12.40	14.90	12.90	11.10	13.50- 14.50
<b>MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:</b>							
	Million acres						
Planted	0.633	0.638	0.698	0.630	0.845	0.795	-
Harvested	0.630	0.635	0.696	0.626	0.838	0.789	-
	Pounds per harvested acre						
Yield	7,255	7,484	7,924	8,063	8,010	7,580	-
	Million cwt						
Beginning stocks	13.8	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.0	12.0	10.1
Production	45.7	47.5	55.2	50.5	67.1	59.8	70.1
Imports	4.9	6.3	6.2	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.5
Total supply 4/	64.7	63.4	70.8	61.9	78.6	73.1	82.8
Domestic use 3/	32.6	34.6	35.9	27.5	32.5	29.4	35.0
Exports	22.7	18.8	25.8	26.4	34.0	33.6	31.0
Total use	55.2	53.4	61.7	53.9	66.6	63.0	66.0
Ending stocks	9.4	10.0	9.1	8.0	12.0	10.1	16.8
	Percent						
Stocks-to-use ratio	17.1	18.8	14.7	14.9	18.1	16.1	25.4
Average farm price	9.49	12.10	14.60	24.80	18.40	18.40	15.50- 16.50
Ending stocks difference 1/	0.9	0.8	1.3	2.4	1.4	2.6	2.7

-- = 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	2011/12		2010/11		2009/10	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	13.60	11,056	11.60	11,168	14.90	10,503
September	13.80 1/	N/A	11.10	15,095	14.80	11,061
October			11.50	17,182	14.50	14,148
November			12.50	16,993	14.50	13,854
December			13.80	19,245	14.90	15,902
January			13.80	21,847	15.00	19,351
February			13.40	15,027	14.80	13,991
March			13.10	15,985	14.30	16,292
April			13.10	12,774	14.30	12,525
May			12.70	14,284	13.80	13,145
June			12.10	11,309	13.20	11,019
July			12.70	11,895	12.60	11,952
Average price to date	13.70 2/					
Season average farm price	14.50 3/		12.70		14.40	
Average Marketings		11,056		15,234		13,645
Total volume marketed		11,056		182,804		163,743

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			
	2011/12		2010/11		2011/12		2010/11	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	12.40	8,925	10.30	9,047	18.60	2,131	17.20	2,121
September	12.70 1/	N/A	10.10	12,764	18.80 1/	N/A	17.00	2,331
October			10.10	14,302			18.40	2,880
November			10.70	12,780			18.20	4,213
December			11.30	13,092			19.00	6,153
January			11.90	15,729			18.80	6,029
February			12.10	11,733			18.40	3,292
March			11.70	12,538			18.10	3,445
April			11.40	9,569			18.40	3,205
May			11.00	11,218			18.70	3,066
June			11.00	9,580			17.80	1,729
July			11.40	9,916			18.70	1,979
Average to date 2/	12.55				18.70			
Season-average farm price	14.00 3/		11.10		16.00 3/		18.40	
Average marketings		8,925		11,856		2,131		3,370
Total volume marketed		8,925		142,268		2,131		40,443

N/A = Not available. 1/ Mid-month only. 2/ Simple average. 3/ Forecast.

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	2011/12		2010/11		2009/10	
	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium/ short	Long	Medium/ short
	\$/cwt					
August	14.08	14.40	9.58	9.68	11.33	11.42
September	15.09	15.44	10.51	10.62	11.25	11.35
October 2/	15.63	15.99	12.15	12.29	11.02	11.11
November			13.40	13.58	11.40	11.50
December			14.50	14.67	13.03	13.15
January			13.98	14.15	13.03	13.14
February			12.68	13.35	12.74	12.99
March			12.13	12.76	11.21	11.42
April			11.76	12.36	10.53	10.72
May			11.58	12.17	9.92	10.10
June			11.78	12.39	9.41	9.57
July			12.49	13.14	9.42	9.58
Market-year average 1/	14.93	15.28	12.21	12.60	11.19	11.34

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	2011/12 as of August 2011 2/	2010/11 as of August 2010	2010/11 market year	2009/10 market year	2008/09 market year	2007/08 market year
1,000 metric tons						
<b>ASIA</b>	45.5	47.4	529.8	563.9	536.4	720.2
China	0.5	0.2	3.1	3.8	4.0	123.0
India	9.8	10.5	96.5	94.8	74.0	119.1
Pakistan	1.3	2.0	17.3	19.4	16.9	19.4
Thailand	32.5	33.5	393.4	401.0	422.1	454.4
Vietnam	1.3	0.7	15.9	41.6	17.5	0.6
Other	0.2	0.5	3.6	3.4	1.9	3.8
<b>EUROPE &amp; FSU</b>	2.0	0.7	12.5	9.4	7.6	8.5
Italy	0.9	0.6	7.5	6.2	5.7	6.3
Spain	1.1	0.1	3.8	1.6	0.4	0.4
Russia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
United Kingdom	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.5
Other	0.1	0.0	1.2	1.5	0.9	1.2
<b>WESTERN HEMISPHERE</b>	3.4	2.2	42.7	30.4	31.1	28.5
Argentina	0.1	0.2	2.7	2.5	1.1	2.6
Brazil	0.5	0.3	6.3	3.5	3.9	2.4
Canada	1.4	1.5	17.1	15.4	18.0	13.6
Mexico	0.2	0.0	1.3	6.1	6.1	9.2
Uruguay	1.3	0.1	15.4	2.9	1.7	0.3
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4
<b>OTHER</b>	0.0	0.6	3.5	5.5	39.3	5.2
Egypt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	36.6	2.7
United Arab Emirates	0.0	0.5	3.0	4.4	2.2	2.2
Other	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	51.0	50.9	588.6	609.2	614.3	762.4

1/ Columns labeled "market year" are total August-July imports reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. 2/ Most recent month available.

All data is reported on a product-weight basis. Categories may not sum to total due to rounding.

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

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Table 7--U.S. commercial rice exports

Country or region	2011/12 as of 9/29/2011 1/	2010/11 as of 9/30/2010 1/	2010/11 market year 2/	2009/10 market year 2/	2008/09 market year 2/	2007/08 market year 2/
	1,000 metric tons					
<b>EUROPE &amp; FSU</b>	10.1	24.7	101.7	98.3	77.6	89.8
European Union	8.3	23.8	90.3	88.6	71.0	87.0
Other Europe	1.3	0.3	5.3	2.6	3.9	0.8
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	0.5	0.6	6.1	7.1	2.7	2.0
<b>NORTHEAST ASIA</b>	112.0	57.8	473.6	571.3	472.3	450.9
Hong Kong	0.4	0.4	0.6	1.1	0.6	1.1
Japan	43.7	27.3	355.3	388.9	85.0	339.9
South Korea	64.4	28.0	100.6	79.4	386.1	78.6
Taiwan	3.5	2.1	17.1	101.9	0.6	31.3
<b>OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, &amp; THE MIDDLE EAST</b>	152.3	320.9	641.7	751.5	668.9	697.4
Australia	2.4	4.6	15.8	26.2	27.5	12.8
Iraq	0.0	120.0	114.0	135.1	121.0	188.6
Israel	4.7	10.9	33.3	45.7	33.4	30.0
Jordan	25.0	45.3	83.0	66.4	86.2	79.7
Micronesia	0.7	0.8	6.0	5.2	5.5	3.6
New Zealand	0.4	2.4	6.5	8.3	4.2	2.3
Papua New Guinea	0.0	0.0	9.4	37.9	103.2	2.3
Philippines	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.3	70.7
Saudi Arabia	46.2	45.5	118.0	108.5	143.6	111.3
Singapore	1.4	0.8	5.3	3.0	3.0	4.0
Syria	6.9	3.9	13.6	15.9	3.1	2.8
Turkey	56.3	78.0	200.3	267.0	22.7	154.9
United Arab Emirates	1.8	1.3	7.5	4.8	6.9	4.7
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	6.5	7.4	29.0	27.5	62.3	29.7
<b>AFRICA</b>	82.0	126.7	432.4	117.4	131.7	119.6
Algeria	0.0	1.8	1.9	6.9	2.3	0.0
Ghana	44.8	62.8	100.2	43.7	50.9	75.9
Guinea	5.9	1.0	4.4	4.8	4.7	3.9
Liberia	20.2	6.9	38.5	8.4	11.1	8.3
Libya	0.0	0.0	152.9	1.1	2.8	0.7
Nigeria	0.0	47.0	52.1	36.6	24.3	0.0
Senegal	0.0	0.0	49.8	0.0	0.0	13.3
South Africa	0.1	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.3	0.0
Togo	0.0	0.0	23.9	0.0	6.8	0.0
Other Africa	11.0	7.1	7.6	15.4	28.5	17.5
<b>WESTERN HEMISPHERE</b>	524.7	649.8	2,058.3	2,142.9	1,972.4	2,258.7
Bahamas	1.6	1.3	6.3	6.1	6.8	6.6
Brazil	0.0	51.9	20.0	15.4	0.1	0.2
Canada	44.3	81.6	148.6	166.8	168.9	182.1
Colombia	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	71.6	0.0
Costa Rica	6.7	8.0	69.7	124.8	153.8	146.6
Cuba	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.6
Dominican Republic	3.4	1.3	7.0	25.2	30.7	9.0
El Salvador	17.7	15.4	77.0	78.5	79.2	86.0
Guatemala	26.6	14.4	69.4	72.6	65.0	58.8
Haiti	60.9	70.5	248.9	226.5	257.0	279.0
Honduras	44.6	39.1	136.8	119.3	150.1	131.3
Jamaica	5.5	10.7	25.5	20.2	26.9	50.7
Leeward & Windward Islands	10.4	6.2	9.4	8.3	9.3	12.4
Mexico	299.0	181.4	848.5	775.1	594.2	855.3
Netherlands Antilles	1.0	1.2	4.8	5.2	4.4	5.3
Nicaragua	1.6	58.6	142.2	147.0	97.3	179.2
Panama	0.1	27.4	88.2	104.0	9.4	96.4
Venezuela	0.1	79.2	149.6	241.8	243.7	125.9
Other Western Hemisphere	1.2	1.5	6.2	5.9	4.0	13.3
<b>UNKNOWN</b>	0.0	95.0	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	881.1	1,274.9	3,707.7	3,681.4	3,322.9	3,616.4

1/ Sum of outstanding sales and shipments-to-date. 2/ Total marketing year shipments.

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	Southern long grain	California medium grain	100%	5%	15%	35%	A.1 6/	5%
	milled 2/	rough 3/	milled 4/	Grade B	Parboiled	Brokens		Super	Brokens
	\$/ metric ton								
2002/03	223	123	327	199	195	186	175	151	184
2003/04	360	206	533	220	222	207	199	184	212
2004/05	312	176	405	278	278	265	252	219	244
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
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	540	327	794	501	533	465	NQ	428	468
Nov. 2010	584	320	852	534	543	499	NQ	427	493
Dec. 2010	595	309	871	550	536	513	NQ	411	496
Jan. 2011	579	319	871	534	528	496	NQ	404	480
Feb. 2011	540	330	871	538	532	495	NQ	418	469
Mar. 2011	509	307	871	509	506	473	NQ	408	455
Apr. 2011	497	283	871	500	501	467	NQ	409	475
May 2011	502	280	871	498	500	466	NQ	421	476
June 2011	522	288	871	531	522	496	NQ	428	463
July 2011	557	314	871	557	553	523	NQ	448	506
2010/11	524	298	840	518	522	481	NQ	415	471
Aug. 2011	604	338	866	576	579	543	NQ	463	555
Sep. 2011	648	373	860	614	617	577	NQ	487	568
Oct. 2011 8/	617	370	860	613	600	579	NQ	484	573
2011/12 8/	623	360	862	601	599	566	NQ	478	565

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](http://www.fas.usda.gov)).

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Table 9--Global rice producers: 2009/10-2011/12 monthly revisions and annual changes 1/

Country	2009/10		2010/11 2/			2011/12 2/			
	October 2011	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons					1,000 metric tons			
Afghanistan	335	275	275	0	-60	350	350	0	75
Argentina	706	1,118	1,118	0	412	901	901	0	-217
Australia	142	608	608	0	466	710	710	0	102
Bangladesh	31,000	32,900	32,900	0	1,900	33,000	33,000	0	100
Brazil	7,929	9,257	9,257	0	1,328	8,840	8,840	0	-417
Burma	10,550	10,750	10,750	0	200	11,000	11,000	0	250
Cambodia	4,780	5,200	5,200	0	420	5,200	5,200	0	0
China	136,570	137,000	137,000	0	430	139,000	139,000	0	2,000
Colombia	1,512	1,370	1,370	0	-142	1,512	1,512	0	142
Cote d'Ivoire	378	416	416	0	38	374	374	0	-42
Cuba	366	295	295	0	-71	338	338	0	43
Dominican Republic	552	560	580	20	28	560	591	31	11
Ecuador	860	900	900	0	40	706	706	0	-194
Egypt	4,300	3,100	3,100	0	-1,200	4,700	4,700	0	1,600
European Union-27	1,887	1,867	1,867	0	-20	1,899	1,899	0	32
Ghana	235	295	295	0	60	310	310	0	15
Guinea	975	1,040	1,040	0	65	1,137	1,137	0	97
Guyana	360	364	364	0	4	390	390	0	26
India	89,090	95,300	95,300	0	6,210	97,000	100,000	3,000	4,700
Indonesia	36,370	37,060	37,060	0	690	37,300	37,300	0	240
Iran	1,487	1,500	1,500	0	13	1,500	1,500	0	0
Japan	7,711	7,720	7,720	0	9	7,680	7,680	0	-40
Korea, North	1,910	1,600	1,600	0	-310	1,700	1,700	0	100
Korea, South	4,916	4,295	4,295	0	-621	4,240	4,240	0	-55
Laos	1,923	1,800	1,800	0	-123	2,000	2,000	0	200
Liberia	176	178	178	0	2	180	180	0	2
Madagascar	2,688	3,062	3,062	0	374	2,880	2,880	0	-182
Malaysia	1,620	1,610	1,610	0	-10	1,630	1,630	0	20
Mali	1,043	1,523	1,523	0	480	1,700	1,700	0	177
Mozambique	172	119	119	0	-53	132	132	0	13
Nepal	2,900	2,900	2,900	0	0	2,900	2,900	0	0
Nigeria	2,600	2,670	2,670	0	70	2,700	2,700	0	30
Pakistan	6,800	4,700	4,700	0	-2,100	6,800	6,650	-150	1,950
Peru	2,088	1,957	1,957	0	-131	1,666	1,666	0	-291
Philippines	9,772	10,539	10,539	0	767	10,900	10,650	-250	111
Russia	590	690	690	0	100	725	725	0	35
Sierra Leone	470	498	498	0	28	480	480	0	-18
Sri Lanka	2,650	2,400	2,400	0	-250	2,900	2,900	0	500
Taiwan	1,111	1,016	1,016	0	-95	1,096	1,096	0	80
Tanzania	877	916	916	0	39	916	916	0	0
Thailand	20,260	20,262	20,262	0	2	20,750	21,250	500	988
Uganda	120	130	130	0	10	130	130	0	0
United States	7,133	7,593	7,593	0	460	6,125	5,998	-127	-1,595
Uruguay	804	1,155	1,155	0	351	940	940	0	-215
Venezuela	500	350	350	0	-150	380	380	0	30
Vietnam	24,993	25,899	26,057	158	1,064	25,430	25,430	0	-627
Others	4,118	4,428	4,441	13	323	4,670	4,683	13	242
World total	440,329	451,185	451,376	191	11,047	458,377	461,394	3,017	10,018

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 2010-2012; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2010	2011 1/				2012 1/			
	October 2011	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons (milled basis)					1,000 metric tons (milled basis)			
Argentina	468	600	600	0	132	600	600	0	0
Australia	54	350	350	0	296	450	450	0	100
Brazil	430	750	850	100	420	750	750	0	-100
Burma	445	800	1,000	200	555	800	800	0	-200
Cambodia	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0	1,000	1,000	0	0
China	619	600	500	-100	-119	600	600	0	100
Ecuador	60	70	70	0	10	15	15	0	-55
Egypt	570	80	80	0	-490	500	500	0	420
European Union-27	282	300	300	0	18	350	350	0	50
Guyana	275	250	250	0	-25	230	230	0	-20
India	2,052	3,500	3,800	300	1,748	3,500	4,500	1,000	700
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	150	150	0	-50
Korea, South	4	3	3	0	-1	3	3	0	0
Pakistan	4,000	2,800	2,800	0	-1,200	3,900	3,750	-150	950
Peru	55	50	50	0	-5	20	20	0	-30
Thailand	9,047	10,000	10,500	500	1,453	8,000	8,000	0	-2,500
Uganda	25	30	30	0	5	30	30	0	0
Uruguay	808	925	975	50	167	850	850	0	-125
Vietnam	6,734	7,000	7,000	0	266	6,400	6,700	300	-300
Other	611	636	636	0	25	607	622	15	-14
Subtotal	27,739	29,944	30,994	1,050	3,255	28,755	29,920	1,165	-1,074
United States	3,868	3,250	3,250	0	-618	3,050	3,050	0	-200
U.S. Share	12.2%	9.8%	9.5%	--	--	9.6%	9.3%	--	--
World total	31,607	33,194	34,244	1,050	2,637	31,805	32,970	1,165	-1,274

-- 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 2010-2012; monthly revisions and annual changes

	2010		2011 1/			2012 1/			
	October 2011	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2011	October 2011	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 tons (milled basis)					1,000 tons (milled basis)			
Bangladesh	660	1,400	1,400	0	740	550	750	200	-650
Brazil	778	450	500	50	-278	500	500	0	0
Cameroon	300	310	310	0	10	320	320	0	10
Canada	358	330	330	0	-28	340	340	0	10
China	366	600	600	0	234	400	400	0	-200
Colombia	8	125	125	0	117	100	100	0	-25
Costa Rica	71	60	60	0	-11	50	50	0	-10
Cote d'Ivoire	840	900	900	0	60	950	950	0	50
Cuba	498	600	600	0	102	525	525	0	-75
Egypt	15	40	40	0	25	20	20	0	-20
European Union	1,216	1,150	1,150	0	-66	1,070	1,070	0	-80
Ghana	320	420	420	0	100	330	330	0	-90
Guinea	320	320	320	0	0	315	315	0	-5
Haiti	337	300	300	0	-37	325	325	0	25
Honduras	94	110	110	0	16	100	100	0	-10
Hong Kong	390	410	410	0	20	415	415	0	5
Indonesia	1,150	2,200	2,200	0	1,050	1,400	1,400	0	-800
Iran	1,000	1,400	1,400	0	400	1,500	1,500	0	100
Iraq	1,140	1,150	1,150	0	10	1,200	1,200	0	50
Japan	649	700	700	0	51	700	700	0	0
Jordan	136	160	160	0	24	160	160	0	0
Korea, North	90	50	50	0	-40	60	60	0	10
Korea, South	320	330	330	0	10	350	350	0	20
Liberia	220	250	250	0	30	250	250	0	0
Malaysia	907	1,040	1,040	0	133	1,130	1,130	0	90
Mexico	598	655	655	0	57	700	700	0	45
Mozambique	325	400	400	0	75	375	375	0	-25
Nicaragua	89	100	100	0	11	90	90	0	-10
Nigeria	2,000	1,900	2,200	300	200	1,950	2,150	200	-50
Philippines	2,400	1,200	1,500	300	-900	2,200	2,200	0	700
Russia	240	160	160	0	-80	130	130	0	-30
Saudi Arabia	1,069	1,100	1,100	0	31	1,150	1,150	0	50
Senegal	685	700	700	0	15	700	700	0	0
Singapore	310	310	310	0	0	310	310	0	0
South Africa	733	760	760	0	27	750	750	0	-10
Syria	315	350	350	0	35	350	350	0	0
Taiwan	146	125	125	0	-21	125	125	0	0
Turkey	412	300	300	0	-112	300	300	0	0
United Arab Emirates	400	420	420	0	20	430	430	0	10
United States	562	635	635	0	73	670	670	0	35
Venezuela	350	300	300	0	-50	300	300	0	0
Vietnam	400	500	500	0	100	500	500	0	0
Yemen	330	335	335	0	5	340	340	0	5
Subtotal	23,547	25,055	25,705	650	2,158	24,430	24,830	400	-875
Other countries 2/	8,060	8,139	8,539	400	479	7,375	8,140	765	-399
World total	31,607	33,194	34,244	1,050	2,637	31,805	32,970	1,165	-1,274

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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