



Economic
Research
Service

Situation and
Outlook

RCS-14j

Oct. 15, 2014

Rice Outlook

Nathan Childs

nchilds@ers.usda.gov

U.S. 2014/15 Rice Production Projection Raised to 220.7 Million Cwt

Rice Chart Gallery
will be updated on
Oct. 17, 2014

The next release is
Nov. 13, 2014

Approved by the
World Agricultural
Outlook Board.

The 2014/15 U.S. rice production forecast was raised 2.4 million cwt to 220.7 million cwt based on a higher yield. Yield forecasts were raised for Arkansas, Missouri and Texas. Total supplies are now 10 percent above a year earlier. Total domestic and residual use and exports are unchanged from last month's forecasts. The larger crop resulted in an increase in the ending stocks forecast to 40.5 million cwt.

The 2014/15 season-average farm price (SAFP) range for U.S. long-grain rice was lowered 30 cents on both ends to \$12.20-\$13.20 per cwt, well below \$15.40 in 2013/14. The combined medium- and short-grain 2014/15 U.S. SAFP range was raised 45 cents on both ends to \$17.70-\$18.70 per cwt, compared with \$18.50 a year earlier.

Global rice production for 2014/15 is forecast at 475.5 million tons (milled basis), down 1.5 million tons from last month's forecast and a decrease of 1.1 million from the 2013/14 record global crop. Production forecasts for 2014/15 were lowered for India, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka, but raised for Russia and the United States. With global domestic and residual production projected at a record 481.7 million tons, global ending stocks are projected to decline 6 percent to 104.2 million tons, the lowest since 2010/11.

Total calendar year 2015 global rice trade remains forecast at a record 41.2 million tons, up fractionally from this year. Record and near-record purchases by China and Sub-Saharan Africa continue to support the robust trade levels. Sri Lanka's 2014 and 2015 import forecasts were raised this month due to a smaller crop.

Prices for all grades of Thailand's regular-milled white rice have changed little over the past month, while price quotes from Vietnam have decreased. U.S. prices for long-grain milled rice continue to decline as the southern harvest nears completion.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. 2014/15 Rice Production Projected at 220.7 Million Cwt

The 2014/15 U.S. rice crop is projected at 220.7 million cwt (hundredweight, rough basis), an increase of 2.4 million cwt from last month's forecast and 16 percent larger than a year earlier. This month's upward revision was the result of a higher yield forecast. The area estimate is unchanged from last month. The long-grain production forecast was raised 1.8 million cwt to 160.0 million cwt, an increase of 21 percent from a year earlier. The medium- and short-grain production forecast was raised 0.7 million cwt to 60.7 million cwt, up almost 5 percent from a year earlier.

U.S. rice plantings remain estimated at 2.93 million acres, 18 percent higher than a year earlier. Plantings increased from a year earlier in all reported States except California, where rice area dropped. Arkansas accounted for the bulk of the 442,000-acre area expansion in 2014/15. In contrast, California's 2014/15 plantings are down 24 percent from a year earlier, a result of severe drought, low reservoir levels, and water restrictions.

The average yield is projected at 7,584 pounds per acre, up 83 pounds from last month's forecast but still 110 pounds below the year-earlier record. Yield forecasts were raised this month for Arkansas, Missouri, and Texas. In contrast, California's 2014/15 yield forecast was reduced. Yield forecasts for Louisiana and Missouri were unchanged this month.

Yields are projected lower in 2014/15 than a year earlier in all reported States except California and Texas. The Arkansas 2014/15 yield is projected at 7,530 pounds per acre, up 30 pounds from last month's forecast but still slightly below the year-earlier record. Louisiana's 2014/15 yield of 7,100 pounds per acre is 200 pounds below the year-earlier record. Mississippi's average yield of 7,000 pounds per acre is 5 percent below the year-earlier record. The Missouri average yield of 6,900 pounds per acre is 2 percent below the year earlier record.

At a record 8,700 pounds per acre, the average Texas yield is 12 percent above both the September forecast and a year earlier. California's 2014/15 average yield is forecast at 8,500 pounds per acre, 20 pounds above a year earlier but still 100 pounds below the record yields achieved in 2004/05 and 2009/10.

Production is projected to be higher in 2014/15 in all reported States except California. Arkansas accounts for the bulk of the 30.8-million cwt projected increase in U.S. rice production in 2014/15. At 110.7 million cwt, Arkansas' rice crop is 37 percent larger than a year earlier and the second highest on record. The bumper crop is almost totally the result of expanded area. Louisiana's 2014/15 rice production remains forecast at a record 32.7 million cwt, an increase of 8 percent from a year ago, a result of larger plantings. Mississippi's 2014/15 rice crop remains projected at 13.3 million cwt, up 45 percent from a year earlier, a result of a substantial area expansion. Record plantings boosted Missouri's rice crop 34 percent to 14.7 million cwt. The 2014/15 Texas rice crop is forecast at 13.0 million cwt, a 16-percent increase from a year earlier, a result of expanded plantings and a record yield. In contrast, California's 2014/15 rice production is projected to

decline 24 percent from a year earlier to 36.4 million cwt, the smallest since 1998/99. The production decline is the result of a 24-percent drop in California rice plantings.

Despite a cool, wet spring that delayed plantings 1-2 weeks in much of the South, by early October progress of the 2014/15 U.S. rice crop was nearly equal to the U.S. 5-year average. For the week ending October 5, 70 percent of the U.S. 2014/15 rice crop was reported harvested, just 1 percentage point behind the U.S. 5-year average. In Arkansas, 76 percent of the 2014/15 rice crop was harvested by October 5, 1 percentage point ahead of the State's 5-year average. Louisiana's 2014/15 rice crop was 99 percent harvested by October, also 1 percentage point ahead of the State's 5-year average. Mississippi's 2014/15 rice crop was 82 percent harvested by October 5, ahead of the State's 5-year average of 75 percent. In contrast, Missouri's 2014/15 harvest was reported 61 percent complete by October 5, 7 percentage points behind the State's 5-year average. California's 2014/15 rice harvest was reported 28 percent complete by October 5, compared with a 5-year average of 33 percent. Harvest is complete in Texas, typical for the State by early October.

In Texas and Louisiana, some growers typically harvest a partial second crop from the stubble remaining in the field after the main harvest. This crop is referred to as a ratoon crop, and its yields are much lower than for the main harvest. The ratoon crop is typically harvested in late October and early November. The reported crop harvest progress does not include the ratoon crop.

U.S. Rice Supplies in 2014/15 Projected Up 10 Percent from 2013/14

Total U.S. supplies of rice in 2014/15 are projected at 273.5 million cwt, up 2.4 million cwt from last month's forecast and 10 percent above a year earlier. This month's upward revision in total supplies is due to the larger crop forecast. Carryin and imports are unchanged from last month's forecasts. In 2014/15, a much larger crop is expected to more than offset a smaller carryin and weaker imports, with total supplies the highest since the record 297.9 million cwt was reported in 2010/11.

By class, long-grain supplies are projected at 194.7 million cwt, up 1.8 million cwt from last month's forecast and 12 percent larger than a year earlier. In 2014/15, a larger long-grain crop more than offset a smaller carryin and weaker imports. Medium- and short-grain total 2014/15 supplies are projected at 76.5 million cwt, an increase of 0.7 million cwt from last month's forecast, 4 percent larger than a year earlier. Carryin and production of medium- and short-grain rice are projected to be larger in 2014/15 than a year earlier.

The all-rice beginning stocks forecast for 2014/15 remains estimated at 31.8 million cwt, 13 percent below a year earlier. The 2014/15 long-grain carryin remains estimated at 16.2 million cwt, 26 percent smaller than a year earlier. The medium- and short-grain carryin remains estimated 13.3 million cwt, 9 percent larger than a year earlier. Stocks of brokens, included in the all-rice estimate, are not specified by class.

Total U.S. rice imports in 2014/15 remain projected at 21.0 million cwt, 9 percent below a year earlier. In 2013/14, about 2 million cwt of brokens were imported due to tight supplies of U.S. brokens. Because of the expected increase in millings

resulting from the larger crop, the supply of U.S. brokens is likely to be larger in 2014/15. Long-grain imports remain projected at 18.5 million cwt, down 5 percent from the year-earlier record. Thailand is expected to again supply more than 70 percent of U.S. long-grain imports, shipping mostly its premium jasmine rice, an aromatic. Basmati rice from India and Pakistan accounts for much of the remaining U.S. long-grain rice imports.

Combined medium- and short-grain rice imports remain projected at 2.5 million cwt, 29 percent below a year earlier. In 2013/14, the U.S. imported nearly 1.0 million cwt of broken rice kernels from Australia, a major exporter of medium- and short-grain rice. The United States does not typically import brokens from Australia, preferring lower-priced sources such as Vietnam. Specialty rice from Thailand accounts for the bulk of U.S. imports of medium- and short-grain rice. Italy supplies a small amount of Arborio rice to the United States each year.

U.S. 2014/15 Exports Forecast To Increase 10 Percent in 2014/15

Total use of U.S. rice in 2014/15 remains projected at 233.0 million cwt, 7 percent larger than a year earlier. Both total domestic use (including a residual component) and exports are projected to be larger in 2014/15 than a year earlier. Total long-grain use in 2014/15 remains projected at 169.0 million cwt, 8 percent larger than a year earlier. Combined medium- and short-grain rice total use remains projected at 64.0 million cwt, 6 percent higher than a year earlier.

Total domestic and residual use of all rice in 2014/15 is projected at 131.0 million cwt, 5 percent larger than a year earlier. Long-grain domestic and residual use remains projected at 99.0 million cwt, 4 percent above a year earlier. Combined medium- and short-grain domestic and residual use remains forecast at 32.0 million cwt, 8 percent larger than a year earlier.

Total exports in 2014/15 remain projected at 102.0 million cwt, 10 percent larger than a year earlier. The increase in exports forecast for 2014/15 is largely based on expectations of more competitive U.S. prices than in 2013/14, likely boosting U.S. sales to the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa, two key markets where the United States competes with Asian exporters.

Through October 2, combined commercial exports and outstanding sales totaled 966,400 tons (product-weight), 28 percent larger than a year earlier. Outstanding commercial sales were 54 percent higher than a year earlier, while commercial exports were 36 percent behind a year earlier. Through October 2, U.S. commercial sales and shipments were substantially ahead of a year earlier to Mexico, Turkey, and Venezuela, all three of them typically large markets for U.S. rice.

U.S. 2014/15 long-grain exports remain projected at 70.0 million cwt, 13 percent above a year earlier. U.S. long-grain prices are projected to be lower and to carry a smaller price difference over Asian competitors, major factors driving the projected increase in U.S. long-grain exports. The Western Hemisphere is the largest export market for U.S. long-grain rice, accounting for two-thirds of U.S. long-grain shipments. Rough-rice accounts for the bulk of U.S. shipments to the Western Hemisphere. The major Asian exporters do not ship rough rice out of the region and ship very little within Asia. The Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa are the

next largest markets for U.S. long-grain rice, almost exclusively taking milled-rice from the United States, and are expected to account for most of the increase in U.S. shipments in 2014/15.

Combined medium- and short-grain U.S. exports in 2014/15 are projected at 32.0 million cwt, 4 percent larger than a year earlier. Northeast Asia and the Middle East (including North Africa) account for the bulk of U.S. medium- and short-grain exports, with Northeast Asia—China, South Korea, and Taiwan—taking about two-thirds of total U.S. medium- and short-grain exports. These annual Northeast Asia sales typically begin in late September and are all the result of agreements under the World Trade Organization. Australia is the major supplier of rice to Oceania, with U.S. shipments typically less than 1 million cwt.

By type, U.S. rough-rice exports remain projected at 34.0 million cwt, up 19 percent from a year earlier. Long-grain accounts for the bulk of U.S. rough-rice exports, with Latin America the top regional market and Mexico and Central America the largest buyers. Southern long-grain accounts for nearly all of the U.S. rough-rice shipments to Latin America. Turkey and Libya account for almost all U.S. medium- and short-grain rough-rice exports, taking mostly California rice.

Combined milled- and brown-rice exports (on a rough basis) remain projected at 68.0 million cwt, 6 percent larger than a year earlier. Northeast Asia, the Middle East, Haiti, Canada, and Sub-Saharan Africa are the largest export markets for U.S. milled-rice exports. The expected increase in 2014/15 is based on a much smaller U.S. price difference over Asian competitors and larger U.S. supplies.

U.S. ending stocks of all rice in 2014/15 are projected at 40.5 million cwt, up 2.4 million cwt from last month's forecast and 27 percent larger than a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 17.4 percent, up from 14.6 percent in 2013/14. By class, the 2014/15 U.S. long-grain carryout is projected at 25.7 million cwt, up 1.8 million cwt from last month's forecast and 59 percent larger than a year earlier. The long-grain stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 15.2 percent, up from 10.3 percent in 2013/14.

The medium- and short-grain carryout is projected at 12.5 million cwt, up 0.7 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 7 percent smaller than a year earlier. The medium- and short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 19.5 percent, down from 22.0 percent in 2013/14.

U.S. 2014/15 Long-grain Season-Average Farm Price Forecast Lowered

The 2014/15 season-average farm price (SAFP) range for U.S. long-grain rice is projected at \$12.20-\$13.20 per cwt, down 30 cents on both the high and low end of the previous forecast, well below \$15.40 per cwt in 2013/14, and the lowest since 2010/11. The expected price decline in 2014/15 is primarily based on larger U.S. supplies.

The combined medium- and short-grain 2014/15 U.S. SAFR range is projected at \$17.70-\$18.70 per cwt, up 45 cents on both the high and low ends from last month's forecast. This compares with \$18.50 per cwt in 2013/14. The upward revision in the 2014/15 medium- and short-grain SAFR is based on reported NASS

prices by region through August and expectations regarding prices the remainder of the market year. In 2014/15, a larger than normal share of the medium- and short-grain crop will come from the South. Southern medium- and short-grain rice typically sells at prices more than 20 percent below California prices.

The 2014/15 all-rice SAFR was lowered 10 cents on both ends to \$13.80-\$14.80 per cwt due to the lower long-grain SAFR. This is well below the \$16.10 reported for 2013/14.

In late September, NASS reported a mid-September U.S. long-grain rough-rice price of \$14.60 per cwt, up 30 cents from the revised August estimate. The August price was lowered \$1.00 to \$14.30 from a preliminary \$15.30. Virtually all U.S. long-grain rice is grown in the South.

For U.S. combined medium- and short-grain rice, the mid-September NASS price was reported at \$20.20 per cwt, up 60 cents from the revised August price. The August price was lowered 30 cents from its preliminary estimate to \$19.60 per cwt. By region, the California mid-September medium- and short-grain price was reported at \$21.60 per cwt, up \$1.30 from August. The August 2014 southern medium- and short-grain price is estimated at \$15.60 per cwt. There was no preliminary southern medium- and short-grain price reported for September. This is the first month that NASS has reported U.S. medium- and short-grain prices by region.

Production Forecasts for 2014/15 Lowered for India, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka

Global rice production for 2014/15 is forecast at 475.5 million tons (milled basis), down 1.5 million tons from last month's forecast and a decrease of 1.1 million from the 2013/14 record global crop. This is the first decline in global production since 2009/10. The slight decline in global production in 2014/15 is the result of a lower average yield. In contrast, at 161.0 million hectares, global rice area in 2014/15 is the highest on record. Brazil, Cambodia, China, Indonesia, the Philippines, and the United States account for most of the projected area increase, more than offsetting smaller plantings in India. The average global yield in 2014/15 is forecast at 4.40 tons per hectare (on a rough-rice basis), fractionally below 2013/14 and below the 2012/13 record of 4.45 tons.

South Asia accounts for the bulk of this month's downward revision in global production, a result of adverse weather. The 2014/15 India crop forecast was lowered 1.0 million tons to 102.0 million based on a smaller projected yield. The yield was lowered this month due to inadequate moisture during much of the planting and growth stages of the kharif crop, which typically accounts for about 85 percent of India's total rice crop. In September, the Government of India issues its First Advance Estimates for the 2014/15 kharif rice crop of about 88.0 million tons, down from 91.7 million tons in 2013/14. Total rice production in India in 2014/15 is projected to decline 4 percent from the year-earlier record, a result of both smaller area and a weaker yield. India is currently the largest rice exporter in the world.

Sri Lanka's 2014/15 rice production was lowered 350,000 tons to 2.45 million tons due to drought that reduced its yala crop about 30 percent from a year earlier. The yala crop accounts for about 30 percent of Sri Lanka's annual rice production and was harvested in August-September. The maha crop, which will be harvested next March-April, accounts for the remaining 70 percent of Sri Lanka's production. Sri Lanka's 2014/15 total rice production is projected to be 14 percent below a year earlier, the smallest since 2008/09, mostly due to a lower yield.

Pakistan's 2014/15 rice production projection was reduced 0.2 million tons to 6.5 million tons due to severe flooding in September in Punjab that has lowered yields. This is the fourth flood since 2010 to hit the rice growing areas of Pakistan. Production in 2014/15 is down 0.2 million tons from 2013/15 and 0.4 million tons below Pakistan's 2008/09 record. Pakistan typically exports about 60 percent of its annual rice production, shipping both its premium basmati rice and regular milled white rice and parboiled rice. Production forecasts were also lowered this month for Madagascar and Senegal.

These reductions were partially offset by three upward revisions. First, Tanzania's 2014/15 production was raised 132,000 tons to 1.39 million tons based on a higher yield. The crop is up 4 percent from a year earlier and the second highest on record. Second, the U.S. 2014/15 rice crop was raised 77,000 tons to 7.06 million based on a higher yield reported by the National Agricultural Statistics Service. U.S. production in 2014/15 is up more than 15 percent from a year earlier, a result of

expanded area. Finally, Russia's 2014/15 production was raised 25,000 tons to 675,000 tons based on Ministry of Agriculture data indicating a higher yield.

The 2013/14 global crop estimate was increased 0.5 million tons to 476.6 million tons, the highest on record. There were two upward revisions in Asia. First, Pakistan's 2013/14 production was increased 100,000 tons to 6.7 million tons based on a higher yield. Second, the Philippines' production estimate was increased 45,000 tons to 11.86 million tons based on a slightly higher yield reported by the Government. In South America, Uruguay's 2013/14 crop forecast was increased 34,000 tons to 944,000 tons due to a higher yield. Uruguay exports most of its crop. There were several 2013/14 crop revisions made this month for Sub-Saharan Africa, with crop estimates raised for Cameroon, Kenya, Mali, and Tanzania.

Global rice consumption and residual use in 2014/15 is projected at a record 481.7 million tons, down 0.1 million from last month's forecast but still 1 percent larger than a year earlier. Consumption (including the residual) exceeds production in 2014/15 by 6.2 million tons. Bangladesh, Burma, China, India, Indonesia, the Philippines, and the United States account for the bulk of the projected increase in global consumption and residual use in 2014/15.

Global ending stocks for 2014/15 are projected at 104.2 million tons, down 0.9 million tons from last month's forecast and 6 percent below a year earlier and the first decline since 2006/07. India accounts for most of this month's downward revision in the 2014/15 global ending stocks forecast. The global stocks-to-use ratio for 2014/15 is calculated at 21.6 percent, down from 23.2 percent a year earlier.

Thailand Projected To Be Largest Rice Exporter in 2015

Total calendar year 2015 global rice trade remains forecast at a record 41.2 million tons, up fractionally from this year. For both years, the robust trade level is largely due to record and near-record imports by China and Sub-Saharan Africa and large exportable supplies in much of Asia and South America.

There were no 2015 export revisions this month. On an annual basis, Thailand is projected to replace India as the largest rice exporter, shipping 10.0 million tons, an increase of 5 percent from 2014 and the highest since the record 10.6 million was shipped in 2011. The projected increase for Thailand in 2015 is based on more competitive prices and abundant supplies. In contrast, India's projected exports of 8.7 million tons in 2015 are 13 percent below this year, a result of a smaller crop and higher domestic use. The number three exporter in 2015 is Vietnam, projected to ship 6.7 million tons of rice in 2015, a 3-percent increase from a year earlier. Vietnam's supplies in 2014/15 are projected to be the highest on record, while little, if any, growth in consumption is expected. Pakistan's exports are projected to remain unchanged from this year's near-record 3.9 million tons. These four countries plus the United States account for about 85 percent of global rice exports.

The only 2015 import revision this month was a 180,000-ton increase in Sri Lanka's imports to 200,000 tons based on a smaller crop. These are the largest imports for Sri Lanka since 2004. In 2015, China is projected to again be the largest importer, taking a record 3.7 million tons and accounting for 9 percent of global imports.

China emerged as a major importer in 2012 after being a major exporter since the early 1960s. Nigeria is projected to import a record 3.5 million tons of rice in 2015, making it the second largest importer.

The 2014 global trade forecast was lowered fractionally to 41.2 million tons, still 1.8 million tons above a year earlier and the second highest on record. There were two 2014 export revisions this month. First, Brazil's 2014 exports were reduced 110,000 tons to 840,000 tons based pace to date. Second, Uruguay's 2014 exports were increased 30,000 tons to 930,000 tons based on a larger crop and pace to date. Both countries are major South American rice exporters.

There were two 2014 import revisions this month. First, Sri Lanka's 2014 imports were raised 80,000 tons to 100,000 tons based on a smaller crop. Second, Turkey's 2014 imports were increased 20,000 tons to 350,000 tons based on pace to date. China and Nigeria are projected to be the largest rice importers in 2014, taking 3.5 million and 3.0 million tons respectively.

Thailand's Prices Show Little Change; U.S. Long-grain Prices Continue Dropping

Prices for all grades of Thailand's regular-milled white rice have changed little over the past month. Prices are largely being supported by a slower-than-expected pace of sales of Government held stocks which remain at a virtual record level, which has temporarily tightened the available supply situation. The Government has announced that it will issue a public tender of around 200,000 metric tons on October 22, 2014. The harvest of the 2014/15 main crop should begin next month and will likely put downward pressure on prices.

Prices for Thailand's high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (free-on-board (fob) vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$448 per ton for the week ending October 13, up \$1 from the week ending September 9. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent broken were quoted at \$435 per ton for the week ending October 13, up \$3 from the week ending September 9. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice were quoted at \$435 per ton for the week ending October 13, unchanged from September 9.

Prices for Thailand's broken are down slightly from early September. For the week ending October 13, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent broken were quoted at \$330 per ton, down \$3 from the week ending September 9. Price quotes for Thailand's premium jasmine rice, an aromatic variety, were quoted at \$1,075 per ton for the week ending October 13, up \$10 from the week ending September 9. All price quotes for Thailand's rice are from the *Weekly Rice Price Update*, reported by the U.S. Agricultural Office in Bangkok.

Price quotes from Vietnam have decreased slightly over the past month. For the week ending October 14, prices for Vietnam's double-water-polished milled-rice with 5-percent broken were quoted at \$440 per ton, down \$10 from the week ending September 9. Vietnam is facing strong price competition from other Asian sources. Vietnam's sales have been strong this year, especially to Southeast Asia and China, with Vietnam the largest supplier to China. Thailand's price quotes for 5-percent broken are currently \$5 per ton below quotes for Vietnam's 5-percent

double-water-polished milled rice, making Thailand a competitive seller. Thailand's prices typically exceed prices for similar grades of rice from Vietnam by around \$50 per ton.

U.S. prices for long-grain milled rice continue to decline. For the week ending October 14, prices for high-quality U.S. Southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent broken, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulfport) were quoted at \$529 per ton, down \$11 from the week ending September 9. The U.S. price difference (adjusted to reflect an fob vessel location) over Thailand's 100-percent grade B is \$96 per ton, down \$12 from a month earlier and the lowest since April 2013. Prices for U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) remain quoted at \$325 per ton for the week ending October 14, unchanged from a month earlier.

Prices for California's package-quality medium-grain rice (bulk) for domestic sales to processors and repackagers are quoted at \$948 per ton for the week ending October 14, up \$33 from the week ending September 9. Export prices (sacked, port of Oakland) for California milled rice are quoted at \$1,040 per ton for the week ending October 14, down \$90 from early September. Price quotes for Vietnam, U.S. long- and medium-grain milled-rice, and U.S. rough-rice export prices are from the weekly *Creed Rice Market Report*.

Contacts and Links

Contact Information

Nathan Childs (domestic), (202) 694-5292, nchilds@ers.usda.gov
Beverly Payton (Web Publishing), (202) 694-5165, bpayton@ers.usda.gov

Subscription Information

Subscribe to ERS e-mail notification service at <http://www.ers.usda.gov/subscribe-to-ers-e-newsletters.aspx> to receive timely notification of newsletter availability. Printed copies can be purchased from the USDA Order Desk by calling 1-800-363-2068 (specify the issue number)

To order printed copies of the five field crop newsletters—cotton and wool, feed, rice, oil crops, and wheat—as a series, specify series SUB-COR-4043

Data

Rice Monthly Tables <http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/rcs-rice-outlook/>

Rice Chart Gallery <http://www.ers.usda.gov/data-products/rice-chart-gallery.aspx>

Related Websites

Rice Outlook

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/rcs-rice-outlook/>

Rice Topic

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/topics/crops/rice.aspx>

WASDE

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/viewDocumentInfo.do?documentID=1194>

Grain Circular

http://www.fas.usda.gov/grain_arc.asp

E mail Notification

Readers of ERS outlook reports have two ways they can receive an e-mail notice about release of reports and associated data.

- Receive timely notification (soon after the report is posted on the web) via USDA's Economics, Statistics and Market Information System (which is housed at Cornell University's Mann Library). Go to <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/MannUsda/aboutEmailService.do> and follow the instructions to receive e-mail notices about ERS, Agricultural Marketing Service, National Agricultural Statistics Service, and World Agricultural Outlook Board products.

- Receive weekly notification (on Friday afternoon) via the ERS website. Go to <http://www.ers.usda.gov/subscribe-to-ers-e-newsletters.aspx> and follow the instructions to receive notices about ERS outlook reports, Amber Waves magazine, and other reports and data products on specific topics. ERS also offers RSS (really simple syndication) feeds for all ERS products. Go to <http://www.ers.usda.gov/rss/> to get started.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, and, where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or a part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD). To file a complaint of discrimination write to USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice) or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Tables %&

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

Item	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15 2/
TOTAL RICE							
Million acres							
Area:							
Planted	3.00	3.14	3.64	2.69	2.70	2.49	2.93
Harvested	2.98	3.10	3.62	2.62	2.68	2.47	2.91
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,846	7,085	6,725	7,067	7,449	7,694	7,584
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	29.49	30.42	36.50	48.47	41.08	36.42	31.83
Production	203.73	219.85	243.10	184.94	199.55	189.89	220.69
Imports	19.22	19.02	18.34	19.36	21.06	23.09	21.00
Total supply	252.44	269.29	297.94	252.77	261.69	249.40	273.52
Food, industrial, & residual 3/	123.77	119.95	133.60	107.48	115.58	121.26	N/A
Seed	3.87	4.49	3.32	3.33	3.07	3.62	N/A
Total domestic use	127.64	124.44	136.92	110.81	118.65	124.88	131.00
Exports	94.38	108.36	112.55	100.88	106.62	92.69	102.00
Rough	31.63	40.35	34.76	32.97	34.08	28.61	34.00
Milled 4/	62.75	68.01	77.79	67.91	72.54	64.08	68.00
Total use	222.02	232.79	249.47	211.69	225.27	217.57	233.00
Ending stocks	30.42	36.50	48.47	41.08	36.42	31.83	40.52
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	13.7	15.7	19.4	19.4	16.2	14.6	17.4
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 5/	16.80	14.40	12.70	14.50	15.10	16.10	13.80 to 14.80
Percent							
Average milling rate	70.83	71.53	68.86	69.93	70.00	71.00	70.50

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

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

Updated October 10, 2014.

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

Item	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15 2/
LONG GRAIN:							
Million acres							
Planted	2.365	2.290	2.841	1.794	1.994	1.781	--
Harvested	2.350	2.265	2.826	1.739	1.979	1.767	--
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	6,522	6,743	6,486	6,691	7,285	7,464	--
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	19.1	20.0	23.0	35.6	24.3	21.9	16.2
Production	153.3	152.7	183.3	116.4	144.2	131.9	160.0
Imports	15.9	16.5	15.8	16.9	18.7	19.6	18.5
Total supply	188.2	189.3	222.2	168.9	187.2	173.3	194.7
Domestic use 3/	100.1	91.9	108.6	78.0	89.5	95.3	99.0
Exports	68.0	74.3	78.0	66.7	75.8	61.8	70.0
Total use	168.1	166.2	186.5	144.7	165.3	157.1	169.0
Ending stocks	20.0	23.0	35.6	24.3	21.9	16.2	25.7
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	11.9	13.9	19.1	16.8	13.2	10.3	15.2
\$/cwt							
Average farm price	14.90	12.90	11.00	13.40	14.50	15.40	12.20 to 13.20
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:							
Million acres							
Planted	0.630	0.845	0.795	0.895	0.706	0.708	--
Harvested	0.626	0.838	0.789	0.878	0.700	0.701	--
Pounds per harvested acre							
Yield	8,063	8,010	7,580	7,812	7,912	8,272	--
Million cwt							
Beginning stocks	9.1	8.0	12.0	10.1	14.7	12.2	13.3
Production	50.5	67.1	59.8	68.6	55.4	58.0	60.7
Imports	3.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	3.5	2.5
Total supply 4/	61.9	78.6	73.1	81.7	72.2	73.8	76.5
Domestic use 3/	27.5	32.5	28.4	32.8	29.1	29.6	32.0
Exports	26.4	34.1	34.6	34.2	30.8	30.9	32.0
Total use	53.9	66.6	63.0	67.0	60.0	60.4	64.0
Ending stocks	8.0	12.0	10.1	14.7	12.2	13.3	12.5
Percent							
Stocks-to-use ratio	14.9	18.1	16.1	21.9	20.3	22.0	19.5
\$/cwt							
Average farm price 5/	24.80	18.40	18.80	17.10	17.40	18.50	17.70 to 18.70
Ending stocks difference 1/	2.4	1.4	2.7	2.1	2.3	2.3	--

-- = 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.

5/ The medium/short-grain season-average farm price (SAFP) largely reflects rice that is marketed through price pools in California. The pool price is not final until all the rice in the pool is marketed for the crop year.

Therefore, SAFP forecasts based on the average of NASS monthly prices and the final price may differ.

For example, the average difference between the August WASDE SAFP forecast and the final price has averaged \$1.75 per cwt from 2008/09 through 2011/12, with a high of \$3.50 per cwt in 2008/09 and a low of \$0.60 per cwt in 2009/10.

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

Last updated October 10, 2014.

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

Month	2014/15		2013/14		2012/13	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	15.40	9,596	15.80	8,975	14.80	10,856
September	15.50 1/	N/A	15.60	11,420	14.50	10,630
October			15.80	13,051	14.50	13,969
November			16.20	9,430	15.00	16,513
December			16.30	11,552	15.00	15,260
January			16.30	17,483	15.30	18,957
February			16.40	13,365	15.00	15,410
March			16.20	12,652	15.20	14,224
April			16.20	8,820	15.40	12,521
May			16.20	7,953	15.50	11,213
June			16.30	7,803	15.50	9,829
July			16.10	7,954	15.60	8,840
Average price to date	15.45 2/					
Season-average farm price	13.80-14.80		16.10		15.10	
Average marketings		9,596		10,872		13,185
Total volume marketed		9,596		130,458		158,222

N/A = Not available.

1/ Midmonth only. 2/ Simple average.

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

Last updated October 11, 2014.

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

Month	Long-grain				Medium- and short-grain			
	2014/15		2013/14		2014/15		2013/14	
	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	14.30	7,618	15.20	6,662	19.60	1,978	17.40	2,313
September	14.60 1/	N/A	15.30	10,032	20.20 1/	N/A	17.80	1,388
October			15.40	10,859			18.10	2,192
November			15.30	6,876			18.40	2,554
December			15.50	8,147			18.40	3,405
January			15.50	12,226			18.30	5,257
February			15.40	9,797			19.20	3,568
March			15.50	9,732			18.70	2,920
April			15.60	6,986			18.30	1,834
May			15.50	6,221			18.60	1,732
June			15.60	6,359			19.40	1,444
July			15.40	6,694			19.60	1,260
Average to date 2/	14.45				19.90			
Season-average farm price	12.20-13.20 3/		15.40		17.25-18.25 3/ 4/		18.50	
Average marketings		7,618		8,383		1,978		2,489
Total volume marketed		7,618		100,591		1,978		29,867

N/A = Not available. 1/ Midmonth only. 2/ Simple average. 3/ Forecast.

4/ The medium/short-grain season-average- farm price (SAFP) largely reflects rice that is marketed through price pools in California. The pool price is not final until all the rice in the pool is marketed for the crop year. Therefore, SAFP forecasts based on the average of NASS monthly prices and the final price may differ.

Source: Monthly cash price and marketings, *Agricultural Prices*, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Last updated October 10, 2014.

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

Month	2014/15		2013/14		2012/13	
	Long-grain	Medium/ short-grain	Long-grain	Medium/ short-grain	Long-grain	Medium/ short-grain
	\$/cwt					
August	11.80	12.12	12.08	12.43	11.91	12.13
September	11.76	12.09	11.87	12.22	12.57	12.81
October 2/	11.59	11.91	11.95	12.30	12.72	12.97
November			11.78	12.13	12.92	13.17
December			11.93	12.29	12.62	12.86
January			11.74	12.09	12.35	12.59
February			11.77	12.03	11.77	12.43
March			11.58	11.84	12.16	12.84
April			11.63	11.88	12.18	12.86
May			11.57	11.82	12.08	12.75
June			11.60	11.86	12.17	12.85
July			11.77	12.03	12.18	12.86
Market-year average 1/	11.72	12.04	11.77	12.08	12.30	12.76

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 10, 2014.

Table 6--U.S. rice imports 1/

Country or region	2014/15 through August 2014	2013/14 through August 2013	2013/14 market year	2012/13 market year	2011/12 market year	2010/11 market year	2009/10 market year
1,000 metric tons							
ASIA	51.9	48.7	646.8	624.8	541.5	529.8	563.9
China	0.3	0.2	3.2	2.7	3.6	3.1	3.8
India	13.7	14.4	138.7	129.3	110.5	96.5	94.8
Pakistan	1.9	2.8	26.5	17.7	15.2	17.3	19.4
Thailand	31.9	28.0	426.5	393.8	387.6	393.5	401.0
Vietnam	3.8	3.0	45.4	77.8	21.7	15.9	41.6
Other	0.3	0.3	4.5	3.6	2.8	3.6	3.4
EUROPE & FORMER SOVIET UNION	0.8	0.9	11.8	12.0	14.3	12.5	9.4
Italy	0.6	0.7	8.0	7.5	5.2	7.5	6.2
Spain	0.1	0.1	1.2	2.3	4.7	3.8	1.6
Russia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
United Kingdom	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other	0.0	0.2	2.0	2.1	4.3	1.2	1.5
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	3.6	3.1	41.1	35.9	64.5	42.7	30.4
Argentina	0.8	0.4	3.9	5.5	3.4	2.7	2.5
Brazil	0.8	0.7	14.5	5.0	30.5	6.3	3.5
Canada	1.2	1.0	13.8	12.1	16.3	17.1	15.4
Mexico	0.1	0.0	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.3	6.1
Uruguay	0.5	0.9	5.3	12.3	13.2	15.4	2.9
Other	0.2	0.0	2.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
OTHER	0.4	0.6	40.3	1.9	1.0	3.5	5.5
Egypt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6
United Arab Emirates	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.4	0.5	3.0	4.4
Australia	0.3	0.6	37.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	0.1	0.0	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
TOTAL	56.7	53.4	740.0	674.6	621.2	588.6	609.2

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. Categories may not sum to total due to rounding. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce. Last updated October 10, 2014.

Table 7--U.S. commercial rice exports

Country or region	2014/15 through Oct. 2, 2014 2/	2013/14 through Oct. 3, 2013 2/	2013/14 market year 1/	2012/13 market year 1/	2011/12 market year 1/	2010/11 market year 1/	2009/10 market year 1/
1,000 tons							
EUROPE & FSU	6.0	4.9	38.1	41.7	61.3	101.7	98.3
European Union	5.1	3.7	30.6	37.7	52.2	90.3	88.6
Other Europe	0.1	0.4	2.9	1.1	5.5	5.3	2.6
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	0.8	0.8	4.6	2.9	3.6	6.1	7.1
NORTHEAST ASIA	53.8	126.3	474.6	561.4	592.3	473.6	571.3
Hong Kong	0.0	1.0	6.2	6.2	2.6	0.6	1.1
Japan	24.2	58.0	364.2	347.6	375.5	355.3	388.9
South Korea	25.6	65.4	72.1	145.1	148.6	100.6	79.4
Taiwan	4.0	1.9	32.1	62.5	65.6	17.1	101.9
OTHER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	151.4	92.9	605.8	463.6	499.9	641.8	751.5
Australia	1.5	1.8	10.4	9.1	10.0	15.8	26.2
Iran	0.0	0.0	0.0	125.7	4.9	0.0	0.0
Iraq	0.0	0.0	132.5	0.0	0.0	114.0	135.1
Israel	1.7	6.7	19.2	16.9	22.4	33.3	45.7
Jordan	26.4	43.2	88.7	71.2	93.2	83.0	66.4
Micronesia	0.7	0.5	2.0	5.5	6.2	6.0	5.2
New Zealand	0.4	1.0	3.8	3.0	3.0	6.5	8.3
Papua New Guinea	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.4	37.9
Saudi Arabia	29.6	20.0	90.9	122.8	107.1	118.0	108.5
Singapore	0.8	2.5	7.5	6.6	5.8	5.3	3.0
Syria	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	21.9	13.6	15.9
Turkey	86.6	12.4	219.5	75.4	189.8	200.3	267.0
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	3.7	4.8	30.3	27.4	35.6	36.6	32.3
AFRICA	14.7	43.0	110.8	249.1	179.6	432.4	117.4
Algeria	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	6.9
Ghana	14.0	35.4	41.7	112.1	94.0	100.2	43.7
Guinea--Connarky	0.0	1.1	3.6	4.4	11.0	5.0	4.8
Liberia	0.1	5.9	6.3	15.5	26.7	38.5	8.4
Libya	0.5	0.2	47.8	89.5	24.8	152.9	1.1
Nigeria	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.4	6.1	52.1	36.6
Senegal	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	49.8	0.0
South Africa	0.0	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.5	1.1	0.5
Togo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.9	0.0
Other Africa	0.1	0.1	10.6	8.3	16.5	7.0	15.4
WESTERN HEMISPHERE	674.9	456.0	1,811.2	2,110.9	1,785.0	2,058.3	2,142.9
Bahamas	1.1	1.3	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.1
Brazil	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	20.0	15.4
Canada	42.6	39.9	138.6	145.8	147.7	148.6	166.8
Colombia	3.5	15.3	138.9	150.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Costa Rica	16.3	20.2	63.1	75.3	58.1	69.7	124.8
Dominican Republic	1.8	1.1	7.9	1.7	8.9	7.0	25.2
El Salvador	30.3	21.6	70.1	83.8	76.5	77.0	78.5
Guatemala	11.1	15.8	81.5	77.6	81.4	69.4	72.6
Haiti	100.0	104.8	323.9	342.0	233.4	248.9	226.5
Honduras	35.9	24.4	142.4	122.4	140.0	136.8	119.3
Jamaica	0.2	0.3	1.2	1.2	11.6	25.5	20.2
Leeward & Windward Islands	0.1	1.3	1.6	2.9	10.2	9.4	8.3
Mexico	303.3	206.7	690.7	749.5	803.7	848.5	775.1
Netherlands Antilles	1.1	1.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.8	5.2
Nicaragua	0.4	0.2	10.3	39.9	40.6	142.2	147.0
Panama	0.0	0.3	24.1	39.3	59.7	88.2	104.0
Venezuela	125.5	0.0	98.9	262.5	94.1	149.6	241.8
Other Western Hemisphere	1.7	1.2	7.3	5.8	7.9	6.2	5.9
UNKNOWN	65.6	30.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	966.4	753.4	3,040.7	3,426.7	3,118.0	3,707.7	3,681.4

1/ Total August-July marketing year commercial shipments. 2/ Total commercial shipments and outstanding sales.

Source: U.S. Export Sales, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA

Last updated October 10, 2014.

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% Grade B	5% Parboiled	15% Brokens	A 1 6/ Super	5% Brokens
	milled 2/	rough 3/	milled 4/	\$ / metric ton				
2005/06	334	192	440	301	293	284	216	259
2006/07	407	237	494	320	317	302	243	292
2007/08	621	368	650	551	570	334	454	620
2008/09	610	356	1075	609	616	532	342	456
2009/10	506	316	747	532	544	472	350	397
Aug. 2010	413	240	675	472	489	425	367	410
Sep. 2010	450	265	705	494	522	458	412	458
Oct. 2010	540	327	750	501	533	465	428	468
Nov. 2010	584	320	811	534	543	499	427	493
Dec. 2010	595	309	827	550	536	513	411	496
Jan. 2011	579	319	827	534	528	496	404	480
Feb. 2011	540	330	827	538	532	495	418	469
Mar. 2011	509	307	827	509	506	473	408	455
Apr. 2011	497	283	827	500	501	467	409	475
May 2011	502	280	827	498	500	466	421	476
June 2011	522	288	827	531	522	496	428	463
July 2011	557	314	827	557	553	523	448	506
2010/11	524	298	793	518	522	481	415	471
Aug. 2011	604	338	822	576	579	543	463	555
Sep. 2011	648	373	816	614	617	577	487	568
Oct. 2011	617	366	816	615	602	581	488	573
Nov. 2011	586	348	763	629	609	599	550	554
Dec 2011	549	325	720	608	588	577	548	498
Jan. 2012	526	325	772	557	540	539	515	448
Feb 2012	517	323	772	552	548	NQ	517	426
Mar. 2012	507	315	744	563	576	NQ	526	413
Apr. 2012	507	320	728	554	582	NQ	526	437
May 2012	540	344	736	614	616	NQ	562	426
June 2012	554	345	739	612	607	590	548	415
July 2012	564	349	744	587	576	566	520	408
2011/12	560	339	764	590	587	572	521	477
Aug. 2012	576	366	755	579	586	555	509	433
Sep. 2012	590	374	750	579	591	551	512	455
Oct. 2012	593	365	741	571	586	539	519	450
Nov. 2012	595	360	739	573	590	535	523	449
Dec. 2012	595	360	728	569	566	535	521	414
Jan. 2013	607	360	705	575	573	540	530	405
Feb. 2013	621	370	705	575	574	542	534	400
Mar. 2013	632	371	705	573	564	536	533	399
Apr. 2013	644	375	705	571	553	535	530	383
May 2013	661	377	691	558	552	514	511	376
June 2013	639	389	661	536	546	489	492	369
July 2013	625	394	661	519	538	459	462	389
2012/13	615	372	712	565	568	528	515	410
Aug. 2013	609	386	661	493	507	430	428	391
Sep. 2013	608	385	661	461	462	418	416	363
Oct. 2013	601	380	656	445	450	399	391	395
Nov. 2013	591	380	639	433	449	395	385	403
Dec. 2013	595	380	632	428	449	394	370	427
Jan. 2014	590	380	686	418	442	360	310	404
Feb. 2014	579	380	843	423	447	370	313	398
Mar. 2014	584	380	987	416	431	377	314	388
Apr. 2014	584	380	1,058	401	409	373	306	385
May 2014	584	380	1,014	399	403	368	303	403
June 2014	577	380	992	405	416	372	321	406
July 2014	557	365	966	421	429	NQ	333	431
2013/14	588	380	816	428	441	386	349	399
Aug. 2014	553	329	940	447	441	NQ	339	454
Sep. 2014 8/	540	325	935	449	437	NQ	336	450
Oct. 2014 9/	532	325	948	448	435	NQ	332	443
2014/15 9/	542	326	941	448	438	NQ	336	449

NQ = No quotes. 1/ Simple average of weekly quotes. Market year average prices are simple average of monthly prices.

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, bulk, free on board truck, California mill, low end of reported price range. Note: This price series was previously reported as sacked or bagged.

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. 8/ Revised. 9/ Preliminary.

Sources: U.S. and Vietnam prices, *Credent Rice Market Report*; Thailand prices, *Weekly Rice Price Update*, U.S.

Agricultural Office, Bangkok, Thailand (www.fas.usda.gov).

Updated October 15, 2014.

Table 9--Global rice producers: annual production, monthly revisions, and annual changes 1/

Country	2013/14 2/				2014/15 2/				
	2012/13	September 2014	October 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2014	October 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 metric tons								
Afghanistan	460	510	510	0	50	520	520	0	10
Argentina	1,014	1,027	1,027	0	13	1,014	1,014	0	-13
Australia	836	600	600	0	-236	648	648	0	48
Bangladesh	33,820	34,390	34,390	0	570	34,600	34,600	0	210
Brazil	8,037	8,300	8,300	0	263	8,350	8,350	0	50
Burma	11,715	11,957	11,957	0	242	12,150	12,150	0	193
Cambodia	4,670	4,725	4,725	0	55	4,900	4,900	0	175
China	143,000	142,530	142,530	0	-470	144,000	144,000	0	1,470
Colombia	1,307	1,310	1,310	0	3	1,300	1,300	0	-10
Cote d'Ivoire	471	520	520	0	49	520	520	0	0
Cuba	417	423	423	0	6	440	440	0	17
Dominican Republic	492	536	536	0	44	542	542	0	6
Ecuador	775	790	790	0	15	800	800	0	10
Egypt	4,675	4,880	4,880	0	205	4,900	4,900	0	20
European Union	2,100	1,944	1,944	0	-156	1,953	1,953	0	9
Ghana	289	352	352	0	63	330	330	0	-22
Guinea	1,267	1,350	1,355	5	88	1,452	1,452	0	97
Guyana	422	536	536	0	114	570	570	0	34
India	105,240	106,540	106,540	0	1,300	103,000	102,000	-1,000	-4,540
Indonesia	36,550	36,000	36,000	0	-550	37,000	37,000	0	1,000
Iran	1,535	1,650	1,650	0	115	1,683	1,683	0	33
Japan	7,756	7,832	7,832	0	76	7,700	7,700	0	-132
Korea, North	1,740	1,880	1,880	0	140	1,700	1,700	0	-180
Korea, South	4,006	4,230	4,230	0	224	4,050	4,050	0	-180
Laos	1,655	1,465	1,465	0	-190	1,550	1,550	0	85
Liberia	188	150	150	0	-38	189	189	0	39
Madagascar	2,913	2,311	2,311	0	-602	2,880	2,752	-128	441
Malaysia	1,694	1,755	1,755	0	61	1,800	1,800	0	45
Mali	1,250	1,290	1,438	148	188	1,350	1,350	0	-88
Mexico	131	131	131	0	0	128	128	0	-3
Mozambique	182	228	228	0	46	228	228	0	0
Nepal	3,000	3,361	3,361	0	361	3,100	3,100	0	-261
Nigeria	2,370	2,772	2,772	0	402	2,550	2,550	0	-222
Pakistan	5,800	6,600	6,700	100	900	6,700	6,500	-200	-200
Peru	2,100	2,156	2,156	0	56	2,100	2,100	0	-56
Philippines	11,428	11,813	11,858	45	430	12,200	12,200	0	342
Russia	684	608	608	0	-76	650	675	25	67
Sierra Leone	719	791	791	0	72	693	693	0	-98
Sri Lanka	2,675	2,840	2,840	0	165	2,800	2,450	-350	-390
Taiwan	1,190	1,113	1,113	0	-77	1,131	1,131	0	18
Tanzania	1,189	1,221	1,327	106	138	1,254	1,386	132	59
Thailand	20,200	20,460	20,460	0	260	20,500	20,500	0	40
Turkey	483	500	500	0	17	480	480	0	-20
Uganda	138	147	147	0	9	150	150	0	3
United States	6,336	6,115	6,115	0	-221	6,980	7,057	77	942
Uruguay	952	910	944	34	-8	1,022	1,022	0	78
Venezuela	385	385	385	0	0	380	380	0	-5
Vietnam	27,537	28,000	28,000	0	463	28,200	28,200	0	200
Subtotal	467,793	471,934	472,372	438	4,579	473,137	471,693	-1,444	-679
Others	4,180	4,127	4,185	58	5	3,845	3,784	-61	-401
World total	471,973	476,061	476,557	496	4,584	476,982	475,477	-1,505	-1,080

-- = Not available. 1/ Market year production on a milled basis. 2/ Projected.

Source: Production, Supply, & Distribution Online Data Base, FAS/USDA, <http://www.fas.usda.gov/psdonline/psdHome.aspx>.
Updated October 10, 2014.

Table 11--Global rice importers; calendar year imports, monthly revisions, and annual changes

Country	2014 1/				2015 1/				
	2013	September 2014	October 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	September 2014	October 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
	1,000 tons (milled basis)								
Afghanistan	190	160	160	0	-30	170	170	0	10
Australia	148	150	150	0	2	150	150	0	0
Bangladesh	114	700	700	0	586	500	500	0	-200
Brazil	712	700	700	0	-12	700	700	0	0
Cameroon	550	525	525	0	-25	525	525	0	0
Canada	355	350	350	0	-5	350	350	0	0
China	3,483	3,500	3,500	0	17	3,700	3,700	0	200
Colombia	250	325	325	0	75	350	350	0	25
Costa Rica	93	100	100	0	7	100	100	0	0
Cote d'Ivoire	940	1,150	1,150	0	210	1,200	1,200	0	50
Cuba	413	450	450	0	37	450	450	0	0
Egypt	19	25	25	0	6	60	60	0	35
European Union	1,375	1,350	1,350	0	-25	1,400	1,400	0	50
Ghana	725	600	600	0	-125	620	620	0	20
Guinea	360	340	340	0	-20	340	340	0	0
Haiti	416	415	415	0	-1	410	410	0	-5
Honduras	90	115	115	0	25	110	110	0	-5
Hong Kong	419	420	420	0	1	425	425	0	5
Indonesia	650	1,400	1,400	0	750	1,000	1,000	0	-400
Iran	2,220	1,650	1,650	0	-570	1,700	1,700	0	50
Iraq	1,294	1,400	1,400	0	106	1,450	1,450	0	50
Japan	690	700	700	0	10	700	700	0	0
Jordan	190	200	200	0	10	200	200	0	0
Korea, North	50	50	50	0	0	60	60	0	10
Korea, South	580	445	445	0	-135	450	450	0	5
Liberia	310	300	300	0	-10	300	300	0	0
Libya	300	300	300	0	0	310	310	0	10
Madagascar	460	500	500	0	40	350	350	0	-150
Malaysia	890	1,100	1,100	0	210	1,100	1,100	0	0
Mexico	746	750	750	0	4	775	775	0	25
Mozambique	500	500	500	0	0	520	520	0	20
Nicaragua	82	65	65	0	-17	70	70	0	5
Niger	280	300	300	0	20	310	310	0	10
Nigeria	2,400	3,000	3,000	0	600	3,500	3,500	0	500
Philippines	1,000	1,450	1,450	0	450	1,600	1,600	0	150
Russia	240	250	250	0	10	250	250	0	0
Saudi Arabia	1,326	1,325	1,325	0	-1	1,325	1,325	0	0
Senegal	1,075	1,100	1,100	0	25	1,100	1,100	0	0
Sierra Leone	255	200	200	0	-55	220	220	0	20
Singapore	293	300	300	0	7	300	300	0	0
South Africa	990	1,000	1,000	0	10	1,100	1,100	0	100
Syria	120	200	200	0	80	225	225	0	25
Taiwan	110	135	135	0	25	125	125	0	-10
Thailand	600	300	300	0	-300	300	300	0	0
Turkey	234	330	350	20	116	300	300	0	-50
United Arab Emirates	440	450	450	0	10	460	460	0	10
United States	675	730	730	0	55	670	670	0	-60
Venezuela	359	410	410	0	51	425	425	0	15
Vietnam	100	300	300	0	200	400	400	0	100
Yemen	432	450	450	0	18	450	450	0	0
Subtotal	30,543	32,965	32,985	20	2,442	33,605	33,605	0	620
Other countries 2/	8,820	8,284	8,184	-100	-636	7,580	7,580	0	-604
World total	39,363	41,249	41,169	-80	1,806	41,185	41,185	0	16

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

-- = Not available. 1/ Projected. 2/ Includes unaccounted imports (imports not assigned a particular market).

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

Last updated October 10, 2014.