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**WHEAT:** Projected U.S. 1997/98 ending stocks are up 52 million bushels from last month because of reduced domestic use and exports. Projected feed and residual use is down 25 million bushels from last month because estimated March 1 stocks indicated lower-than-expected use in the December-February quarter. Smaller prospective spring wheat plantings account for an additional 2-million-bushel reduction in domestic use. Projected exports are down 25 million bushels from last month because of weak late-season sales. The projected price of \$3.40 per bushel is down 5 cents per bushel from the midpoint of last month's projected price range.

Projected 1997/98 global production and use are little changed from last month. The United States and Turkey account for most of the gain in projected 1997/98 ending stocks. Global imports are down slightly, with reductions in several countries.

**COARSE GRAINS:** Projected U.S. 1997/98 ending stocks of corn are up 260 million bushels from last month because of lower domestic use and exports. Projected feed and residual use is down 150 million bushels because estimated March 1 stocks implied smaller-than-expected feed and residual use for the December-February quarter. Also, industrial use is reduced because of a slower pace of use for ethanol than expected earlier. Projected exports of corn are down 100 million bushels from last month because of reduced global imports and increased competition. Projected 1997/98 exports of 1.525 billion bushels, if realized, would be the lowest since the 1.328 billion in 1993/94. The projected price range for corn is down 10 cents on the high end to \$2.45 to \$2.55 per bushel.

Global 1997/98 global coarse grain production is up slightly, with much of the increase due to larger corn and sorghum crops in Argentina and a larger corn crop in South Africa. The bigger crops mean larger projected corn and sorghum exports for Argentina, but lower corn imports by South Africa. Higher corn exports are also projected for Indonesia. Projected corn imports are down for a number of countries, largely in Latin America. While most of the increase in projected global coarse grain stocks from last month is in the United States, gains are also expected in the EU and Argentina.

**RICE:** U.S. exports for 1997/98 are raised 2 million cwt from last month to 83 million cwt, an increase of over 4 million cwt from 1996/97. The rough rice export projection for 1997/98 is increased to a record 23 million cwt, up 3 million cwt from a month ago and an increase of over 10 million cwt from 1996/97. Exports of rough rice have continued strong to Latin American markets. Exports of milled rice are lowered 1 million cwt to 60 million cwt, a decline of nearly 6 million cwt from 1996/97. Ending stocks for 1997/98 are projected at 24.2 million cwt, down 2 million cwt from last month and a decline of 3 million cwt from 1996/97. The projected price range for 1997/98 is raised 10 cents on the low end to \$9.60-\$9.80 per cwt.

World rice production, consumption, and ending stocks for 1997/98 are projected lower than a month ago, while trade is projected higher. The decline in world rice production is due primarily to smaller crops in Bangladesh, Burma, and Turkey and is partially offset by increased production projected for Mexico, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. The increase in global imports for 1997/98 is due primarily to increased imports to Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and Nigeria and is partially offset by declines in imports to Iran and Saudi Arabia. Indonesia's projected imports for 1997/98 are raised to 4.0 million metric tons, up 300,000 from last month. Exports in 1997/98 are projected larger

for Vietnam and the United States while Burma's exports are projected lower.

**OILSEEDS:** U.S. oilseed supply and use balances for 1997/98 are a little tighter this month, with a drop in forecast soybean and soybean oil carryover stocks. The drop in soybean stocks to 235 million bushels reflects mainly an increase in residual use based on a lower-than-anticipated March 1 soybean stocks estimate. A 5-million-bushel increase in forecast soybean crush, to a record 1,525 million bushels, is offset by a drop in soybean exports to 945 million bushels. Soybean crush continued seasonally strong through March, helped by a strong export pace for both soybean oil and soybean meal while the soybean export paced slowed. U.S. soybean oil exports are raised by 300 million pounds this month to a record 2.9 billion pounds. Soybean oil exports are helped by a drop in foreign sunflowerseed and oil production and upward revisions to South Asia's import prospects, particularly for Pakistan. Soybean meal exports also are increased, based on reduced foreign competitive meals and more competitive U.S. soybean meal prices.

Lower soybean meal prices this month reflect the above factors as well as large 1998 U.S. acreage prospects. U.S. producers indicated they intend to plant a record 72 million acres of soybeans, which would be the largest area planted since 1979/80. For 1997/98, weighted season-average soybean prices are forecast at \$6.35 to \$6.65, reflecting only a narrowing of the price range. Soybean meal prices are reduced to \$185 to \$195 per short ton. Soybean oil prices are raised to 26.5 to 27.5 cents per pound, reflecting a reduction in ending soybean oil stocks to only 1,170 million pounds.

Global oilseed production for 1997/98 is forecast at a record 282.8 million metric tons, off 0.8 million tons from last month but up 21.3 million tons from last year. A 0.3-million-ton reduction in Argentina's sunflowerseed crop due to harvest losses and a drop in India's cottonseed production are only partially offset by an increase of 0.15 million tons in Argentina's peanut crop.

**SUGAR:** U.S. sugar production in fiscal year 1997/98 is projected at 7.825 million short tons, raw value, slightly reduced from last month, but 9 percent above the estimate for 1996/97. Projected U.S. beet sugar production is decreased 25,000 tons, to 4.225 million. California planting of sugarbeets is well behind schedule, stemming from heavy rains in sugarbeet growing areas. Forecast imports of sugar for re-export in sugar-containing products are increased 25,000 tons, due to heavier-than-expected activity. For the same reason, domestic deliveries of sugar for re-export products are also raised. However, total deliveries remain unchanged at 9.85 million short tons.

Minor adjustments to the fiscal year 1996/97 supply and use balances are also reflected in this month's report. U.S. Customs Bureau adjustments to sugar imports under the TRQ during 1996/96 result in a small rise in 1996/97, but also a decline in 1997/98. Domestic deliveries in 1996/97 are reduced 27,000 tons, eliminating double counting of imported refined sugar marketed by cane refineries.

**LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY:** The 1998 supply, use, and price projections for U.S. red meat and poultry show several small changes from last month. Broiler production is lowered slightly as output continues to lag expectations and egg sets and chicks placed for future production are below anticipated levels. Turkey production, however, is exceeding expectations

and the forecast is increased. With broiler exports starting the year at a stronger-than-expected pace, the forecast for 1998 is increased slightly. The very large supply of meat that is being forced to move into domestic consumption is weighing heavily on hog, cattle, and turkey prices, and price forecasts are lowered slightly. Lower production and the strong export pace are resulting in brighter price prospects for broilers.

Milk supply, use, and price projections for 1997/98 are little changed from last month.

**COTTON:** U.S. production and ending stocks for the 1997/98 marketing year are slightly lower this month. Based on reported ginnings, production is placed at 18.83 million bales, down about 150,000 bales from last month. With no changes in forecast domestic mill use or exports, ending stocks are also 150,000 bales lower than March.

The world cotton situation for 1997/98 features lower production, consumption, and ending stocks relative to last month. Forecast world production is 1 percent lower based on reduced ginning arrivals in India, wet weather in Argentina, and the reduction in the U.S. crop. Consumption prospects are reduced for China and India, partially offset by an increase for Thailand. World imports are marginally higher as increases for India and Thailand outweigh a reduction in anticipated imports by China. The world export forecast is virtually unchanged, with increased exports from China offset by reductions for Australia and others. Forecast world ending stocks are down 1 percent from last month.

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World and U.S. Supply and Use for Grains 1/  
Million Metric Tons

Commodity	Output	Total Supply	Trade 2/	Total Use	Ending Stocks
World					
Total grains 3/					
1995/96	1,710.59	2,014.22	243.55	1,763.86	250.36
1996/97 (Est.)	1,870.43	2,120.79	243.91	1,836.52	284.27
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	1,887.85	2,167.77	239.97	1,867.09	300.69
April	1,890.04	2,174.31	238.24	1,861.68	312.63
Wheat					
1995/96	537.53	655.57	114.22	550.25	105.33
1996/97 (Est.)	582.41	687.73	117.65	577.63	110.10
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	609.18	717.27	115.42	586.05	131.22
April	609.80	719.90	114.87	585.15	134.75
Coarse grains 4/					
1995/96	801.86	938.19	109.19	842.51	95.68
1996/97 (Est.)	908.08	1,003.76	106.04	881.49	122.28
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	896.45	1,016.38	103.07	901.45	114.93
April	898.88	1,021.15	101.77	897.25	123.90
Rice, milled					
1995/96	371.19	420.46	20.15	371.11	49.36
1996/97 (Est.)	379.94	429.30	20.22	377.41	51.89
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	382.23	434.12	21.48	379.58	54.54
April	381.37	433.26	21.61	379.28	53.98
United States					
Total grains 3/					
1995/96	274.47	339.52	99.47	214.56	25.49
1996/97 (Est.)	335.20	366.45	81.27	245.23	39.95
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	340.03	385.84	80.03	257.85	47.96
April	340.03	385.87	76.77	253.09	56.01
Wheat					
1995/96	59.40	75.04	33.78	31.02	10.23
1996/97 (Est.)	62.19	74.94	27.25	35.61	12.07
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	68.76	83.28	29.26	35.68	18.35
April	68.76	83.28	28.58	34.96	19.75
Coarse grains 4/					
1995/96	209.44	257.56	63.00	180.12	14.44
1996/97 (Est.)	267.56	284.93	51.52	206.40	27.01
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	265.42	295.57	48.13	218.68	28.76
April	265.42	295.59	45.48	214.64	35.47
Rice, milled					
1995/96	5.63	6.92	2.69	3.42	0.81
1996/97 (Est.)	5.45	6.58	2.50	3.22	0.87
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	5.84	7.00	2.65	3.49	0.86
April	5.84	7.00	2.71	3.49	0.79

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Based on export estimate. See individual commodity tables for treatment of export/import imbalances. 3/ Wheat, coarse grains and milled rice. 4/ Corn, sorghum, barley, oats, rye, millet and mixed grains.

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World and U.S. Supply and Use for Grains, Continued 1/  
Million Metric Tons

Commodity	Output	Total Supply	Trade 2/	Total Use	Ending Stocks
Foreign					
Total grains 3/					
1995/96	1,436.12	1,674.71	144.09	1,549.30	224.88
1996/97 (Est.)	1,535.23	1,754.35	162.64	1,591.30	244.32
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	1,547.82	1,781.93	159.94	1,609.24	252.72
April	1,550.02	1,788.44	161.47	1,608.59	256.62
Wheat					
1995/96	478.13	580.53	80.44	519.22	95.09
1996/97 (Est.)	520.22	612.79	90.40	542.02	98.03
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	540.42	633.99	86.16	550.38	112.87
April	541.04	636.62	86.29	550.19	115.00
Coarse grains 4/					
1995/96	592.43	680.63	46.18	662.39	81.24
1996/97 (Est.)	640.52	718.84	54.51	675.09	95.27
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	631.02	720.81	54.94	682.77	86.17
April	633.46	725.56	56.29	682.61	88.43
Rice, milled					
1995/96	365.56	413.55	17.47	367.69	48.55
1996/97 (Est.)	374.49	422.72	17.73	374.19	51.02
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	376.38	427.13	18.84	376.09	53.68
April	375.53	426.26	18.89	375.78	53.19

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Based on export estimate. See individual commodity tables for treatment of export/import imbalances. 3/ Wheat, coarse grains and milled rice. 4/ Corn, sorghum, barley, oats, rye, millet and mixed grains.

World and U.S. Supply and Use for Cotton 1/  
Million 480-lb. bales

Commodity	Output	Total Supply	Trade 2/	Total Use	Ending Stocks
World					
1995/96	93.03	121.33	27.86	86.95	33.81
1996/97 (Est.)	89.18	122.99	26.49	88.63	36.26
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	90.08	126.40	26.34	88.62	37.98
April	89.19	125.45	26.36	88.20	37.55
United States					
1995/96	17.90	20.96	7.68	10.65	2.61
1996/97 (Est.)	18.94	21.95	6.87	11.13	3.97
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	18.98	22.96	7.50	11.50	4.00
April	18.83	22.81	7.50	11.50	3.85
Foreign					
1995/96	75.13	100.37	20.18	76.31	31.20
1996/97 (Est.)	70.24	101.04	19.63	77.50	32.29
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	71.11	103.44	18.84	77.12	33.98
April	70.36	102.65	18.86	76.70	33.70

1/ Marketing year beginning August 1. 2/ Based on export estimate. See global cotton tables for treatment of export/import imbalances.

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World and U.S. Supply and Use for Oilseeds 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Commodity	Output	Total Supply	Trade	Total Use 2/	Ending Stocks
World					
Oilseeds					
1995/96	259.71	286.96	44.34	217.83	22.24
1996/97 (Est.)	261.45	283.68	48.68	219.33	16.92
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	283.59	300.47	50.98	227.38	23.45
April	282.79	299.71	50.76	227.10	22.94
Oilmeals					
1995/96	147.50	154.12	49.77	146.04	6.89
1996/97 (Est.)	149.50	156.40	50.13	150.67	5.82
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	155.37	161.18	51.08	155.05	6.00
April	155.35	161.17	51.37	155.00	6.04
Vegetable Oils					
1995/96	73.34	79.78	25.81	71.58	7.35
1996/97 (Est.)	75.24	82.58	28.11	74.73	7.08
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	77.21	84.22	28.33	77.55	6.41
April	77.12	84.20	28.48	77.64	6.33
United States					
Oilseeds					
1995/96	69.10	79.83	23.93	42.57	6.05
1996/97 (Est.)	74.83	81.45	24.63	44.13	4.64
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	84.56	89.75	26.58	46.86	7.86
April	84.55	89.79	26.51	46.97	7.32
Oilmeals					
1995/96	32.29	33.60	5.69	27.67	0.25
1996/97 (Est.)	33.76	35.03	6.60	28.21	0.23
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	35.41	36.81	7.13	29.43	0.25
April	35.57	37.02	7.42	29.33	0.27
Vegetable Oils					
1995/96	8.28	10.33	1.06	8.10	1.17
1996/97 (Est.)	8.46	11.19	1.61	8.62	0.96
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	9.14	11.63	1.95	8.78	0.90
April	9.20	11.72	2.12	8.82	0.78
Foreign					
Oilseeds					
1995/96	190.61	251.41	20.41	175.26	16.19
1996/97 (Est.)	186.62	251.03	24.05	175.20	12.28
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	199.03	261.55	24.40	180.51	15.59
April	198.24	260.70	24.25	180.13	15.62
Oilmeals					
1995/96	115.21	169.10	44.08	118.38	6.64
1996/97 (Est.)	115.75	171.59	43.54	122.46	5.60
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	119.97	175.33	43.96	125.62	5.75
April	119.78	175.38	43.95	125.66	5.77
Vegetable Oils					
1995/96	65.05	94.40	24.75	63.48	6.17
1996/97 (Est.)	66.78	98.74	26.50	66.12	6.12
1997/98 (Proj.)					
March	68.07	100.66	26.38	68.77	5.51
April	67.92	100.73	26.36	68.82	5.55

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years with Brazil and Argentina on an Oct.-Sept. year. 2/ Crush only for oilseeds.

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U.S. Wheat Supply and Use 1/

Item	1995/96		1996/97		1997/98 Projections	
			Est.		March	April
Area	Million acres					
Planted	69.1	75.6			71.0	71.0
Harvested	60.9	62.9			63.6	63.6
Yield per harvested acre	Bushels					
	35.8	36.3			39.7	39.7
Beginning stocks	Million bushels					
	507	376			444	444
Production	2,183	2,285			2,527	2,527
Imports	68	92			90	90
Supply, total	2,757	2,753			3,060	3,060
Food	883	891			915	915
Seed	104	103			96	94
Feed and residual	153	314			300	275
Domestic, total	1,140	1,308			1,311	1,284
Exports	1,241	1,001			1,075	1,050
Use, total	2,381	2,310			2,386	2,334
Ending stocks	376	444			674	726
Farmer-owned reserve	0	0			0	0
CCC inventory	118	93			93	93
Free stocks	258	351			581	633
Outstanding loans	13	72			50	75
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 2/	4.55	4.30			3.40- 3.50	3.40

U.S. Wheat by Class: Supply and Use

Year beginning June 1	Hard		Soft	White		Durum	Total
	Winter	Spring	Red	White			
1996/97 (estimated)	Million bushels						
Beginning stocks	154	106	35	55		26	376
Production	761	631	422	355		116	2,285
Supply, total 3/	915	790	457	425		166	2,753
Domestic use	486	324	272	129		97	1,308
Exports	286	300	140	237		38	1,001
Use, total	772	624	412	366		135	2,310
Ending stocks, total	143	166	45	59		31	444
1997/98 (projected)							
Beginning stocks	143	166	45	59		31	444
Production	1,121	501	484	335		86	2,527
Supply, total 3/	1,265	721	529	403		143	3,060
Domestic use	564	255	294	107		64	1,284
Exports	377	230	185	205		53	1,050
Use, total	942	485	479	312		117	2,334
Ending stocks, total							
April	323	236	50	91		26	726
March	265	228	64	92		24	674

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding. 1/ Marketing year beginning June 1.  
 2/ Marketing-year weighted average price received by farmers. 3/ Includes imports.

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U.S. Feed Grain and Corn Supply and Use 1/

Item	1995/96	1996/97 Est.	1997/98 Projections	
			March	April
<b>FEED GRAINS</b>				
Area	Million acres			
Planted	93.7	104.5	102.4	102.4
Harvested	82.5	94.5	92.4	92.4
Yield per harvested acre	Metric tons			
	2.54	2.83	2.87	2.87
	Million metric tons			
Beginning stocks	45.3	14.4	27.0	27.0
Production	209.2	267.3	265.2	265.2
Imports	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.0
Supply, total	257.2	284.6	295.2	295.2
Feed and residual	133.4	156.9	165.7	161.9
Food, seed & industrial	46.3	49.1	52.6	52.4
Domestic, total	179.8	206.1	218.3	214.3
Exports	63.0	51.5	48.1	45.5
Use, total	242.8	257.6	266.5	259.8
Ending stocks, total	14.4	27.0	28.7	35.5
Farmer-owned reserve	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CCC inventory	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.0
Free stocks	13.5	26.9	28.7	35.5
Outstanding loans	0.9	5.0	5.5	5.8
<b>CORN</b>				
Area	Million acres			
Planted	71.2	79.5	80.2	80.2
Harvested	65.0	73.1	73.7	73.7
Yield per harvested acre	Bushels			
	113.5	127.1	127.0	127.0
	Million bushels			
Beginning stocks	1,558	426	883	883
Production	7,374	9,293	9,366	9,366
Imports	16	13	10	10
Supply, total	8,948	9,733	10,259	10,259
Feed and residual	4,682	5,362	5,850	5,700
Food, seed & industrial	1,612	1,692	1,835	1,825
Domestic, total	6,294	7,054	7,685	7,525
Exports	2,228	1,795	1,625	1,525
Use, total	8,522	8,849	9,310	9,050
Ending stocks, total	426	883	949	1,209
Farmer-owned reserve	0	0	0	0
CCC inventory	30	2	0	0
Free stocks	396	881	949	1,209
Outstanding loans	33	179	200	215
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 2/	3.24	2.71	2.45- 2.65	2.45- 2.55

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding. 1/ Marketing year beginning September 1 for corn and sorghum; June 1 for barley and oats. 2/ Marketing-year weighted average price received by farmers.



## U.S. Sorghum, Barley and Oats Supply and Use 1/

Item	1997/98 Projections			
	1995/96	1996/97 Est.	March	April
Million bushels				
<b>SORGHUM</b>				
Area planted (mil. acres)	9.5	13.2	10.1	10.1
Area harv. (mil. acres)	8.3	11.9	9.4	9.4
Yield (bushels/acre)	55.6	67.5	69.5	69.5
Beginning stocks	72	18	47	47
Production	460	803	653	653
Imports	0	0	0	0
Supply, total	532	821	701	701
Feed	305	529	425	425
Food, seed & industrial	11	40	35	35
Total domestic	316	569	460	460
Exports	198	205	200	200
Use, total	514	774	660	660
Ending stocks, total	18	47	41	41
Farmer-owned reserve	0	0	0	0
CCC inventory	0	0	0	0
Free stocks	18	47	41	41
Outstanding loans	0	3	5	3
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 2/	3.19	2.34	2.15- 2.35	2.20- 2.30
<b>BARLEY</b>				
Area planted (mil. acres)	6.7	7.1	6.9	6.9
Area harv. (mil. acres)	6.3	6.8	6.4	6.4
Yield (bushels/acre)	57.3	58.5	58.3	58.3
Beginning stocks	113	100	109	109
Production	360	396	374	374
Imports	41	37	40	40
Supply, total	513	532	524	524
Feed	179	220	160	160
Food, seed & industrial	172	172	172	172
Total domestic	351	392	332	332
Exports	62	31	80	75
Use, total	413	423	412	407
Ending stocks, total	100	109	112	117
Farmer-owned reserve	0	0	0	0
CCC inventory	5	0	0	0
Free stocks	95	109	112	117
Outstanding loans	3	15	15	10
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 2/	2.89	2.74	2.35- 2.45	2.35
<b>OATS</b>				
Area planted (mil. acres)	6.3	4.7	5.2	5.2
Area harv. (mil. acres)	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.9
Yield (bushels/acre)	54.7	57.8	60.5	60.5
Beginning stocks	101	66	67	67
Production	162	155	176	176
Imports	81	97	110	110
Supply, total	343	319	353	353
Feed	183	155	175	175
Food, seed & industrial	92	95	95	95
Total domestic	275	250	270	270
Exports	2	3	2	2
Use, total	277	252	272	272
Ending stocks, total	66	67	81	81
Farmer-owned reserve	0	0	0	0
CCC inventory	0	0	0	0
Free stocks	66	67	81	81
Outstanding loans	0	1	1	1
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 2/	1.67	1.96	1.55- 1.65	1.60

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding. 1/ Marketing year beginning September 1 for sorghum, June 1 for barley and oats. 2/ Marketing-year weighted average price received by farmers.

U.S. Rice Supply and Use 1/  
(Rough Equivalent of Rough and Milled Rice)

Item	1995/96		1996/97		1997/98 Projections	
		Est.	Est.	March	April	
TOTAL						
Area	Million acres					
Planted	3.12	2.82		3.06		3.06
Harvested	3.09	2.80		3.03		3.03
Yield per harvested acre	Pounds					
	5,621	6,121		5,896		5,896
	Million hundredweight					
Beginning stocks 2/	31.3	25.0		27.2		27.2
Production	173.9	171.3		178.9		178.9
Imports	7.4	10.0		9.0		9.0
Supply, total	212.6	206.3		215.1		215.1
Domestic & residual 3/	104.6	100.7		107.9		107.9
Exports, total 4/	83.0	78.4		81.0		83.0
Rough	10.6	12.6		20.0		23.0
Milled (rough equiv.)	72.4	65.9		61.0		60.0
Use, total	187.6	179.1		188.9		190.9
Ending stocks	25.0	27.2		26.2		24.2
CCC inventory	0.0	0.0		0.0		0.0
Free stocks	25.0	27.2		26.2		24.2
Avg. farm price (\$/cwt) 5/	9.15	9.96		9.50-9.80		9.60-9.80
LONG GRAIN						
Harvested acres (mil.)	2.31	1.96		2.26		2.26
Yield (pounds/acre)	5,265	5,777		5,380		5,380
Beginning stocks	14.4	10.1		14.1		14.1
Production	121.7	113.5		121.6		121.6
Supply, total 6/	142.4	132.3		143.8		143.8
Domestic & Residual 3/	67.4	61.7		68.8		68.8
Exports 7/	64.9	56.5		62.0		64.0
Use, total	132.3	118.2		130.8		132.8
Ending stocks	10.1	14.1		13.0		11.0
MEDIUM & SHORT GRAIN						
Harvested acres (mil.)	0.78	0.84		0.77		0.77
Yield (pounds/acre)	6,676	6,929		7,406		7,406
Beginning stocks	15.8	14.3		12.1		12.1
Production	52.1	57.9		57.2		57.2
Supply, total 6/	69.5	73.1		70.4		70.4
Domestic & Residual 3/	37.2	39.0		39.1		39.1
Exports 7/	18.1	22.0		19.0		19.0
Use, total	55.3	60.9		58.1		58.1
Ending stocks	14.3	12.1		12.3		12.3

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding. 1/ Marketing year beginning August 1. 2/ Includes the following quantities of broken kernel rice (type undetermined) not included in estimates of beginning stocks by type (in mil. cwt): 1995/96-1.1; 1996/97-0.6; 1997/98-1.0. 3/ Residual includes unreported use, processing losses and estimating errors. Use by type may not add to total rice use because of the difference in brokens between beginning and ending stocks. 4/ Includes rough rice and milled rice exports. Milled rice exports are converted to an equivalent rough basis. 5/ Marketing-year weighted average price received by farmers. 6/ Includes imports. 7/ Exports by type of rice are estimated.

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U.S. Soybeans and Products Supply and Use (Domestic Measure) 1/

Item	1995/96	1996/97 Est.	1997/98 Projections	
			March	April
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>				
Area				
Million acres				
Planted	62.6	64.2	70.9	70.9
Harvested	61.6	63.4	69.9	69.9
Yield per harvested acre				
Bushels				
	35.3	37.6	39.0	39.0
Million bushels				
Beginning stocks	335	183	131	131
Production	2,177	2,382	2,727	2,727
Imports	4	9	6	6
Supply, total	2,516	2,575	2,865	2,865
Crushings	1,370	1,436	1,520	1,525
Exports	851	882	950	945
Seed	72	79	80	81
Residual	40	47	60	79 2/
Use, total	2,333	2,443	2,610	2,630
Ending stocks	183	131	255	235
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) 3/	6.72	7.35	6.20- 6.80	6.35- 6.65
Million pounds				
<b>SOYBEAN OIL:</b>				
Beginning stocks	1,137	2,015	1,520	1,520
Production	15,240	15,743	16,970	17,085 4/
Imports	95	53	60	65
Supply, total	16,472	17,811	18,550	18,670
Domestic	13,465	14,247	14,500	14,600
Exports	992	2,045	2,600	2,900
Use, total	14,457	16,291	17,100	17,500
Ending stocks	2,015	1,520	1,450	1,170
Average price (c/lb) 3/	24.75	22.50	25.50- 27.50	26.50- 27.50
Thousand short tons				
<b>SOYBEAN MEAL:</b>				
Beginning stocks	223	212	207	207
Production	32,527	34,209	35,843	36,018 4/
Imports	75	102	125	75
Supply, total	32,826	34,523	36,175	36,300
Domestic	26,611	27,322	28,350	28,150
Exports	6,002	6,994	7,600	7,900
Use, total	32,613	34,316	35,950	36,050
Ending stocks	212	207	225	250
Average price (\$/s.t.) 3/	236.00	270.90	190.00- 200.00	185.00- 195.00

Note: Reliability calculations at end of report. 1/ Marketing year beginning September 1 for soybeans; October 1 for soybean oil and meal. 2/ Supply estimates and reported use through February, coupled with USDA's March 1 stocks estimate, indicate an above-average residual. 3/ Prices: soybeans, marketing year weighted average price received by farmers; for Oil, simple average of crude soybean oil, Decatur; for Meal, simple average of 48 percent, Decatur. 4/Based on October year crush estimate of 1,520 million bushels.

WASDE-337-12  
U.S. Sugar Supply and Use 1/

Item	1997/98 Projections			
	1995/96	1996/97 Estimate	March	April
1,000 short tons, raw value				
Beginning stocks 2/	1,241	1,492	1,488	1,487
Production 2/3/	7,370	7,205	7,850	7,825
Beet sugar	3,916	4,013	4,250	4,225
Cane sugar 4/	3,454	3,192	3,600	3,600
Imports 2/	2,777	2,774	2,157	2,174
TRQ 5/	2,236	2,277	1,742	1,734
Other 6/	541	497	415	440
Total supply	11,388	11,471	11,495	11,486
Exports 2/7/	385	211	185	185
Domestic deliveries 2/	9,554	9,742	9,850	9,850
Domestic food use	9,441	9,564	9,725	9,700
Other 8/	113	178	125	150
Miscellaneous 9/	(43)	31	0	0
Use, total	9,896	9,984	10,035	10,035
Ending stocks 2/	1,492	1,487	1,460	1,451
Stocks to use ratio	15.1	14.9	14.5	14.5

1/ Fiscal years beginning Oct 1. Includes Puerto Rico. 2/ Historical data are from FSA, "Sweetener Market Data" except 1995/96 imports from U.S. Customs Service. 3/ Forecast for 1997/98 is based on sugarcane production forecasts in the March 12 Crop Production report and Interagency Sugar Estimates Committee projections. 4/ Production by state for 1996/97 projected 1997/98): FL 1,679 (1,890); HI 340 (340); LA 1,054 (1,265); TX 91 (80); PR 27 (25). 5/ Actual arrivals under the tariff rate quota (TRQ) with late entries, early entries, and TRQ overfills assigned to the fiscal year in which they actually arrived. The 1997/98 TRQ includes a forecast 50,000 tons shortfall. 6/ Quota exempt imports (for reexport, for polyhydric alcohol, sugar syrup under USHTS 1702904000, and high-duty). 7/ Mostly reexports. 8/ Transfer to sugar containing products for reexport, for nonedible alcohol, and feed. 9/ Residual.

METRIC CONVERSION FACTORS

1 Hectare = 2.4710 Acres    1 Kilogram = 2.205 Pounds

1 Metric Ton	=	Domestic Unit	*	Factor
Wheat & Soybeans	=	bushels	*	.027216
Rice	=	cwt	*	.045359
Rapeseed & Sunflowerseed	=	cwt	*	.045359
Corn, Sorghum & Rye	=	bushels	*	.025401
Barley	=	bushels	*	.021772
Oats	=	bushels	*	.014515
Sugar	=	short tons	*	.907185
Cotton	=	480-lb bales	*	.217720

WASDE-337-13  
U. S. Cotton Supply and Use 1/

Item	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98 Projections	
			March	April
<b>Area</b>				
	Million acres			
Planted	16.93	14.63	13.82	13.82
Harvested	16.01	12.87	13.28	13.28
	Pounds			
Yield per harv. acre	536	707	686	681
	Million 480 pound bales			
Beginning stocks 2/	2.65	2.61	3.97	3.97
Production	17.90	18.94	18.98	18.83
Imports	0.41	0.40	0.02	0.01
Supply, total	20.96	21.95	22.96	22.81
Domestic use	10.65	11.13	11.50	11.50
Exports	7.68	6.87	7.50	7.50
Use, total	18.32	17.99	19.00	19.00
Unaccounted 3/	0.03	-0.01	-0.04	-0.04
Ending stocks	2.61	3.97	4.00	3.85
Avg. farm price 4/	75.4	69.3		65.1 5/

1/ Upland and extra-long staple; marketing year beginning August  
1. Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Based on Bureau of  
Census data. 3/ Reflects the difference between the previous  
season's supply less total use and ending stocks based on Bureau  
of Census data. 4/ Cents per pound for upland cotton. 5/  
Weighted average price for August-February.

World Wheat Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic Feed	Exports	Total	
1995/96							
World 3/	118.04	537.53	113.38	92.01	550.25	114.22	105.33
United States	13.79	59.40	1.85	4.16	31.02	33.78	10.23
Total foreign	104.25	478.13	111.53	87.85	519.22	80.44	95.09
Major exporters 4/	19.94	136.30	21.69	40.32	92.26	66.10	19.57
Argentina	0.15	8.60	0.03	0.15	4.18	4.46	0.15
Australia	2.41	16.50	0.02	1.78	3.65	13.30	1.98
Canada	5.68	25.04	0.13	3.90	7.78	16.34	6.73
EU-15	11.71	86.16	21.51	34.49	76.65	32.00	10.72
Major importers 5/	35.05	147.91	39.29	15.83	182.68	5.66	33.90
China	21.74	102.22	12.52	3.20	112.00	0.19	24.30
East. Europe	6.68	34.98	1.56	11.15	31.23	4.90	7.10
N. Africa	4.04	8.73	13.63	0.26	24.96	0.01	1.43
Selected other							
Baltics 6/	0.43	0.96	0.17	0.56	1.25	0.00	0.32
FSU-12 6/7/	19.51	59.32	9.28	26.32	71.40	5.76	10.94
Russia	7.69	30.10	4.99	17.92	39.42	0.18	3.19
Kazakstan	3.53	6.49	0.04	1.35	4.99	4.36	0.72
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 3/	105.33	582.41	111.50	96.12	577.63	117.65	110.10
United States	10.23	62.19	2.51	8.54	35.61	27.25	12.07
Total foreign	95.09	520.22	108.98	87.57	542.02	90.40	98.03
Major exporters 4/	19.57	167.91	18.57	42.77	97.47	82.06	26.52
Argentina	0.15	15.90	0.03	0.35	4.78	10.50	0.80
Australia	1.98	23.70	0.02	1.18	4.79	18.71	2.20
Canada	6.73	29.80	0.28	4.19	8.22	19.50	9.09
EU-15	10.72	98.51	18.24	37.05	79.68	33.35	14.44
Major importers 5/	33.90	156.63	32.13	15.52	185.39	1.25	36.02
China	24.30	110.57	2.80	3.50	113.00	0.20	24.47
East. Europe	7.10	26.40	3.58	10.40	30.80	0.65	5.62
N. Africa	1.43	15.98	14.29	0.36	27.34	0.00	4.37
Selected other							
Baltics 6/	0.32	1.40	0.21	0.56	1.39	0.00	0.53
FSU-12 6/7/	10.94	62.97	6.07	22.81	70.21	3.45	6.32
Russia	3.19	34.90	1.98	14.65	37.81	0.60	1.65
Kazakstan	0.72	7.70	0.00	1.50	5.10	2.25	1.07

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World Wheat Supply and Use 1/ (Cont'd.)  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region		Supply			Use			Ending stocks
		Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic Feed	Exports	Total	
=====								
1997/98 (Projected)								
World 3/								
	March	108.10	609.18	114.27	97.89	586.05	115.42	131.22
	April	110.10	609.80	113.73	97.37	585.15	114.87	134.75
United States								
	March	12.07	68.76	2.45	8.17	35.68	29.26	18.35
	April	12.07	68.76	2.45	7.48	34.96	28.58	19.75
Total foreign								
	March	96.02	540.42	111.83	89.73	550.38	86.16	112.87
	April	98.03	541.04	111.29	89.89	550.19	86.29	115.00
Major exporters 4/								
	March	26.52	152.08	20.71	44.19	99.70	75.48	24.13
	April	26.52	152.33	20.75	44.19	99.79	75.68	24.13
Argentina	Mar	0.80	14.30	0.02	0.35	4.80	9.80	0.52
	Apr	0.80	14.50	0.02	0.35	4.80	10.00	0.52
Australia	Mar	2.20	19.00	0.03	2.60	4.90	14.00	2.33
	Apr	2.20	19.00	0.03	2.60	4.90	14.00	2.33
Canada	Mar	9.09	24.30	0.20	4.50	8.50	19.00	6.09
	Apr	9.09	24.30	0.20	4.50	8.50	19.00	6.09
EU-15	Mar	14.44	94.48	20.46	36.74	81.50	32.68	15.20
	Apr	14.44	94.53	20.50	36.74	81.59	32.68	15.20
Major importers 5/								
	March	36.00	171.81	32.30	16.83	189.78	3.50	46.83
	April	36.02	172.09	32.31	16.79	190.07	3.50	46.85
China	Mar	24.47	124.00	2.00	3.70	114.00	0.20	36.27
	Apr	24.47	124.00	2.00	3.70	114.00	0.20	36.27
East. Europe	Mar	5.62	34.75	1.40	11.28	33.20	2.90	5.68
	Apr	5.62	34.81	1.41	11.28	33.26	2.90	5.68
N. Africa	Mar	4.20	9.66	17.00	0.31	27.71	0.00	3.15
	Apr	4.37	9.88	17.00	0.31	28.03	0.00	3.22
Selected other								
Baltics 6/	Mar	0.53	1.44	0.27	0.55	1.50	0.00	0.74
	Apr	0.53	1.55	0.27	0.55	1.60	0.00	0.74
FSU-12 6/7/	Mar	6.32	79.59	5.81	22.18	72.25	5.00	14.46
	Apr	6.32	79.59	5.31	22.13	72.00	4.75	14.46
Russia	Mar	1.65	44.20	2.00	14.65	38.81	1.25	7.79
	Apr	1.65	44.20	2.00	14.65	39.06	1.00	7.79
Kazakstan	Mar	1.07	8.65	0.00	1.15	4.90	3.10	1.72
	Apr	1.07	8.65	0.00	1.10	4.90	3.10	1.72

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World Coarse Grain Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic Feed	Total	Exports	
1995/96							
World 3/	136.33	801.86	101.64	547.77	842.51	109.19	95.68
United States	45.34	209.44	2.79	133.59	180.12	63.00	14.44
Total foreign	90.99	592.43	98.85	414.18	662.39	46.18	81.24
Major exporters 4/	6.50	62.72	1.36	35.69	45.80	19.01	5.77
Argentina	1.43	14.09	0.01	4.61	6.45	8.36	0.71
Australia	0.49	9.63	0.03	3.96	5.26	4.22	0.66
Canada	3.30	24.12	0.87	18.65	21.22	4.16	2.90
Major importers 5/	23.66	166.54	66.72	155.15	211.91	22.44	22.57
EU-15	12.40	88.49	19.94	68.47	91.50	19.50	9.83
East. Europe	3.43	51.44	1.09	38.00	49.04	2.88	4.02
Japan	2.20	0.22	20.28	16.58	20.63	0.01	2.06
Selected other							
China	28.76	124.50	2.96	86.02	122.27	0.26	33.70
Baltics 6/	0.53	2.05	0.45	1.83	2.62	0.06	0.34
FSU-12 6/7/	11.89	57.36	1.80	43.53	62.74	2.31	6.01
Russia	6.21	30.70	0.86	22.67	35.30	0.96	1.51
Ukraine	3.00	15.61	0.00	12.13	15.36	0.50	2.75
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 3/	95.68	908.08	103.77	581.54	881.49	106.04	122.28
United States	14.44	267.56	2.93	157.07	206.40	51.52	27.01
Total foreign	81.24	640.52	100.84	424.48	675.09	54.51	95.27
Major exporters 4/	5.77	70.90	1.48	36.69	46.86	23.17	8.13
Argentina	0.71	18.93	0.07	4.91	6.74	11.88	1.11
Australia	0.66	10.15	0.00	4.50	5.73	4.41	0.67
Canada	2.90	28.19	0.92	18.67	21.31	5.43	5.28
Major importers 5/	22.57	182.54	60.42	158.84	215.29	24.24	26.01
EU-15	9.83	103.75	16.93	72.89	95.20	22.65	12.67
East. Europe	4.02	49.56	1.65	38.39	49.34	1.54	4.35
Japan	2.06	0.24	20.66	16.44	20.85	0.00	2.11
Selected other							
China	33.70	141.32	2.13	93.55	130.59	4.00	42.55
Baltics 6/	0.34	2.65	0.35	2.19	2.95	0.00	0.38
FSU-12 6/7/	6.01	52.34	1.48	35.44	54.81	1.55	3.46
Russia	1.51	31.65	0.60	19.59	32.40	0.35	1.01
Ukraine	2.75	9.51	0.03	7.81	11.19	0.23	0.86

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Total foreign and world use adjusted to reflect the differences in world imports and exports. 3/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in marketing years, grain in transit and reporting discrepancies in some countries. 4/ Argentina, Australia, Canada, South Africa and Thailand. 5/ Eastern Europe, the EU-15 (includes intra-trade), Non-EU Western Europe, Mexico, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan. 6/ Includes imports and exports among the nations of the former USSR. 7/ Former USSR excluding the Baltic States.



World Coarse Grain Supply and Use 1/ (Cont'd.)  
(Million Metric Tons)

		Supply			Use			Ending
Region		Beginning	Production	Imports	Domestic 2/	Total	Exports	stocks
1997/98 (Projected)								
World 3/	March	119.93	896.45	100.30	599.30	901.45	103.07	114.93
	April	122.28	898.88	99.47	595.96	897.25	101.77	123.90
United States	March	27.01	265.42	3.14	165.84	218.68	48.13	28.76
	April	27.01	265.42	3.16	162.05	214.64	45.48	35.47
Total foreign	March	92.92	631.02	97.17	433.46	682.77	54.94	86.17
	April	95.27	633.46	96.31	433.90	682.61	56.29	88.43
Major exporters 4/	March	7.83	66.88	2.37	37.59	47.83	21.66	7.59
	April	8.13	69.88	2.12	38.27	48.48	23.26	8.39
Argentina	Mar	0.81	21.25	0.01	5.97	7.86	13.20	1.01
	Apr	1.11	23.55	0.01	6.29	8.11	14.70	1.86
Australia	Mar	0.67	8.89	0.00	4.23	5.44	3.16	0.96
	Apr	0.67	8.89	0.00	4.23	5.44	3.26	0.86
Canada	Mar	5.28	25.22	1.01	19.26	21.96	4.85	4.70
	Apr	5.28	25.22	1.01	19.26	21.96	4.85	4.70
Major importers 5/	March	25.05	194.57	57.77	163.27	220.15	23.10	34.13
	April	26.01	193.88	57.94	162.88	219.54	22.45	35.84
EU-15	Mar	12.67	109.15	15.92	74.81	97.36	19.40	20.99
	Apr	12.67	108.87	16.07	74.61	97.28	18.75	21.58
East. Europe	Mar	4.31	57.89	0.78	42.21	53.20	3.20	6.57
	Apr	4.35	58.18	0.78	42.34	53.31	3.20	6.79
Japan	Mar	2.11	0.20	20.69	16.29	20.99	0.00	2.00
	Apr	2.11	0.20	20.69	16.49	20.89	0.00	2.10
Selected other	March	42.55	122.40	1.75	97.10	135.35	5.05	26.30
China	Apr	42.55	122.40	1.75	97.10	135.35	5.05	26.30
Baltics 6/	Mar	0.39	2.54	0.39	2.15	2.91	0.00	0.40
	Apr	0.38	2.77	0.34	2.22	2.99	0.00	0.49
FSU-12 6/7/	Mar	3.48	67.76	1.49	41.53	61.69	3.58	7.46
	Apr	3.46	67.76	1.44	41.48	61.64	3.58	7.44
Russia	Mar	1.03	40.85	0.55	23.16	36.55	2.30	3.58
	Apr	1.01	40.85	0.55	23.16	36.55	2.30	3.56
Ukraine	Mar	0.86	15.35	0.00	9.90	13.43	0.73	2.06
	Apr	0.86	15.35	0.00	9.90	13.43	0.73	2.06

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Total foreign and world use adjusted to reflect the differences in world imports and exports. 3/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in marketing years, grain in transit and reporting discrepancies in some countries. 4/ Argentina, Australia, Canada, South Africa and Thailand. 5/ Eastern Europe, the EU-15 (includes intra-trade), Non-EU Western Europe, Mexico, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan. 6/ Includes imports and exports among the nations of the former USSR. 7/ Former USSR excluding the Baltic States.

World Corn Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic Feed	Total	Exports	
1995/96							
World 3/	94.12	515.50	70.74	366.73	543.80	78.15	65.82
United States	39.57	187.30	0.42	118.93	159.89	56.59	10.82
Total foreign	54.55	328.19	70.32	247.79	383.91	21.56	55.00
Major exporters 4/	2.38	25.00	0.44	10.71	16.34	9.59	1.90
Argentina	1.10	11.10	0.00	2.81	4.31	7.49	0.40
South Africa	0.90	10.20	0.18	4.00	8.08	2.00	1.20
Thailand	0.38	3.70	0.26	3.90	3.95	0.10	0.30
Major importers 5/	10.27	72.35	48.09	77.75	110.58	9.81	10.33
EU-15	2.93	29.22	10.42	24.54	32.77	7.48	2.33
Japan	1.19	0.00	15.98	12.35	16.10	0.00	1.07
Selected other							
China	27.50	112.00	1.48	81.00	108.05	0.23	32.70
Baltics 6/	0.03	0.00	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.03
FSU-12 6/7/	1.07	7.01	0.36	4.50	6.50	0.26	1.69
Russia	0.16	1.70	0.10	0.97	1.80	0.00	0.16
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 3/	65.82	591.43	71.42	397.35	571.32	72.40	85.93
United States	10.82	236.06	0.34	136.21	179.19	45.60	22.43
Total foreign	55.00	355.36	71.08	261.13	392.13	26.81	63.49
Major exporters 4/	1.90	28.41	0.33	10.78	16.53	12.28	1.82
Argentina	0.40	15.50	0.00	2.78	4.32	10.83	0.75
South Africa	1.20	9.01	0.10	4.00	8.06	1.40	0.85
Thailand	0.30	3.90	0.23	4.00	4.15	0.05	0.22
Major importers 5/	10.33	79.66	44.04	79.96	112.82	9.50	11.71
EU-15	2.33	34.79	10.17	27.92	35.66	8.06	3.58
Japan	1.07	0.00	15.96	12.00	16.10	0.00	0.93
Selected other							
China	32.70	127.47	0.08	89.00	115.35	3.89	41.00
Baltics 6/	0.03	0.00	0.20	0.20	0.21	0.00	0.02
FSU-12 6/7/	1.69	4.76	0.44	3.59	5.73	0.25	0.91
Russia	0.16	1.10	0.20	0.37	1.30	0.00	0.16

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Total foreign and world use adjusted to reflect the differences in world imports and exports. 3/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in marketing years, grain in transit and reporting discrepancies in some countries. 4/ Argentina, South Africa and Thailand. 5/ Eastern Europe, the EU-15 (includes intra-trade), Non-EU Western Europe, Mexico, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan. 6/ Includes imports and exports among the nations of the former USSR. 7/ Former USSR excluding the Baltic States.

World Corn Supply and Use 1/ (Cont'd.)  
(Million Metric Tons)

		Supply			Use			Ending
Region		Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic 2/	Feed	Total	stocks
		:	:	:	:	:	:	:
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1997/98 (Projected)								
World 3/	March	84.45	583.46	70.49	418.70	595.11	71.14	72.80
	April	85.93	585.83	69.58	414.99	591.29	69.95	80.47
United States	March	22.43	237.90	0.25	148.60	195.21	41.28	24.10
	April	22.43	237.90	0.25	144.79	191.14	38.74	30.70
Total foreign	March	62.02	345.56	70.23	270.10	399.91	29.87	48.70
	April	63.49	347.94	69.33	270.20	400.15	31.22	49.77
Major exporters 4/	March	1.52	27.30	1.25	10.90	16.50	12.15	1.42
	April	1.82	30.00	1.00	11.30	17.05	13.45	2.32
Argentina	Mar	0.45	16.50	0.00	3.30	4.75	11.70	0.50
	Apr	0.75	18.50	0.00	3.35	4.90	13.00	1.35
South Africa	Mar	0.85	7.50	0.75	3.90	7.90	0.40	0.80
	Apr	0.85	8.00	0.50	4.00	8.10	0.40	0.85
Thailand	Mar	0.22	3.30	0.50	3.70	3.85	0.05	0.12
	Apr	0.22	3.50	0.50	3.95	4.05	0.05	0.12
Major importers 5/	March	11.01	88.53	42.49	83.59	116.74	11.28	14.02
	April	11.71	88.10	42.44	83.26	116.30	11.13	14.82
EU-15	Mar	3.58	38.41	9.75	30.63	38.52	8.05	5.17
	Apr	3.58	38.06	9.90	30.50	38.47	7.90	5.17
Japan	Mar	0.93	0.00	15.90	11.50	15.90	0.00	0.93
	Apr	0.93	0.00	15.70	11.60	15.70	0.00	0.93
Selected other								
China	Mar	41.00	110.00	0.25	94.00	121.25	5.00	25.00
	Apr	41.00	110.00	0.25	94.00	121.25	5.00	25.00
Baltics 6/	Mar	0.02	0.00	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.00	0.02
	Apr	0.02	0.00	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.00	0.02
FSU-12 6/7/	Mar	0.91	10.31	0.44	6.72	8.85	0.65	2.16
	Apr	0.91	10.31	0.44	6.72	8.85	0.65	2.16
Russia	Mar	0.16	2.70	0.20	1.76	2.70	0.00	0.36
	Apr	0.16	2.70	0.20	1.76	2.70	0.00	0.36

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Total foreign and world use adjusted to reflect the differences in world imports and exports. 3/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in marketing years, grain in transit and reporting discrepancies in some countries. 4/ Argentina, South Africa and Thailand. 5/ Eastern Europe, the EU-15 (includes intra-trade), Non-EU Western Europe, Mexico, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Taiwan. 6/ Includes imports and exports among the nations of the former USSR. 7/ Former USSR excluding the Baltic States.

World Rice Supply and Use (Milled Basis) 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	: Beginning stocks	: Produc- tion	: Imports	: Total 2/ Domestic	: Exports	: stocks	
1995/96							
World 3/	49.27	371.19	18.97	371.11	20.15	49.36	
United States	1.05	5.63	0.24	3.42	2.69	0.81	
Total foreign	48.22	365.56	18.74	367.69	17.47	48.55	
Major exporters 4/	1.50	45.87	0.00	34.94	10.22	2.21	
Thailand	0.20	14.39	0.00	8.50	5.28	0.81	
Vietnam	0.00	17.68	0.00	14.64	3.04	0.00	
Major importers 5/	3.14	38.86	6.34	43.31	0.96	4.07	
Indonesia	1.86	33.22	1.23	33.69	0.00	2.62	
Selected other							
China	21.52	129.65	0.83	130.00	0.27	21.73	
Japan	1.88	9.78	0.45	9.30	0.20	2.62	
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 3/	49.36	379.94	17.74	377.41	20.22	51.89	
United States	0.81	5.45	0.32	3.22	2.50	0.87	
Total foreign	48.55	374.49	17.42	374.19	17.73	51.02	
Major exporters 4/	2.21	45.01	0.00	35.08	10.39	1.75	
Thailand	0.81	13.70	0.00	8.59	5.27	0.65	
Vietnam	0.00	18.00	0.00	14.73	3.27	0.00	
Major importers 5/	4.07	37.79	6.15	43.87	1.33	2.81	
Indonesia	2.62	32.02	0.80	33.90	0.00	1.53	
Selected other							
China	21.73	136.57	0.33	132.13	0.94	25.56	
Japan	2.62	9.41	0.60	9.25	0.15	3.23	
1997/98 (Projected)							
World 3/							
March	51.90	382.23	21.48	379.58	21.48	54.54	
April	51.89	381.37	21.83	379.28	21.61	53.98	
United States							
March	0.87	5.84	0.29	3.49	2.65	0.86	
April	0.87	5.84	0.29	3.49	2.71	0.79	
Total foreign							
March	51.03	376.38	21.19	376.09	18.84	53.68	
April	51.02	375.53	21.55	375.78	18.89	53.19	
Major exporters 4/							
March	1.68	46.20	0.00	35.05	11.30	1.53	
April	1.75	45.56	0.00	34.80	11.35	1.16	
Thailand	Mar	0.60	14.30	0.00	8.55	5.80	0.55
Apr	0.65	14.30	0.00	8.60	5.80	0.55	
Vietnam	Mar	0.00	18.00	0.00	14.50	3.50	0.00
Apr	0.00	18.00	0.00	14.40	3.60	0.00	
Major importers 5/							
March	2.77	36.63	9.28	44.67	1.17	2.83	
April	2.81	36.63	9.35	44.93	1.15	2.70	
Indonesia	Mar	1.53	30.90	3.70	34.65	0.00	1.48
Apr	1.53	30.90	4.00	34.95	0.00	1.48	
Selected other							
China	Mar	25.56	138.50	0.40	135.00	1.75	27.71
Apr	25.56	138.50	0.40	135.00	1.75	27.71	
Japan	Mar	3.23	9.12	0.60	9.20	0.25	3.50
Apr	3.23	9.12	0.60	9.20	0.25	3.50	

1/ Aggregate of local marketing years. 2/ Total foreign and world use adjusted to reflect the differences in world imports and exports. 3/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in some countries. 4/ Burma, Pakistan, Vietnam and Thailand. 5/ Hong Kong, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, the EU-15 (includes intra-trade) and Non-EU Western Europe.

World Soybean Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic Crush	Total	Exports	
1995/96							
World 2/	23.70	124.96	32.27	112.02	131.41	31.95	17.58
United States	9.11	59.24	0.12	37.27	40.32	23.17	4.99
Total foreign	14.59	65.71	32.15	74.75	91.09	8.78	12.59
Major exporters 3/	11.87	38.98	1.06	32.61	34.75	7.14	10.02
Argentina	4.67	12.43	0.01	10.29	10.81	2.09	4.22
Brazil	7.20	24.15	1.05	21.57	23.14	3.45	5.80
Major importers 4/	1.59	14.56	19.81	24.82	34.05	0.49	1.41
EU-15	0.96	0.94	14.24	13.65	15.01	0.27	0.86
Japan	0.62	0.12	4.78	3.70	4.97	0.00	0.55
China	0.00	13.50	0.80	7.47	14.07	0.22	0.00
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 2/	17.58	131.58	36.81	116.21	136.38	36.64	12.95
United States	4.99	64.84	0.24	39.08	42.50	24.00	3.58
Total foreign	12.59	66.74	36.57	77.13	93.88	12.64	9.37
Major exporters 3/	10.02	40.70	1.20	31.70	34.09	11.02	6.80
Argentina	4.22	11.20	0.30	11.05	11.57	0.75	3.40
Brazil	5.80	26.80	0.90	19.90	21.68	8.42	3.40
Major importers 4/	1.41	14.49	22.91	27.54	36.81	0.54	1.46
EU-15	0.86	1.15	15.59	15.04	16.43	0.35	0.82
Japan	0.55	0.12	5.04	3.81	5.08	0.00	0.64
China	0.00	13.22	2.27	8.69	15.30	0.20	0.00
1997/98 (Projected)							
World 2/							
March	12.92	152.26	38.99	123.33	144.83	39.18	20.16
April	12.95	152.21	39.08	123.57	145.58	39.05	19.62
United States							
March	3.58	74.22	0.16	41.37	45.16	25.86	6.95
April	3.58	74.22	0.16	41.50	45.86	25.72	6.39
Total foreign							
March	9.34	78.04	38.83	81.96	99.67	13.33	13.21
April	9.37	77.98	38.92	82.06	99.72	13.33	13.23
Major exporters 3/							
March	6.80	48.90	2.70	33.85	36.70	11.35	10.35
April	6.80	48.90	2.70	33.85	36.70	11.35	10.35
Argentina	Mar	3.40	16.00	1.00	12.60	1.80	5.20
Apr	3.40	16.00	1.00	12.60	13.40	1.80	5.20
Brazil	Mar	3.40	30.00	1.70	20.50	22.45	5.15
Apr	3.40	30.00	1.70	20.50	22.45	7.50	5.15
Major importers 4/							
March	1.43	15.36	23.70	29.05	38.57	0.47	1.45
April	1.46	15.35	23.79	29.15	38.65	0.47	1.47
EU-15	Mar	0.79	1.44	15.80	15.40	16.88	0.29
Apr	0.82	1.43	15.89	15.50	16.95	0.29	0.89
Japan	Mar	0.64	0.12	4.90	3.80	5.08	0.00
Apr	0.64	0.12	4.90	3.80	5.08	0.00	0.58
China	Mar	0.00	13.80	3.00	9.85	16.62	0.18
Apr	0.00	13.80	3.00	9.85	16.62	0.18	0.00

1/ Data based on local marketing years except Argentina and Brazil which are adjusted to an October-September year. 2/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in local marketing years and to time lags between reported export and imports. Therefore, world supply may not equal world use.

3/ Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay. 4/ Japan, China, and EU.

World Soybean Meal Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use			Ending stocks
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Total Domestic	Exports		
1995/96							
World 2/	4.40	89.02	32.87	88.19	33.77	4.33	
United States	0.20	29.51	0.07	24.14	5.45	0.19	
Total foreign	4.20	59.51	32.80	64.04	28.33	4.14	
Major exporters 3/	1.50	28.62	0.10	6.08	22.76	1.39	
Argentina	0.52	8.38	0.00	0.38	8.22	0.30	
Brazil	0.98	17.04	0.10	5.21	11.94	0.97	
India	0.00	3.20	0.00	0.49	2.60	0.11	
Major importers 4/	1.19	17.54	19.61	32.88	4.24	1.23	
EU-15	1.12	10.91	15.79	22.60	4.07	1.15	
China	0.00	6.05	1.55	7.50	0.10	0.00	
1996/97 (Estimated)							
World 2/	4.33	92.42	34.43	93.49	33.85	3.84	
United States	0.19	31.03	0.09	24.79	6.35	0.19	
Total foreign	4.14	61.38	34.34	68.70	27.51	3.65	
Major exporters 3/	1.39	27.65	0.20	6.31	21.84	1.09	
Argentina	0.30	9.01	0.00	0.38	8.68	0.25	
Brazil	0.97	15.72	0.20	5.40	10.66	0.84	
India	0.11	2.92	0.00	0.53	2.50	0.00	
Major importers 4/	1.23	19.52	20.72	36.17	4.21	1.08	
EU-15	1.15	11.96	14.96	22.90	4.16	1.01	
China	0.00	6.95	3.75	10.68	0.02	0.00	
1997/98 (Projected)							
World 2/							
March	3.83	97.83	35.37	97.55	35.40	4.08	
April	3.84	98.04	35.66	97.74	35.69	4.11	
United States							
March	0.19	32.52	0.11	25.72	6.90	0.20	
April	0.19	32.68	0.07	25.54	7.17	0.23	
Total foreign							
March	3.65	65.31	35.25	71.83	28.50	3.88	
April	3.65	65.37	35.60	72.21	28.52	3.89	
Major exporters 3/							
March	1.09	30.01	0.10	6.59	23.00	1.60	
April	1.09	30.01	0.10	6.59	23.00	1.60	
Argentina	Mar	0.25	10.27	0.00	0.39	9.60	0.53
	Apr	0.25	10.27	0.00	0.39	9.60	0.53
Brazil	Mar	0.84	16.19	0.10	5.60	10.60	0.93
	Apr	0.84	16.19	0.10	5.60	10.60	0.93
India	Mar	0.00	3.54	0.00	0.60	2.80	0.14
	Apr	0.00	3.54	0.00	0.60	2.80	0.14
Major importers 4/							
March	1.07	20.81	21.99	38.68	4.08	1.12	
April	1.08	20.89	22.18	38.94	4.09	1.13	
EU-15	Mar	1.00	12.27	15.35	23.52	4.05	1.05
	Apr	1.01	12.35	15.54	23.78	4.06	1.06
China	Mar	0.00	7.88	4.50	12.38	0.00	0.00
	Apr	0.00	7.88	4.50	12.38	0.00	0.00

1/ Data based on local marketing years except for Argentina and Brazil which are adjusted to an October-September year. 2/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in local marketing years and to time lags between reported exports and imports. Therefore, world supply may not equal world use. 3/ Argentina, Brazil, and India. 4/ Eastern Europe, FSU-12, China, and EU.

World Soybean Oil Supply and Use 1/  
(Million Metric Tons)

Region	Supply			Use		
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Total Domestic	Exports	Ending stocks
1995/96						
World 2/	2.22	20.17	5.15	19.64	5.28	2.61
United States	0.52	6.91	0.04	6.11	0.45	0.91
Total foreign	1.71	13.25	5.11	13.53	4.83	1.70
Major exporters 3/	0.76	8.28	0.64	4.58	4.27	0.84
Argentina	0.15	1.78	0.00	0.10	1.56	0.28
Brazil	0.37	4.03	0.10	2.53	1.60	0.38
EU-15	0.24	2.47	0.54	1.95	1.11	0.19
Major importers 4/	0.44	1.87	1.63	3.51	0.07	0.36
China	0.43	1.15	1.45	2.60	0.07	0.35
Pakistan	0.01	0.00	0.12	0.14	0.00	0.01
1996/97 (Estimated)						
World 2/	2.61	20.82	5.96	21.01	5.91	2.47
United States	0.91	7.14	0.02	6.46	0.93	0.69
Total foreign	1.70	13.68	5.94	14.55	4.99	1.78
Major exporters 3/	0.84	8.34	0.69	4.68	4.31	0.88
Argentina	0.28	1.91	0.00	0.10	1.79	0.30
Brazil	0.38	3.72	0.18	2.60	1.29	0.38
EU-15	0.19	2.71	0.51	1.98	1.23	0.20
Major importers 4/	0.36	2.05	1.97	3.90	0.15	0.33
China	0.35	1.39	1.67	2.94	0.15	0.32
Pakistan	0.01	0.01	0.21	0.21	0.00	0.01
1997/98 (Projected)						
World 2/						
March	2.42	22.25	6.31	22.38	6.34	2.26
April	2.47	22.32	6.48	22.58	6.49	2.20
United States						
March	0.69	7.70	0.03	6.58	1.18	0.66
April	0.69	7.75	0.03	6.62	1.32	0.53
Total foreign						
March	1.73	14.56	6.29	15.80	5.17	1.60
April	1.78	14.57	6.46	15.96	5.18	1.67
Major exporters 3/						
March	0.89	8.78	0.72	4.91	4.63	0.85
April	0.88	8.80	0.73	4.93	4.64	0.84
Argentina	Mar	0.30	2.18	0.00	0.10	2.10
Apr	0.30	2.18	0.00	0.10	2.10	0.28
Brazil	Mar	0.38	3.83	0.17	2.70	1.33
Apr	0.38	3.83	0.17	2.70	1.33	0.36
EU-15	Mar	0.20	2.77	0.55	2.11	1.21
Apr	0.20	2.79	0.56	2.13	1.22	0.21
Major importers 4/						
March	0.25	2.43	2.05	4.48	0.02	0.24
April	0.33	2.43	2.15	4.58	0.02	0.31
China	Mar	0.25	1.63	1.80	3.42	0.02
Apr	0.32	1.63	1.80	3.42	0.02	0.23
Pakistan	Mar	0.01	0.01	0.15	0.16	0.00
Apr	0.01	0.01	0.23	0.23	0.00	0.01

1/ Data based on local marketing years except for Argentina and Brazil which are adjusted to an October-September year. 2/ World imports and exports may not balance due to differences in local marketing years and to time lags between reported exports and imports. Therefore, world supply may not equal world use. 3/ Argentina, Brazil and EU. 4/ India, China and Pakistan.

WASDE-337-24  
World Cotton Supply and Use 1/  
(Million 480-pound bales)

Region	Supply			Use			Loss	Ending
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports 3/	Domestic	Exports	2/		
=====								
1995/96								
World	28.30	93.03	27.64	86.95	27.86	0.34	33.81	
United States	2.65	17.90	0.41	10.65	7.68	0.03	2.61	
Total Foreign	25.65	75.13	27.23	76.31	20.18	0.31	31.20	
Major exporters 5/:	9.02	42.19	0.88	26.96	14.90	0.07	10.16	
Pakistan	1.69	8.20	0.12	7.20	1.43	0.02	1.36	
India	2.73	13.25	0.04	11.95	0.67	0.00	3.41	
Uzbekistan	0.96	5.74	0.01	0.87	4.52	0.00	1.30	
Turkmenistan	0.48	1.15	0.00	0.30	0.92	0.00	0.41	
Afr. Fr. Zone 6/:	0.32	3.14	0.05	0.30	2.80	0.00	0.42	
S. Hemisphere 7/:	1.85	5.22	0.05	0.91	3.78	0.02	2.41	
Australia	0.43	1.97	4/	0.19	1.47	0.00	0.75	
Argentina	1.09	1.93	0.03	0.46	1.22	0.01	1.35	
Major importers	14.75	26.01	21.21	41.05	2.08	0.21	18.64	
Brazil	1.59	1.79	1.77	3.90	0.10	0.00	1.15	
China	8.88	21.90	3.05	20.60	0.02	0.00	13.20	
Europe	2.03	2.25	6.29	6.64	1.74	0.16	2.03	
Selected Asia 8/:	1.89	0.06	9.01	8.76	0.21	0.05	1.95	
Indonesia	0.15	0.02	2.14	2.14	0.00	0.05	0.12	
South Korea	0.56	4/	1.66	1.67	0.01	0.00	0.55	
Russia	0.37	0.00	1.10	1.15	0.00	0.00	0.32	
=====								
1996/97 (Estimated)								
World	33.81	89.18	28.75	88.63	26.49	0.36	36.26	
United States	2.61	18.94	0.40	11.13	6.87	-0.01	3.97	
Total Foreign	31.20	70.24	28.35	77.50	19.63	0.37	32.29	
Major exporters 5/:	10.16	40.90	1.52	27.76	14.97	0.07	9.79	
Pakistan	1.36	7.30	0.28	7.00	0.12	0.03	1.79	
India	3.41	13.78	0.02	13.00	1.27	0.00	2.94	
Uzbekistan	1.30	4.75	0.01	0.80	4.55	0.00	0.71	
Turkmenistan	0.41	0.60	0.00	0.18	0.40	0.00	0.43	
Afr. Fr. Zone 6/:	0.42	3.66	0.02	0.30	3.38	0.00	0.42	
S. Hemisphere 7/:	2.41	5.18	0.03	0.94	4.48	0.02	2.19	
Australia	0.75	2.79	4/	0.21	2.45	0.00	0.88	
Argentina	1.35	1.49	0.01	0.47	1.33	0.01	1.04	
Major importers	18.64	22.48	21.44	40.76	1.51	0.26	20.02	
Brazil	1.15	1.30	2.43	3.90	0.00	0.00	0.97	
China	13.20	19.30	3.61	21.00	0.01	0.00	15.11	
Europe	2.03	1.84	6.08	6.51	1.33	0.16	1.95	
Selected Asia 8/:	1.95	0.05	8.31	8.25	0.18	0.10	1.78	
Indonesia	0.12	0.02	2.15	2.14	0.00	0.05	0.10	
South Korea	0.55	4/	1.50	1.48	0.07	0.00	0.51	
Russia	0.32	0.00	1.00	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.22	

1/ Marketing year beginning August 1. Totals may not add exactly and trade may not balance due to rounding and other factors. 2/ For foreign countries, reflects cotton lost or destroyed in the marketing channel; for the United States, reflects the difference between implicit stocks based on supply less total use and ending stocks based on Bureau of Census data. 3/ World trade includes estimated trade among the 12 countries of the former USSR and three Baltic states of 1.84 million bales in 1995/96 and 1.62 million in 1996/97. 4/ Less than 5,000 bales. 5/ Includes Egypt, Sudan, and Turkey in addition to the countries and regions listed. 6/ Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali, Niger, Senegal, and Togo. 7/ Argentina, Australia, Paraguay, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe. 8/ Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.



WASDE-337-25  
World Cotton Supply and Use 1/  
(Million 480-pound bales)

Region	Supply			Use		Loss	Ending
	Beginning stocks	Production	Imports	Domestic	Exports		
			3/		3/		
1997/98 (Projected)							
World							
March	36.32	90.08	26.82	88.62	26.34	0.29	37.98
April	36.26	89.19	26.94	88.20	26.36	0.29	37.55
United States							
March	3.97	18.98	0.02	11.50	7.50	-0.04	4.00
April	3.97	18.83	0.01	11.50	7.50	-0.04	3.85
Total Foreign							
March	32.35	71.11	26.81	77.12	18.84	0.33	33.98
April	32.29	70.36	26.93	76.70	18.86	0.33	33.70
Major exporters 5/:							
March	9.79	40.55	2.52	27.66	14.38	0.08	10.74
April	9.79	39.90	2.69	27.44	14.27	0.08	10.59
Pakistan							
Mar	1.79	7.00	0.15	6.80	0.30	0.03	1.82
Apr	1.79	7.00	0.15	6.80	0.37	0.03	1.75
India							
Mar	2.94	11.70	0.80	12.80	0.15	0.00	2.49
Apr	2.94	11.20	1.00	12.60	0.13	0.00	2.41
Uzbekistan							
Mar	0.71	5.40	0.01	0.85	4.30	0.00	0.96
Apr	0.71	5.40	0.01	0.85	4.30	0.00	0.96
Turkmenistan							
Mar	0.43	0.90	0.00	0.19	0.60	0.00	0.54
Apr	0.43	0.90	0.00	0.17	0.60	0.00	0.56
Afr.Fr.Zn.6/							
Mar	0.42	4.15	0.01	0.29	3.60	0.00	0.68
Apr	0.42	4.15	0.01	0.29	3.60	0.00	0.68
S. Hem. 7/							
Mar	2.19	6.25	0.05	0.97	4.68	0.03	2.82
Apr	2.19	6.00	0.03	0.97	4.53	0.03	2.70
Australia							
Mar	0.88	3.00	0.00	0.21	2.50	0.00	1.17
Apr	0.88	3.00	0.00	0.21	2.40	0.00	1.27
Argentina							
Mar	1.04	2.10	0.05	0.49	1.35	0.01	1.35
Apr	1.04	1.90	0.03	0.49	1.35	0.01	1.12
Maj. imp.							
Mar	20.08	23.85	18.00	39.75	1.55	0.20	20.43
Apr	20.02	23.85	17.98	39.68	1.69	0.20	20.29
Brazil							
Mar	0.97	1.90	1.55	3.40	0.00	0.00	1.02
Apr	0.97	1.90	1.55	3.40	0.00	0.00	1.02
China							
Mar	15.11	19.70	2.20	21.50	0.01	0.00	15.50
Apr	15.11	19.70	2.00	21.30	0.20	0.00	15.31
Europe							
Mar	1.95	2.20	6.13	6.65	1.43	0.15	2.06
Apr	1.95	2.20	6.13	6.65	1.38	0.15	2.11
Sel. Asia 8/							
Mar	1.83	0.05	6.85	6.95	0.11	0.05	1.62
Apr	1.78	0.05	7.03	7.08	0.11	0.05	1.61
Indonesia							
Mar	0.10	0.02	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.05	0.07
Apr	0.10	0.02	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.05	0.07
S. Korea							
Mar	0.51	4/	1.20	1.20	0.01	0.00	0.50
Apr	0.51	4/	1.20	1.20	0.01	0.00	0.50
Russia							
Mar	0.22	0.00	1.28	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.24
Apr	0.22	0.00	1.28	1.25	0.00	0.00	0.24

1/ Marketing year beginning August 1. Totals may not add exactly and trade may not balance due to rounding and other factors. 2/ For foreign countries, reflects cotton lost or destroyed in the marketing channel; for the United States, reflects the difference between implicit stocks based on supply less total use and ending stocks based on Bureau of Census data. 3/ World trade includes estimated trade among the 12 countries of the former USSR and three Baltic states of 1.85 million bales. 4/ Less than 5,000 bales. 5/ Includes Egypt, Sudan, and Turkey in addition to the countries and regions listed. 6/ Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali, Niger, Senegal, and Togo. 7/ Argentina, Australia, Paraguay, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe. 8/ Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.

U.S. Quarterly Animal Product Production 1/

Year and quarter	Beef	Pork	Red meat 2/	Broiler	Turkey	Total poultry 3/	Red meat & poultry	Egg	Milk
			Million pounds			Mil doz		Bil lbs	
1996 Annual	25419	17085	43135	26336	5466	32289	75424	6371	154.3
1997 I	6107	4192	10452	6639	1236	7997	18449	1592	39.0
1997 II	6416	4090	10651	6937	1404	8480	19131	1595	40.7
1997 III	6603	4196	10939	6864	1411	8398	19337	1606	38.8
1997 IV	6258	4766	11167	6831	1428	8383	19550	1667	38.2
1997 Annual									
1997 Mar Est	25384	17244	43209	27253	5478	33235	76444	6460	156.6
1997 Apr Est	25384	17244	43209	27271	5478	33258	76467	6460	156.6
1998 I *	6250	4700	11085	6850	1300	8275	19360	1630	39.2
1998 II *	6425	4600	11149	7150	1400	8690	19839	1640	40.9
1998 III *	6575	4650	11342	7150	1425	8705	20047	1665	38.8
1998 IV *	6075	4950	11148	7100	1400	8625	19773	1690	38.5
1998 Annual									
1998 Mar Proj	25325	18950	44773	28400	5410	34330	79103	6625	157.2
1998 Apr Proj	25325	18900	44724	28250	5525	34295	79019	6625	157.5

\* Projection.

1/ Commercial production for red meats; federally inspected for poultry meats.  
 2/ Beef, pork, veal and lamb & mutton. 3/ Broilers, turkeys and mature chicken.

U.S. Quarterly Prices for Animal Products

Year and quarter	Choice steers 1/	Barrows and gilts 2/	Broilers 3/	Turkeys 4/	Eggs 5/	Milk 6/	
		Dol./cwt	Dol./cwt	Cents/lb.	Cents/lb.	Cents/doz.	Dol./cwt
1996 Annual	65.06	53.39	61.2	66.5	88.2	14.87	
1997 I	66.40	51.06	60.0	58.9	84.9	13.47	
1997 II	66.63	56.41	59.1	66.1	72.1	12.93	
1997 III	65.65	54.45	62.0	68.2	79.7	12.70	
1997 IV	66.61	43.53	54.0	66.5	88.2	14.40	
1997 Annual							
1997 Mar Est	66.32	51.36	58.8	64.9	81.2	13.38	
1997 Apr Est	66.32	51.36	58.8	64.9	81.2	13.38	
1998 I	61.80	34.75	56.4	55.1	79.0	14.63	
1998 II *	63-65	36-38	57-59	58-60	69-71	13.20-13.60	
1998 III *	65-69	39-41	58-62	61-65	72-78	12.55-13.25	
1998 IV *	69-75	35-37	53-57	62-68	80-86	13.80-14.80	
1998 Annual							
1998 Mar Proj	64-68	36-38	55-58	59-63	74-79	13.40-14.00	
1998 Apr Proj	65-68	36-38	56-59	59-62	75-79	13.55-14.05	

\*Projection.

1/ Nebraska, Direct, 1100-1300 lbs. 2/ Iowa/So. Minn., No. 1-3. 3/ Wholesale, 12-city average. 4/ 8-16 lbs, hens, Eastern Region. 5/ Grade A large, New York, volume buyers. 6/ Price received by farmers for all milk.

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U.S. Meats Supply and Use

Item	Supply				Use				
	:inning:stocks:	:duc- 1/	:Im- :ports	:Total :supply:	: Ex- :ports:	: End- :ing :stocks:	: Consumption		
							: Total	: Per capita	
Million pounds 3/									
<b>BEEF</b>									
1996		519	25525	2073	28117	1877	377	25863	68.2
1997 Est.	Mar	377	25490	2343	28210	2136	465	25609	66.9
	Apr	377	25490	2343	28210	2136	465	25609	66.9
1998 Proj.	Mar	465	25431	2700	28596	2085	350	26161	67.7
	Apr	465	25431	2675	28571	2090	350	26131	67.7
<b>PORK</b>									
1996		396	17117	618	18131	970	366	16795	49.1
1997 Est.	Mar	366	17274	633	18273	1044	408	16821	48.7
	Apr	366	17274	633	18273	1044	408	16821	48.7
1998 Proj.	Mar	408	18980	575	19963	990	470	18503	53.1
	Apr	408	18930	575	19913	1020	470	18423	52.9
<b>TOTAL RED MEAT 4/</b>									
1996		930	43288	2764	46982	2853	759	43370	119.5
1997 Est.	Mar	759	43358	3059	47176	3185	895	43096	117.7
	Apr	759	43358	3059	47176	3185	895	43096	117.8
1998 Proj.	Mar	895	44922	3365	49182	3083	837	45262	122.7
	Apr	895	44873	3340	49108	3118	837	45153	122.5
<b>BROILERS</b>									
1996		560	26124	4	26688	4420	641	21626	70.8
1997 Est.	Mar	641	27027	5	27673	4664	607	22402	72.6
	Apr	641	27041	5	27687	4664	607	22416	72.7
1998 Proj.	Mar	607	28159	3	28769	4750	650	23369	75.1
	Apr	607	28007	4	28618	4900	650	23068	74.2
<b>TURKEYS</b>									
1996		271	5401	1	5673	438	328	4906	18.5
1997 Est.	Mar	328	5412	1	5741	598	415	4728	17.6
	Apr	328	5412	1	5741	598	415	4727	17.6
1998 Proj.	Mar	415	5345	1	5761	610	425	4725	17.5
	Apr	415	5458	1	5874	610	425	4838	17.9
<b>TOTAL POULTRY 5/</b>									
1996		839	32015	5	32859	5123	975	26760	90.1
1997 Est.	Mar	975	32948	6	33929	5646	1029	27253	90.7
	Apr	975	32964	6	33944	5646	1029	27269	90.8
1998 Proj.	Mar	1029	34029	4	35062	5750	1080	28231	93.1
	Apr	1029	33986	5	35020	5900	1082	28037	92.5
<b>RED MEAT &amp; POULTRY:</b>									
1996		1769	75303	2769	79841	7976	1734	70130	209.6
1997 Est.	Mar	1734	76306	3065	81105	8831	1924	70349	208.5
	Apr	1734	76322	3065	81120	8831	1924	70364	208.6
1998 Proj.	Mar	1924	78951	3369	84244	8833	1917	73493	215.8
	Apr	1924	78859	3345	84128	9018	1919	73190	215.0

1/ Total including farm production for red meats and, for poultry, federally inspected plus non-federally inspected, less condemnations.  
 2/ Pounds, retail-weight basis. 3/ Carcass weight for red meats and certified ready-to-cook weight for poultry. 4/ Beef, pork, veal, lamb and mutton. 5/ Broilers, turkeys and mature chicken.

## U.S. Egg Supply and Use

Commodity	1995		1996		1997 Estimated		1998 Projected	
	1995	1996	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr
EGGS								
Supply								
Beginning stocks	14.9	11.2	8.5	8.5	7.4	7.4		
Production	6215.6	6371.3	6459.8	6459.8	6625.0	6625.0		
Imports	4.1	5.4	6.9	6.9	4.0	4.5		
Total supply	6234.6	6387.9	6475.2	6475.2	6636.4	6636.9		
Use								
Exports	208.9	253.1	227.8	227.8	235.0	235.0		
Hatching use	847.2	864.7	891.8	891.8	930.0	930.0		
Ending stocks	11.2	8.5	7.4	7.4	10.0	10.0		
Consumption								
Total	5167.3	5261.5	5348.3	5348.3	5461.4	5461.9		
Per capita (number)	235.6	237.7	239.5	239.6	242.4	242.5		

## U.S. Milk Supply, Use and Prices

Commodity	1994/95		1995/96		1996/97 Est 1/		1997/98 Proj 1/	
	1/	1/	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr
MILK								
Supply								
Beg. commercial stocks 2/	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.9	5.9	5.9		
Production	155.6	154.1	156.4	156.4	157.0	157.1		
Farm use	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3		
Marketings	154.0	152.5	155.0	155.0	155.7	155.8		
Imports 2/	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.1		
Total cml. supply 2/	161.5	159.9	162.7	162.7	164.7	164.8		
Use								
Commercial use 2/ 3/	154.0	154.9	156.0	156.0	157.8	157.9		
Ending commercial stks. 2/	4.6	4.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9		
CCC net removals:								
Milkfat basis 4/	2.9	0.1	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0		
Skim-solids basis 4/	4.9	1.1	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.2		
Prices rec'd. by farmers								
Basic Formula (BFP) 5/	11.59	13.50	11.88	11.88	12.20-	12.35-		
					12.60	12.65		
All milk 6/	12.54	14.49	13.60	13.60	13.55-	13.70-		
					13.95	14.00		
CCC product net removals 4/:								
Butter	110	1	28	28	35	35		
Cheese	8	5	10	10	7	7		
Nonfat dry milk	384	84	222	222	245	260		
Dry whole milk	44	7	7	7	15	15		

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

1/ Marketing year beginning October 1. 2/ Milk equivalent, milkfat basis.

3/ Includes commercial exports. 4/ Includes products exported under the Dairy Export Incentive Program. 5/ Minnesota-Wisconsin (M-W) 3.5 % butterfat prior to May 1995. 6/ Milk of average fat test. Does not reflect any deductions from producers as authorized by legislation.

Note: Tables on pages 29-31 present a 16-year record of the differences between the April projection and the final estimate. Using world wheat production as an example, changes between the April projection and the final estimate have averaged 2.5 million tons (0.5%) ranging from -6.8 to 6.5 million tons. The April projection has been below the estimate 9 times and above 7 times.

## Reliability of April Projections

Commodity and region	:Differences between proj. & final estimate, 1981/82-96/97 1/						
	: Avg. :	: Avg. :	: Difference		: Below final	: Above final	
WHEAT	:Percent	Million metric tons				Number of years 2/	
Production	:						
World	: 0.5	2.5	-6.8	6.5	9	7	
U.S.	: 0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	8	3	
Foreign	: 0.6	2.5	-6.8	6.5	9	7	
Exports	:						
World	: 2.1	2.3	-5.5	4.0	10	6	
U.S.	: 2.3	0.8	-0.8	2.1	6	10	
Foreign	: 3.0	2.4	-5.1	2.6	10	6	
Domestic use	:						
World	: 0.7	3.6	-8.8	7.1	8	8	
U.S.	: 3.6	1.1	-1.6	2.2	7	9	
Foreign	: 0.7	3.3	-7.2	6.6	8	8	
Ending stocks	:						
World	: 2.3	2.8	-8.9	3.9	10	5	
U.S.	: 6.7	1.2	-4.0	1.2	11	5	
Foreign	: 2.6	2.2	-8.5	4.7	11	4	
COARSE GRAINS 3/	:						
Production	:						
World	: 0.6	4.9	-14.7	4.3	12	4	
U.S.	: 0.1	0.1	-0.2	1.3	9	3	
Foreign	: 0.9	4.9	-14.7	4.3	12	4	
Exports	:						
World	: 2.9	3.0	-6.4	6.2	8	8	
U.S.	: 5.1	2.6	-4.6	7.2	9	7	
Foreign	: 4.3	2.2	-5.8	4.0	10	6	
Domestic use	:						
World	: 0.6	5.0	-12.6	11.6	5	11	
U.S.	: 2.3	3.9	-16.8	9.3	5	11	
Foreign	: 0.7	4.4	-10.7	9.4	8	8	
Ending stocks	:						
World	: 6.0	7.7	-16.7	14.9	14	2	
U.S.	: 6.5	4.0	-12.1	6.9	8	8	
Foreign	: 7.7	4.8	-9.1	10.2	12	4	
RICE, milled	:						
Production	:						
World	: 1.2	3.9	-9.0	10.8	13	3	
U.S.	: 1.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	4	2	
Foreign	: 1.2	3.9	-9.0	10.8	13	3	
Exports	:						
World	: 6.6	1.0	-4.1	1.1	13	3	
U.S.	: 5.0	0.1	-0.4	0.3	7	6	
Foreign	: 7.5	0.9	-3.7	1.1	13	3	
Domestic use	:						
World	: 0.8	2.6	-8.7	2.4	12	4	
U.S.	: 5.2	0.1	-0.3	0.4	7	8	
Foreign	: 0.8	2.6	-8.8	2.6	12	4	
Ending stocks	:						
World	: 5.9	2.1	-5.9	4.3	11	5	
U.S.	: 13.8	0.2	-0.3	0.4	8	8	
Foreign	: 6.4	2.1	-5.8	4.2	11	5	

1/ Footnotes at end of table.

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## Reliability of April Projections (Continued)

Commodity and region	:Differences between proj. & final estimate, 1981/82-96/97 1/						
	: Avg. :	Avg. :	Difference		: Below final	: Above final	
SOYBEANS	:Percent	Million metric tons				Number of years 2/	
Production	:						
World	: 1.5	1.6	-3.2	2.3	9	7	
U.S.	: 1.1	0.6	-1.6	1.8	7	6	
Foreign	: 2.1	1.0	-2.2	2.3	12	4	
Exports	:						
World	: 3.3	0.9	-2.1	1.6	8	8	
U.S.	: 4.2	0.8	-1.6	3.0	10	6	
Foreign	: 10.7	0.9	-1.7	2.1	8	8	
Domestic use	:						
World	: 1.3	1.4	-3.3	2.6	10	6	
U.S.	: 1.6	0.5	-1.4	0.8	10	6	
Foreign	: 1.6	1.1	-2.7	2.3	9	7	
Ending stocks	:						
World	: 10.6	1.9	-3.7	5.2	10	6	
U.S.	: 17.1	1.4	-2.6	4.7	8	8	
Foreign	: 10.7	1.2	-2.8	3.3	9	7	
COTTON	:	Million 480-pound bales					
Production	:						
World	: 1.0	0.8	-3.0	0.8	12	3	
U.S.	: 0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	5	6	
Foreign	: 1.2	0.8	-3.0	0.8	11	4	
Exports	:						
World	: 3.4	0.8	-2.8	1.1	9	7	
U.S.	: 3.0	0.2	-0.5	0.6	3	11	
Foreign	: 4.8	0.9	-3.4	1.2	9	7	
Mill use	:						
World	: 1.4	1.2	-2.4	1.2	8	8	
U.S.	: 2.8	0.2	-0.6	0.2	12	2	
Foreign	: 1.5	1.1	-2.0	1.4	8	8	
Ending stocks	:						
World	: 5.8	1.9	-3.9	3.3	9	7	
U.S.	: 7.6	0.3	-0.6	1.3	7	9	
Foreign	: 6.0	1.7	-4.1	2.7	8	8	

1/ Final estimate for 1981/82-96/97 is defined as the first November estimate following the marketing year. 2/ May not total 16 if projections was the same as final estimate. 3/ Includes corn, sorghum, barley, oats, rye, millet and mixed grain.

## Reliability of United States April Projections 1/

Commodity and region	:Differences between proj. & final estimate, 1981/82-96/97 1/					
	: Avg. :	Avg. :	Difference		: Below final	: Above final
CORN	:Percent		Million bushels		Number of years 3/	
Production	: 0.1	3	-8	38	1	1
Exports	: 5.1	87	-175	209	7	9
Domestic use	: 2.3	128	-474	225	5	11
Ending stocks	: 8.5	161	-470	358	10	6
SORGHUM	:					
Production	: 0.1	0	0	4	0	2
Exports	: 12.1	29	-70	72	10	5
Domestic use	: 7.4	37	-158	77	9	7
Ending stocks	: 32.3	38	-53	148	7	9
BARLEY	:					
Production	: 0.4	2	-3	11	8	2
Exports	: 7.2	5	-10	13	3	12
Domestic use	: 4.1	17	-30	64	8	7
Ending stocks	: 10.3	19	-52	24	11	5
OATS	:					
Production	: 0.1	0	-2	1	3	1
Exports	: 24.6	1	-1	3	3	4
Domestic use	: 2.7	12	-26	24	6	9
Ending stocks	: 8.9	13	-30	21	9	7
SOYBEAN MEAL	:		Thousand short tons			
Production	: 1.9	542	-1392	617	12	4
Exports	: 6.0	381	-800	941	12	4
Domestic use	: 1.6	343	-950	525	13	3
Ending stocks	: 38.3	93	-214	208	6	9
SOYBEAN OIL	:		Million pounds			
Production	: 2.0	262	-684	310	13	3
Exports	: 14.2	215	-500	564	7	9
Domestic use	: 1.4	165	-485	175	11	4
Ending stocks	: 15.1	222	-692	423	9	7
ANIMAL PROD. 4/	:		Million pounds			
Beef	: 2.2	530	-561	1388	10	5
Pork	: 2.6	414	-790	983	9	6
Broilers	: 1.3	241	-404	584	10	5
Turkeys	: 2.2	88	-176	175	9	6
Eggs	:		Million dozen			
Eggs	: 1.2	69	-120	143	12	3
Milk	:		Billion pounds			
Milk	: 0.9	1.3	-3.2	3.1	7	8

1/ See pages 29 and 30 for record of reliability for U.S. wheat, rice, soybeans and cotton. 2/ Final estimate for 1981/82-96/97 is defined as the first November estimate following the marketing year. 3/ May not total 16 for crops and 15 for animal production if projection was the same as the final estimate. 4/ Calendar years 1982 thru 1996 for meats and eggs; October-September years 1981/82 thru 1995/96 for milk. Final for animal products is defined as latest annual production estimate published by NASS.