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# U.S. 2014/15 Rice Production Forecast Lowered to 218.3 Million Cwt

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The U.S. 2014/15 rice crop forecast was reduced 5 percent this month to 218.3 million cwt due to smaller area and yield estimates, with long-grain accounting for all of the downward revision. Data from the August *Rice Stocks* resulted in a 1.0-million-cwt reduction in the 2014/15 beginning stocks estimate to 31.8 million cwt. These revisions reduced the 2014/15 total U.S. supply forecast 4 percent to 271.1 million cwt, still 9 percent above 2013/14.

Total rice use for 2014/15 was lowered 10.0 million cwt to 233.0 million cwt, with U.S. exports reduced 7.0 million cwt to 102.0 million cwt and domestic and residual use reduced 3.0 million cwt to 131.0 million cwt. On balance, these revisions resulted in a 1.5-million cwt reduction in the U.S. ending stocks forecast to 38.1 million cwt, with long-grain accounting for all of the reduction in the ending stocks forecast.

The long-grain season-average farm price (SAFP) was raised 50 cents on both ends to \$12.50-\$13.50 per cwt, down from \$15.40 in 2013/14. The combined medium- and short-grain 2014/15 SAFP was lowered 25 cents on both ends to \$17.25-\$18.25, compared with a revised \$18.50 in 2013/14.

Reduced crop forecasts for North Korea, South Korea, and the United States were responsible for a 0.4-million-ton decline in the 2014/15 global rice production forecast to 477.0 million tons, still the highest on record. These reductions were partially offset by higher forecasts for Australia and Guyana. Global consumption is projected at a record 484.8 million tons, 4.8 million tons higher than production. Ending stocks are projected to decline 4 percent in 2014/15 to 105.1 million tons, the first decline since 2006/07.

Total calendar year 2015 global rice trade is forecast at 41.2 million tons, up fractionally from the previous forecast but 0.1 million below the revised 2014 record. Export forecasts were raised for Australia and Guyana but lowered for the United States. The 2014 global trade forecast was raised 0.5 million tons to a record 41.25 million tons, mostly due to a larger export forecast for Thailand.

Prices for all grades of Thailand's regular-milled white rice have moved in a narrow range over the past month, despite a strong pace of sales. Price quotes from Vietnam have increased over the past month. U.S. prices for long-grain milled rice and prices for domestic sales of medium- and short-grain milled rice have declined over the past month.

## **Domestic Outlook**

### U.S. 2014/15 Rice Production Projected at 218.3 Million Cwt

The 2014/15 U.S. rice crop is projected at 218.3 million cwt (hundredweight, rough basis), a decrease of 10.5 million cwt from last month's forecast, but 15 percent larger than a year earlier. Both the 2014/15 area and yield forecasts were lowered this month. Long grain production was reduced 11.1 million cwt to 158.3 million cwt, still 20 percent above a year earlier and the largest since 2010/11. In contrast, the medium- and short-grain production forecast was raised 1 percent to 60 million cwt, up 3.5 percent from a year earlier.

At 2.93 million acres, U.S. rice plantings are 4 percent below the previous estimate reported in the June *Acreage* report, but still 18 percent higher than a year earlier. Area estimates were lowered this month for Arkansas and California, but raised for Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. The Missouri area estimate is unchanged from the previous estimate. In the South, the long-grain planted area estimate was lowered 130,000 acres from the June estimate, with Arkansas accounting for most of the downward revision. The South accounts for almost all U.S. long-grain acreage. In contrast, the 2014/15 southern medium- and short-grain planted area estimate was raised 76,000 acres from the June estimate. At 302,000 acres, 2014/15 southern medium- and short-grain plantings are more than double 2013/14 plantings. This month's area revisions were based on updated Farm Service Agency certified acreage data.

The average yield is projected at 7,501 pounds per acre, down 59 pounds from last month's forecast and 2.5 percent below the year earlier record. Yield forecasts were lowered this month for Louisiana, Missouri, and Texas, but raised for California. Yield forecasts for Arkansas and Mississippi are unchanged from last month. These monthly area and yield revisions resulted in reduced crop forecasts for Arkansas, California, Missouri, and Texas, with California and Arkansas accounting for the bulk of the downward revision. In contrast, crop forecasts were raised this month for Louisiana and Mississippi.

In 2014/15, rice plantings increased from a year earlier in all reported States except California where rice area dropped. Higher expected returns from rice than from competing crops and a return to production of more than 200,000 acres of rice—mostly in the Delta—not planted in 2013/14 due to excessive rain early in the season account for the area expansion in 2014/15. At 1.48 million acres, Arkansas 2014/15 rice plantings are 37 percent higher than a year earlier and the highest since the 2010/11 record of 1.79 million acres. Louisiana's 2014/15 rice area is estimated at 465,000 acres, an 11-percent increase from a year earlier. In Mississippi, 2014/15 rice plantings are estimated at 191,000 acres, a 53 percent increase from last year. Missouri's 2014/15 plantings are estimated at 216,000 acres, unchanged from last month, but 36 percent larger than a year earlier and the second highest on record. Texas plantings of 150,000 acres are 7 percent higher than the previous estimate and more than 3 percent above a year earlier.

In contrast to the South, California's 2014/15 rice plantings of 433,000 acres are 62,000 acres below than the level reported in the June *Acreage* report and almost 24 percent below a year earlier. The State has experienced severe drought and low

reservoir levels with water restrictions. These are the smallest rice plantings for California since 1992/93. Almost all of California's rice is medium- and short-grain rice and the State typically supplies more than 75 percent of total U.S. medium- and short-grain production.

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 7,500 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month but 1 percent below the year earlier record. Louisiana's 2014/15 yield of 7,100 pounds per acre is 100 pounds below last month's forecast and 200 pounds below a year earlier. Mississippi's average yield of 7,000 pounds per acre is unchanged from August but 5 percent below a year earlier. The Missouri average yield is estimated at 6,400 pounds per acre, 200 pounds below the August forecast and 9 percent below a year earlier. An abnormally cool and wet spring delayed planting and slowed crop progress in much of the South this year.

At 7,800 pounds per acre, the average Texas yield is 9 percent below the August forecast but 1 percent above a year earlier. California's 2014/15 average yield is forecast at 8,600 pounds per acre, up 200 pounds from the August forecast and more than 1 percent higher than a year earlier. The California 2014/15 yield is equal to 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 28.4-million cwt projected increase in U.S. rice production in 2014/15. At 110.3 million cwt, Arkansas' rice crop is 36 percent larger than a year earlier and the second highest on record. The bumper crop is the result of expanded area. Louisiana's 2014/15 rice production is forecast at 32.7 million cwt, an increase of 8 percent from a year ago and the highest on record. In Mississippi, production is projected at 13.3 million cwt, up 45 percent from a year earlier, a result of a substantial area expansion. Increased plantings boosted Missouri's rice crop 24 percent to 13.6 million cwt. At 11.6 million cwt, the Texas rice crop is up 4 percent from a year earlier, a result of increased plantings and a slightly higher yield.

In contrast, California's 2014/15 rice production is projected to decline 23 percent from a year earlier to 36.8 million cwt, the smallest since 2001/02. The production decline is the result of a 24-percent drop in rice plantings that was caused by severe drought and low reservoir levels that resulted in water restrictions.

### Progress of the 2014/15 U.S. Rice Crop Remains Behind Normal

Progress of the 2014/15 remains behind normal across the South, a result of a cold, wet spring that delayed plantings and continued cooler and wetter than normal weather in parts of the South that has slowed progress and delayed harvest. For the week ending September 7, 26 percent of the U.S. crop had been harvested, 10 percentage points behind the U.S. 5-year average. In Arkansas, just 16 percent of the crop was harvested by September 7, slightly more than half the State's 5-year average. In nearby Mississippi, 16 percent of the crop had been harvested by September 7, well behind the State's 5-year average of 39 percent. In Missouri, just 5 percent of the 2014/15 crop was harvested September 7, compared with a 5-year average of 14 percent. On the Gulf Coast, 76 percent of Louisiana's 2014/15 crop

was harvested by September 7, behind State's 5-year average of 83 percent. In Texas, harvest was 82 percent complete by September 7, 10 percentage points behind the State's 5-year average. In California, 2 percent of the crop was harvested by September 7, even with the State's 5-year average.

### U.S. Rice Supplies in 2014/15 Are Up 9 Percent From 2013/14

Total U.S. supplies of rice in 2014/15 are projected at 271.1 million cwt, down 11.5 million cwt from last month's forecast but 9 percent above a year earlier. Projections for both carryin and production were lowered from the August 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 reported in 2010/11.

By class, long-grain supplies projected at 193.0 million cwt, down 14.1 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 11 percent larger than a year earlier. Mediumand short-grain total supplies are projected at 75.8 million cwt, an increase of 2.7 million cwt from last month's forecast and 3 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 is estimated at 31.8 million cwt, down 1.0 million cwt from the August forecast and 13 percent below a year earlier. The downward revision was based on data from the August *Rice Stocks*. The 2014/15 long-grain carryin is estimated at 16.2 million cwt, down 3.1 million cwt from the August forecast and 26 percent smaller than a year earlier. The mediumand short-grain carryin is estimated 13.3 million cwt, up 2.1 million cwt from the August forecast and 9 percent larger than a year earlier. Stocks of brokens, included in the all-rice estimate, are not classified 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 increase in millings resulting from the larger crop, the supply of U.S. brokens is expected 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. 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 Export Forecast Lowered to 102.0 Million Cwt

Total use of U.S. rice in 2014/15 is projected at 233.0 million cwt, down 10.0 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 7 percent larger than a year earlier. Both total domestic use (including a residual component) and exports were revised down this month, with long-grain accounting for the bulk of the downward revisions. Total long-grain use in 2014/15 is projected at 169.0 million cwt, down 9.0 million cwt from the August forecast but still 8 percent larger than a year earlier. Combined medium- and short-grain rice total use is projected at 64.0 million cwt, down 1.0 million from last month's forecast but still 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, down 3.0 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 5 percent larger than a year earlier. The downward revision is primarily based on smaller U.S. supplies, with long-grain accounting for all of the downward revision. Long-grain domestic and residual use is projected at 99.0 million cwt, down 4.0 million cwt from the previous forecast but still 4 percent above a year earlier. Combined medium- and short-grain domestic and residual use is forecast at 32.0 million cwt, up 1.0 million cwt from last month's forecast and 8 percent larger than a year earlier.

Total exports in 2014/15 are projected at 102.0 million cwt, down 7.0 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 10 percent larger than a year earlier. The monthly revision is primarily based on smaller U.S. supplies. On an annual basis, U.S. rice is expected to be more price competitive than it was 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.

U.S. long-grain exports are projected at 70.0 million cwt, down 5.0 million cwt from last month's forecast but 13 percent above a year earlier. U.S. long-grain prices are projected to be lower in 2014/15 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. The Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa are the next largest markets for U.S. long-grain rice and are expected to account for most of the increase in shipments in 2014/15.

Combined medium- and short-grain U.S. exports in 2014/15 are projected at 32.0 million cwt, down 2.0 million cwt from last month's forecast but 4 percent larger than a year earlier. This month's downward revision is largely based on larger supplies in Australia, a major competitor in the global medium- and short-grain market. Northeast Asia and the Middle East (including North Africa) account for the bulk of U.S. medium- and short-grain exports. Australia is typically the major supplier of rice to Oceania.

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 the bulk of U.S. medium- and short-grain rough-rice exports, taking mostly California rice.

Combined milled- and brown-rice exports (on a rough basis) are projected at 68.0 million cwt, down 7.0 million cwt from the previous forecast but still 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 38.1 million cwt, down 1.5 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 20 percent larger than a year earlier. The stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 16.4 percent, up from 14.6 percent in 2013/14. By class, the 2014/15 U.S. long-grain carryout is projected at 24.0 million cwt, 5.1 million cwt below last month's forecast but 48 percent larger than a year earlier. The long-grain stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 14.2 percent, up from 10.3 percent in 2013/14.

The medium- and short-grain carryout is projected at 11.8 million cwt, up 3.7 million cwt from last month's forecast but still 11 percent smaller than a year earlier. The medium- and short-grain stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at 18.5 percent, down from 22.0 percent in 2013/14.

There were several revisions to the 2013/14 balance sheet based mostly on data from the August *Rice Stocks* as well as revisions due to market year trade data. On the supply side, total 2014/15 imports were raised 0.1 million cwt to 23.1 million, with both long-grain and medium- and short-grain imports raised fractionally. On the use side, total 2013/14 exports were revised down 0.8 million cwt to 92.7 million cwt, with long-grain lowered 1.2 million cwt to 61.8 million cwt and medium- and short-grain raised 0.4 million to 30.9 million cwt.

Data from the August Rice Stocks indicate August 1, 2014 total U.S. rice stocks at 31.8 million cwt, down 1.0 million cwt from the previous forecast. By class, long-grain stocks were lowered 3.1 million cwt to 16.2 million cwt, 16 percent below a year earlier. In contrast, combined medium- and short-grain stocks on August 1 were raised 2.1 million cwt to 13.3 million cwt, 19 percent above a year earlier. August 1 stocks of brokens, not classified by class, are estimated at 2.3 million cwt.

The trade and stocks revisions resulted in an increase in the 2013/14 domestic and residual forecast to 124.9 million cwt, up 1.9 million from the August forecast. The long-grain domestic and residual use forecast was raised 4.3 million cwt while the medium- and short-grain domestic and residual use forecast was lowered 2.5 million cwt.

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

The 2014/15 season-average farm price (SAFP) range for U.S. long-grain rice is projected at \$12.50-\$13.50 per cwt, up 50 cents on both the high and low end of the previous forecast, but still well below the \$15.40 per cwt forecast for 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. SAFP range is projected at \$17.25-\$18.25 per cwt, down 25 cents on both the high and low ends from last month's forecast. This compares with a revised \$18.50 per cwt SAFP for 2013/14. The downward revision in the 2014/15 medium- and short-grain SAFP is based on larger U.S. and Australian supplies and a higher share of the U.S. medium- and short-grain crop coming from the South, which typically sells at lower prices than California medium- and short-grain rice. These same factors are also behind the year-to-year decline in U.S. medium- and short-grain prices.

The 2014/15 all-rice SAFP was raised 10 cents on both ends to \$13.90-\$14.90 per cwt due to the higher long-grain SAFP. In August, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) revised 2013/14 monthly cash prices and marketings for all rice and by class. For medium- and short-grain rice, the monthly revisions resulted in a 70-cent increased in the 2014/15 SAFP to \$18.50 per cwt. The long-grain 2013/14 SAFP remains estimated at \$15.40 per cwt. The 2013/14 all rice SAFP was raised 20 cents to \$16.10 per cwt.

In late August, NASS reported a mid-August U.S. long-grain rough-rice price of \$15.30 per cwt, down 10 cents from the revised July estimate and 30 cents below the June estimate. The July price was lowered 60 cents to \$15.40 from a preliminary \$16.00. For combined medium- and short-grain rice, the mid-August NASS price was reported at \$19.90 per cwt, up 30 cents from the revised July price. The July price of \$19.60 per cwt is 40 cents above the preliminary price of \$19.20 per cwt.

## **International Outlook**

## Production Forecasts for 2014/15 Lowered for United States and North and South Korea

Global rice production for 2014/15 is forecast at 477.0 million tons (milled basis), down 0.4 million tons from last month's forecast but still up 0.9 million tons from 2013/14 and the largest crop on record. The record global crop in 2014/15 is the result of expanded area. At a record 161.0 million hectares, global rice area in 2014/15 is up fractionally from a year earlier. Cambodia, China, Indonesia, the Philippines, and the United States account for most of the projected area increase. The average global yield is forecast at 4.42 tons per hectare (on a rough-rice basis), nearly unchanged from 2013/14 but slightly below the 2012/13 record of 4.45 tons.

The largest downward production revision this month was for the United States. The U.S. 2014/15 crop forecast was lowered 5 percent to 6.98 million tons based on smaller area and weaker yield reported by USDA/NASS. Production forecasts were lowered for both North and South Korea due to adverse weather. North Korea's 2014/15 production forecast was lowered 100,000 tons to 1.7 million tons based on drought early in the season and then a shorter than normal rainy season. The dryness resulted in a lower yield forecast. In South Korea, the 2014/15 production forecast was reduced 100,000 tons to 4.05 million tons based on a weaker yield caused by a cooler and wetter than normal August. The only other downward revision for 2014/15 was a 19,000-ton decrease in the European Union production forecast to 1.95 million tons due to a slightly small crop in Spain.

These reductions were partially offset by three upward revisions. First, Australia's 2014/15 crop forecast was raised 144,000 tons to 648,000 tons based on a 20,000-hectare increase in area to 90,000 hectares reported by the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES) on September 9. The area is up 18 percent from a year earlier largely due to favorable expected returns to rice production and adequate irrigation water. Second, Guyana's 2014/15 crop forecast was raised 34,000 tons to 570,000 tons based on Government of Guyana data indicating higher area and yield. Both production and area are record high. Guyana has sharply increased rice production in recent years. Finally, Cuba's 2014/15 crop forecast was raised 10,000 tons to 440,000 tons based on a higher yield.

The only significant production revision for 2013/14 was a 0.25 million ton increase in India's production to a record 106.54 million tons. The revision was based on the Government of India's recently released *Fourth Advance Estimate*.

Global rice consumption and residual use in 2014/15 is projected at a record 481.8 million tons, down 0.3 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 4.8 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 105.1 million tons, down 0.3 million tons from last month's forecast and 4 percent below a year earlier and the

first decline since 2006/07. Thailand 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 21.8 percent, down from 23.1 percent a year earlier.

### U.S. 2014 and 2015 Rice Export Forecasts Lowered

Total calendar year 2015 global rice trade is forecast at 41.2 million tons, up fractionally from the previous forecast but 0.1 million below the revised 2014 record. There were no country-specific import revisions this month for 2014 or 2015.

There were three 2015 export revisions this month. First, the U.S. 2015 export forecast was lowered 0.1 million tons to 3.4 million tons based on a smaller supply forecast. Despite the downward revision, U.S. exports are still projected to be up 10 percent from 2014, mostly due to a larger harvest in 2014/15. Second, Australia's 2015 export forecast was raised 75,000 tons to 475,000 tons based on a larger 2014/15 crop. Third, Guyana's 2015 export forecast was raised 50,000 tons to 450,000 tons based on a larger crop. Guyana exports the bulk of its rice crop. Guyana's exports in 2014 and 2015 are the highest on record.

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 2014 global trade forecast was raised 0.5 million tons to 41.25 million tons, 1.9 million tons above a year earlier and the highest on record. The strong pace of trade is largely due to near-record imports by China and Sub-Saharan Africa and large supplies of exportable rice in Asia.

There were three 2014 export revisions this month. First, Thailand's 2014 export forecast was raised 500,000 tons to 9.5 million tons based on recommendations from the U.S. Agricultural Office in Bangkok. The Government of Thailand is holding near-record levels of stocks. Second, Guyana's 2014 export forecast was increased 50,000 tons to a record 450,000 tons largely based on a larger crop. Finally, the U.S. 2014 export forecast was lowered 50,000 tons to 3.1 million tons based on smaller supplies.

# Thailand's Prices Move in Narrow Range; U.S. Long-grain Prices Continue Dropping

Prices for all grades of Thailand's regular-milled white rice have moved in a narrow range over the past month, despite a rapid pace of sales and upward revision in in its 2014 export forecast. On the price-bullish side, Government held supplies of rice remain extremely large, as sales of these stocks to exporters have been smaller and slower than expected, which has temporarily tightened the available supply situation. On the price-bearish side, supplies from the final 2013/14 dry-season crop are available for export and the harvest of the 2014/15 main crop should begin in a couple of months.

Prices for Thailand's high-quality, 100-percent Grade B (free-on-board (fob) vessel, Bangkok) milled rice for export were quoted at \$447 per ton for the week ending September 9, down \$1 from the week ending August 11. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent brokens were quoted at \$438 per ton for the week ending September 9, up \$9 from the week ending August 11. Prices for Thailand's 5-percent parboiled rice were quoted at \$435 per ton for the week ending September 9, down \$6 from the week ending August 11.

Prices for Thailand's brokens are down 3 percent from the week ending August 11. For the week ending September 9, prices for Thailand's A-1 Super 100-percent brokens were quoted at \$333 per ton, down \$10 from the week ending August 11. Price quotes for Thailand's premium jasmine rice, an aromatic variety, were quoted at \$1,065 per ton for the week ending September 9, up \$60 from the week ending August 11. 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 increased over the past month. For the week ending September 10, prices for Vietnam's double-water-polished milled-rice with 5-percent brokens were quoted at \$450 per ton, up \$10 from the week ending August 12. Thailand's price quotes for 5-percent brokens are currently \$12 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 have declined over the past month. For the week ending September 9, prices for high-quality U.S. Southern long-grain rice (No. 2, 4-percent brokens, bagged, free alongside vessel, U.S. Gulf port) were quoted at \$540 per ton, down \$11 from the week ending August 12. The U.S. price difference (adjusted to reflect an fob vessel location) over Thailand's 100-percent grade B is \$108 per ton, down \$10 from a month earlier and the lowest since July 2013. Prices for U.S. long-grain rough-rice (bulk, fob vessel, New Orleans) remain quoted at \$325 per ton for the week ending September 9, 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 \$915 per ton for the week ending September 9, down \$33 from the week ending August 12. Export prices (sacked, port of Oakland) for California milled rice remain quoted at \$1,130 per ton,

unchanged since early July. Sales of California rice have been very small as the new-crop harvest has just begun. Sales are expected to soon increase as the bulk of the large annual Northeast Asia sales typically begin in late 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.

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## **Tables**

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

ltem	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14 2/	2014/15 2
TOTAL RICE			N	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 ac	re		
Yield	6,846	7,085	6,725	7,067	7,449	7,694	7,501
				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	218.27
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	271.10
Food, industrial,							
& residual 3/	123.77	119.95	133.60	107.48	115.58	121.12	N/A
Seed	3.87	4.49	3.32	3.33	3.07	3.76	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	38.10
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	13.7	15.7	19.4	19.4	16.2	14.6	16.4
				\$/cwt			
Average farm							13.90 to
price 5/	16.80	14.40	12.70	14.50	15.10	16.10	14.90
				Percent			
Average milling rate	70.83	71.53	68.86	69.93	70.00	71.00	70.50
-	/0.03		00.00	09.93	70.00	11.00	10.50

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 September 11, 2014.

Item	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14 2/	2014/15 2/
LONG GRAIN:			N	fillion 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 ac	re		
Yield	6,522	6,743	6,486	6,691	7,285	7,464	
			1	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	158.3
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	193.0
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	24.0
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	11.9	13.9	19.1	16.8	13.2	10.3	14.2
				\$/cwt			
							12.50 to
Average farm price	14.90	12.90	11.00	13.40	14.50	15.40	13.50
MEDIUM/SHORT GRAIN:			N	fillion 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 ac	re		-
Yield	8,063	8,010	7,580	7,812	7,912	8,272	
			I	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	60.0
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	75.8
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	11.8
				Percent			
Stocks-to-use ratio	14.9	18.1	16.1	21.9	20.3	22.0	18.5
				\$/cwt			
							17.25 to
Average farm price /5	24.80	18.40	18.80	17.10	17.40	18.50	18.25
Ending stocks							
difference 1/	2.4	1.4	2.7	2.1	2.3	2.3	-

<sup>-- =</sup> Not available. 1/ Stock totals by type omit brokens, which are included in total stocks for all types of rice in table 1.

<sup>2/</sup> Projected. 3/ Includes residual. 4/ Accounts for the difference in beginning and ending stocks of brokens.

Thus, total supply of medium/short-grain may not equal the sum of beginning stocks, production, and imports. 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.

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

Last updated September 11, 2014.

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

	2014/	15	201	3/14	201	2/13
Month	\$/cwt	1,000 cw t	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	15.90 1/	N/A	15.80	8,975	14.80	10,856
September			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	15.90 2/					
Season-average farm price	13.90-14.90		16.10		15.10	
Average marketings		N/A		10,872		13,185
Total volume marketed		N/A		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.

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		Long-grai	n				Medium- and sh	ort-grain	
	2014/	15	2013	/14	20	14/15	i	2013/	14
Month	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt	\$/cwt		1,000 cwt	\$/cwt	1,000 cwt
August	15.30 1/	N/A	15.20	6,662	19.90	1/	N/A	17.40	2,313
September			15.30	10,032				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/	15.30				19.90				
Season-average farm price	12.50-13.50 3/		15.40		17.25-18.25 3	3/ 4/		18.50	
Average marketings		N/A		8,383			N/A		2,489
Total volume marketed		N/A		100,591			N/A		29,867

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NIA= Not available. 1/ Midmonth only. 2/ Simple awerage. 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 September 11, 2014.

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

	2014	/15	2013	3/14	201:	2/13
		Medium/		Medium/		Medium/
Month	Long-grain	short-grain	Long-grain	short-grain	Long-grain	short-grain
			\$/cv	vt .		
August	11.80	12.12	12.08	12.43	11.91	12.13
September 2/	11.80	12.13	11.87	12.22	12.57	12.81
October			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/	11.80	12.13	11.77	12.08	12.30	12.76

<sup>1/</sup> Simple average of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's weekly adjusted world market price. 2/ Preliminary.
Source: Cotton and Rice Weekly Prices (htp://ftp.fsa.usda.gov/public/cotton/default.htm), Farm Service Agency, USDA.
Last updated September 12, 2014.

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

Country	2013/14	2012/13	2011/12	2010/11	2009/10	2008/09	
or	market	market	market	market	market	market	
region	year	year	year	year	year	year	
			1,	000 metric tons			
ASIA	646.8	624.8	541.5	529.8	563.9	536.4	
China	3.2	2.7	3.6	3.1	3.8	4.0	
India	138.7	129.3	110.5	96.5	94.8	74.1	
Pakistan	26.5	17.7	15.2	17.3	19.4	16.9	
Thailand	428.5	393.8	387.6	393.5	401.0	422.1	
Vietnam	45.4	77.8	21.7	15.9	41.6	17.5	
Other	4.5	3.6	2.8	3.6	3.4	1.9	
SUROPE & FORMER SOVIET UNION	11.8	12.0	14.3	12.5	9.4	7.6	
Italy	8.0	7.5	5.2	7.5	6.2	5.7	
Spain	1.2	2.3	4.7	3.8	1.6	0.4	
Russia	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	
United Kingdom	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	
Other	2.0	2.1	4.3	1.2	1.5	0.9	
VESTERN HEMISPHERE	41.1	35.9	64.5	42.7	30.4	31.1	
Argentina	3.9	5.5	3.4	2.7	2.5	1.1	
Brazil	14.5	5.0	30.5	6.3	3.5	3.9	
Canada	13.8	12.1	16.3	17.1	15.4	18.0	
Mexico	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.3	6.1	6.1	
Uruguay	5.3	12.3	13.2	15.4	2.9	1.7	
Other	2.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	
OTHER	40.3	1.9	1.0	3.5	5.5	39.3	
Egypt	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.6	36.6	
United Arab Emirates	1.3	0.4	0.5	3.0	4.4	2.2	
Australia	37.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	
OTAL	740.0	674.6	621.2	588.6	609.2	614.3	

<sup>1</sup> Columb 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 September 11, 2014.

Table 7--U.S. commercial rice exports

Country or region	2014/15 Through Sept. 4, 2014 2/	2013/14 through Sept. 5, 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			
UROPE & FSU	2.0	2.0	38.1	41.7	61.3	101.7	98.3
European Union	1.2	1.4	30.6	37.7	52.2	90.3	88.6
Other Europe	0.1	0.0	2.9	1.1	5.5	5.3	2.6
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	0.7	0.6	4.6	2.9	3.6	6.1	7.1
ORTHEAST ASIA	8.4	66.7	474.6	561.4	592.3	473.6	571.3
Hong Kong	0.0	0.6	6.2	6.2	2.6	0.6	1.1
Japan	0.2	4.0	364.2	347.6	375.5	355.3	388.9
South Korea	4.5	60.3	72.1	145.1	148.6	100.6	79.4
「aiwan	3.7	1.8	32.1	62.5	65.6	17.1	101.9
THER ASIA, OCEANIA, & THE MIDDLE EAST	136.5	77.5	605.8	463.6	499.9	641.8	751.5
Australia	1.2	1.2	10.4	9.1	10.0	15.8	26.2
ran	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	1.6	5.1	19.2	16.9	22.4	33.3	45.7
Jordan	24.6	35.0	88.7	71.2	93.2	83.0	66.4
Micronesia	0.5	0.2	2.0	5.5	6.2	6.0	5.2
New Zealand	0.3	0.7	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	19.2	19.1	90.9	122.8	107.1	118.0	108.5
Singapore	0.3	1.3	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	86.5	12.0	219.5	75.4	189.8	200.3	267.0
Rest of Asia, Oceania, and Middle East	2.3	2.9	30.3	27.4	35.6	36.6	32.3
FRICA	14.5	37.1	110.8	249.1	179.6	432.4	117.4
Ageria	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	6.9
Shana	14.0		41.7	112.1	94.0	100.2	43.7
GuineaConnarky	0.0	1.1	3.6	4.4	11.0	5.0	4.8
iberia	0.0	0.0	6.3	15.5	26.7	38.5	8.4
Libya	0.5	0.3	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	0.0	5.8	10.6	8.3	16.5	7.0	15.4
ESTERN HEMISPHERE	526.8	319.2	1,811.2	2,110.9	1,785.0	2,058.3	2,142.9
Bahamas	0.7	0.9	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	35.2	27.3	138.6	145.8	147.7	148.6	166.8
Colombia	2.4	14.3	138.9	150.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Costa Rica	15.6	18.9	63.1	75.3	58.1	69.7	124.8
Dominican Republic	0.4	0.5	7.9	1.7	8.9	7.0	25.2
El Salvador	18.3	11.7	70.1	83.8	76.5	77.0	78.5
Guatemala	8.2	7.7	81.5	77.6	81.4	69.4	72.6
Haiti	63.2	60.6	323.9	342.0	233.4	248.9	226.5
Honduras	16.1	21.6	142.4	122.4	140.0	136.8	119.3
lamaica	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.2	11.6	25.5	20.2
eeward & Windward Islands	0.1	1.3	1.6	2.9	10.2	9.4	8.3
Mexico	272.0	152.3	690.7	749.5	803.7	848.5	775.1
letherlands Antilles	0.7	1.0	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.8	5.2
licaragua	0.2	0.0	10.3	39.9	40.6	142.2	147.0
Panama	0.0	0.2	24.1	39.3	59.7	88.2	104.0
/enezuela	92.7	0.0	98.9	262.5	94.1	149.6	241.8
Other Western Hemisphere	0.8	0.7	7.3	5.8	7.9	6.2	5.9
NKNOWN	13.8	40.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
OTAL	701.9	542.7	3,040.7	3,426.7	3,118.0	3,707.7	3,681.4

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Table 8--U.S., Thailand, and Vietnam price quotes

Month or	Southern	Southern	California		Thailar	nd 5/		Vietnam 7/
market	long-grain	long-grain	medium-grain	100%	5%	15%	A.1 6/	5%
year 1/	milled 2/	rough 3/	milled 4/	Grade B	Parboiled	Brokens	Super	Brokens
				\$ / 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
Aug. 2010 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	639 625	389 394	661 661	536 519	546 538	489 459	492 462	369 389
July 2013								
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	577 557	380 365	992 966	405 421	416 429	372 NQ	321	406 431
July 2014							333	
2013/14	588	380	816	428	441	386	349	399
Aug. 2014 8/ Sep. 2014 9/	553 546	329 325	940 915	447 445	441 435	NQ NQ	339 333	454 448
2014/15 9/	550	327	928	446	438	N/Q	336	451

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

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 $<sup>5/\,\</sup>text{Nominal price quotes, long-grain, sacked, free on board vessel, Bangkok, Thailand.}$ 

<sup>6/100-</sup>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, Creed Rice Market Report; Thailand prices, Weekly Rice Price Update, U.S.

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

			2013/				2014/		
ountry	2012/13	August 2014	September 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes	August 2014	September 2014	Monthly revisions	Annual changes
				1,0	000 metric tons				
fghanistan	460	510	510	0	50	520	520	0	10
rgentina	1,014	1,027	1,027	0	13	1,014	1,014	0	-13
ustralia	836	594	600	6	-236	504	648	144	48
angladesh	33,820	34,390	34,390	0	570	34,600	34,600	0	210
razil	8,037	8,300	8,300	0	263	8,350	8,350	0	50
urma	11,715	11,957	11,957	0	242	12,150	12,150	0	193
ambodia	4,670	4,725	4,725	0	55	4,900	4,900	0	175
hina	143,000	142,530	142,530	0	-470	144,000	144,000	0	1,470
olombia	1,307	1,310	1,310	0	3	1,300	1,300	0	-10
ote d'Ivoire	471	520	520	0	49	520	520	0	0
uba	417	423	423	0	6	430	440	10	17
ominican Republic	492	536	536	0	44	542	542	0	6
cuador	775	790	790	0	15	800	800	0	10
gypt	4,675	4,880	4,880	0	205	4,900	4,900	0	20
uropean Union	2,100	1,944	1,944	0	-156	1,972	1,953	-19	9
Shana	289	352	352	0	63	330	330	0	-22
Suinea	1,267	1,350	1,350	0	83	1,452	1,452	0	102
Suyana	422	532	536	4	114	536	570	34	34
ndia	105,240	106,290	106,540	250	1.300	103,000	103,000	0	-3.540
ndonesia	36,550	36,000	36,000	0	-550	37,000	37,000	0	1,000
an	1,535	1,650	1,650	0	115	1,683	1,683	0	33
apan	7,756	7,832	7,832	0	76	7,700	7,700	0	-132
orea, North	1,740	1,880	1,880	0	140	1,800	1,700	-100	-180
orea, South	4,006	4,230	4,230	0	224	4,150	4,050	-100	-180
aos	1,655	1,465	1,465	0	-190	1,550	1,550	0	85
iberia	188	1,403	150	0	-38	189	189	0	39
ladagascar	2,913	2,311	2,311	0	-602	2,880	2,880	0	569
falaysia	1,694	1,755	1,755	0	61	1,800	1,800	0	45
lali	1,250	1,290	1,290	0	40	1,350	1,350	0	60
lexico	131	1,290	1,290	0	0	1,330	1,350	0	-3
lozambique	222	228	228	0	6	228	228	0	-3
lepal	3,000	3,361	3,361	0	361	3,100	3,100	0	-261
ligeria	2,370	2,772	2,772	0	402	2,550	2.550	0	-222
ngena 'akistan	2,370 5,800	6,600	6,600	0	402 800	6,700	6,700	0	100
akistan 'eru	2,100	2,156	2,156	0	800 56	2,100	2,100	0	-56
eru hilippines	2,100 11,428	11,813	11,813	0	385	12,200	12,200	0	-56 387
tussia	684	608	608	0	-76	650	650	0	42
iussia ierra Leone	516	791	791	0	-76 275	693	693	0	-98
ri Lanka	2,675	2,840	2,840	0	275 165	2,800	2,800	0	-98 -40
aiwan				0	-77			0	-40 18
	1,190	1,113	1,113			1,131	1,131		
anzania boiland	1,189	1,221	1,221	0	32	1,254	1,254	0	33 40
hailand	20,200	20,460	20,460	0	260	20,500	20,500	0	
urkey	483	500	500	0	17	480	480		-20
lganda	138	147	147	0	9	150	150	0	3
nited States	6,336	6,115	6,115	0	-221	7,316	6,980	-336	865
Iruguay	952	910	910	0	-42	1,022	1,022	0	112
enezuela	385	385	385	0	0	380	380	0	-5
ietnam	27,537	28,000	28,000	0	463	28,200	28,200	0	200
Subtotal	467,630	471,674	471,934	260	4,304	473,504	473,137	-367	1,203
thers	4,084	4,127	4,127	0	43	3,845	3,845	0	-282
/orld total	471,714	475,801	476,061	260	4,347	477,349	476,982	-367	921

-- = 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 September 12, 2014.

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		August	September	Monthly	Annual	August	September	Monthly	Annual	
Country	2013	2014	2014	revisions	changes	2014	2014	revisions	changes	
				1,000 met	ric tons (milled	d basis)				
Argentina	526	600	600	0	74	600	600	0		
Australia	460	500	500	0	40	400	475	75	-2	
Brazil	830	950	950	0	120	800	800	0	-15	
Burma	1,163	1,300	1,300	0	137	1,300	1,300	0		
Cambodia	1,075	1,000	1,000	0	-75	1,200	1,200	0	20	
China	447	300	300	0	-147	350	350	0	50	
Ecuador	50	50	50	0	0	50	50	0	(	
Egypt	700	800	800	0	100	875	875	0	7	
European Union	203	200	200	0	-3	190	190	0	-10	
Guinea	80	100	100	0	20	100	100	0	(	
Guyana	277	400	450	50	173	400	450	50		
India	10,480	10,000	10,000	0	-480	8,700	8,700	0	-1,30	
Japan	200	200	200	0	0	200	200	0		
Kazakhstan	50	40	40	0	-10	40	40	0		
Pakistan	4,126	3,900	3,900	0	-226	3,900	3,900	0		
Paraguay	365	250	250	0	-115	260	260	0	10	
Peru	50	70	70	0	20	70	70	0		
Russia	140	140	140	0	0	140	140	0	(	
Turkey	8	20	20	0	12	30	30	0	10	
Uganda	70	40	40	0	-30	40	40	0		
United States	3,293	3,150	3,100	-50	-193	3,500	3,400	-100	30	
Uruguay	939	900	900	0	-39	950	950	0	5	
Vennezuela	150	125	125	0	-25	150	150	0	2	
Vietnam	6,700	6,500	6,500	0	-200	6,700	6,700	0	20	
Subtotal	32,382	31,535	31,535	0	-847	30,945	30,970	25	-56	
Other	6,981	9,214	9,714	500	2,732	10,215	10,215	0	501	
World total	39,363	40,749	41,249	500	1,886	41,160	41,185	25	-6	
U.S. Share	8.4%	7.7%	7.5%			8.5%	8.3%	-		

<sup>-</sup> Not available. Note: All trade data are reported on a calendar-year basis.

1/ Projected.

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

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 ${\it Table 11--Global\ rice\ importers; calendar\ year\ imports, monthly\ revisions, and\ annual\ changes}$ 

				4 1/			2015		
		August	September	Monthly	Annual	August	September	Monthly	Annual
Country	2013	2014	2014	revisions	changes	2014	2014	revisions	changes
				1,000	tons (milled bas	is)			
Afghanistan	190	160	160	0	-30	170	170	0	1
Australia	148	150	150	0	2	150	150	0	
Bangladesh	114	700	700	0	586	500	500	0	-20
Brazil	712	700	700	0	-12	700	700	0	
Cameroon	550	525	525	0	-25	525	525	0	
Canada	355	350	350	0	-5	350	350	0	
China	3,483	3,500	3,500	0	17	3,700	3,700	0	20
Colombia	250	325	325	0	75	350	350	0	2
Costa Rica	93	100	100	0	7	100	100	0	
Cote d'Ivoire	940	1,150	1,150	0	210	1,200	1,200	0	5
Cuba	413	450	450	0	37	450	450	0	
Egypt	19	25	25	0	6	60	60	0	3
European Union	1,375	1.350	1,350	0	-25	1,400	1.400	0	5
Ghana	725	600	600	0	-125	620	620	0	2
Guinea	360	340	340	0	-20	340	340	0	_
Haiti	416	415	415	0	-1	410	410	0	
Honduras	90	115	115	0	25	110	110	0	
Hong Kong	419	420	420	0	1	425	425	0	-
Indonesia	650	1,400	1,400	0	750	1,000	1,000	0	-40
ran	2,220	1,650	1,650	0	-570	1,700	1,700	0	-40
		1,400		0				0	5
raq	1,294		1,400		106	1,450	1,450		-
Japan 	690	700	700	0	10	700	700	0	
Jordan	190	200	200	0	10	200	200	0	
Korea, North	50	50	50	0	0	60	60	0	1
Korea, South	580	445	445	0	-135	450	450	0	
Liberia	310	300	300	0	-10	300	300	0	
Libya	300	300	300	0	0	310	310	0	1
Malaysia	890	1,100	1,100	0	210	1,100	1,100	0	
Mexico	746	750	750	0	4	775	775	0	2
Mozambique	500	500	500	0	0	520	520	0	2
Nicaragua	82	65	65	0	-17	70	70	0	
Niger	280	300	300	0	20	310	310	0	1
Nigeria	2,400	3,000	3,000	0	600	3,500	3,500	0	50
Philippines	1,000	1,450	1,450	0	450	1,600	1,600	0	15
Russia	240	250	250	0	10	250	250	0	
Saudi Arabia	1,326	1,325	1,325	0	-1	1,325	1,325	0	
Senegal	1,075	1,100	1,100	0	25	1,100	1,100	0	
Sierra Leone	255	200	200	0	-55	220	220	0	2
Singapore	293	300	300	0	7	300	300	0	
South Africa	990	1,000	1,000	0	10	1,100	1,100	0	10
Syria	120	200	200	0	80	225	225	0	2
Taiwan	110	135	135	0	25	125	125	0	-1
Thailand	600	300	300	0	-300	300	300	0	
Turkey	234	330	330	0	96	300	300	0	-3
United Arab Emirates	440	450	450	0	10	460	460	0	1
United States	675	730	730	0	55	670	670	0	-6
Venezuela	359	410	410	0	51	425	425	0	1
vietnam	100	300	300	0	200	400	400	0	10
Yemen	432	450	450	0	18	450	450	0	10
Subtotal	30,083	32,465	32,465	0	2,382	33,255	33,255	0	79
Other countries 2/	9,280	8,284	8,784	500	-496	7,905	7,930	25	-85
	-,	-,-0	-,,.	200		.,500	.,	20	
Norld total	39,363	40,749	41,249	500	1,886	41,160	41,185	25	-6

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

— Not awailable. 1/ Projected. 2/ Includes unaccounted imports (imports not assigned a particular market).

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