

Table 1336. Wheat, Rice, and Corn—Exports and Imports of Leading Countries: 2000 to 2008

[In thousands of metric tons (28,027 represents 28,027,000). Wheat data are for trade year beginning in July of year shown; rice data are for calendar year; corn data are for trade year beginning in October of year shown. Countries listed are the ten leading exporters or importers in 2008]

Leading exporters	Exports			Leading importers	Imports		
	2000	2005	2008 ¹		2000	2005	2008 ¹
WHEAT				WHEAT			
United States	28,027	27,424	26,500	Egypt	6,050	7,771	7,800
EU ²	15,675	15,694	19,500	Iran	6,245	1,105	7,000
Canada	17,351	15,631	19,000	Brazil	7,453	5,823	6,000
Russia	696	10,664	16,000	EU ²	3,536	6,758	6,000
Australia	16,682	15,213	13,500	Algeria	5,600	5,469	5,600
Ukraine	78	6,461	10,000	Japan	5,885	5,469	5,500
Argentina	11,396	8,301	5,800	Indonesia	4,069	4,981	5,300
Kazakhstan	3,972	3,817	5,200	South Korea	3,127	3,884	4,100
Pakistan	253	600	2,400	Iraq	3,200	4,878	3,700
Turkey	1,601	2,900	1,800	Mexico	3,066	3,549	3,600
RICE				RICE			
Thailand	7,521	7,376	9,000	Philippines	1,175	1,791	2,000
Vietnam	3,528	4,705	5,200	Nigeria	1,906	1,600	1,700
Pakistan	2,417	3,579	4,000	Iran	765	1,251	1,400
United States	2,541	3,307	3,100	Saudi Arabia	1,053	958	1,370
India	1,936	4,537	2,500	EU ²	1,295	1,083	1,200
China ³	1,847	1,216	1,300	Bangladesh	401	531	1,000
Egypt	705	958	800	Iraq	959	1,306	1,000
Uruguay	806	812	800	Malaysia	633	886	830
Argentina	368	487	500	Cote d'Ivoire	654	750	800
Burma	670	47	500	Indonesia	1,500	539	800
CORN				CORN			
United States	48,329	56,084	44,000	Japan	16,340	16,617	16,500
Brazil	3,741	2,826	10,000	Mexico	6,017	6,787	7,500
Argentina	12,229	10,707	7,000	South Korea	8,728	8,488	6,500
Ukraine	397	2,464	4,000	Egypt	5,268	4,397	4,000
South Africa	1,415	1,406	2,500	Taiwan ³	4,924	4,533	3,500
EU ²	585	449	2,000	Colombia	1,857	3,151	2,800
Paraguay	386	1,314	1,000	Iran	1,265	2,300	2,500
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	6	1,274	1,000	EU ²	3,689	2,634	2,000
Russia	1	53	600	Malaysia	2,588	2,517	2,000
Canada	127	239	500	Algeria	1,500	2,061	1,900

¹ Estimates. ² European Union (EU) has been updated to EU-27 for 1999–2008, but 1995–98 remains EU-15 data. EU15: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and United Kingdom. EU-25 added: Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Slovenia, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Cyprus, and Malta. EU-27 added: Romania, Bulgaria. ³ See footnote 4, Table 1296. ⁴ As of June 2006, Serbia and Montenegro are separate countries.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, unpublished data from the PS&D (Production, Supply, and Distribution) database.