

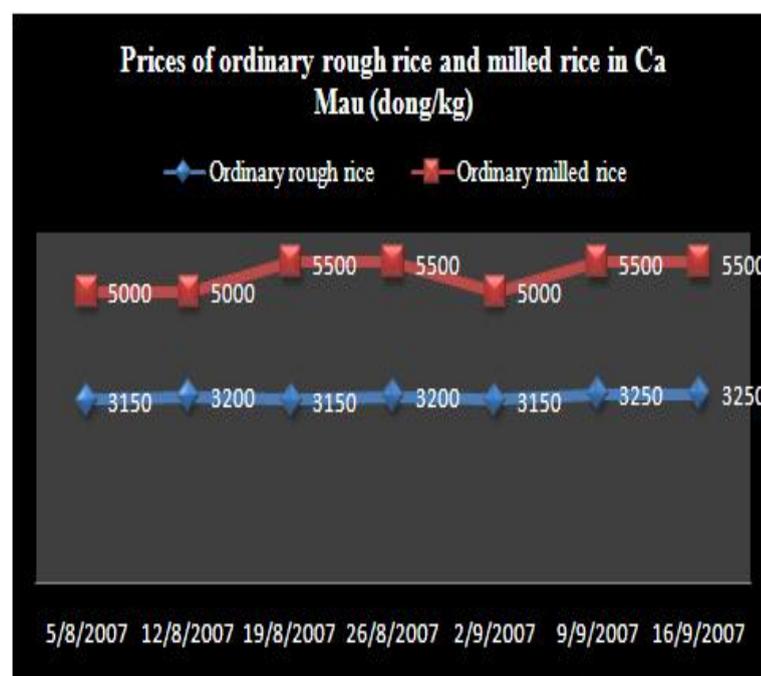


1. Can Tho: Recommending the farmers to reduce the use for rice varieties infested easily by brown backed rice plant hopper
2. Unfavorable weather conditions cause the pestilent insect on a large area
3. Not to guide the temporary stop for rice export in the months of the 2007 year end
4. Indonesia increase the rice import tax

Vietnam's rice market

Production

Although this year Dong Thap province only seeded 446,713 hectares rice, a decrease of 7,264 hectares compared with 2006, the rice production of the whole year still blooms and reaches 2.55 million tons, an increase of 140,000 tons compared to plan and about 154,000 tons compared to 2006. The high quality rice area of the winter - spring and summer-autumn crop to serve export reached over 239,000 hectare, occupied about 60% total seeded area, raising annual average yield to 57.4 quintal per hectare, the highest yield average level up to now. Having this great victory it thanks to the good control for epidemic diseases, the right obeying on effect and pro-

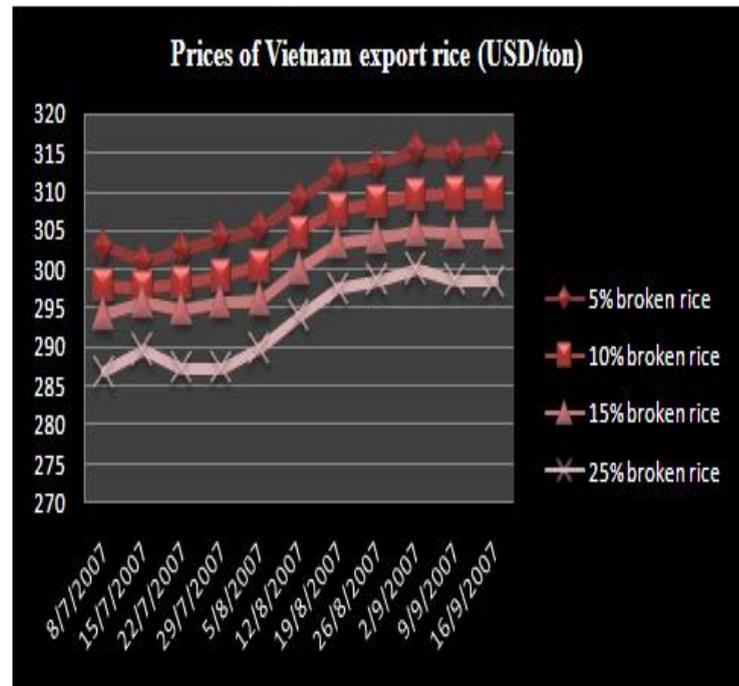


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gress production process such as model of one right 5 decreases, community model participating in controlling brown backed rice plant hopper and rice grassy stunt virus

Recently, Can Tho agriculture industry has recommended the farmers to deduce the use of high quality rice varieties infested heavy by brown backed rice plant hopper like OM 1490, OM 3536, and Jasmine 85. The provincial agriculture industry encourage the farmers to maintain and develop the varieties that resist brown backed rice plant hopper from the average level and over like VND 95 - 20, IR 64, AS 996, OMCS 2000, OM 4495, OM 4498. At the same time, they also encourage the farmers to revigorate the high quality local rice varieties and good brown backed rice plant hopper resistance, to increase the confirmed varieties in order to limit maximum the insects. In addition, the provincial agriculture industry coordinates with the trade industry to campaign the enterprises to resolve the product output so that the farmers keep one's mind on transferring the rice production framework. Firstly decrease the autumn - winter crop area; simultaneously continue to apply the technique progress such as IPM, 3 decrease 3 increase.

This summer-autumn crop, Thua Thien Hue province seeded 24,114 hectares rice, an increase of 131 hectares compared to plan, the confirmed varieties using rate was over 90%, of this the high quality rice reached over 5,000 hectares that occupy over 20% seeded area, focusing in the Delta. As a result, the estimated rice yield in these localities was about 0.5 ton per hectare, a 0.3 ton per hectare increase compared to last winter crop. Up to now, Thua



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Thien Hue province has harvested over 84% seeded summer-autumn area. It is forecast up to 20 September 2007, total remained rice area will be harvested.

Exports and Prices

During the week, the rice prices in the domestic market were still stable. In Ca Mau, the prices of ordinary milled rice were popular at 5,500 dong/kg, the prices of ordinary rough rice were 3,200 dong/kg. In Bac Ninh, the ordinary rough rice was priced 3,700 dong/kg, the ordinary milled rice was 5,400 dong/kg, unchanged compared to last week.

Before weak rice demand in the world and Asia market, last week, the export rice prices of Vietnam decreased slightly compared to last week. At present, Vietnam's export rice was pri-

ced in turn 315.7 USD/ton with 5% broken rice, FOB Sai Gon port, 309.67 USD/ton 10% broken rice and 304.67 USD/ton 15% broken rice, a 0.03 USD/ton decrease compared to the previous week.

Within the week, in Sai Gon port, there were 8 vessel waiting for transporting total 87,500 tons of rice to Cuba, Africa and Philippine. The previous week, 6 vessels left port to transported 24,825 tons of 25% broken rice to Philippine, 2 vessels transported 19,300 tons of 5% broken rice to Africa, one vessel transported 21,555 tons of rice to Iraq and one other vessel transported 7,200 tons of rice to Malaysia.

Policy

Around information on rice export situation in 2007, website of Ministry of agriculture and rural development (MARD) recently informed that this Ministry has not any document that guide to stop rice export in the months of the 2007 year-end. In the meeting of 24 August 2007 on managing rice export in the months of year- end, MARD was unanimous with the Ministry of Industry and Trade to ask Vietnam Food Association for guiding the enterprises to implement seriously the export operating measures for 6 months of the year - end.

About monthly export rice quantity for remain-

ed months of 2007, the chairman of Vietnam Food Association implement on right guiding of Prime Minister in order to ensure effect export and not to have fluctuation of price in the domestic market.

Weather

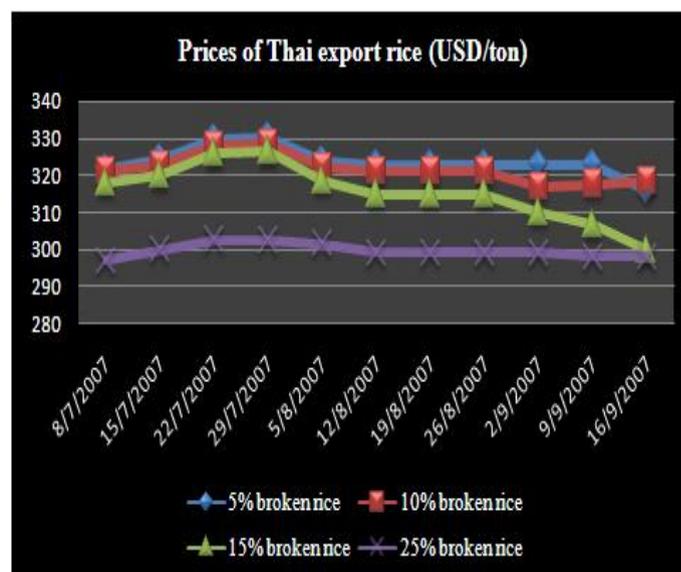
Unfavorable weather during two past weeks was the good condition so that the rice harm pestilent insect developed. In Lao Cai, about 1,000 hectares of winter rice were infested with pestilent insect and were liable to spread out on a large scale of this, rice blast disease, sheet gold disease and sheet wrap disease are common with the density from 25 to 40 insects per m², even the hundreds of insects per m² in some areas. In Bac Kan, the pestilent insects appeared and spread out on a large scale with the density of 40 insects per m², the infested sheet rate of 20% to 30%, mostly in the early winter rice area. Along with sheet wrap disease spread, brown backed rice plant hopper and white backed plant hopper also appeared with the density of 1800 insects/m². Coping with this situation, Provincial flora protect department has approved the farmer guiding text to use the pesticide on right type at the same time appointing the professional cadre to guide the farmer to spray chemical in order to limit the spread and eliminate the pestilent insect in the middle of September.

World rice market

During the week, the rice prices in the Asia market were stable, the transaction activities happened quietly because of high transport cost and lack of vessels. However, Thai rice consumption demand increased because of absence of Vietnam rice in the market after rice export stop direction of Vietnam. At present, Thai rice was priced 316 USD/ton 5% broken rice, FOB Bangkok, 318.5 USD/ton 10% broken rice, an increase of 1 USD/ton compared to the previous week, and 300 USD/ton 15% broken rice, a decrease of 6 USD/ton compared to the past week. It is forecast that Thai rice will keep at this level for the next days because the value of Baht increases back compared to USD.

The Thailand Trade Ministry informed this Nation has bought 102,637 tons of white rice to Korea on 7 September 2007. This is one part of annual rice export intensifying strategy of this Nation. It is forecast Thailand will also supply 245,000 tons of rice to Philippine based on asked price of 7 September.

Recently, Indonesia government has raised the rice import tax from 450,000 Rupiah to 550,000 Rupiah (61 USD)/ton to keep the stability of rice



Source: www.agro.gov.vn

price in the domestic market. This new tax level will be effect after Nation Logistic Department (Bulog) finishes the rice import plan this year. Indonesia government announces to maintain the rice reserve at level of 1.5-2 million tons. From January to 21 August, Bulog has bought total 1.59 million tons of rice from their farmers. The target of Bulog this year is to buy 1.62 million tons of rice and import 775,000 tons.

Data

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Bac Lieu (VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)							
Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	12/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	12/08/2007	2900	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3000	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3100	VND/kg

Export prices of Vietnam and Thailand rice (USD/ton- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Vietnam			Thailand		
	2/9-9/9/07	9/9-16/9/07	Changes	2/9-9/9/07	9/9-16/9/07	Changes
5% Broken rice	315	315.7	0.7	316	318	-2
10 % Broken rice	309.7	309.67	-0.03	317.75	318.5	0.75
15% Broken rice	304.7	304.67	-0.03	306	300	-6
25% Broken rice	298.5	298.33	-0.17	298	298	0

Domestic prices of selected rice in An Giang (VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Dry sticky paddy (opaque)	6/09/2007	3650	VND/kg	Ordinary milled rice	6/09/2007	5100	VND/kg
Dry sticky paddy (opaque)	7/09/2007	3650	VND/kg	Ordinary milled rice	7/09/2007	5350	VND/kg
Dry sticky paddy (opaque)	10/09/2007	3650	VND/kg	Ordinary milled rice	10/09/2007	5350	VND/kg
Dry sticky paddy (opaque)	11/09/2007	3700	VND/kg	Ordinary milled rice	11/09/2007	5350	VND/kg
Dry sticky paddy (opaque)	12/09/2007	3700	VND/kg	Ordinary milled rice	12/09/2007	5350	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Ba Ria - Vung Tau (VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	6000	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	6000	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	6000	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3500	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Bac Ninh
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3600	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3700	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Bien Hoa
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3300	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3300	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3300	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Binh Duong
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3650	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	9/09/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	9/09/2007	3650	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	16/09/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	16/09/2007	3650	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Can Tho
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3200	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Lang Son
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	6500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3900	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	6500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3850	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	6500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3800	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Ha Noi
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	2900	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3100	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5300	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3100	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Hai Phong
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3700	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3700	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3500	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Long Xuyen
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5100	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3200	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in My Tho
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5050	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5050	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5050	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3200	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Nam Dinh
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3600	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5300	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3600	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Nghe An
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5220	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5220	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3300	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5400	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3300	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Nha Trang
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5300	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3100	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5300	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3200	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5300	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3200	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Ca Mau
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5000	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3150	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	9/09/2007	5500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	9/09/2007	3250	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	16/09/2007	5500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	16/09/2007	3250	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Da Nang
(VND/kg-Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	5500	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3500	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	5200	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3500	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Quang Ninh
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	4800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3000	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	4800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3000	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	4800	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3000	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice and ordinary rough rice in Thai Binh
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit	Commodity	Day	Prices	Unit
Ordinary milled rice	19/08/2007	4750	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	19/08/2007	3100	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	26/08/2007	4900	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	26/08/2007	3300	VND/kg
Ordinary milled rice	2/09/2007	4900	VND/kg	Ordinary rough rice	2/09/2007	3300	VND/kg

Retail prices of ordinary milled rice in some markets
(VND/kg- Source: www.agro.gov.vn)

Market	Day	Prices	Unit
Tp.HCM	19/08/2007	5500	VND/kg
Tp.HCM	26/08/2007	5500	VND/kg
Tp.HCM	2/09/2007	5500	VND/kg
Tiền Giang	26/08/2007	4600	VND/kg
Tiền Giang	2/09/2007	4650	VND/kg
Tiền Giang	9/09/2007	4650	VND/kg
Lâm Đồng	26/08/2007	5200	VND/kg
Lâm Đồng	2/09/2007	5200	VND/kg
Lâm Đồng	9/09/2007	5200	VND/kg

Exchange rate USD/VND
Source: Vietcombank

Currency unit	Exchange rate
USD	16.244
USD	16.247
USD	16.245
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USD	16.143

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