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Report Highlights:

Thai export rice prices experienced downward pressure and then slightly recovered after Songkran holidays, reflecting tariff changes and adjustments in the global rice market.

The Thailand Rice Price Report will shift from weekly to monthly reporting effective 2025. The dates for the 2025 Grain and Feed Monthly reports are: January 28, March 4, April 1, April 29, June 3, July 1, August 5, August 28, September 30, November 4, and November 28. Please direct questions to AgBangkok@usda.gov.

Market Tone

Table 1: Average Export Prices (FOB) for Various Grades of Thai Rice (\$/metric ton (MT)),

Grade	Mar 25	Apr 1	Apr 8	Apr 15	Apr 22
F WR 100 B	966	967	946	956	982
WR 100 B	416	413	403	409	415
PB 100%	414	411	397	401	406
PB 5%	410	407	393	397	402
WR 5%	397	395	386	391	397
WR 10%	399	396	390	392	399
WR 15%	389	386	380	382	390
WR 25%	390	387	382	382	386
Exchange rate \$1 =	33.83	33.87	34.47	34.47	33.02

Sources: Average actual prices as shared by exporters, Exchange rate: Bangkok of Thailand

Since March 25, 2025, **all grades of Thai rice** prices have faced downward pressure, before slightly recovering on April 22, 2025. The downward pressure on prices is attributed to a slowdown in new inquiries for Thai rice and contract cancellations due to lower current prices compared to previously agreed-upon rates, as well as large inventories of rice paddy held by rice millers, especially white and parboiled rice, due to lower-than-expected sales in both domestic and international markets. Meanwhile Hom Mali rice prices have remained high due to strong demand from the United States, contrary to the earlier expectation that prices would drop after the Songkran holidays.

Thai rice exporters are reportedly closely monitoring tariff policy, as exports to the U.S. are now subject to a 10 percent tariff, up from the previous zero percent. The postponement of the 36 percent tariff on Thai exports to the United States for 90 days has led to an increase in orders for Thai rice, especially Hom Mali rice, to stockpile.

Domestic prices of white rice were under downward pressure and bounced back after the Songkran holidays. This decline is due to the entry of MY 2024/25 off-season paddy rice into the market. These prices are 35-38 percent lower compared to the same period last year.

Rice Export Update

Table 2: Weekly Rice Exports (Excluding Hom Mali Fragrant Rice)

Week Ending	Quantity	4-WK AVG	Year to Date	Same period 1 Year Ago	% Change from Last Year
	(MT)	(MT)	(TMT)	(TMT)	(%)
Feb 2, 2025	94,800	116,433	517	815	-36.6
Feb 9, 2025	89,068	115,104	606	1,004	-39.6
Feb 16, 2025	92,661	101,694	698	1,156	-39.6
Feb 23, 2025	108,584	96,278	807	1,299	-37.9
Mar 2, 2025	118,558	102,218	926	1,451	-36.2
Mar 9, 2025	111,729	107,883	1,037	1,602	-35.3
Mar 16, 2025	131,041	117,478	1,168	1,744	-33.0
Mar 23, 2025	118,825	120,038	1,287	1,931	-33.4
Mar 30, 2025	151,059	128,163	1,413	2,118	-33.3
Apr 6, 2025	130,754	132,920	1,569	2,292	-31.5

Note on data: Export figures since March 22, 2002, do not include fragrant rice. In addition, between May 1, 2013, and December 18, 2016, the Ministry of Commerce's Office of Commodity Standards took over reporting authority for rice exports and at that time the export data did not include 25% -100% grade white rice exports. Prior to May 1, 2013, and since December 18, 2016, the Thai Board of Trade has reported rice export data, which includes 25%-100% grade white rice. The reader should bear in mind these differences when comparing historical data with current data.

- TMT stands for thousand MT

Source: Board of Trade of Thailand

End of Report.

Attachments:

No Attachments