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## Vietnam

### Grain and Feed

## Rice Lock-up Report - Monthly 2007

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**Report Highlights:**

Vietnam 2007 rice production revised down slightly. Post also revised export forecast down to 4.7 million metric tons in 2007. PS&D included.

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## Statistics Tables

Vietnam's Production, Supply and Demand for rice

Country Vietnam									
Commodity Rice, Milled		(1000 HA)(1000 MT)(MT/HA)							
	2005 Revised			2006 Estimate			2007 Forecast		
	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New	USDA Official	Post Estimate	Post Estimate New
Market Year Begin		01/2006	01/2006		01/2007	01/2007		01/2008	01/2008
Area Harvested	7314	7314	7314	7290	7290	7385	7350	7350	7350
Beginning Stocks	1292	1150	1292	1317	1317	1317	1167	1301	1269
Milled Production	22772	22772	22772	22900	23034	22702	22994	22994	22994
Rough Production	34503	34503	34503	34697	34900	34397	34839	34839	34839
Milling Rate (.9999)	6600	6600	6600	6600	6600	6600	6600	6600	6600
MY Imports	350	350	350	300	450	450	450	450	450
TY Imports	350	350	350	300	450	450	450	450	450
TY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply	24414	24272	24414	24517	24801	24469	24611	24745	24713
MY Exports	4705	4705	4705	5000	5000	4700	4800	4800	4700
TY Exports	4705	4705	4705	5000	5000	4700	4800	4800	4700
Total Consumption	18392	18250	18392	18350	18500	18500	18750	18750	18750
Ending Stocks	1317	1317	1317	1167	1301	1269	1061	1195	1263
Total Distribution	24414	24272	24414	24517	24801	24469	24611	24745	24713
Yield (Rough)	4.71739	4.71739	4.71739	4.75953	4.78738	4.65768	4.74	4.74	4.74

## Vietnam's Rough Rice Area, Yield and Production (Revised June, 2007)

Marketing Year	2005 Revised		2006 Estimate		2007 Forecast	
Harvested Area (tha)	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Lua Mua (10 <sup>th</sup> Month)	2,070	2,020	2,025	2,025		2,010
Winter-Spring	2,980	2,993	2,970	2,985		2,995
Summer-Autumn	2,380	2,301	2,295	2,375		2,345
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,430</b>	<b>7,314</b>	<b>7,290</b>	<b>7,385</b>		<b>7,350</b>
<b>Yield (mt/ha)</b>						
Lua Mua (10 <sup>th</sup> Month)	3.73	4.14	4.13	4.13		4.16
Winter-Spring	5.75	5.62	5.76	5.46		5.63
Summer-Autumn	4.17	4.05	4.10	4.10		4.11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4.68</b>	<b>4.72</b>	<b>4.79</b>	<b>4.66</b>		<b>4.74</b>
<b>Production (tmt)</b>						
Lua Mua (10 <sup>th</sup> Month)	7,721	8,354	8,370	8,370		8,360
Winter-Spring	17,135	16,819	17,119	16,289		16,850
Summer-Autumn	9,918	9,330	9,411	9,738		9,629
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34,774</b>	<b>34,503</b>	<b>34,900</b>	<b>34,397</b>		<b>34,839</b>

Source: MARD, Post's estimation

## Production Update

### Winter-Spring Crop

According to the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD), As of June 15, 2007, the northern provinces has been harvesting more than 1,060 thousand hectares of Winter-Spring (W-S) crop, equal to 92.6% of the planting area. The average yield for northern provinces is only at 5.44 mt/ha, 0.48 mt/ha down compared with last year. This unexpected result was caused of short of rainfall on large scale, and, in some of many provinces, farmers used the hybrid seeds for their second crop, this made the yield go down substantially due to the falling of the seed hybrid vigor.

The harvest of W-S crop has been finished in Southern provinces. The actual average yield is calculated at 5.88 mt/ha, up as slightly as 0.04 mt/ha compared with the last W-S crop.

Overall, the total W-S area is revised at 2,985 thousand hectares with 0.16 mt/ha lower for the average yield than last year.

### Summer-Autumn Crop

By mid of June, the planting area for Summer-Autumn (S-A) crop has been reaching nearly 1,900 thousand hectares, reported as 80% of planning. S-A crop is mainly grown in southern provinces, only around 150 hectares of S-A crop is grown yearly in North Central Coast area. The harvest of early S-A crop in Mekong River Delta has just been only around 100 thousand

hectares, only 50% compared with last year's same period, because the plantings was started late.

Post forecast the total S-A harvest area will reach the record high of 2,375 thousand hectares in favor of the good paddy price and farmers will focus on planting more acreage in late S-A crop or some time called Autumn-Winter.

#### Lua Mua

Northern provinces have just been planting Lua Mua. Unlike S-A crop, Lua Mua is traditional and mainly grown in the north, where accounts for around 60% of total area. The total area for Lua Mua, However, is gradually trimmed yearly due to its low yield and time consumed cultivation (more than 6 months).

#### Vietnam 2007 rice production revised down

In total, Vietnam 2007 rice production revised down slightly. About 100 thousand metric tons of paddy or 70 thousand metric tons of milled rice is less in 2007 compared with 2006's.

#### Export forecast revised down

With the current Vietnam rice production situation, post revised our export forecast down to 4.7 million metric tons in 2007.

As of end June 2007, the total export commitments has already reached approximately 4.2 million. However, only 50% of total deals were shipped. The outstanding shipments are quite a few due to rocket high rise in freight cost and short of chartered vessels.

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