

News

European Commission and Viet Nam welcome the signature of the Free Trade Agreement (Source: European Commission)

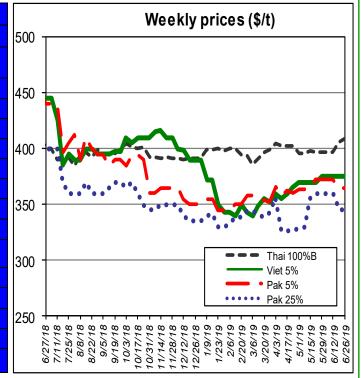
The European Commission (EC) and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam welcome the signature of the Free Trade Agreement and the Investment Protection Agreement on Sunday, 30 June 2019 in Hanoi. Following the signatures, the agreements will now be presented on the Vietnamese side to the National Assembly for ratification and on the EU side to the European Parliament for its consent, as well as to the respective national parliaments of the EU Member States in the case of the Investment Protection Agreement. We hope for a swift ratification of the agreements by these legislative bodies in the coming months, in order to allow our businesses, workers, farmers and consumers to reap their benefits as soon as possible.

What's in the historic EU-Mercosur free-trade deal? (Source: www.euronews.com)

After two decades of negotiations, the EU and South American bloc Mercosur announced they reached a "historic" agreement concerning a free-trade treaty. For Mercosur, the EU is the first major partner with which it has struck a trade pact, potentially giving EU firms a head start. The European Union is already Mercosur's biggest trade and investment partner and its second largest for goods trade. In terms of tariff reduction, it could be the EU's most lucrative trade deal to date, with some 4 billion euros of duties saved on its exports, four times more than its deal with Japan. Europe will win sharp tariff reductions on goods such as cars and wine and the bloc has its eye on increasing access for its companies making industrial products. Copa-Cogeca, a union representing farmers at an EU level, slammed the deal on Twitter. "The imports of #Mercosur 's agricultural goods will de facto establish double standards and unfair competition for some

key European production sectors, putting their viability at stake" the union said. International Markets

| Milled rice international FOB quotes | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Exchange rate 1 € = 1.1362 | | | | | | | |
| Asian Markets | \$/t | €/t | | | | | |
| Thai 100%B | 409 | 360 | | | | | |
| Vietnam 5% | 375 | 330 | | | | | |
| India 5% | 375 | 330 | | | | | |
| Pakistan 5% | 365 | 321 | | | | | |
| Pakistan 25% | 345 | 304 | | | | | |
| Cambodia 5% | 420 | 370 | | | | | |
| Myanmar 5% | 350 | 308 | | | | | |
| India Basmati trad. | N.A. | N.A. | | | | | |
| Other Markets | \$/t | €/t | | | | | |
| Uruguay 5% | 528 | 465 | | | | | |
| Argentina 5% | 523 | 460 | | | | | |
| Paraguay 5% | 493 | 434 | | | | | |
| USA LG 2/5% sacked | 515 | 453 | | | | | |
| California MG 1/4% Med | 825 | 726 | | | | | |



Rules and Calls for bids

Cambodia brings action against the safeguard clause (Source: O.J.E.U. of 24 June 2017 No C 213/57)

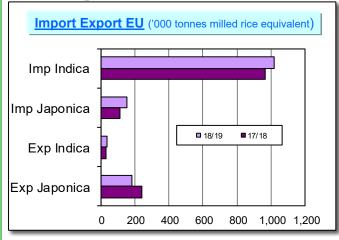
The Case T-248/19: Action brought on 12 April 2019 - Bilde v Parliament is published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Food Safety

Rapid Alert System (Source: EFSA)

No alert concerning rice.

European Market



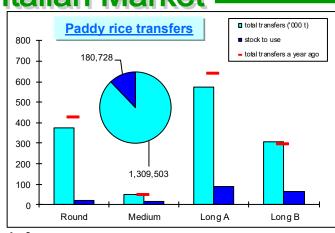
| Reg. EC n. 1273/11 - Quantities to be allocated for the July 2019 subperiod | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Order number | Origin Type of rice | | Tonnes | | | | |
| 09.4127 | U.S.A. | semi-milled and wholly milled | 28,935.513 | | | | |
| 09.4128 | THAILAND | semi-milled and wholly milled | 10,527.386 | | | | |
| 09.4129 | AUSTRALIA | semi-milled and wholly milled | 769.000 | | | | |
| 09.4148 | ALL COUNTRIES | husked rice | 1,634.000 | | | | |
| 09.4149 | THAILAND | broken rice | 51,583.376 | | | | |
| 09.4150 | AUSTRALIA | broken rice | 15,607.000 | | | | |
| 09.4152 | GUYANA | broken rice | 11,000.000 | | | | |
| 09.4153 | U.S.A. | broken rice | 8,880.000 | | | | |
| 09.4154 | OTHER ORIGINS | broken rice | 7,560.000 | | | | |
| 09.4166 | ALL COUNTRIES | semi-milled and wholly milled | 17,011.006 | | | | |

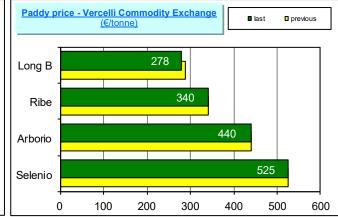
In focus

EU imports amount to 1,169,759 tonnes, in milled equivalent, 9% more than in the previous campaign. United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands are the three main importing countries, with 216,190 tonnes, 179,276 tonnes and 170,899 tonnes respectively. Brown rice Basmati imports, amounting to 324,032 tonnes, decreased by 52,667 tonnes (-14%).

EU exports decreased by 58,092 tonnes (-22%). Italy, with 107,191 tonnes, accounts for 51% of the total volume exported.

Italian Market



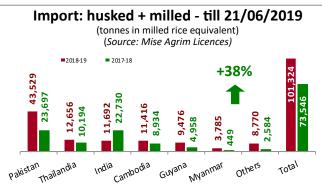


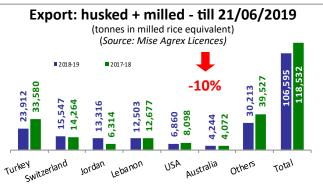
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In the last week paddy rice transfers by farmers reached 21,462 tonnes: 11,018 tonnes of long A grain, 6,065 tonnes of long B grain, 3,360 tonnes of round grain and 1,019 tonnes of medium grain. The total transfers, amounting to 1,309,503 tonnes and accounting for 88% of the total supply, decreased by 101,939 tonnes (-7%) compared to last campaign: long B grain increased by 11,350 tonnes and medium grain by 3,423 tonnes, whereas long A grain and round grain decreased by 68,031 tonnes and 48,681 tonnes, respectively. At Commodity Exchange in Vercelli, the paddy price decreased for Thaibonnet (-€10).

Italian imports amounting to 101,324 tonnes, in milled equivalent, increased by about 28,000 tonnes (+38%) compared to last year. Apart from India, whose volumes imported into Italy fell by half as a result of lower imports of Basmati rice, all other origins show increases. According to customs declarations imports increased by almost 43,000 tonnes (+56%) compared to last campaign, with increments for all processing stages.

Italian exports amount to 106,595 tonnes, in milled equivalent, about 12,000 tonnes (-10%) less than last year.





| Italian imports till 23/06/2019 - Customs declarations - Source: DG Agri (tonnes in milled rice equivalent) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|----------|--------|------------|----------|---------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|----------|---------|
| Campaing - | | Paddy | | Brown rice | | Semi-milled / Milled rice | | TOTAL | | | | |
| | Indica | Japonica | Total | Indica | Japonica | Total | Indica | Japonica | Total | Indica | Japonica | TOTAL |
| 2018/2019 | 19,235 | - | 19,235 | 46,927 | 2,764 | 49,691 | 46,403 | 4,233 | 50,636 | 112,565 | 6,997 | 119,562 |
| 2017/2018 | 4,837 | - | 4,837 | 35,746 | 345 | 36,091 | 33,761 | 1,903 | 35,664 | 74,344 | 2,248 | 76,592 |