



News

Results of rice area survey for 2021 (Source: Ente Nazionale Risi note)

966 rice producers responded to the Ente Nazionale Risi's area survey for 2021.

The replies represent around 26% of the hectares cultivated in 2020. Last year's survey was based on fewer replies (826) covering 23% of the previous year's area.

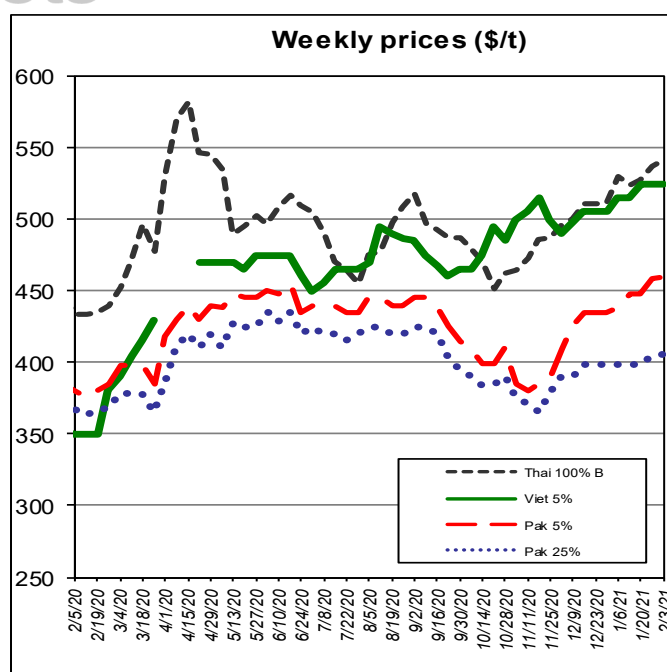
Overall, there was an increase of almost 2,000 hectares (+0.9%) compared to 2020 sowings, due to increases in the Long B (+5,825 hectares) and Medium/Long A (+4,910 hectares) types. On the other hand, the Round type decreased by 13% (-8,754 hectares).

[Click here to consult the situation in detail.](#)

Rice area survey for 2021				
Update 1 February 2021 on the basis of 966 replies corresponding to 26% of the surface				
TYPE	2021 area forecast (hectares)	2020 area (hectares)	Difference	
			Hectars	%
ROUND	58,700	67,454	-8,754	-12.98%
MEDIUM and LONG A	122,600	117,690	4,910	4.17%
LONG B	48,000	42,175	5,825	13.81%
TOTAL	229,300	227,319	1,981	0.87%

International Markets

Milled rice international FOB quotes		
Exchange rate 1 € = 1.2044 \$		
Asian Markets	\$/t	€/t
Thai 100%B	542	450
Vietnam 5%	525	436
India 5%	415	345
Pakistan 5%	460	382
Pakistan 25%	406	337
Myanmar 5%	460	382
India Basmati trad.	1,425	1,183
Other Markets	\$/t	€/t
Uruguay 5%	620	515
Argentina 5%	600	498
Paraguay 5%	560	465
USA LG 2/4% Fob Bulk Nola	610	506
California MG 1/4% Med	835	693



Food Safety

Rapid Alert System (Source: EFSA)

A border rejection was sent by Spain concerning aflatoxins (B1 = 3 µg/kg - ppb) in white rice from Pakistan.

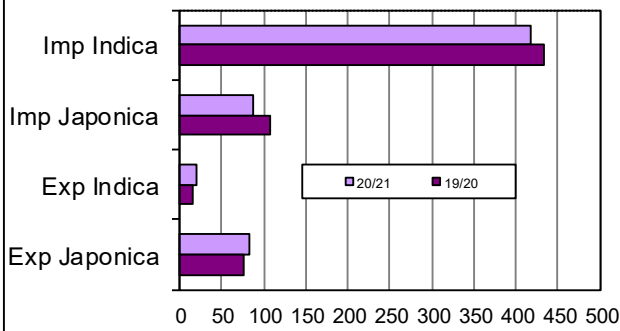
A border rejection was sent by Greece concerning aflatoxins (B1 = 3.1 µg/kg - ppb) in basmati rice from Pakistan.

An information for follow-up was sent by Ireland concerning rice from Italy infested with insects.

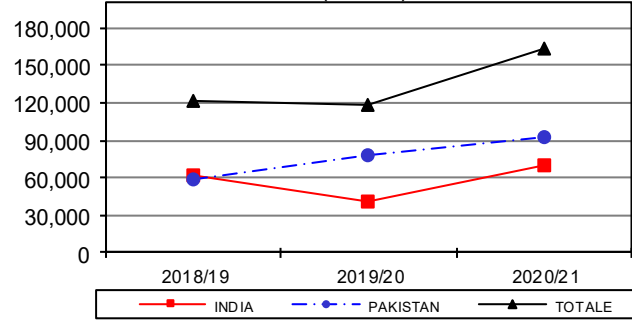
An alert was sent by Netherlands concerning ochratoxin A (11.2 µg/kg - ppb) in organic brown basmati rice from Pakistan.

European Market

Import Export EU ('000 tonnes milled rice equivalent)



Basmati husked rice imports (tonnes)



In focus

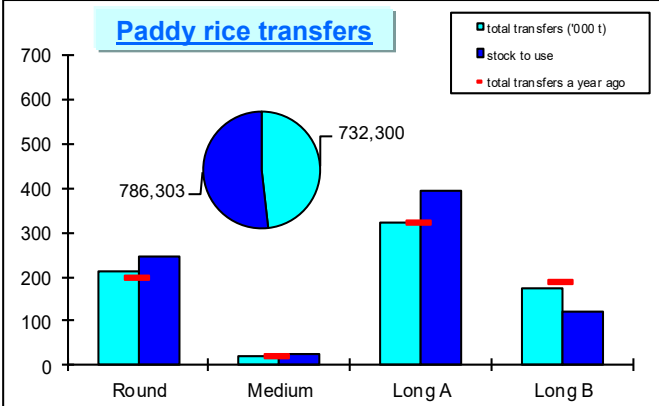
The volumes cleared through EU customs in the 2020/2021 campaign amount to 505,266 tonnes, in milled equivalent, 6% less than last year.

Paddy rice imports, amounting to 11,135 tonnes, increased by 73%, husked rice imports, amounting to 207,932 tonnes, decreased by 13%, whereas semi-milled and milled rice imports, amounting to 286,198 tonnes, decreased by 3%. Husked Basmati rice imports increased by 44,860 tonnes (+38%), from 118,288 tonnes a year ago to 163,147 tonnes today.

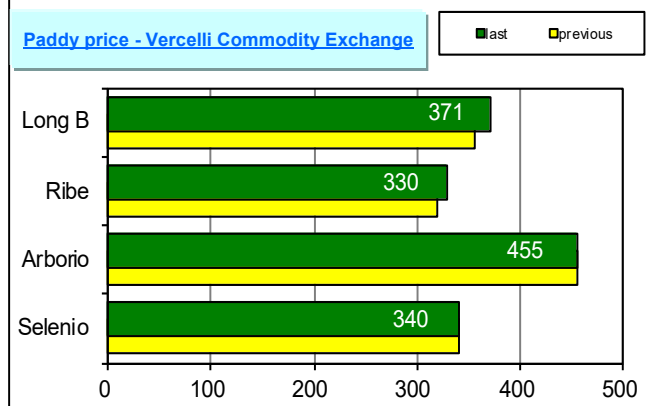
EU exports, amounting to 102,110 tonnes, in milled equivalent, increased by 9% compared to last campaign.

Italian Market

Paddy rice transfers



Paddy price - Vercelli Commodity Exchange



In focus

In the last week paddy rice transfers by farmers reached 32,527 tonnes: 13,746 tonnes of long A grain, 10,385 tonnes of round grain, 7,513 tonnes of long B grain and 883 tonnes of medium grain.

At Commodity Exchange in Vercelli, the paddy prices increased for Long B (+€15) and Ribe (+€10).

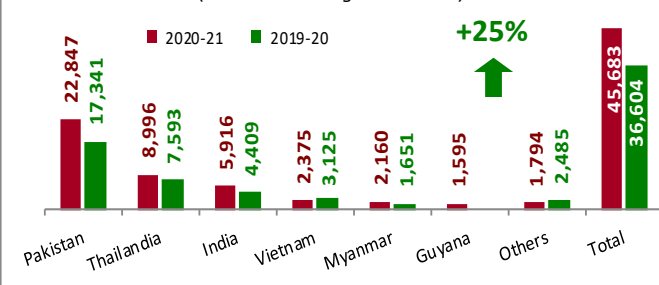
Up to 29 January 2021, Italian imports, amounting to 45,683 tonnes, in milled equivalent, increased by 9,079 tonnes (+25%) compared to last campaign.

Also the volumes cleared through customs increased (+11,054 tonnes, +28%), as you can see in table at the bottom.

Italian exports amount to 56,938 tonnes, in milled equivalent, 12,819 tonnes (+29%) more than last year. With 18,071 tonnes, Turkey is the largest importer of Italian rice.

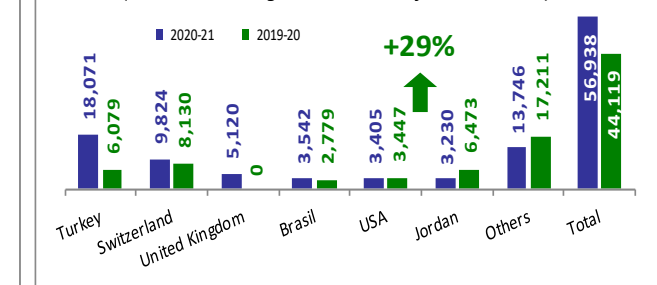
Import: husked + milled - till 29/1/2021

(tonnes in milled rice equivalent)
(Source: Maeci Agrim Licences)



Export: husked + milled - till 29/1/2021

(tonnes in milled rice equivalent)
(Source: Maeci Agrex Licences-UK from 1/1/2021)



Italian imports till 31/1/2021 - 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
2020/2021	4,414	-	4,414	18,184	504	18,688	25,700	1,210	26,910	48,298	1,714	50,012
2019/2020	3,949	-	3,949	13,446	1,537	14,983	17,873	2,153	20,026	35,268	3,690	38,958