

## U.S. Exports of Planting Seed

for JULY-SEPTEMBER (July is the first month of the July-June marketing year)

MARKETING YEARS	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	'98/99 vs '97/98	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	'98/99 vs '97/98
	metric tons			% change	\$U.S. in thousands			% change
ALL SEEDS	165,367	184,593	102,706	-44.4%	\$141,202	\$170,562	\$122,193	-28.4%
<b>BY KIND</b>								
<b>Grasses</b>	11,538	13,060	11,703	-10.4%	\$14,795	\$17,027	\$16,847	-1.1%
Bentgrass	259	368	1,370	272.3%	\$934	\$1,534	\$3,792	147.2%
Perennial Ryegrass	1,501	1,541	2,039	32.3%	\$2,061	\$2,050	\$2,520	22.9%
Kentucky Bluegrass	506	873	1,068	22.3%	\$1,213	\$1,946	\$2,302	18.3%
Annual Ryegrass	3,575	4,395	2,774	-36.9%	\$2,491	\$3,175	\$1,682	-47.0%
Tall Fescue	1,590	2,426	1,302	-46.3%	\$2,224	\$2,793	\$1,638	-41.4%
Sorghum-Sudan Crosses	1,859	1,262	1,290	2.2%	\$2,328	\$1,802	\$1,388	-23.0%
<b>Other Forages</b>	5,553	6,185	6,976	12.8%	\$10,615	\$12,791	\$10,070	-21.2%
Certified Alfalfa	1,236	1,322	1,258	-4.8%	\$4,041	\$4,451	\$3,332	-25.1%
Uncertified Alfalfa	787	1,288	602	-53.3%	\$2,035	\$3,155	\$1,464	-53.6%
<b>Pulses</b>	10,085	6,068	5,971	-1.6%	\$7,603	\$4,703	\$4,597	-2.3%
Pea	2,212	1,336	1,378	3.1%	\$1,695	\$1,130	\$992	-12.2%
Gram Bean	428	754	459	-39.1%	\$387	\$583	\$595	2.1%
Navy bean	2,071	542	777	43.4%	\$1,344	\$314	\$467	48.7%
Chickpea	1,287	363	628	73.0%	\$876	\$257	\$368	43.2%
Lentil	528	1,350	899	-33.4%	\$241	\$594	\$304	-48.8%
<b>Vegetables</b>	8,137	10,806	10,198	-5.6%	\$45,948	\$53,423	\$60,356	13.0%
Tomato	504	525	569	8.4%	\$7,973	\$8,483	\$9,116	7.5%
Onion	451	512	653	27.5%	\$4,783	\$6,050	\$6,519	7.8%
Pepper	797	1,121	1,247	11.2%	\$4,003	\$5,865	\$6,371	8.6%
Cucumber	255	279	403	44.4%	\$2,135	\$2,337	\$4,482	91.8%
Squash	441	543	590	8.7%	\$2,477	\$3,054	\$3,728	22.1%
Watermelon	193	475	536	12.8%	\$1,677	\$3,098	\$3,516	13.5%
Broccoli	106	281	425	51.2%	\$701	\$1,442	\$2,683	86.1%
Mushroom Spawn	1,335	1,200	1,187	-1.1%	\$2,864	\$2,498	\$2,554	2.2%
Sweet Corn	1,419	3,452	1,116	-67.7%	\$3,190	\$7,107	\$2,411	-66.1%
<b>Field Crops</b>	129,077	147,583	67,495	-54.3%	\$51,018	\$69,953	\$20,375	-70.9%
Field Corn	14,430	11,365	4,419	-61.1%	\$13,876	\$41,721	\$6,573	-84.2%
Non-Durum Wheat	34,604	125,682	45,528	-63.8%	\$8,316	\$21,664	\$5,799	-73.2%
Soybean	66,526	2,040	4,589	125.0%	\$22,081	\$1,093	\$1,911	74.8%
Grain Sorghum	6,869	4,767	2,311	-51.5%	\$2,144	\$1,390	\$1,624	16.8%
<b>Miscellaneous Kinds</b>	978	891	362	-59.4%	\$11,222	\$12,665	\$9,948	-21.5%
Flower	100	99	98	-1.0%	\$7,414	\$9,110	\$7,820	-14.2%
Tree & Shrub	20	72	40	-44.4%	\$1,383	\$1,110	\$653	-41.2%
<b>BY REGION</b>								
North America	122,953	26,192	29,381	12.2%	\$65,937	\$45,473	\$45,727	0.6%
European Union	12,731	8,428	5,283	-37.3%	\$17,496	\$16,696	\$16,033	-4.0%
Other Asia <sup>1</sup>	9,626	47,562	11,895	-75.0%	\$14,870	\$20,384	\$14,493	-28.9%
South America	11,806	17,142	5,813	-66.1%	\$21,779	\$47,915	\$13,388	-72.1%
Oceania	1,992	2,437	3,547	45.5%	\$4,084	\$5,334	\$9,469	77.5%
<b>BY COUNTRY</b>								
Mexico	87,692	12,219	11,182	-8.5%	\$50,473	\$34,522	\$33,168	-3.9%
Canada	35,261	13,974	18,199	30.2%	\$15,464	\$10,951	\$12,559	14.7%
Japan	6,450	44,207	6,476	-85.4%	\$11,068	\$14,888	\$8,730	-41.4%
Australia	1,313	1,903	1,974	3.7%	\$3,104	\$3,980	\$5,871	47.5%
Egypt	355	54,510	41,710	-23.5%	\$755	\$10,245	\$5,763	-43.7%
Argentina	6,468	13,453	2,516	-81.3%	\$12,174	\$38,640	\$5,081	-86.9%
Netherlands	791	723	807	11.6%	\$2,075	\$3,301	\$4,452	34.9%
New Zealand	676	516	1,571	204.5%	\$954	\$1,330	\$3,569	168.3%
France	755	416	319	-23.3%	\$2,192	\$2,516	\$3,094	23.0%
Saudi Arabia	1,204	1,761	941	-46.6%	\$4,125	\$5,166	\$2,925	-43.4%
South Korea	2,027	1,865	3,417	83.2%	\$1,654	\$1,825	\$2,604	42.7%
Chile	1,515	1,004	1,012	0.8%	\$4,165	\$2,660	\$2,379	-10.6%
South Africa	937	1,639	1,003	-38.8%	\$1,144	\$3,281	\$2,352	-28.3%
United Kingdom	3,486	560	318	-43.2%	\$3,133	\$2,404	\$2,206	-8.2%
Colombia	304	183	656	258.5%	\$833	\$654	\$1,803	175.7%
Spain	1,449	2,132	1,474	-30.9%	\$2,273	\$2,472	\$1,799	-27.2%
Germany	798	269	755	180.7%	\$2,210	\$1,006	\$1,705	69.5%
United Arab Emirates	95	106	149	40.6%	\$1,749	\$1,480	\$1,611	8.9%
China	260	581	986	69.7%	\$444	\$1,474	\$1,561	5.9%
Venezuela	115	99	288	190.9%	\$1,050	\$834	\$1,341	60.8%
Guatemala	208	228	393	NA	\$716	\$1,062	\$1,210	13.9%
Caribbean	177	345	205	-40.6%	\$909	\$1,073	\$1,013	-5.6%
Hong Kong	622	407	782	92.1%	\$917	\$1,038	\$977	-5.9%
Brazil	2,379	368	137	-62.8%	\$1,946	\$1,236	\$923	-25.3%
Philippines	311	217	108	-50.2%	\$749	\$1,026	\$888	-13.5%
Ecuador	149	85	189	122.4%	\$390	\$395	\$777	96.7%
Peru	255	179	949	430.2%	\$474	\$446	\$773	73.3%
Italy	3,854	3,153	330	-89.5%	\$4,057	\$3,366	\$763	-77.3%
Indonesia	19	2	16	700.0%	\$1,151	\$181	\$670	270.2%
Austria	76	306	458	49.7%	\$37	\$388	\$668	72.2%
Dominican Republic	34	151	75	-50.3%	\$306	\$428	\$660	54.2%
Taiwan	266	503	234	-53.5%	\$787	\$1,159	\$621	-46.4%
Thailand	157	221	296	33.9%	\$823	\$1,042	\$620	-40.5%
Honduras	173	169	148	-12.4%	\$560	\$1,643	\$594	-63.8%
Turkey	509	326	145	-55.5%	\$600	\$642	\$566	-11.8%
Jordan	292	26	57	119.2%	\$522	\$133	\$546	310.5%
Denmark	69	71	115	62.0%	\$429	\$380	\$531	39.7%
Israel	105	151	127	-15.9%	\$373	\$303	\$435	43.6%
India	39	54	78	44.4%	\$188	\$355	\$431	21.4%

<sup>1</sup> Other Asia region includes China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Macau, and Taiwan.  
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