

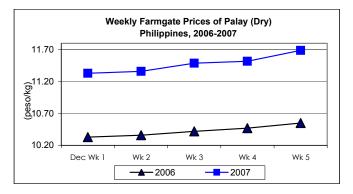
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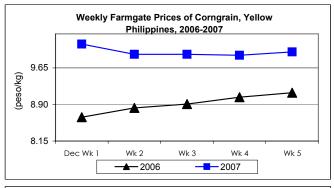
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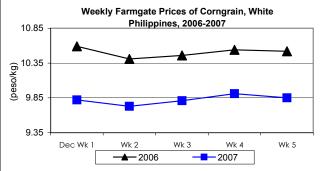
Updates on Palay, Rice & Corn Prices, December 2007

A. Farmgate Price of Palay

- Price continuously fluctuated upward as the month closed.
 - Monthly average price at P11.39/kg was higher by 1.42% from last month's average price and by 9.52% from the previous year's report.
- B. Farmgate Prices of Corngrain, Yellow and White
 - Yellow and white corngrain prices showed fluctuations during the month. Price of yellow corngrain posted an increase on the last week, while that of white corngrain slightly dropped.
 - Yellow corngrain monthly average price of P9.98/kg indicated increases of 0.81% and 11.76% from last month's price and last year's quotations, respectively.
 - Monthly average price of white corngrain at P9.74/kg was up by 1.78% from last month's price but was down by 7.24% relative to last year's price level.

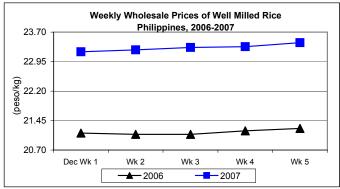


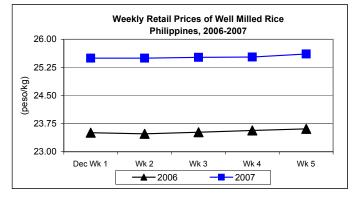




C. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Well Milled Rice (WMR)

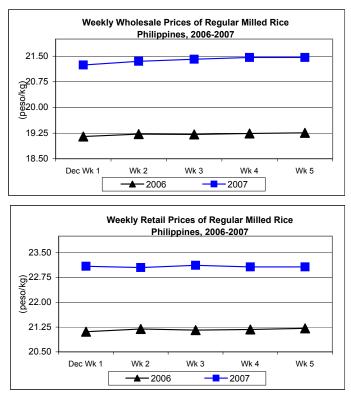
- Wholesale and retail prices continuously increased weekly until the month closed except on the 2nd week when retail price stayed at previous week's level.
 - Average wholesale price of P23.31/kg grew by 0.56% from the last month's price and by 10.11% from last year's price level.
 - Retail price, which settled at P25.53/kg indicated increments of 0.16% and 8.45% relative to last month's and last year's prices, respectively.



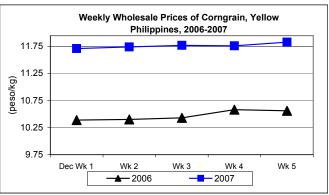


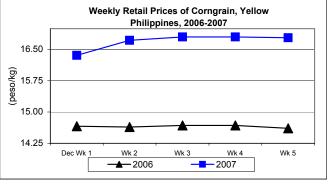
D. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Regular Milled Rice (RMR)

- Wholesale price sustained its increasing trend until the 4th week, while retail price fluctuated. Both prices did not move as the month ended.
 - Increases of 0.90% from the last month's level and 11.24% from the last year's report were noted in the wholesale price of P21.38/kg.
- Retail price of P23.08/kg fell by 0.09% from the price recorded last month but rose by 9.02% compared to 2006 record.



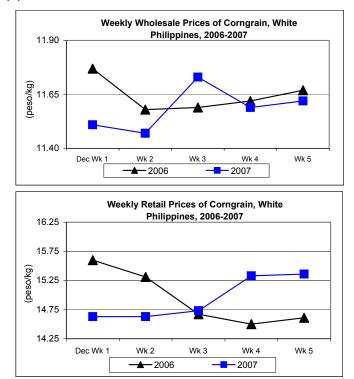
- E. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, Yellow
 - Wholesale price registered increases except on the 4th week of the month when price slightly dropped. Retail price, however, indicated decreases on the first and last weeks of the reference period.
 - Average wholesale price at P11.75/kg was higher by 1.47% from the last month's report and by 12.44% relative to the previous year's level.
 - Retail price at P16.88/kg recorded increases of 1.50% from last month's price and 15.22% relative to the price last year.





F. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, White

- Wholesale showed varying weekly price movements. Retail price continuously moved upward after it remained unchanged on the 1st two (2) weeks of the month.
- Wholesale price at P11.70/kg went up by 0.78% from the preceding month's price. Compared to last year's level, price moved up by 0.69%.
- Retail price at P14.70/kg indicated a gain of 0.68% from last month's price but a cut of 0.68% from last year's quotation.



Annex 1

	Palay, dry		Well Milled Rice (WMR)			
Month/Week	Farmgate Prices		Wholesale Prices		Retail Prices	
	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change
Wk 1	11.33	0.80	23.20	0.13	25.50	0.04
Wk 2	11.36	0.26	23.25	0.22	25.50	0.00
Wk 3	11.49	1.14	23.31	0.26	25.52	0.08
Wk 4	11.52	0.26	23.33	0.09	25.53	0.04
Wk 5	11.69	1.48	23.43	0.43	25.61	0.31
Dec 2007	11.39	-	23.31	-	25.53	-
Dec 2006	10.40	9.52	21.17	10.11	23.54	8.45
Nov 2007	11.23	1.42	23.18	0.56	25.49	0.16

Comparative Farmgate, Wholesale and Retail Prices of Palay, Rice and Corn, Philippines for the month of December 2007

	Regular Milled Rice (RMR)						
Month/Week	Wholesa	le Prices	Retail Prices				
	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change			
Wk 1	21.24	0.09	23.09	-0.04			
Wk 2	21.35	0.52	23.05	-0.17			
Wk 3	21.41	0.28	23.12	0.30			
Wk 4	21.46	0.23	23.07	-0.22			
Wk 5	21.46	0.00	23.07	0.00			
Dec 2007	21.38	-	23.08	-			
Dec 2006	19.22	11.24	21.17	9.02			
Nov 2007	21.19	0.90	23.10	-0.09			

	Corngrain, Yellow						
Month/Week	Farmgate Prices		Wholesale Prices		Retail Prices		
	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change	
Wk 1	10.14	2.01	11.71	0.43	16.36	-1.80	
Wk 2	9.93	-2.07	11.74	0.26	16.72	2.20	
Wk 3	9.93	0.00	11.77	0.26	16.80	0.48	
Wk 4	9.91	-0.20	11.76	-0.08	16.80	0.00	
Wk 5	9.98	0.71	11.83	0.60	16.78	-0.12	
Dec 2007	9.98	-	11.75	-	16.88	-	
Dec 2006	8.93	11.76	10.45	12.44	14.65	15.22	
Nov 2007	9.90	0.81	11.58	1.47	16.63	1.50	

	Corngrain, White						
Month/Week	Farmgate Prices		Wholesale Prices		Retail Prices		
	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change	Price/kg	% Change	
Wk 1	9.82	0.72	11.51	-0.09	14.63	0.00	
Wk 2	9.73	-0.92	11.47	-0.35	14.63	0.00	
Wk 3	9.81	0.82	11.73	2.27	14.73	0.68	
Wk 4	9.91	1.02	11.59	-1.19	15.33	4.07	
Wk 5	9.85	-0.61	11.62	0.26	15.36	0.20	
Dec 2007	9.74	-	11.70	-	14.70	-	
Dec 2006	10.50	-7.24	11.62	0.69	14.80	-0.68	
Nov 2007	9.57	1.78	11.61	0.78	14.60	0.68	

* - Dec 07/Dec 06 and Dec 07/Nov 07, respectively