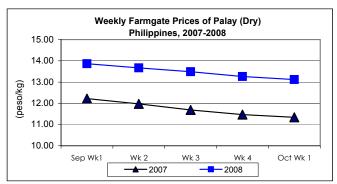
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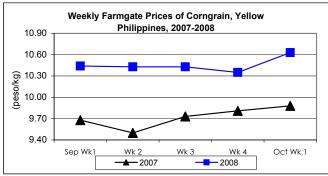
A. Farmgate Price of Palay

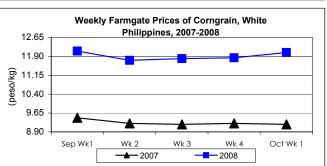
- * There was a sustained decline of farmgate price but at a slower rate than last week's record.
 - Average price at P13.12/kg was 1.06%
 lower than last week's price but was 15.70% higher than last year's level.

B. Farmgate Prices of Corngrain, Yellow and White

- * Prices of both yellow and white corngrains posted big increments this week.
 - Average price of yellow corngrain at P10.63/kg was up by 2.71% and 7.59% from prices of last week and last year, respectively.
 - Average price of white corngrain at P12.05/kg rose by 1.77% from last week's P11.84/kg and by 30.98%% from last year's P9.20/kg.



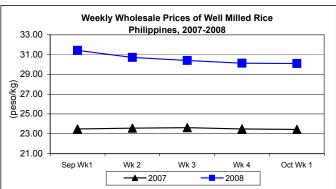




C. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Well Milled Rice (WMR)

- ★ Both wholesale and retail prices continued to move downward. Rates of decreases, however, were diminishing.
 - Average wholesale price at P30.09/kg was 0.13% below last week's report but was 28.37% above 2007 quotation.

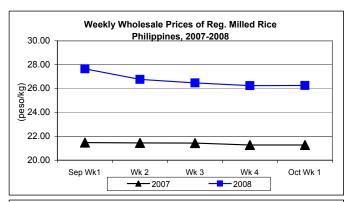
 Average retail price at P33.94/kg posted a 0.50% cut from last week's price but recorded a 31.60% mark-up relative to last year's level.





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

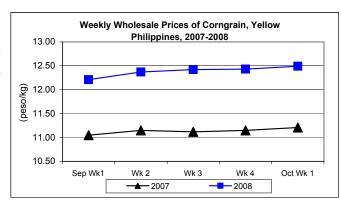
- * Price at wholesale level was slightly up, while price at retail level sustained a downtrend.
 - At wholesale, average price at P26.26/kg gained by 0.08% from last week's level. This was, likewise, 23.46% higher than last year's report.
 - At retail, average price at P29.14/kg decreased by 0.65% from last week's price but increased by 24.58% compared to last year's record.



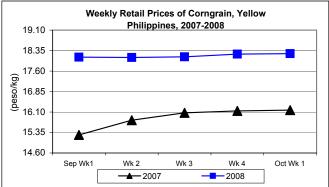


E. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, Yellow

- * A continuous price uptrend was noted at both wholesale and retail levels.
 - At wholesale, average price at P12.49/kg moved up by 0.48% from last week's price and by 11.42% from last year's report.

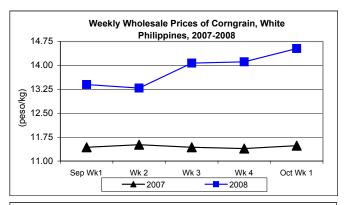


At retail, average price at P18.24/kg posted gains of 0.11% and 12.80% relative to prices of last week and last year, respectively.

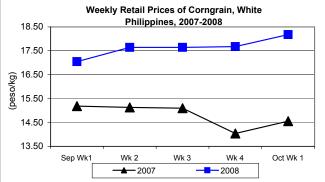


F. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, White

- * Price increases were sustained at both wholesale and retail levels.
 - Average wholesale price at P14.53/kg recorded mark-ups of 2.98% from last week's price and 26.57% from 2007 level.



Average retail price at P18.18/kg registered increments of 2.83% and 24.86% from prices of last week and last year, respectively.



Annex 1

Comparative Weekly Farmgate, Wholesale and Retail Prices of Palay, Rice and Corn, Philippines

	Palay (Dry)				Well Milled Rice (WMR)								
Month/Week	Farmgate Prices				Wholesale Prices				Retail Prices				
	2007	2008	% Change		2007	2008	% Change		2007	2008	% Change		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)/(2)	(weekly)	(6)	(7)	(7)/(6)	(weekly)	(10)	(11)	(11)/(10)	(weekly)	
Sep Wk1	12.22	13.86	13.42	-2.53	23.49	31.41	33.72	-1.60	25.67	35.18	37.05	-1.68	
Wk 2	11.97	13.67	14.20	-1.37	23.57	30.70	30.25	-2.26	25.72	34.71	34.95	-1.34	
Wk 3	11.69	13.49	15.40	-1.32	23.62	30.40	28.70	-0.98	25.86	34.38	32.95	-0.95	
Wk 4	11.47	13.26	15.61	-1.70	23.48	30.13	28.32	-0.89	25.81	34.11	32.16	-0.79	
Oct Wk 1	11.34	13.12	15.70	-1.06	23.44	30.09	28.37	-0.13	25.79	33.94	31.60	-0.50	

	Regular Milled Rice (RMR)										
Month/Week	1	N holesa	le Price	es.	Retail Prices						
	2007	2008	% Cł	nange	2007	2008	% Cł	nange			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)/(2)	(weekly)	(6)	(7)	(7)/(6)	(weekly)			
Sep Wk1	21.47	27.66	28.83	-2.85	23.25	30.82	32.56	-2.59			
Wk 2	21.45	26.77	24.80	-3.22	23.33	30.08	28.93	-2.40			
Wk 3	21.44	26.47	23.46	-1.12	23.37	29.74	27.26	-1.13			
Wk 4	21.28	26.24	23.31	-0.87	23.39	29.33	25.40	-1.38			
Oct Wk 1	21.27	26.26	23.46	0.08	23.39	29.14	24.58	-0.65			

Month/Week	Corngrain, Yellow												
	Farmgate Prices				Wholesale Prices				Retail Prices				
	2007 2008 % Change		2007	2008	% Change		2007	2008	% Change				
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)/(2)	(weekly)	(6)	(7)	(7)/(6)	(weekly)	(10)	(11)	(11)/(10)	(weekly)	
Sep Wk1	9.68	10.44	7.85	-0.85	11.05	12.21	10.50	-0.33	15.26	18.11	18.68	-0.39	
Wk 2	9.50	10.43	9.79	-0.10	11.15	12.37	10.94	1.31	15.80	18.10	14.56	-0.06	
Wk 3	9.73	10.43	7.19	0.00	11.12	12.42	11.69	0.40	16.07	18.12	12.76	0.11	
Wk 4	9.81	10.35	5.50	-0.77	11.15	12.43	11.48	0.08	16.14	18.22	12.89	0.55	
Oct Wk 1	9.88	10.63	7.59	2.71	11.21	12.49	11.42	0.48	16.17	18.24	12.80	0.11	

Month/Week	Corngrain, White												
	Farmgate Prices				Wholesale Prices				Retail Prices				
	2007	2008	% Ch	nange	2007	2008	% Change		2007	2008	% Change		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)/(2)	(weekly)	(6)	(7)	(7)/(6)	(weekly)	(10)	(11)	(11)/(10)	(weekly)	
Sep Wk1	9.46	12.11	28.01	2.45	11.43	13.40	17.24	4.20	15.19	17.05	12.24	-0.93	
Wk 2	9.24	11.74	27.06	-3.06	11.51	13.29	15.46	-0.82	15.13	17.64	16.59	3.46	
Wk 3	9.20	11.81	28.37	0.60	11.43	14.07	23.10	5.87	15.10	17.64	16.82	0.00	
Wk 4	9.24	11.84	28.14	0.25	11.39	14.11	23.88	0.28	14.04	17.68	25.93	0.23	
Oct Wk 1	9.20	12.05	30.98	1.77	11.48	14.53	26.57	2.98	14.56	18.18	24.86	2.83	