

## Coffee: World Markets and Trade

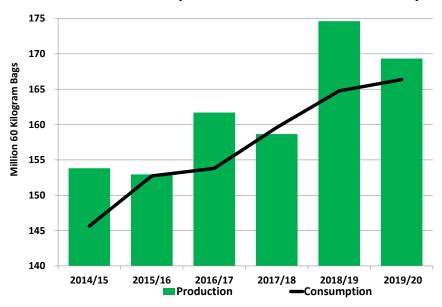
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### 2019/20 Forecast Overview

World coffee production for 2019/20 is forecast 5.3 million bags (60 kilograms) lower than the previous year to 169.3 million, primarily due to Brazil's Arabica trees entering the off-year of the biennial production cycle. World exports are expected down 4.7 million bags to 115.4 million primarily due to lower shipments from Brazil and Honduras. With global consumption forecast at a record 166.4 million bags, ending inventories are expected to slip 400,000 bags to 35.0 million. Coffee prices, as measured by the International Coffee Organization (ICO) monthly composite price index, dropped to \$0.93 per pound in

### **Record World Consumption Forecast on Reduced Output**



May 2019, the lowest since September 2006, but rebounded 15 percent to \$1.07 by November 2019 as supplies tighten. http://www.ico.org/new historical.asp

Brazil's Arabica output is forecast to drop 8.3 million bags to 39.9 million compared to the previous season since most trees are in the off-year of the biennial production cycle. Good weather conditions generally prevailed in most coffee growing regions during the blossoming and fruit-forming stages. Despite initial concerns related to July frost in southern and southeastern states, yields were not adversely impacted by this weather event. However, coffee quality as well as bean size were lower than average, because trees in many areas had multiple stages of maturity when the coffee cherries were harvested. The bulk of the Arabica harvest started in May and June. The Robusta harvest is forecast to continue expanding and to reach a record 18.1 million bags, up 1.5 million. Abundant rainfall aided fruit development in the major producing state of Espirito Santo, while good crop management practices supported a steady increase in the state of Rondonia. Most of the Robusta harvest started in April and May. However, the combined Arabica and Robusta harvest is forecast down 6.8 million bags to 58.0 million. With reduced supplies, bean exports are expected to drop 5.4 million bags to 32.0 million and ending stocks are forecast to decline 800,000 bags to 1.4 million. Consumption is expected to continue rising to a record 23.5 million bags.

Vietnam's production is forecast at a record 32.2 million bags, up 1.8 million from the previous year due to continued expansion of area planted as well as favorable weather that boosted yields. Between January and early April 2019, the main coffee regions in the Central Highlands experienced seasonally dry and sunny weather, and trees were irrigated. The rainy season was slightly delayed, but adequate during July

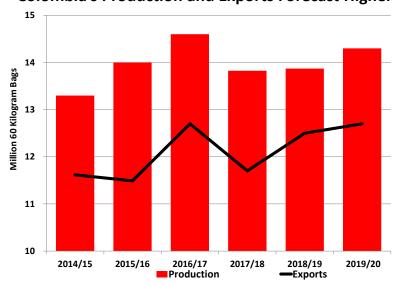
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and August to support good flowering and fruit-set. With black pepper prices falling over the last 3 years, farmers are no longer replacing coffee trees with pepper. However, some farmers have begun to plant durian, mango, avocado, and passion fruit trees in their coffee orchards. Bean exports are forecast 800,000 bags higher to 25.5 million, while ending stocks are seen more than doubling to 4.1 million bags as recent prices provide less incentive to sell.

Total output for **Central America** and **Mexico** is forecast down slightly by 400,000 bags to 19.1 million as some countries in the region struggle to rebound from the coffee rust outbreak that first lowered output in 2013/14. Gains in Mexico on favorable weather are expected to offset losses in Honduras, where farmers have reduced preventative measures to combat coffee rust due to low prices and limited ability to extend existing loans. El Salvador, and Panama are flat at 650,000 bags and 75,000 bags, respectively, as these countries continue to struggle with rust and output remains below their pre-rust level. Nicaragua is forecast 300,000 bags lower to 2.3 million as financial constraints are expected to lead to reduced inputs and yields. Guatemala is expected 200,000 bags lower to 3.6 million on reduced yields. Bean exports for the region are forecast to lose 800,000 bags to 15.5 million mainly due to lower exportable supplies in Honduras. Nearly half of the region's exports are destined for the European Union, followed by about one-third to the United States.

Colombia's production is forecast to rebound 400,000 bags from last year's drought-related shortfall to reach 14.3 million on normal growing conditions. The National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia (FEDECAFE) estimates that since 2012, about half of the 940,000 hectares of coffee have been renovated, mostly with rust-resistant varieties. This effort has boosted yields nearly one-third to 18.8 bags per hectare and has lowered the average age of coffee trees from 15 to 7 years. FEDECAFE and the Colombian government renovated an estimate 82,000 hectares in 2018, with the goal of renovating 90,000 hectares annually to reach the production goal of

### Colombia's Production and Exports Forecast Higher



18 million bags in the coming years. Bean exports are seen up 200,000 bags to 12.7 million, while ending stocks are expected to dip slightly to 500,000 bags.

**Indonesia's** production is forecast to gain a modest 100,000 bags to 10.7 million, with the gain split evenly between Arabica and Robusta output. Robusta production is expected to reach 9.5 million bags on favorable growing conditions in the lowland areas of Southern Sumatra and Java, where approximately 75 percent is grown. Despite heavy rainfall in West Java that delayed its Arabica harvest, output is expected up slightly. Although recent news reports suggest total output may jump significantly over the next 5 years, these claims have not been supported by a noticeable increase in planted area or by a renovation program to replace older trees with higher-yielding varieties, and fertilizer utilization has remained largely unchanged. Bean exports are forecast to rebound 1.4 million bags to 6.3 million, boosted by last year's elevated ending stocks.

**EU** imports are forecast down 1.1 million bags to 48.0 million and account for over 40 percent of the world's coffee bean imports. Top suppliers include Brazil (29 percent), Vietnam (25 percent), Honduras (8 percent), and Colombia (6 percent). Ending stocks are expected down 400,000 bags to 14.0 million.

The **United States** imports the second-largest amount of coffee beans and is forecast 1.0 million bags lower to 26.2 million. Top suppliers include Brazil (24 percent), Colombia (22 percent), Vietnam (15 percent), and Guatemala (6 percent). Ending stocks are forecast 500,000 bags lower to 6.9 million but consumption is little changed following last year's gain.

### **Revised 2018/19**

World **production** is 174.6 million bags, nearly unchanged from the June 2019 estimate.

World **bean exports** are raised 2.5 million bags to 120.1 million.

- Brazil is up 1.4 million bags to 37.4 million on higher-than-anticipated stocks drawdown.
- Cote d'Ivoire is raised 300,000 bags to 1.7 million on greater exportable supplies.

World **bean imports** are raised 2.0 million bags to 115.7 million.

- The United States is up 1.1 million bags to 27.2 million on higher consumption and stocks.
- Colombia is revised 400,000 bags higher to 1.1 million on stronger shipments from Peru and Honduras.

World **ending stocks** are reduced 900,000 bags to 35.4 million.

- Brazil is lowered 1.7 million bags to 2.2 million on higher shipments to the European Union and the United States.
- European Union is raised 600,000 bags to 14.4 million.
- The United States is up 700,000 bags to 7.4 million.

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### **Marketing Years for Producing Countries**

April-March	July-June	October-September
Angola	Brazil	Cameroon
Bolivia	Cuba	Central African Republic
Burundi	Dominican Republic	Colombia
Ecuador	Haiti	Congo (Kinshasa)
Indonesia	Philippines	Costa Rica
Madagascar	Tanzania	Cote d'Ivoire
Papua New Guinea		El Salvador
Peru		Ethiopia
Rwanda		Ghana
		Guatemala
		Guinea
		Honduras
		India
		Jamaica
		Kenya
		Laos
		Liberia
		Malawi
		Malaysia
		Mexico
		Nicaragua
		Nigeria
		Panama
		Sierra Leone
		Thailand
		Togo
		Uganda
		United States
		Venezuela
		Vietnam
		Yemen

Non-producing countries are on an October-September marketing year.

### **Coffee Summary**

#### Thousand 60-Kilogram Bags

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Jun 2019/20	Dec 2019/20
Arabica Production						
Brazil	36,100	45,600	38,500	48,200	41,000	39,900
Colombia	14,000	14,600	13,825	13,870	14,300	14,300
Ethiopia	6,510	6,943	7,055	7,250	7,350	7,350
Honduras	5,300	7,510	7,600	7,200	6,500	6,500
Peru	3,500	4,225	4,375	4,400	4,500	4,500
Mexico	2,125	3,100	3,800	3,600	4,350	4,350
Guatemala	3,125	3,400	3,600	3,700	3,500	3,500
China	1,900	1,800	1,925	2,200	2,300	2,300
Nicaragua	2,100	2,600	2,700	2,600	2,300	2,300
Costa Rica	1,625	1,300	1,525	1,300	1,375	1,375
Indonesia	1,500	1,300	1,000	1,200	1,250	1,250
India	1,725	1,583	1,583	1,470	1,485	1,250
Vietnam	1,100	1,100	1,026	1,050	1,400	1,120
Papua New Guinea	700	1,065	760	825	850	850
Kenya	750 750	815	715	775	650	775
Other	4,280	4,585	4,056			4,145
				4,243	4,170	
Total	86,340	101,526	94,045	103,883	97,280	95,765
Robusta Production						
Vietnam	27,830	25,600	28,274	29,350	29,100	31,105
Brazil	13,300	10,500	12,400	16,600	18,300	18,100
Indonesia	10,600	9,300	9,400	9,400	9,450	9,450
India	4,075	3,617	3,683	3,700	4,000	3,910
Uganda	2,900	4,000	3,600	4,000	3,500	3,500
Malaysia	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,000	2,000
Cote d'Ivoire	1,600	1,090	1,250	2,000	1,800	1,800
Thailand	700	800	700	650	700	700
Tanzania	500	500	550	600	600	600
Laos	475	410	450	460	475	475
Other	2,419	2,261	2,179	1,897	1,925	1,925
Total	66,599	60,178	64,586	70,757	71,850	73,565
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Brazil	49,400	56,100	50,900	64,800	59,300	58,000
Vietnam	28,930	26,700	29,300	30,400	30,500	32,225
Colombia	14,000	14,600	13,825	13,870	14,300	14,300
Indonesia	12,100	10,600	10,400	10,600	10,700	10,700
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Ethiopia	5,300	6,943 7,510	7,055 7,600	7,250	7,350 6,500	7,350
Honduras				7,200		6,500
India	5,800	5,200	5,266	5,170	5,485	5,160
Mexico	2,300	3,300	4,000	3,800	4,550	4,550
Peru	3,500	4,225	4,375	4,400	4,500	4,500
Uganda	3,650	5,200	4,350	4,800	4,250	4,250
Guatemala	3,295	3,570	3,780	3,800	3,600	3,600
Nicaragua	2,125	2,625	2,730	2,640	2,340	2,340
China	1,900	1,800	1,925	2,200	2,300	2,300
Malaysia	2,200	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,000	2,000
Cote d'Ivoire	1,600	1,090	1,250	2,000	1,800	1,800
Costa Rica	1,625	1,300	1,525	1,300	1,375	1,375
Tanzania	1,100	1,050	1,150	1,300	1,250	1,250
Papua New Guinea	750	1,115	810	875	900	900
Kenya	750	815	715	775	650	775
Thailand	700	800	700	650	700	700
El Salvador	560	600	660	650	650	650
Venezuela	500	530	575	585	600	600
Laos	475	410	450	460	475	475
Philippines	425	475	450	425	450	450
Cameroon	625	500	425	350	350	350
Other	2,819	2,546	2,315	2,240	2,255	2,230

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## Coffee Summary, Continued Thousand 60-Kilogram Bags

					Jun	Dec
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2019/20
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<b>Bean Exports</b> Brazil	31,870	29,325	26,936	37,376	33,500	22.0
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Vietnam	26,950	25,000	25,250	24,700	25,500	25,5
Colombia	11,490	12,700	11,700	12,500	12,300	12,70
Indonesia	7,938	7,309	6,940	4,907	6,500	6,3
Honduras	5,000	7,175	7,225	6,910	6,200	6,2
Peru	3,300	4,025	4,185	4,300	4,300	4,3
Ethiopia	3,405	3,853	3,893	3,980	4,000	4,0
Uganda	3,500	4,600	4,500	4,600	4,000	4,0
India	4,063	4,273	4,127	4,000	3,750	3,8
Guatemala	3,040	3,325	3,460	3,550	3,300	3,3
Other	12,414	12,216	12,917	13,271	13,471	13,2
Total	112,970	113,801	111,133	120,094	116,821	115,3
Roast and Ground Exports						
European Union	1,260	1,395	1,450	1,340	1,500	1,5
Switzerland	1,040	1,150	1,225	1,410	1,300	1,3
Vietnam	550	550	550	550	600	5
Mexico	200	155	180	180	190	1
Colombia	100	155	175	300	200	1
Indonesia	48	65	70	43	45	
Panama	45	30	30	25	25	
Brazil	28	31	20	23	20	
China	56	180	30	25	20	
Nicaragua	10	10	10	15	15	
Other	80	16	10	15	16	
Total	3,417	3,737	3,750	3,926	3,931	3,7
Soluble Exports	3,417	3,737	3,730	3,920	3,931	3,7
Brazil	3,645	3,725	2 404	4 022	3,300	2.2
	•	•	3,494	4,023	•	3,3
Malaysia	2,975	2,940	3,075	3,125	3,100	3,1
Vietnam	2,000	2,000	2,100	2,150	2,200	2,2
India	1,625	1,880	2,017	1,836	1,800	1,8
Indonesia	1,910	800	1,000	1,200	1,300	1,0
Mexico	840	970	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,0
Colombia	800	900	850	900	900	9
European Union	520	510	680	780	700	7
Thailand	960	850	650	530	600	6
China	632	605	490	350	400	4
Other	1,094	829	907	735	725	7
Total	17,001	16,009	16,263	16,629	16,025	15,8
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Brazil	35,543	33,081	30,450	41,422	36,820	35,3
Vietnam	29,500	27,550	27,900	27,400	28,300	28,2
Colombia	12,390	13,755	12,725	13,700	13,400	13,7
Indonesia	9,896	8,174	8,010	6,150	7,845	7,4
Honduras	5,000	7,175	7,225	6,910	6,200	6,2
India	5,693	6,158	6,148	5,840	5,555	5,7
Peru	3,300	4,025	4,185	4,300	4,300	4,:
Ethiopia	3,405	3,853	3,893	3,980	4,000	4,
Uganda	3,500	4,600	4,500	4,600	4,000	4,0
Mexico	2,340	2,865	3,220	2,905	3,340	3,3
Other	22,821	22,311	22,890	23,442	23,017	22,7
Total	133,388	133,547	131,146	140,649	136,777	135,0

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## Coffee Summary, Continued Thousand 60-Kilogram Bags

					Jun	Dec
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2019/20
Bean Imports						
European Union	46,150	46,050	47,430	49,075	48,500	48,00
United States	25,100	25,810	24,450	27,150	26,500	26,20
Japan	7,280	7,000	6,500	7,370	7,100	7,00
Canada	2,800	3,030	3,035	3,135	3,100	3,00
Russia	2,430	2,710	2,860	3,070	2,800	2,90
Switzerland	2,460	2,600	2,750	2,810	2,800	2,80
Korea, South	2,280	2,500	2,400	2,480	2,500	2,45
Algeria	2,275	2,165	2,270	2,300	2,400	2,40
Malaysia	1,440	1,510	1,575	1,825	1,700	1,70
, Australia	1,425	1,415	1,540	1,610	1,650	1,60
Other	13,428	12,480	14,228	14,912	14,550	14,40
	107,068	107,270	109,038	115,737	113,600	112,45
Roast and Ground Imports	107,000	107,270	109,030	115,757	115,000	112,43
Vietnam	20	340	400	500	550	50
Russia	315	325	390	475	475	47
Ukraine	250	260	280	360	325	32
Canada	375	220	285	350	250	30
China	460	945	385	250	400	30
Korea, South	185	225	245	290	300	30
United States	0	160	115	370	200	20
Australia	155	190	160	165	165	16
Norway	130	125	140	135	130	13
Taiwan	95	105	120	110	110	11
Other	398	452	470	470	483	48
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Total Soluble Imports	2,383	3,347	2,990	3,475	3,388	3,28
Philippines	5,500	6,000	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,50
Canada	1,370	1,300	1,430	1,400	1,550	1,55
China	1,615	1,800	1,430	1,525	1,500	1,50
Russia	1,650	1,705	1,215	1,400	1,300	1,30
Japan	810	925	1,140	860	1,000	1,00
Indonesia	644	391	828	983	900	85
Iran	210	300	560	300	400	40
Ukraine	470	440	425	365	500	40
United States	85	500	210	500	250	40
South Africa	250	265	315	360	300	32
Other	2,412	2,269	2,638	2,751	2,575	2,64
Total	15,016	15,895	15,846	15,944	15,775	15,86
Imports						
European Union	46,150	46,050	47,430	49,075	48,500	48,00
United States	25,185	26,470	24,775	28,020	26,950	26,80
Japan	8,195	8,030	7,720	8,320	8,200	8,10
Philippines	6,185	6,420	6,100	6,100	6,150	6,10
Canada	4,545	4,550	4,750	4,885	4,900	4,85
Russia	4,395	4,740	4,465	4,945	4,575	4,67
Switzerland	2,460	2,600	2,750	2,810	2,800	2,80
Korea, South	2,465	2,725	2,645	2,770	2,800	2,75
China	2,938	3,552	2,785	2,625	2,900	2,65
Algeria	2,320	2,205	2,300	2,340	2,440	2,44
Other	19,629	19,170	22,154	23,266	22,548	22,44
Total	124,467	126,512	127,874	135,156	132,763	131,60

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	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Jun 2019/20	Dec 2019/20
	2015/10	2010/17	2017/18	2010/19	2019/20	2019/20
Domestic Consumption						
European Union	44,495	42,345	45,700	46,055	47,000	46,20
United States	25,083	25,512	25,557	27,140	26,785	27,28
Brazil	20,855	21,625	22,420	23,200	23,530	23,53
Japan	8,060	8,210	8,231	7,897	8,300	8,10
Philippines	6,210	6,995	6,550	6,125	6,600	6,55
Indonesia	3,175	3,203	3,560	4,300	4,900	4,90
Canada	4,545	4,550	4,750	4,885	4,900	4,85
Russia	4,395	4,740	4,465	4,945	4,575	4,67
Ethiopia	3,110	3,100	3,150	3,270	3,350	3,35
China	2,833	3,218	3,085	3,200	3,250	3,30
Vietnam	2,630	2,770	2,880	2,940	3,400	3,00
Korea, South	2,465	2,725	2,645	2,770	2,800	2,75
Mexico	2,325	2,057	2,295	2,655	2,705	2,70
Algeria	2,320	2,205	2,300	2,340	2,440	2,44
Colombia	1,415	1,450	1,650	1,950	2,050	2,00
Australia	1,785	1,730	1,900	2,040	1,965	1,96
Switzerland	1,420	1,450	1,525	1,400	1,500	1,50
Venezuela	1,151	1,133	1,217	1,214	1,197	1,19
India	1,250	1,200	1,215	1,250	1,270	1,18
Ukraine	970	960	1,105	1,145	1,300	1,17
Turkey	710	960	875	1,175	1,025	1,07
Egypt	525	630	800	815	850	85
Morocco	670	660	825	845	1,220	82
Serbia	715	605	725	800	800	80
Norway	785	805	740	800	775	77
Other	8,832	8,969	9,415	9,606	9,432	9,38
— Total	152,729	153,807	159,580	164,762	167,919	166,36
Ending Stocks	102/.23	100,007	203/300	10.,7.02	10,7515	200,50
European Union	12,100	13,900	13,500	14,400	13,100	14,00
United States	6,199	7,190	6,440	7,352	6,900	6,90
Vietnam	3,803	1,183	763	1,983	2,143	4,11
Japan	3,485	3,305	2,794	3,217	2,900	3,21
Indonesia	46	12	593	2,419	1,589	1,97
Brazil	2,372	3,828	1,919	2,164	2,879	1,38
Philippines	500	400	400	800	800	80
Colombia	1,131	886	1,111	567	525	51
Tanzania	250	220	290	310	280	28
China	200	500	200	225	255	25
Other	4,307	3,831	3,024	1,982	2,174	1,53
Total	34,393	35,255	31,034	35,419	33,545	34,97

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