

Surachai Wannapaporn 2010: A Study of the Revealed Comparative Advantage and Factor Affecting Russian Federation's Imported Rice from Thailand. Master of Economics, Major Field: Economics, Department of Economics. Thesis Advisor: Associate Professor Chiraphan Kuladilok, M.Econ. 79 pages.

The objective of this research is the general study of marketing and trade restriction and how it will effect exporting rice from Thailand to Russia. There are 2 methodologies to meet the objectives as follows, (1) Study of Revealed Comparative Advantage(RCA) by exporting rice from Thailand to Russia comparative of the main competitors. The RCA study includes the result of importing rice from Thailand to Russia. (2) Study of Factor Effecting export from Thailand to Belgium.

The study has found that the analysis of Revealed Comparative Advantage by RCA index show Thailand ,India and Vietnam have the advantage over Russia.(Calculated RCA at a 1<sup>+</sup> point since 2543 – 2551). In 2541 there was an exception, India was at a disadvantage over Russia. Factors that importing effects rice from Russia to Thailand are inflation in Russia and national income in Russia.

To increase ability to compete, Thailand should focus more attention to trade policies, support trade and decrease the risk in trading with Russia.

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