ABSTRACT: This work analyses the minimum price policy of rice and corn, in Brazil. The second chapter shows the foundations of government intervention in agricultural crops markets, with special atention to the risk, allocation and distributive aspects. Brazilian's price policy is discussed in the following chapter, with enphasis in the minimum price policy. Intervention analyses and some measure of spread are performed in monthly prices time-series of corn and rice to estimate the impact of the price policy on the series. The results suggest that changes in the price policy would not modify the historical performance of the price time-series for these crops.