



Peanut Stocks and Processing

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Shelled Edible Grade Season to Date Utilization Down 1 Percent from Last Year Peanut Stocks in Commercial Storage Totaled 4.81 Billion Pounds

Peanut stocks reported in commercial storage on December 31, 2023 totaled 4.81 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 5.05 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 4.09 billion pounds of actual farmer stock.

Shelled peanuts on hand totaled 684 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 30.5 million pounds.

Shelled peanut stocks totaled 514 million pounds of which 491 million pounds were edible grades and 23.4 million pounds were oil stocks. Edible grade stocks by type included 80.4 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 388 million pounds of Runners, and 22.9 million pounds of Spanish.

Millings in December totaled 370 million pounds. Millings by type were 51.5 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 299 million pounds of Runners, and 19.5 million pounds of Spanish.

Commercial processors utilized 178 million pounds of **shelled edible** grade peanuts during December. Utilization by type was 109 million pounds for all peanut butter products, 33.7 million pounds for peanut candy, and 32.3 million pounds for peanut snacks. **Crushing** for oil and cake and meal totaled 36.4 million pounds during the month.

Deliveries under the Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Programs amounted to 1.72 million pounds of peanut butter and 25,920 pounds of roasted peanuts during December.

Stocks of treated seed on hand December 31, 2023 totaled 64.0 thousand pounds, compared with 64.0 thousand pounds on November 30, 2023. Of the December total, 24.0 thousand pounds were Runners. November stocks of treated seed included 24.0 thousand pounds of Runners.

Stocks estimates refer to December 31, 2023. All other data are for the month of December.

Peanut Stocks and Specified Products at Month's End - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Farmer Stock	Shelled peanuts ¹	Roasting stock (in shell) ²	Farmer stock equivalent	
				Shelled peanuts	Total ³
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023					
August	1,125,484	474,890	39,702	631,604	1,796,790
September	1,041,432	451,247	38,029	600,159	1,679,620
October	3,186,202	434,201	32,653	577,487	3,796,342
November	4,168,510	439,094	28,059	583,995	4,780,564
December	4,091,398	514,457	30,516	684,228	4,806,142
2024					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2022					
December	4,395,316	472,300	27,819	628,159	5,051,294

¹ Included shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated).

² Cleaned and unshelled.

³ Farmer stock + roasting stock + (actual shelled peanuts X 1.33).

Farmer Stock Peanuts by Type at Month's End - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023				
August	115,498	1,003,940	6,046	1,125,484
September	81,722	952,888	6,822	1,041,432
October	248,302	2,874,772	63,128	3,186,202
November	368,084	3,696,324	104,102	4,168,510
December	360,708	3,641,282	89,408	4,091,398
2024				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
2022				
December	613,880	3,706,790	74,646	4,395,316

Shelled Peanuts and Roasting Stock (in Shell) at Month's End - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Shelled edibles ¹				Shelled oil stocks ²	Total shelled	Roasting stock ³
	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023							
August	75,482	354,234	22,283	451,999	22,891	474,890	39,702
September	83,137	324,333	17,814	425,284	25,963	451,247	38,029
October	77,845	317,651	13,780	409,276	24,925	434,201	32,653
November	83,559	317,650	13,982	415,191	23,903	439,094	28,059
December	80,350	387,719	22,945	491,014	23,443	514,457	30,516
2024							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2022							
December	86,745	341,710	21,757	450,212	22,088	472,300	27,819

¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes straight run oil stock peanuts.

³ Cleaned and unshelled.

Farmer Stock Peanuts Milled (Net Weight) by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Includes peanuts milled for seed. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023				
August	64,020	347,800	5,478	417,298
September	70,584	282,540	4,122	357,246
October	57,364	324,024	776	382,164
November	58,386	294,864	6,088	359,338
December	51,482	299,352	19,464	370,298
2024				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
2022				
December	47,470	292,848	14,308	354,626
2023				
August-December	301,836	1,548,580	35,928	1,886,344
2022				
August-December	258,964	1,627,034	23,754	1,909,752

Production of Shelled and Roasting Stock (in Shell) Peanuts by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Shelled edibles ¹				Shelled Oil Stocks ²	Total Shelled	Roasting Stock ³
	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023							
August	30,918	242,820	3,424	277,162	31,115	308,277	19,499
September	33,493	192,700	2,451	228,644	27,200	255,844	20,313
October	26,365	228,426	746	255,537	30,722	286,259	18,352
November	32,712	204,001	3,694	240,407	25,227	265,634	12,610
December	26,209	202,899	13,710	242,818	25,911	268,729	15,323
2024							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2022							
December	26,909	196,429	9,950	233,288	31,966	265,254	11,348
2023							
August-December	149,697	1,070,846	24,025	1,244,568	140,175	1,384,743	86,097
2022							
August-December	110,540	1,116,315	14,809	1,241,664	153,813	1,395,477	83,068

¹ Includes peanuts milled for seed

² Includes straight run oil stock peanuts

³ Cleaned and unshelled

Shelled Peanuts Crushed, Production, and Stocks of Peanut Oil and Cake and Meal by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Relates to oil mills only. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Shelled Peanuts crushed ¹	Production		Stocks (end of month)	
		Crude Oil	Cake and Meal	Crude oil	Cake and Meal
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023					
August	45,300	20,102	24,549	5,695	5,291
September	44,223	19,319	24,492	5,124	5,127
October	42,564	17,556	23,326	3,993	5,030
November	37,784	16,529	20,886	3,936	4,839
December	36,441	15,744	20,377	3,727	6,976
2024					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2022					
December	52,511	23,698	27,684	7,337	4,225
2023					
August-December	206,312	89,250	113,630	(X)	(X)
2022					
August-December	272,060	122,016	144,820	(X)	(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ All crushings regardless of grade

Apparent Disappearance or Milled Peanut Products by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Includes in transit, exports, and domestic use. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Shelled Peanuts			Roasting stock	Crude Peanut Oil ¹	Cake and Meal ¹
	Edible grades	Oil Stocks	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023						
August	278,225	26,196	304,421	10,384	20,245	24,381
September	255,359	24,128	279,487	21,986	19,890	24,656
October	271,545	31,760	303,305	23,728	18,687	23,423
November	234,492	26,249	260,741	17,204	16,586	21,077
December	166,995	26,371	193,366	12,866	15,953	18,240
2024						
January						
February						
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
2022						
December	240,220	33,507	273,727	18,299	21,392	28,555
2023						
August-December	1,206,616	134,704	1,341,320	86,168	91,361	111,777
2022						
August-December	1,312,583	157,568	1,470,151	98,895	124,755	145,672

¹ Relates to oil mills only.

Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products and In Shell Peanuts by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Edible grades used in products ¹					Total all grades ⁵	In shell peanuts ⁶
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut snacks ³	Peanut Butter ⁴	Other Products	Total		
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023							
August	40,124	36,178	143,068	4,828	224,198	269,498	12,248
September	32,634	34,084	119,756	5,088	191,562	235,785	10,961
October	37,708	35,158	127,357	4,213	204,436	247,000	12,444
November	32,696	33,293	117,129	3,076	186,194	223,978	11,391
December	33,732	32,306	108,522	3,630	178,190	214,631	11,311
2024							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2022							
December	29,149	37,936	112,647	2,628	182,360	234,871	12,264
2023							
August-December	176,894	171,019	615,832	20,835	984,580	1,190,892	58,355
2022							
August-December	169,224	188,932	611,919	19,497	989,572	1,261,632	59,496

¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

³ Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

⁴ Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in cookies and sandwiches, but excludes peanut butter used in candy.

⁵ Includes all shelled peanuts crushed regardless of grade.

⁶ Includes peanuts re-packaged, roasted in shell, salted in shell, and raw in shell.

Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products by Month and Type - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Crushings by type not available. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending and type	Edible grades used in products ¹				
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut snacks ³	Peanut butter ⁴	Other products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Runner					
2023					
August	38,031	(D)	127,517	(D)	200,532
September	29,560	(D)	110,000	(D)	173,310
October	35,027	(D)	115,409	(D)	184,360
November	30,623	(D)	106,288	(D)	168,369
December	30,895	(D)	98,306	(D)	158,855
2024					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2022					
December	26,194	(D)	100,628	(D)	159,942
2023					
August-December	164,136	(D)	557,520	(D)	885,426
2022					
August-December	155,696	(D)	552,815	(D)	878,709
Spanish					
2023					
August	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,347
September	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,927
October	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,634
November	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,982
December	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,752
2024					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2022					
December	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,799
2023					
August-December	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	13,642
2022					
August-December	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	15,863

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products by Month and Type - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons (continued)

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Crushings by type not available. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending and type	Edible grades used in products ¹				
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut Snacks ³	Peanut butter ⁴	Other Products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Virginia and Valencia					
2023					
August	(D)	4,700	(D)	(D)	21,319
September	(D)	4,588	(D)	(D)	15,324
October	(D)	4,626	(D)	(D)	17,442
November	(D)	3,861	(D)	(D)	14,844
December	(D)	4,877	(D)	(D)	16,584
2024					
January					
February					
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2022					
December	(D)	6,206	(D)	(D)	19,618
2023					
August-December	(D)	22,652	(D)	(D)	85,513
2022					
August-December	(D)	30,791	(D)	(D)	94,999

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

³ Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

⁴ Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in cookies and sandwiches, but excludes peanut butter used in candy.

Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Program Deliveries by Month - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Source: Food and Nutrition Service. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Deliveries by product		
	Peanut butter	Roasted peanuts	Total
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
2023			
August	2,265,600	25,920	2,291,520
September	1,979,520	25,920	2,005,440
October	2,103,810	-	2,103,810
November	2,132,595	25,920	2,158,515
December	1,723,650	25,920	1,749,570
2024			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
2022			
December	2,035,689	51,840	2,087,529
2023			
August-December	10,205,175	103,680	10,308,855
2022			
August-December	6,457,574	336,960	6,794,534

- Represents zero.

Stocks of Treated Seed at Month's End - United States: December 2023 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runner	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2023				
August	(D)	138	(D)	178
September	(D)	25	(D)	65
October	(D)	25	(D)	65
November	(D)	24	(D)	64
December	(D)	24	(D)	64
2024				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
2022				
December	(D)	326	(D)	375

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The peanut stocks and processing estimates in this report are based on a survey conducted during the first three weeks of the month. The survey is required by law under Title 7 of the United States Code (7 U.S.C. 951, 2010). Peanut stocks are a census of all known cleaners, shellers, crushers, warehouses, cold storage plants, and processors of peanuts who handle more than 30,000 pounds annually. Every effort is made to obtain a report from all facilities.

Estimating Procedures: Since a complete report is not always received from all facilities, estimates are made for missing facilities to assure complete coverage. Peanut stocks survey data are reviewed at the national level for reasonableness and consistency with historical estimates.

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