

COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS



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NOVEMBER FERTILIZER CONSUMPTION DOWN 24 PERCENT

November 1981 fertilizer consumption was down 24 percent compared to a year ago in the 17 States for which comparable data are available. This is based on reports submitted by State Control Officials of which some reports are known to be incomplete for the current month. Materials for direct application decreased 26 percent. Mixed fertilizer tonnages were down 22 percent.

YEAR-TO-DATE CONSUMPTION DOWN 17 PERCENT

The July-November total for the 17 States having monthly data comparable with last year indicates a 17 percent decrease in fertilizer consumed with the same period a year ago. Nitrogen materials for direct application decreased 9 percent. Phosphate materials were down 21 percent and potash materials decreased 25 percent compared to a year ago.

FERTILIZER CONSUMPTION BY CLASS AND TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF FERTILIZER MATERIALS AND MIXTURES 1/ 3/

STATE	NOV 1980 AND 1981 CONSUMPTION BY CLASS						TOTAL CONSUMPTION OF PRIMARY MATERIALS AND MIXTURES 2/			
	DRY BAGGED		DRY BULK		FLUID		TOTAL CONSUMPTION: NOV		ACCUMULATED TOTAL JUL-NOV	
	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980-81	1981-82
	1,000 TONS OF PRODUCT						1,000 TONS OF PRODUCT			
ALA 5/	4.5		37.9		2.6		45.1		177.1	
ARK	2.2	1.4	26.9	41.5	1.9	.9	30.9	42.9	182.1	210.3
CALIF	42.2	17.2	379.2	227.0	151.6	105.6	272.5	179.4	889.9	740.6
COLO	.3	.1	17.2	13.9	8.4	4.3	25.4	16.8	144.7	139.7
FLA	18.6	21.1	82.0	78.9	14.2	16.9	111.7	114.3	581.3	597.6
GA	8.4	7.1	70.7	84.6	29.4	26.5	107.7	115.8	331.5	307.0
ILL	.5	1.4	243.8	263.1	179.6	114.1	440.1	394.3	1,609.0	1,270.4
IND	1.6	.5	56.4	10.6	37.8	14.1	95.1	25.1	484.3	322.0
KY	9.8	7.0	53.8	48.1	1.6	1.1	65.2	55.6	197.3	180.6
MD	2.4	1.9	12.1	5.7	2.3	1.3	16.8	8.9	63.1	49.6
MISS	4.9	3.3	32.2	8.3	19.0	4.1	55.9	20.2	217.4	156.7
MO	6.5	3.2	154.7	63.9	29.4	25.6	189.9	92.0	614.3	424.1
N MEX 4/ 5/:							1.9		20.6	
N C	16.8	19.1	22.3	23.4	19.7	13.6	58.3	55.9	246.4	199.5
OHIO 5/	7.8		143.3		40.9		192.0		672.2	
OKLA	1.9	1.6	24.8	15.7	5.0	3.6	31.7	20.8	404.3	393.0
S C	3.8	3.0	21.0	24.7	10.1	7.2	34.8	34.9	134.4	101.2
TENN	13.3	-9.5	54.7	40.8	6.5	.3	73.3	48.8	175.2	118.2
TEX	4.2	3.7	79.5	63.1	65.3	45.5	154.9	116.5	768.5	652.4
VA 5/	6.6		13.1		8.6		28.1		135.8	
W VA	1.1	.9	3.3	.6	.1	0	4.6	1.4	12.9	10.4
TOTAL 6/	138.5	102.0	1,334.6	1,013.9	581.9	384.7	1,768.8	1,343.6	7,056.6	5,873.3

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FERTILIZER MIXTURES AND MATERIALS
NOVEMBER 1980 AND 1981

STATE	PRIMARY MATERIALS								MIXTURES	
	NITROGEN		PHOSPHATE		POTASH		TOTAL MATERIALS		1980	1981
	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981	1980	1981		
1,000 TONS OF PRODUCT										
ALA 5/	11.6		1.3		.5		13.4		31.7	
ARK	6.8	6.3	.3	.7	.9	1.2	8.0	8.2	22.9	34.7
CALIF	85.5	58.3	63.5	43.5	9.8	4.2	158.8	106.0	113.7	73.4
COLO	12.7	6.9	.7	.9	2.2	2.5	15.6	10.3	9.8	6.5
FLA	8.1	9.2	1.4	1.0	1.7	1.6	11.2	11.8	100.5	102.5
GA	27.6	22.6	2.3	2.3	1.7	2.0	31.6	26.9	76.1	88.9
ILL	132.0	65.8	89.0	106.1	121.8	139.1	342.8	311.0	97.3	83.3
IND	16.1	2.7	11.0	2.2	23.1	3.9	50.2	8.8	44.9	16.3
KY	14.2	9.1	8.0	6.1	18.1	16.6	40.3	31.8	24.9	23.8
MD	3.4	1.6	2.0	.4	3.5	1.7	8.9	3.7	7.9	5.2
MISS	28.4	13.6	6.2	1.1	1.7	1.0	36.3	15.7	19.6	4.5
MO	14.0	7.7	1.0	.2	8.9	4.1	23.9	12.0	166.0	80.0
N MEX 5/	.9		.6		.2		1.7		.2	
N C	17.6	9.2	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.4	20.2	12.2	38.1	43.7
OHIO 5/	33.8		14.6		70.9		119.3		72.7	
OKLA	14.6	9.7	.6	.3	2.3	1.0	17.5	11.0	14.2	9.8
S C	9.0	5.3	.4	.6	.9	.8	10.3	6.7	24.5	28.2
TENN	28.9	11.6	4.1	2.1	14.6	18.3	47.6	32.0	25.7	16.8
TEX	39.3	30.5	20.4	13.7	.7	1.4	60.4	45.6	94.5	70.9
VA 5/	4.7		.8		.5		6.0		22.1	
W VA	1.0	.8	1.5	0	1.1	.1	3.6	.9	1.0	.5
TOTAL 6/	459.2	270.9	213.7	182.8	214.3	200.9	887.2	654.6	881.6	689.0

ACCUMULATED FERTILIZER MIXTURES AND MATERIALS
JULY-NOVEMBER

STATE	PRIMARY MATERIALS								MIXTURES	
	NITROGEN		PHOSPHATE		POTASH		TOTAL MATERIALS		1980-81	1981-82
	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82		
1,000 TONS OF PRODUCT										
ALA 5/	56.7		3.8		2.8		63.3		113.8	
ARK	108.6	120.6	1.6	2.4	2.7	3.5	112.9	126.5	69.2	83.8
CALIF	327.4	296.3	200.4	164.5	28.0	16.5	555.8	477.3	334.1	263.3
COLO	109.8	104.2	1.6	2.3	13.3	9.8	124.7	116.3	20.0	23.4
FLA	48.0	55.7	4.9	6.6	4.5	6.7	57.4	69.0	523.9	528.6
GA	111.6	99.1	6.4	5.8	5.6	5.7	123.6	110.6	207.9	196.4
ILL	287.6	262.2	484.5	379.3	572.1	436.2	1,344.2	1,077.7	264.8	192.7
IND	100.4	112.0	60.8	38.9	106.1	48.9	267.3	199.8	217.0	122.2
KY	45.6	44.5	20.6	16.7	47.6	47.2	113.8	108.4	83.5	72.2
MD	14.3	12.9	3.9	2.5	9.5	7.9	27.7	23.3	35.4	26.3
MISS	97.4	78.8	17.6	10.0	4.1	3.4	119.1	92.2	98.3	64.5
MO	65.2	58.9	1.5	1.6	21.5	13.0	88.2	73.5	526.1	350.6
N MEX 5/	12.0		3.1		.6		15.7		4.9	
N C	75.1	43.3	8.5	4.0	5.1	5.1	88.7	52.4	157.7	147.1
OHIO 5/	135.3		46.1		205.9		387.3		284.9	
OKLA	216.5	212.1	10.2	5.4	15.4	14.7	242.1	232.2	162.2	160.8
S C	44.0	28.1	2.7	2.0	2.5	2.1	49.2	32.2	95.2	69.0
TENN	47.5	28.9	11.7	7.2	37.0	32.3	96.2	68.4	79.0	49.8
TEX	264.7	230.9	73.4	69.0	3.8	3.9	341.9	303.8	426.6	348.6
VA 5/	37.9		3.5		2.5		43.9		91.9	
W VA	3.6	3.1	3.5	2.7	2.4	1.8	9.5	7.6	3.4	2.8
TOTAL 6/	1,967.3	1,791.6	913.8	720.9	881.2	658.7	3,762.3	3,171.2	3,294.3	2,702.1

1/ FERTILIZER CONSUMPTION DATA IS BASED ON REPORTS TO STATE FERTILIZER CONTROL OFFICIALS OF THE FERTILIZER TONNAGES SHIPPED TO THE ULTIMATE CONSUMER OR BY THE LAST REGISTERED HANDLER IN THE RETAIL MARKETING CHAIN.

2/ EXCLUDES ORGANIC, SECONDARY NUTRIENT, AND MICRONUTRIENT MATERIALS. 3/ DATA FOR THE COMPARABLE MONTH A YEAR AGO WAS INCOMPLETE WHEN REPORTED AND HAS NOT BEEN REVISED IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN COMPARABILITY WITH CURRENT MONTHS DATA WHICH SHOULD CONTAIN ABOUT THE SAME AMOUNT OF INCOMPLETENESS. 4/ CONSUMPTION BY CLASS DATA NOT AVAILABLE. 5/ CURRENT DATA NOT AVAILABLE. 6/ INCLUDES ONLY THOSE STATES WITH REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR BOTH YEARS.