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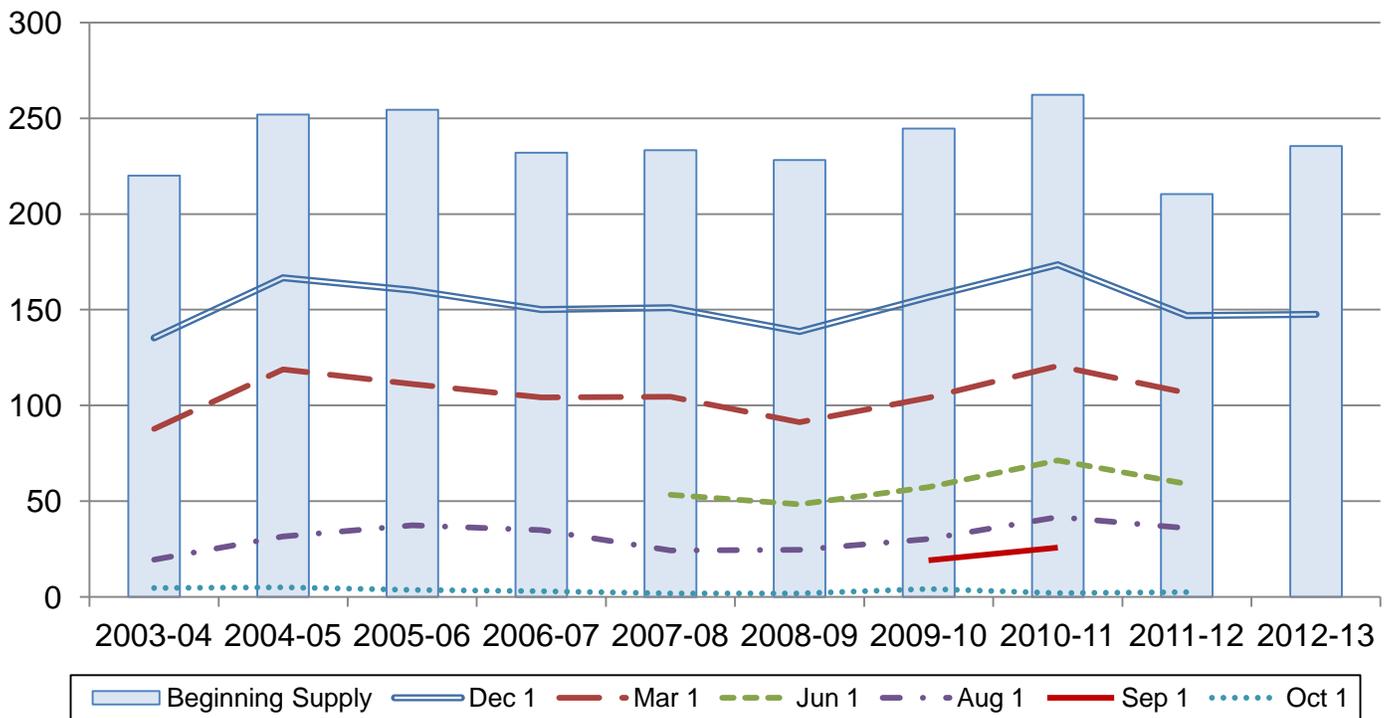
## Rough Rice Stocks Up Slightly from December 2011

**Rough rice stocks** in all positions on December 1, 2012, totaled 148 million hundredweight (cwt), up slightly from the total on December 1, 2011. Stocks held on farms totaled 39.4 million cwt, and off-farm stocks totaled 108 million cwt. Long grain varieties accounted for 67 percent of the total rough rice, medium grain accounted for 31 percent, and short grain varieties accounted for 2 percent.

**Milled rice stocks** in all positions totaled 6.92 million cwt, up 11 percent from a year ago. Milled rice stocks were comprised of 4.31 million cwt of whole kernel rice and 2.61 million cwt of second heads, screenings, and brewers rice.

## Rough Rice Stocks – United States

Million cwt



## Rice Stocks by Position and Month – United States: 2011 and 2012 (Domestic Units)

Date	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
<b>Rough rice</b>						
March 1 .....	33,895	86,720	120,615	23,825	82,666	106,491
June 1 .....	13,227	58,146	71,373	6,640	52,466	59,106
August 1 .....	3,772	37,917	41,689	910	35,052	35,962
September 1 <sup>2</sup> .....	2,242	23,613	25,855	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 <sup>3</sup> .....	15	2,048	2,063	20	2,460	2,480
December 1 .....	41,180	105,689	146,869	39,385	108,201	147,586
<b>Milled rice</b>						
March 1 .....	(X)	6,275	6,275	(X)	4,494	4,494
June 1 .....	(X)	5,968	5,968	(X)	4,462	4,462
August 1 .....	(X)	4,667	4,667	(X)	3,578	3,578
September 1 <sup>2</sup> .....	(X)	3,998	3,998	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 <sup>3</sup> .....	(X)	1,337	1,337	(X)	1,445	1,445
December 1 .....	(X)	6,243	6,243	(X)	6,919	6,919

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.

<sup>2</sup> Estimates discontinued in 2012.

<sup>3</sup> California only.

## Rice Stocks by Position and Month – United States: 2011 and 2012 (Metric Units)

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Date	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions
	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)
<b>Rough rice</b>						
March 1 .....	1,537,450	3,933,550	5,471,000	1,080,680	3,749,670	4,830,350
June 1 .....	599,970	2,637,460	3,237,430	301,190	2,379,820	2,681,000
August 1 .....	171,100	1,719,890	1,890,980	41,280	1,589,930	1,631,210
September 1 <sup>2</sup> .....	101,700	1,071,070	1,172,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 <sup>3</sup> .....	680	92,900	93,580	910	111,580	112,490
December 1 .....	1,867,890	4,793,970	6,661,870	1,786,470	4,907,920	6,694,390
<b>Milled rice</b>						
March 1 .....	(X)	284,630	284,630	(X)	203,840	203,840
June 1 .....	(X)	270,700	270,700	(X)	202,390	202,390
August 1 .....	(X)	211,690	211,690	(X)	162,300	162,300
September 1 <sup>2</sup> .....	(X)	181,350	181,350	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 <sup>3</sup> .....	(X)	60,650	60,650	(X)	65,540	65,540
December 1 .....	(X)	283,180	283,180	(X)	313,840	313,840

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## Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: December 1, 2011 and 2012

State	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
<b>Rough rice</b>						
Arkansas .....	21,300	45,492	66,792	21,200	53,153	74,353
California .....	2,920	36,847	39,767	3,015	35,592	38,607
Louisiana .....	8,100	9,538	17,638	6,600	7,792	14,392
Mississippi .....	(D)	(D)	6,512	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	(D)	(D)	6,988	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas .....	2,260	6,912	9,172	1,830	5,927	7,757
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	6,600	6,900	-	6,740	5,737	12,477
United States .....	41,180	105,689	146,869	39,385	108,201	147,586
<b>Milled rice</b>						
Arkansas .....	(X)	1,869	1,869	(X)	2,345	2,345
California .....	(X)	2,321	2,321	(X)	2,879	2,879
Louisiana .....	(X)	837	837	(X)	569	569
Mississippi .....	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas .....	(X)	951	951	(X)	772	772
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	(X)	265	265	(X)	354	354
United States .....	(X)	6,243	6,243	(X)	6,919	6,919

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**Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:  
December 1, 2011 and 2012**

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)							
California .....	453	(D)	36,407	34,578	2,907	(D)	39,767	38,607
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	92,574	(D)	14,528	10,771	-	(D)	107,102	108,979
United States .....	93,027	98,662	50,935	45,349	2,907	3,575	146,869	147,586

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<sup>1</sup> Other States include Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas.

**Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:  
December 1, 2011 and 2012**

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California .....	(D)	(D)	1,143	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,341	1,625
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(D)	(D)	263	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,963	2,686
United States .....	2,699	2,574	1,406	1,638	199	99	4,304	4,311

State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings <sup>2</sup>		Brewers		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California .....	465	(D)	-	-	515	(D)	980	1,254
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	572	(D)	192	136	195	(D)	959	1,354
United States .....	1,037	1,247	192	136	710	1,225	1,939	2,608

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<sup>1</sup> Other States include Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas.

<sup>2</sup> Screenings included with second heads in California.

### Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2011 and 2012

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)							
California .....	(D)	(D)	1,366	1,870	(D)	(D)	2,063	2,480

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### Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2011 and 2012

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California .....	(D)	1	399	281	(D)	69	457	351
State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings <sup>1</sup>		Brewers		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California .....	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)	(D)	880	1,094

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<sup>1</sup> Screenings included with second heads.

## Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: August 1, 2012

State	August 1, 2012		
	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
<b>Rough rice</b>			
Arkansas .....	310	21,822	22,132
California .....	120	7,029	7,149
Louisiana .....	250	1,880	2,130
Mississippi .....	30	630	660
Missouri .....	(D)	(D)	869
Texas .....	(D)	(D)	3,022
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	200	3,691	-
United States .....	910	35,052	35,962
<b>Milled rice</b>			
Arkansas .....	(X)	1,507	1,507
California .....	(X)	995	995
Louisiana .....	(X)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi .....	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas .....	(X)	443	443
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	(X)	633	633
United States .....	(X)	3,578	3,578

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## Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: June 1, 2012 and March 1, 2012

State	June 1, 2012			March 1, 2012		
	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms <sup>1</sup>	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
<b>Rough rice</b>						
Arkansas .....	3,500	31,480	34,980	13,900	40,435	54,335
California .....	690	12,413	13,103	1,815	24,756	26,571
Louisiana .....	1,350	2,313	3,663	4,100	6,959	11,059
Mississippi .....	300	1,380	1,680	(D)	(D)	4,270
Missouri .....	(D)	(D)	1,769	(D)	(D)	4,121
Texas .....	(D)	(D)	3,911	880	5,255	6,135
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	800	4,880	-	3,130	5,261	-
United States .....	6,640	52,466	59,106	23,825	82,666	106,491
<b>Milled rice</b>						
Arkansas .....	(X)	1,791	1,791	(X)	1,358	1,358
California .....	(X)	1,753	1,753	(X)	1,891	1,891
Louisiana .....	(X)	128	128	(X)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi .....	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri .....	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas .....	(X)	461	461	(X)	472	472
Unallocated <sup>2</sup> .....	(X)	329	329	(X)	773	773
United States .....	(X)	4,462	4,462	(X)	4,494	4,494

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## Rough Rice Stocks in All Positions by Length of Grain and Month – States and United States: 2012

Date and State	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
<b>August 1</b>				
California .....	(D)	5,965	(D)	7,149
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(D)	7,018	(D)	28,813
United States .....	22,034	12,983	945	35,962
<b>June 1</b>				
California .....	(D)	11,538	(D)	13,103
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(D)	8,734	(D)	46,003
United States .....	37,552	20,272	1,282	59,106
<b>March 1</b>				
California .....	366	24,163	2,042	26,571
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	68,103	11,815	2	79,920
United States .....	68,469	35,978	2,044	106,491

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## Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States: August 1, 2012

State	Whole kernels (head rice)			
	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	2	307	38	347
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	1,548	189	-	1,737
United States .....	1,550	496	38	2,084
State	Broken kernels			
	Second heads (1,000 cwt)	Screenings <sup>2</sup> (1,000 cwt)	Brewers (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	311	-	337	648
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	559	51	236	846
United States .....	870	51	573	1,494

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<sup>2</sup> Screenings included with second heads in California.

### Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States: June 1, 2012

State	Whole kernels (head rice)			
	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	(D)	937	(D)	1,002
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(D)	104	(D)	2,005
United States .....	1,906	1,041	60	3,007
State	Broken kernels			
	Second heads (1,000 cwt)	Screenings <sup>2</sup> (1,000 cwt)	Brewers (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	373	-	378	751
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	405	145	154	704
United States .....	778	145	532	1,455

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<sup>2</sup> Screenings included with second heads in California.

### Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States: March 1, 2012

State	Whole kernels (head rice)			
	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	(D)	757	(D)	807
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	(D)	178	(D)	2,033
United States .....	1,856	935	49	2,840
State	Broken kernels			
	Second heads (1,000 cwt)	Screenings <sup>2</sup> (1,000 cwt)	Brewers (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California .....	674	-	410	1,084
Other States <sup>1</sup> .....	347	82	141	570
United States .....	1,021	82	551	1,654

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## Statistical Methodology

**Survey Procedures:** The rice stocks estimates in this report are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of December. Separate surveys were conducted to obtain the on-farm and off-farm estimates. The on-farm stocks survey is a probability survey based on a sampling procedure that ensures all operations storing rice in the United States have a chance to be selected. These producers were asked to provide the total quantities of grain stored on their operations as of December 1, 2012 regardless of ownership. Off-farm stocks are a census of all known rice storage facilities. An effort is made to obtain reports from all off-farm facilities. Estimates are made for missing facilities to assure complete coverage.

**Estimating Procedures:** On-farm and off-farm survey data are reviewed at the State and national levels for reasonableness, consistency with historical estimates, and current crop size. After estimates are made for on-farm and off-farm rice stocks, the total of these two are combined and evaluated using the balance sheet approach. This method utilizes other sources of data to check the reasonableness of the stocks estimates. Estimates of production, exports, and millings are reviewed to make sure beginning stocks, production, utilization, and ending stocks are within reasonable balance and present the best possible estimate of stocks.

**Revision Policy:** On-farm and off-farm stocks are subject to revision in the quarter following initial publication and again in the following December 1 *Rice Stocks* report published in January each year. Revisions can be made when late reports are received, errors are detected in reporting and calculating, and when production estimates are revised. Estimates will also be reviewed after data from the 5-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions to these years will be made after that date.

**Reliability:** Reliability of the on-farm and off-farm stocks must be treated separately because the survey designs for the two surveys are drastically different. The on-farm stocks estimates are subject to sampling variability because all operations holding on-farm stocks are not included in the sample.

Survey indications are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omission, duplication, imputation for missing data, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. Off-farm, as well as on-farm stocks, are subject to these types of errors. These errors cannot be measured directly, but they are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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