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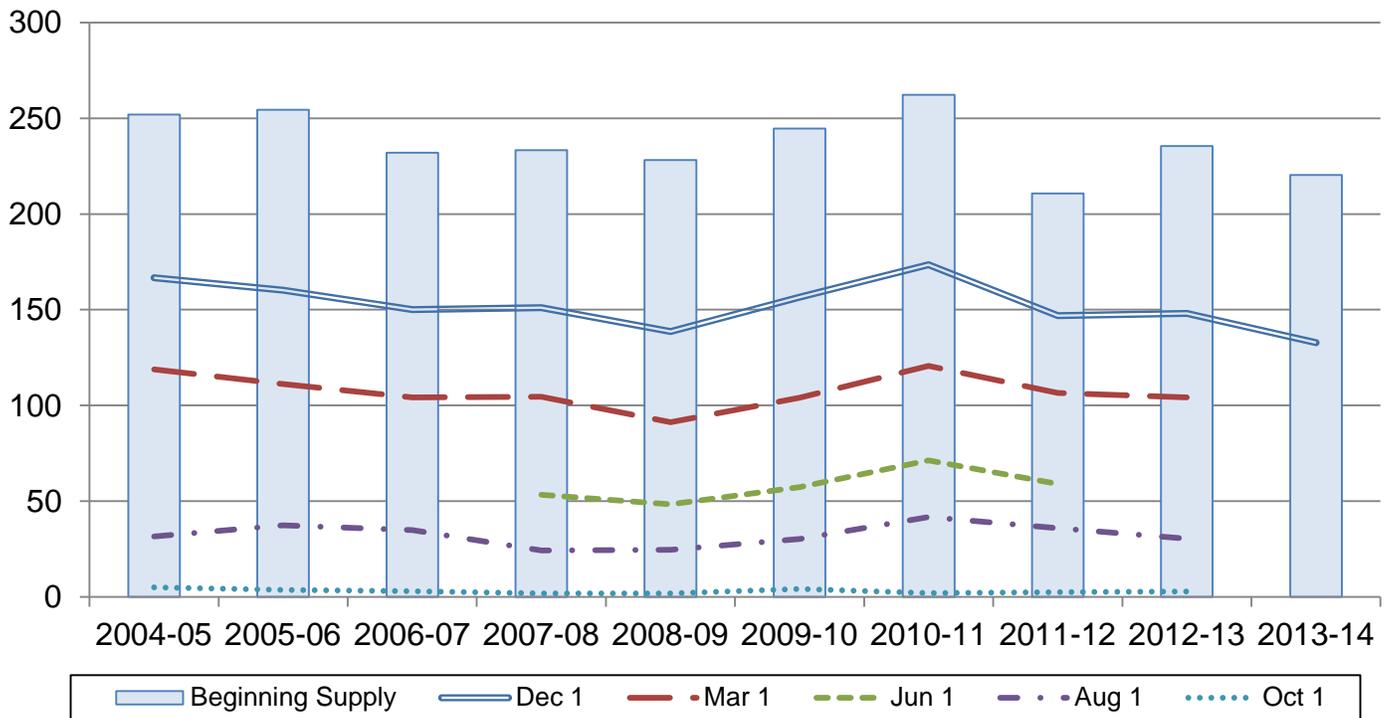
Rough Rice Stocks Down 10 Percent from December 2012

Rough rice stocks in all positions on December 1, 2013, totaled 133 million hundredweight (cwt), down 10 percent from the total on December 1, 2012. Stocks held on farms totaled 36.9 million cwt, and off-farm stocks totaled 95.8 million cwt. Long grain varieties accounted for 64 percent of the total rough rice, medium grain accounted for 34 percent, and short grain varieties accounted for 2 percent.

Milled rice stocks in all positions totaled 6.61 million cwt, down 5 percent from a year ago. Milled rice stocks were comprised of 4.69 million cwt of whole kernel rice and 1.91 million cwt of second heads, screenings, and brewers rice.

Rough Rice Stocks – United States

Million cwt



Rice Stocks by Position and Month – United States: 2012 and 2013 (Domestic Units)

Date	2012			2013		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Rough rice						
March 1	23,825	82,666	106,491	18,430	85,839	104,269
June 1 ²	6,640	52,466	59,106	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	910	35,052	35,962	640	29,880	30,520
October 1 ³	20	2,460	2,480	20	2,906	2,926
December 1	39,385	108,650	148,035	36,935	95,849	132,784
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	4,494	4,494	(X)	6,665	6,665
June 1 ²	(X)	4,462	4,462	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	(X)	3,578	3,578	(X)	4,132	4,132
October 1 ³	(X)	1,445	1,445	(X)	1,210	1,210
December 1	(X)	6,919	6,919	(X)	6,605	6,605

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.

² Estimates discontinued in 2013.

³ California only.

Rice Stocks by Position and Month – United States: 2012 and 2013 (Metric Units)

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding]

Date	2012			2013		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)
Rough rice						
March 1	1,080,680	3,749,670	4,830,350	835,970	3,893,590	4,729,560
June 1 ²	301,190	2,379,820	2,681,000	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	41,280	1,589,930	1,631,210	29,030	1,355,330	1,384,360
October 1 ³	910	111,580	112,490	910	131,810	132,720
December 1	1,786,470	4,928,280	6,714,760	1,675,340	4,347,640	6,022,980
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	203,840	203,840	(X)	302,320	302,320
June 1 ²	(X)	202,390	202,390	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	(X)	162,300	162,300	(X)	187,420	187,420
October 1 ³	(X)	65,540	65,540	(X)	54,880	54,880
December 1	(X)	313,840	313,840	(X)	299,600	299,600

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Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: December 1, 2012 and 2013

State	2012			2013		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Rough rice						
Arkansas	21,200	53,153	74,353	18,000	38,805	56,805
California	3,015	35,592	38,607	3,120	38,294	41,414
Louisiana	6,600	8,241	14,841	8,150	7,281	15,431
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	4,018	(D)	(D)	3,486
Missouri	(D)	(D)	8,459	(D)	(D)	7,106
Texas	1,830	5,927	7,757	1,650	6,892	8,542
Unallocated ²	6,740	5,737	-	6,015	4,577	-
United States	39,385	108,650	148,035	36,935	95,849	132,784
Milled rice						
Arkansas	(X)	2,345	2,345	(X)	(D)	(D)
California	(X)	2,879	2,879	(X)	2,337	2,337
Louisiana	(X)	569	569	(X)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	772	772	(X)	687	687
Unallocated ²	(X)	354	354	(X)	3,581	3,581
United States	(X)	6,919	6,919	(X)	6,605	6,605

- Represents zero.

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**Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:
December 1, 2012 and 2013**

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	(D)	34,578	37,632	(D)	(D)	38,607	41,414
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	10,771	7,454	(D)	(D)	109,428	91,370
United States	99,111	84,362	45,349	45,086	3,575	3,336	148,035	132,784

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¹ 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, 2012 and 2013**

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(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)	1,110	(D)	(D)	1,625	1,169
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	(D)	175	(D)	(D)	2,686	3,522
United States	2,574	3,348	1,638	1,285	99	58	4,311	4,691

State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ²		Brewers		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(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)	1,254	1,168
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	136	96	(D)	(D)	1,354	746
United States	1,231	1,243	136	96	1,241	575	2,608	1,914

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² Screenings included with second heads in California.

Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2012 and 2013

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	(D)	1,870	2,029	(D)	(D)	2,480	2,926

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Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2012 and 2013

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(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	1	(D)	281	(D)	69	28	351	470
State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ¹		Brewers		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(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)	1,094	740

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Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: August 1, 2013

State	August 1, 2013		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Rough rice			
Arkansas	240	15,639	15,879
California	120	8,062	8,182
Louisiana	(D)	(D)	2,390
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	640
Missouri	(D)	(D)	1,039
Texas	(D)	(D)	2,390
Unallocated ²	280	6,179	-
United States	640	29,880	30,520
Milled rice			
Arkansas	(X)	(D)	(D)
California	(X)	1,328	1,328
Louisiana	(X)	337	337
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	523	523
Unallocated ²	(X)	1,944	1,944
United States	(X)	4,132	4,132

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Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: March 1, 2013

State	March 1, 2013		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
Rough rice			
Arkansas	11,400	46,552	57,952
California	1,810	24,821	26,631
Louisiana	2,000	5,208	7,208
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	2,473
Missouri	(D)	(D)	4,779
Texas	460	4,766	5,226
Unallocated ²	2,760	4,492	-
United States	18,430	85,839	104,269
Milled rice			
Arkansas	(X)	2,196	2,196
California	(X)	2,217	2,217
Louisiana	(X)	1,148	1,148
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	832	832
Unallocated ²	(X)	272	272
United States	(X)	6,665	6,665

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Rough Rice Stocks in All Positions by Length of Grain and Month – States and United States: 2013

Date and State	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
August 1				
California	245	6,915	1,022	8,182
Other States ¹	19,194	3,142	2	22,338
United States	19,439	10,057	1,024	30,520
March 1				
California	(D)	23,845	(D)	26,631
Other States ¹	(D)	8,713	(D)	77,638
United States	69,313	32,558	2,398	104,269

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Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States: August 1, 2013

State	Whole kernels (head rice)			
	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	(D)	61	597
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	-	1,894
United States	1,704	726	61	2,491

State	Broken kernels			
	Second heads (1,000 cwt)	Screenings ² (1,000 cwt)	Brewers (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California	566	-	165	731
Other States ¹	538	153	219	910
United States	1,104	153	384	1,641

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Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States: March 1, 2013

State	Whole kernels (head rice)			
	Long (1,000 cwt)	Medium (1,000 cwt)	Short (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	599	(D)	663
Other States ¹	(D)	173	(D)	3,317
United States	3,144	772	64	3,980

State	Broken kernels			
	Second heads (1,000 cwt)	Screenings ² (1,000 cwt)	Brewers (1,000 cwt)	Total (1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	-	(D)	1,554
Other States ¹	(D)	271	(D)	1,131
United States	1,225	271	1,189	2,685

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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, 2013 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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