



Rice Stocks

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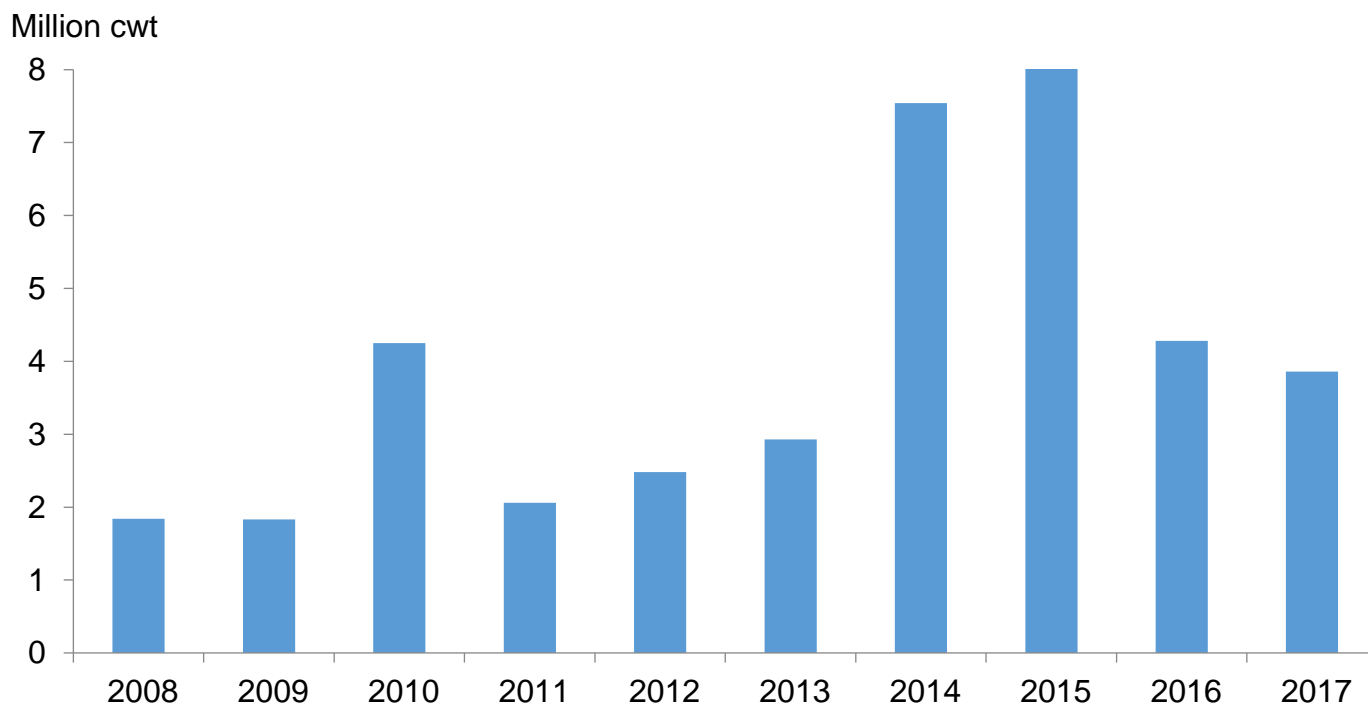
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California Rough Rice Stocks Down 10 Percent from October 2016

California **rough rice stocks** in all positions on October 1, 2017 totaled 3.86 million hundredweight (cwt), down 10 percent from the total on October 1, 2016. California rough rice stocks were down 49 percent from the August 1, 2017 level. Medium grain varieties accounted for 82 percent of the total rough rice, while long and short grain varieties accounted 18 percent of the total rough rice stocks.

California **milled rice stocks** in all positions totaled 811,000 cwt, down 24 percent from the August 1, 2017 level and down 45 percent from a year ago.

Rough Rice Stocks in All Positions – California October 1, 2008 - 2017



Rice Stocks by Position and Month in Domestic Units – United States: 2016 and 2017

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

Date	2016			2017		
	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	18,255	90,507	108,762	21,600	85,969	107,569
June 1	7,965	56,299	64,264	10,525	55,819	66,344
August 1	3,762	34,983	38,745	4,693	34,077	38,770
October 1 ²	60	4,215	4,275	35	3,820	3,855
December 1	48,595	111,734	160,329			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	6,135	6,135	(X)	6,220	6,220
June 1	(X)	6,916	6,916	(X)	5,397	5,397
August 1	(X)	5,406	5,406	(X)	5,093	5,093
October 1 ²	(X)	1,470	1,470	(X)	811	811
December 1	(X)	5,795	5,795			

(X) Not applicable.

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

² California only.

Rice Stocks by Position and Month in Metric Units – United States: 2016 and 2017

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Date	2016			2017		
	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	828,030	4,105,330	4,933,360	979,760	3,899,490	4,879,250
June 1	361,290	2,553,680	2,914,970	477,410	2,531,910	3,009,310
August 1	170,640	1,586,800	1,757,440	212,870	1,545,710	1,758,580
October 1 ²	2,720	191,190	193,910	1,590	173,270	174,860
December 1	2,204,230	5,068,170	7,272,400			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	278,280	278,280	(X)	282,130	282,130
June 1	(X)	313,700	313,700	(X)	244,800	244,800
August 1	(X)	245,210	245,210	(X)	231,010	231,010
October 1 ²	(X)	66,680	66,680	(X)	36,790	36,790
December 1	(X)	262,860	262,860			

(X) Not applicable.

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

² California only.

Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2016 and 2017

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	3,732	3,180	(D)	(D)	4,275	3,855

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

Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2016 and 2017

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	389	388	(D)	(D)	426	428
State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ¹		Brewers		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	1,044	383

- Represents zero.

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¹ Screenings included with second heads.

Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: August 1, 2016 and 2017

State	2016			2017		
	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	2,500	17,818	20,318	2,450	20,520	22,970
California	387	11,206	11,593	388	7,133	7,521
Louisiana	750	2,393	3,143	210	2,188	2,398
Mississippi	(D)	(D)	500	(D)	(D)	1,336
Missouri	(D)	(D)	1,021	(D)	(D)	1,755
Texas	(D)	(D)	2,170	(D)	(D)	2,790
Unallocated ²	125	3,566	-	1,645	4,236	-
United States	3,762	34,983	38,745	4,693	34,077	38,770
Milled rice						
Arkansas	(X)	1,537	1,537	(X)	2,860	2,860
California	(X)	2,703	2,703	(X)	1,063	1,063
Louisiana	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	477	477	(X)	775	775
Unallocated ²	(X)	689	689	(X)	395	395
United States	(X)	5,406	5,406	(X)	5,093	5,093

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

² Unallocated includes State data withheld to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:
August 1, 2016 and 2017**

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	10,755	6,602	(D)	(D)	11,593	7,521
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	7,592	3,276	(D)	(D)	27,152	31,249
United States	19,801	28,198	18,347	9,878	597	694	38,745	38,770

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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:
August 1, 2016 and 2017**

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	1,191	449	(D)	(D)	1,235	497
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	133	160	(D)	(D)	2,151	2,126
United States	2,022	1,969	1,324	609	40	45	3,386	2,623

State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ²		Brewers		Total	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(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)	1,468	566
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	33	84	(D)	(D)	552	1,904
United States	1,436	1,588	33	84	551	798	2,020	2,470

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² Screenings included with second heads in California.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The rice stocks estimates in this report are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of October. Separate surveys were conducted to obtain the on-farm and off-farm estimates. Unlike other rice stocks estimation periods, only an off farm survey was conducted. 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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