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Special Note

USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service suspended a number of statistical surveys and reports for the remainder of the fiscal year resulting from reduced funding. Suspended commodity programs impacted the *June Rice Stocks*. Check the NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov for any future updates to this program.

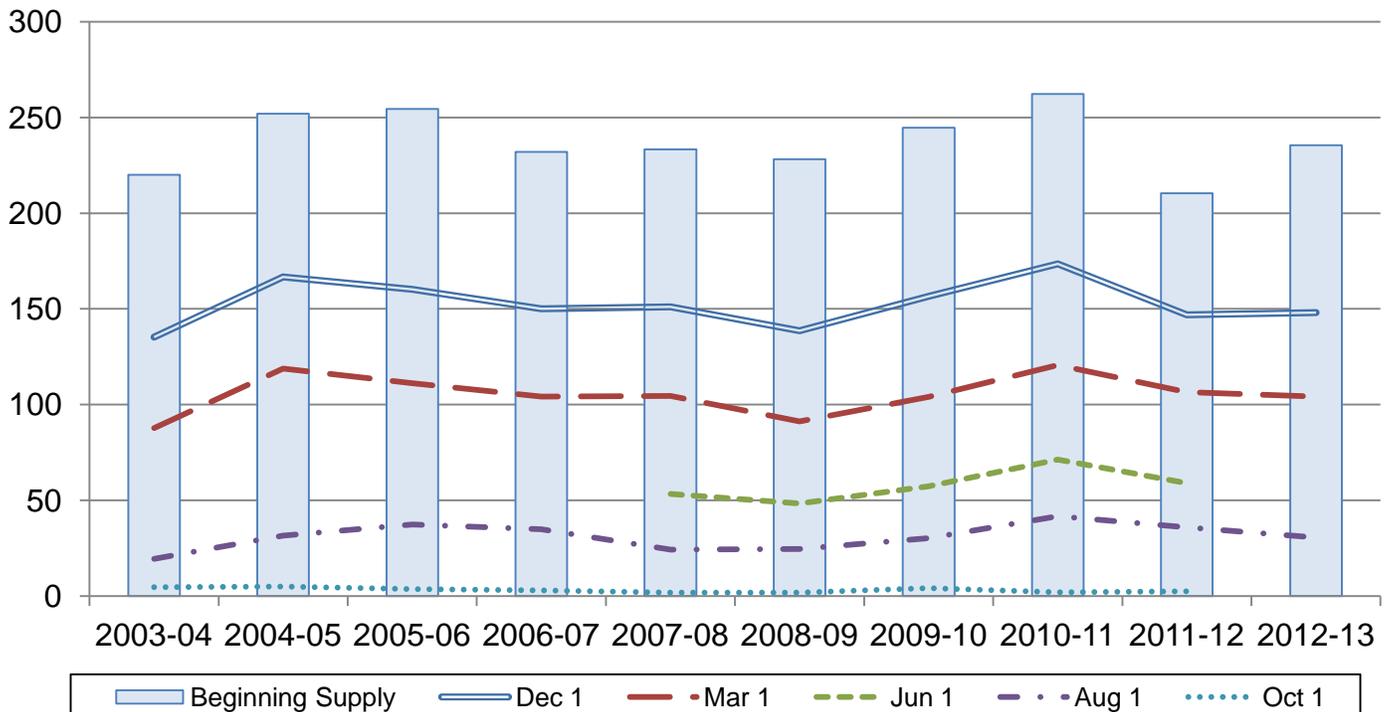
Rough Rice Stocks Down 15 Percent from August 2012

Rough rice stocks in all positions on August 1, 2013 totaled 30.5 million hundredweight (cwt), down 15 percent from the total on August 1, 2012. Stocks held on farms totaled 640 cwt and off-farm stocks totaled 29.9 million cwt. Long grain varieties accounted for 64 percent of the total rough rice, medium grain accounted for 33 percent, and short grain varieties accounted for 3 percent.

Milled rice stocks in all positions totaled 4.13 million cwt, up 15 percent from a year ago. Milled rice stocks were comprised of 2.49 million cwt of whole kernel rice and 1.64 million cwt of second heads, screenings, and brewers rice.

Rough Rice Stocks – United States

Million cwt



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

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

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	6,640	52,466	59,106	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	910	35,052	35,962	640	29,880	30,520
October 1 ²	20	2,460	2,480			
December 1	39,385	108,650	148,035			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	4,494	4,494	(X)	6,665	6,665
June 1	(X)	4,462	4,462	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	(X)	3,578	3,578	(X)	4,132	4,132
October 1 ²	(X)	1,445	1,445			
December 1	(X)	6,919	6,919			

(NA) Not available.

(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: 2012 and 2013

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

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	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 ²	910	111,580	112,490			
December 1	1,786,470	4,928,280	6,714,760			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	203,840	203,840	(X)	302,320	302,320
June 1	(X)	202,390	202,390	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
August 1	(X)	162,300	162,300	(X)	187,420	187,420
October 1 ²	(X)	65,540	65,540			
December 1	(X)	313,840	313,840			

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² California only.

Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: August 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	310	21,822	22,132	240	15,639	15,879
California	120	7,029	7,149	120	8,062	8,182
Louisiana	250	1,880	2,130	(D)	(D)	2,390
Mississippi	30	630	660	(D)	(D)	640
Missouri	(D)	(D)	869	(D)	(D)	1,039
Texas	(D)	(D)	3,022	(D)	(D)	2,390
Unallocated ²	200	3,691	-	280	6,179	-
United States	910	35,052	35,962	640	29,880	30,520
Milled rice						
Arkansas	(X)	1,507	1,507	(X)	(D)	(D)
California	(X)	995	995	(X)	1,328	1,328
Louisiana	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	337	337
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	443	443	(X)	523	523
Unallocated ²	(X)	633	633	(X)	1,944	1,944
United States	(X)	3,578	3,578	(X)	4,132	4,132

- Represents zero.

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

(X) Not applicable.

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

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	245	5,965	6,915	(D)	1,022	7,149	8,182
Other States ¹	(D)	19,194	7,018	3,142	(D)	2	28,813	22,338
United States	22,034	19,439	12,983	10,057	945	1,024	35,962	30,520

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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, 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	2	(D)	307	(D)	38	61	347	597
Other States ¹	1,548	(D)	189	(D)	-	-	1,737	1,894
United States	1,550	1,704	496	726	38	61	2,084	2,491

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	311	566	-	-	337	165	648	731
Other States ¹	559	538	51	153	236	219	846	910
United States	870	1,104	51	153	573	384	1,494	1,641

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² Screenings included with second heads in California.

Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: June 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	3,500	31,480	34,980	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
California	690	12,413	13,103	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Louisiana	1,350	2,313	3,663	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Mississippi	300	1,380	1,680	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Missouri	(D)	(D)	1,769	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Texas	(D)	(D)	3,911	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unallocated ²	800	4,880	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
United States	6,640	52,466	59,106	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Milled rice						
Arkansas	(X)	1,791	1,791	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
California	(X)	1,753	1,753	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
Louisiana	(X)	128	128	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
Texas	(X)	461	461	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
Unallocated ²	(X)	329	329	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
United States	(X)	4,462	4,462	(X)	(NA)	(NA)

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

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	(NA)	11,538	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	13,103	(NA)
Other States ¹	(D)	(NA)	8,734	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	46,003	(NA)
United States	37,552	(NA)	20,272	(NA)	1,282	(NA)	59,106	(NA)

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**Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:
June 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)	(NA)	937	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	1,002	(NA)
Other States ¹	(D)	(NA)	104	(NA)	(D)	(NA)	2,005	(NA)
United States	1,906	(NA)	1,041	(NA)	60	(NA)	3,007	(NA)
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	373	(NA)	-	(NA)	378	(NA)	751	(NA)
Other States ¹	405	(NA)	145	(NA)	154	(NA)	704	(NA)
United States	778	(NA)	145	(NA)	532	(NA)	1,455	(NA)

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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 August. 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 August 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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