



# Fats and Oils: Oilseed Crashings, Production, Consumption and Stocks

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## Highlights

**January 2023** contained 31 days.

**February 2023** contained 28 days.

**Soybeans crushed** for crude oil was 5.31 million tons (177 million bushels) in February 2023, compared with 5.73 million tons (191 million bushels) in January 2023 and 5.23 million tons (174 million bushels) in February 2022. Crude oil produced was 2.09 billion pounds down 7 percent from January 2023 but up 1 percent from February 2022. Soybean once refined oil production at 1.68 billion pounds during February 2023 decreased 3 percent from January 2023 but increased 8 percent from February 2022.

**Canola seeds crushed** for crude oil was 171,529 tons in February 2023, compared with 204,340 tons in January 2023 and 130,398 tons in February 2022. Canola crude oil produced was 137 million pounds, down 17 percent from January 2023 but up 36 percent from February 2022. Canola once refined oil production, at 144 million pounds during February 2023, was down 8 percent from January 2023 but up 48 percent from February 2022.

**Cottonseed once refined** oil production, at 34.8 million pounds during February 2023, was down 6 percent from January 2023 and down 22 percent from February 2022.

**Edible tallow** production was 107 million pounds during February 2023, up 27 percent from January 2023 and up 25 percent from February 2022. Inedible tallow production was 367 million pounds during February 2023, up 4 percent from January 2023 and up 23 percent from February 2022. Technical tallow production was 108 million pounds during February 2023, up 1 percent from January 2023 but down 5 percent from February 2022. Choice white grease production, at 115 million pounds during February 2023, decreased less than 1 percent from January 2023 and decreased 4 percent from February 2022.

# Soybean Crushing, Production, Consumption and Stocks – United States: February 2023 with Comparisons

| Item  | February 2022 | January 2023 | February 2023 |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Crush</b>  |               |              |               |
| Soybeans crushed..... tons  | 5,232,453     | 5,734,398    | 5,306,995     |
| Crude oil produced.....1,000 pounds                               | 2,064,199     | 2,252,312    | 2,091,218     |
| Cake and meal produced..... tons                                  | 3,817,784     | 4,254,599    | 3,934,588     |
| For animal feed..... tons   | 3,763,135     | 4,208,783    | 3,897,622     |
| For edible protein products..... tons                             | 54,649        | 45,816       | 36,966        |
| Millfeed produced..... tons                                       | 272,171       | 286,310      | 262,996       |
| <b>Refine</b>   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 1,574,843     | 1,753,308    | 1,710,321     |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 1,544,983     | 1,719,215    | 1,675,796     |
| <b>Consumption</b>  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | 148,218       | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 1,526,960     | 1,667,217    | 1,663,849     |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....1,000 pounds             | 1,153,916     | 1,175,584    | 1,176,222     |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | 373,044       | 491,633      | 487,627       |
| <b>Stocks</b>   |               |              |               |
| Cake and meal on hand end of month..... tons                      | 347,160       | 397,638      | 430,341       |
| Millfeed on hand end of month..... tons                           | 38,716        | 45,228       | 45,318        |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | 2,172,311     | 1,898,892    | 1,900,578     |
| Crusher.....1,000 pounds  | 1,019,221     | 1,015,648    | 1,004,199     |
| Refiner.....1,000 pounds  | 397,323       | 308,847      | 285,434       |
| Offsite.....1,000 pounds  | 755,767       | 574,397      | 610,945       |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 393,796       | 457,509      | 461,185       |

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## Soybean Crushing – Regional: February 2023 with Comparisons

| Region                                     | Soybeans crushed            |                |                |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|  | February 2022               | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|  | (tons)                      | (tons)         | (tons)         |
| Illinois .....                             | 595,948                     | 697,714        | 637,413        |
| Iowa.....                                  | 1,056,550                   | 1,124,889      | 1,114,094      |
| North and East <sup>1</sup> .....          | 1,175,071                   | 1,340,192      | 1,214,284      |
| North Central <sup>2</sup> .....           | 886,474                     | 934,137        | 882,404        |
| South, West and Pacific <sup>3</sup> ..... | 637,431                     | 692,829        | 610,874        |
| West Central <sup>4</sup> .....            | 880,979                     | 944,637        | 847,926        |
| Region                                     | Crude oil produced          |                |                |
|  | February 2022               | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|  | (1,000 pounds)              | (1,000 pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| Illinois .....                             | 238,972                     | 282,811        | 244,933        |
| Iowa.....                                  | 421,061                     | 443,800        | 441,149        |
| North and East <sup>1</sup> .....          | 449,514                     | 518,767        | 470,795        |
| North Central <sup>2</sup> .....           | 350,532                     | 369,176        | 345,272        |
| South, West and Pacific <sup>3</sup> ..... | 248,263                     | 257,998        | 234,916        |
| West Central <sup>4</sup> .....            | 355,857                     | 379,760        | 354,153        |
| Region                                     | Crude oil stocks at crusher |                |                |
|  | February 2022               | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|  | (1,000 pounds)              | (1,000 pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| Illinois .....                             | 126,320                     | (D)            | (D)            |
| Iowa.....                                  | 205,632                     | 199,825        | 211,806        |
| North and East <sup>1</sup> .....          | 237,210                     | 224,012        | 234,704        |
| North Central <sup>2</sup> .....           | 256,308                     | 237,842        | 223,356        |
| South, West and Pacific <sup>3</sup> ..... | 58,886                      | (D)            | (D)            |
| West Central <sup>4</sup> .....            | 134,865                     | 120,883        | 103,501        |
| Region                                     | Cake and meal produced      |                |                |
|  | February 2022               | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|  | (tons)                      | (tons)         | (tons)         |
| Illinois .....                             | 424,031                     | 519,790        | 465,380        |
| Iowa.....                                  | 783,301                     | 839,469        | 837,061        |
| North and East <sup>1</sup> .....          | 851,907                     | 998,157        | 903,185        |
| North Central <sup>2</sup> .....           | 650,070                     | 692,763        | 653,356        |
| South, West and Pacific <sup>3</sup> ..... | 460,444                     | 503,495        | 448,156        |
| West Central <sup>4</sup> .....            | 648,031                     | 700,925        | 627,450        |
| Region                                     | Cake and meal stocks        |                |                |
|  | February 2022               | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|  | (tons)                      | (tons)         | (tons)         |
| Illinois .....                             | 40,707                      | (D)            | 90,912         |
| Iowa.....                                  | 49,401                      | 52,375         | 60,064         |
| North and East <sup>1</sup> .....          | 119,050                     | 134,717        | 134,621        |
| North Central <sup>2</sup> .....           | 49,291                      | 56,960         | 57,223         |
| South, West and Pacific <sup>3</sup> ..... | 52,807                      | (D)            | 34,027         |
| West Central <sup>4</sup> .....            | 35,904                      | 49,843         | 53,494         |

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<sup>1</sup> North and East includes Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

<sup>2</sup> North Central includes Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

<sup>3</sup> South, West, and Pacific includes Alabama, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina and South Carolina.

<sup>4</sup> West Central includes Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

# **Selected Oilseed Crushing, Production, Consumption and Stocks – United States: February 2023 with Comparisons**

| Item  | February 2022 | January 2023 | February 2023 |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Canola</b>   |               |              |               |
| Crush   |               |              |               |
| Seeds crushed..... tons   | 130,398       | 204,340      | 171,529       |
| Crude oil produced.....1,000 pounds                               | 101,075       | 165,781      | 137,282       |
| Cake and meal produced..... tons                                  | 75,575        | 118,623      | 100,252       |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 100,227       | 161,778      | 148,487       |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 97,094        | 157,184      | 143,927       |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 102,485       | 145,076      | 152,218       |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....1,000 pounds             | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Cake and meal on hand end of month..... tons                      | 37,972        | 50,540       | (D)           |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | 47,546        | 81,224       | 69,995        |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 89,372        | 103,791      | 98,313        |
| <b>Cottonseed</b>   |               |              |               |
| Crush   |               |              |               |
| Seeds crushed..... tons   | 143,834       | 135,468      | 127,037       |
| Crude oil produced.....1,000 pounds                               | 40,353        | 35,898       | 35,674        |
| Cake and meal produced..... tons                                  | 62,357        | 59,707       | 52,320        |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 45,186        | 37,978       | 35,631        |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 44,334        | 37,157       | 34,778        |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 41,071        | 34,839       | 36,027        |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....1,000 pounds             | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Cake and meal on hand end of month..... tons                      | 17,442        | 28,677       | 23,208        |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 25,311        | 34,245       | 34,549        |
| <b>Coconut</b>  |               |              |               |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 34,524        | 40,834       | 47,251        |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 33,989        | 40,360       | 46,651        |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 53,175        | 46,168       | 50,382        |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....1,000 pounds             | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | 95,334        | 72,845       | 74,624        |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| <b>Corn</b>   |               |              |               |
| Crush   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil produced.....1,000 pounds                               | 120,077       | 154,142      | 142,574       |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 154,531       | 158,642      | 135,395       |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 150,926       | 154,792      | 132,630       |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 140,193       | 147,841      | 111,553       |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....1,000 pounds             | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | 108,552       | 101,530      | 107,448       |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 80,532        | 86,326       | 96,370        |

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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# **Selected Oilseed Crushing, Production, Consumption and Stocks – United States: February 2023 with Comparisons (continued)**

| Item  | February 2022 | January 2023 | February 2023 |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>Palm kernel</b>  |               |              |               |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 44,419        | 26,809       | 24,699        |
| Removed for edible use in processing .....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 56,191        | 52,523       | 55,149        |
| <b>Palm</b>   |               |              |               |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 200,969       | 203,156      | 193,523       |
| Removed for edible use in processing .....1,000 pounds            | 196,596       | 198,635      | 190,974       |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | 4,373         | 4,521        | 2,549         |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 376,451       | 342,694      | 339,582       |
| <b>Peanut</b>   |               |              |               |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 24,327        | 30,266       | 33,837        |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 23,054        | 28,210       | 31,871        |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 22,256        | 26,923       | 24,113        |
| Removed for edible use in processing .....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | (D)           | 26,396       | 25,965        |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| <b>Safflower</b>  |               |              |               |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 8,199         | 5,459        | 4,899         |
| Removed for edible use in processing .....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | 5,328         | 8,850        | 11,444        |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| <b>Sunflower</b>  |               |              |               |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil processed in refining.....1,000 pounds                  | 37,830        | 33,406       | 46,913        |
| Once refined oil produced.....1,000 pounds                        | 36,113        | 32,289       | 45,343        |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Crude oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Once refined oil removed for use in processing.....1,000 pounds   | 34,433        | 39,089       | 34,611        |
| Removed for edible use in processing .....1,000 pounds            | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds           | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Crude oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                   | (D)           | 54,865       | 54,115        |
| Once refined oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds            | 20,690        | 39,217       | 47,606        |
| <b>Vegetable foots, raw and acidulated</b>                        |               |              |               |
| Refine  |               |              |               |
| Oil produced.....1,000 pounds                                     | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Consumption   |               |              |               |
| Oil removed for inedible use in processing.....1,000 pounds       | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |
| Stocks  |               |              |               |
| Oil on hand end of month.....1,000 pounds                         | (D)           | (D)          | (D)           |

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# Animal Fats and Oils Production, Consumption and Stocks – United States: February 2023 with Comparisons

| Item   | February 2022  | January 2023   | February 2023  |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|  | (1,000 pounds) | (1,000 pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| <b>Choice white grease</b>                                     |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 119,243        | 114,827        | 114,672        |
| Removed for inedible use .....                                 | 120,964        | 113,703        | 116,733        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 6,770          | 7,814          | 5,752          |
| <b>Feather meal</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 87,115         | 86,474         | 101,084        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 17,263         | 18,220         | 18,677         |
| <b>Lard</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 31,369         | 18,686         | 22,883         |
| Removed for use in processing .....                            | 27,880         | 19,345         | 19,228         |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....                      | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....                    | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 12,148         | 4,888          | 7,107          |
| <b>Meat meal, meat and bone meal, and dry rendered tankage</b> |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 472,630        | 473,188        | 483,855        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 68,604         | 65,996         | 52,335         |
| <b>Other grease</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 34,958         | 29,071         | 28,077         |
| Removed for inedible use in processing .....                   | 45,429         | 31,135         | 27,321         |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| <b>Poultry fats</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 155,533        | 167,162        | 196,350        |
| Removed for inedible use in processing .....                   | 158,054        | 173,614        | 196,411        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 29,337         | 25,493         | 25,432         |
| <b>Poultry by-product meals</b>                                |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 240,473        | 337,712        | 393,727        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 103,396        | 69,358         | 65,113         |
| <b>Tallow, edible</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 85,735         | 84,426         | 107,107        |
| Removed for use in processing .....                            | 87,907         | 84,209         | 119,050        |
| Removed for edible use in processing.....                      | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| Removed for inedible use in processing.....                    | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | (D)            | 28,106         | 12,918         |
| <b>Tallow, inedible</b>  |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 297,541        | 351,649        | 367,157        |
| Removed for inedible use in processing .....                   | 286,957        | 355,902        | 399,683        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | (D)            | 115,745        | 83,198         |
| <b>Tallow, technical</b>                                       |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 114,061        | 106,980        | 107,979        |
| Removed for inedible use in processing .....                   | 115,164        | 104,517        | 110,967        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | (D)            | (D)            | (D)            |
| <b>Yellow grease</b>   |                |                |                |
| Production.....  | 161,409        | 184,418        | 177,582        |
| Removed for inedible use in processing .....                   | 149,325        | 185,582        | 160,856        |
| Stocks on hand end of month.....                               | 88,584         | 97,813         | 113,840        |

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## Statistical Methodology

**Survey Procedures:** *Fats and Oils: Oilseed Crushings, Production, Consumption and Stocks* is part of the Current Agricultural Industrial Reports (CAIR) program. CAIR reports are administered under NASS's Census of Agriculture program. Response to CAIR surveys are required by law (Title 7, U.S. Code). Animal and vegetable fats and oils data are collected from all known facilities that crush, refine or render. Crushing facilities include processors that use either solvent extraction or continuous screw press.

The census universe was determined during operation profile interviews which were completed for each potential facility to identify the presence of rendering, oilseeds crushing, and crude oil refining in 2014.

In the Animal and Vegetable Fats and Oils survey questionnaire, facilities are asked for previous calendar month data on oilseed crushing, crude oil production, once refined oil production, rendering production, and end of month stocks. Facilities are mailed questionnaires with the options of completing the survey by mail or by Electronic Data Reporting (EDR). For surveys not received in a reasonable amount of time, telephone follow-up is conducted.

**Estimating Procedures:** Imputation is done for operations with non-response by using historical data and current data relationships. Data for reporting firms are added to estimates for non-reporting firms to obtain National totals.

**Revision Policy:** Data are revised the following month based on late reports or corrected data. Final figures are published in the annual summary of the following year.

**Reliability:** Survey data are based on a census of all known facilities and therefore, have no sampling variability. Monthly data can vary due to different firms reporting month to month. Survey data are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions and mistakes in reporting and in processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized by carefully reviewing all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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