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STOCKS OF GRAIN, APRIL 1, 1945

Included in grain stocks in all storage positions, on and off farms, on April 1, 1945, were 563 million bushels of wheat, 1,408 million bushels of corn, 49 million bushels of oats, 144 million bushels of barley and 20½ million bushels of rye. Current stocks of wheat are 3 percent larger than a year earlier, but 38 percent less than on April 1, 1943. Stocks of corn are 23 percent larger than a year ago, but 5 percent less than on April 1, 1943. Oats stocks are 6 percent larger than a year earlier, but 13 percent less than on April 1, 1943. Reserves of barley are 7 percent above a year ago, but 24 percent below 2 years ago, while rye stocks are down 44 percent from those of April 1, 1944 and 61 percent from those of April 1, 1943. These data do not include an estimate of grains in transit, of which reports indicate there is probably more than usual for this time of year.

Of the total of 2,605 million bushels of the five grains, about 2,103 million bushels were on farms, the difference of 502 million bushels being in off-farm storages. This is equivalent to about 30 percent of all commercial storage capacity, which at the time of the most recent survey on April 1, 1943, totaled 1,667 million bushels. A year earlier off-farm stocks of the five grains were 469 million bushels, equivalent to 28 percent of the total storage space, and on April 1, 1943, the off-farm total of 798 million bushels occupied 48 percent of the total commercial storage space. (Continued over)

STOCKS OF GRAIN, APRIL 1, 1945, WITH COMPARISONS

Crop	Position	April 1,	April 1,	Jan. 1,	Apr. 1,
		1943	1944	1945	1945
		Thousand bushels			
Wheat	(On farms <u>1</u> /	326,327	219,679	392,423	279,083
	(Commodity Credit Corporation <u>2</u> /	62,712	38,515	16,847	15,770
	(Interior Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1</u> /	176,591	66,535	160,290	129,208
	(Terminals <u>3</u> /	212,131	123,700	152,043	99,644
	(Merchant Mills <u>4</u> /	123,455	96,388	114,387	79,550
	TOTAL.....	901,216	544,817	835,990	563,255
Corn	(On farms <u>1</u> /	1,374,748	1,093,080	2,145,520	1,339,780
	(Commodity Credit Corporation <u>2</u> /	22,000	726	323	97
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1</u> / <u>5</u> /	50,822	33,305	44,796	47,252
	(Terminals <u>3</u> /	42,326	14,110	11,698	20,872
	TOTAL.....	1,489,896	1,141,221	2,202,337	1,408,001
Oats	(On farms <u>1</u> /	504,869	415,576	750,454	430,477
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1</u> / <u>5</u> /	27,407	21,116	35,497	29,831
	(Terminals <u>3</u> /	6,182	5,438	14,982	8,537
	TOTAL.....	538,458	442,130	800,933	468,905
Barley	(On farms <u>1</u> /	144,000	92,424	135,200	86,660
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1</u> / <u>5</u> /	38,459	31,376	47,211	35,881
	(Terminals <u>3</u> /	6,987	10,947	30,886	21,858
	TOTAL.....	189,446	134,747	213,297	144,402
Rye	(On farms <u>1</u> /	24,000	8,890	10,700	6,675
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1</u> / <u>5</u> /	8,036	6,146	4,133	3,510
	(Terminals <u>3</u> /	20,458	21,148	12,207	10,252
	TOTAL.....	52,494	36,184	27,040	20,437

1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.

2/ Stocks owned by Commodity Credit Corporation in steel and wooden bins off farms.

3/ Commercial grain stocks in 46 markets reported by War Food Administration.

4/ Estimated total based upon Bureau of Census report; preliminary for April 1, 1945

5/ Includes also stocks in merchant mills; see table on other side.

(Over)

Disappearance of wheat from all positions between January 1 and April 1, 1945 was about 273 million bushels, the same as for this quarter of 1944. For the same respective periods, disappearance of corn was 794 and 880 million bushels; disappearance of oats was 332 and 311 million bushels; of barley 69 and 83 million bushels; and of rye 6.6 and 6.5 million bushels.

Stocks of corn, oats, barley and rye, shown by States below, are estimates for the off-farm positions covered by the Crop Reporting Board. These positions include all off-farm storages except those at the 46 terminal markets and the steel and wooden bins of Commodity Credit Corporation.

STOCKS OF GRAIN, APRIL 1, 1945, WITH COMPARISONS 1/

State	Shelled & Ear Corn		Oats		Barley		Rye	
	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 1,
	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945	1944	1945
	T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s							
New Eng.	382	490	530	684	114	80	*	*
N. Y.	1,180	1,040	1,385	1,375	1,463	1,253	*	*
N. J.	88	165	130	125	60	42	2	1
Pa.	625	790	770	605	235	98	20	20
Ohio	2,185	2,735	1,336	1,695	318	177	18	14
Ind.	1,616	2,300	707	870	72	75	18	7
Ill.	8,570	10,380	1,403	2,248	2,260	*	72	29
Mich.	677	917	572	560	232	*	10	18
Wis.	635	675	630	685	6,540	6,940	83	31
Minn.	1,060	1,400	1,900	3,260	5,090	4,940	1,047	572
Iowa	3,273	4,770	2,533	3,220	322	217	73	*
Mo.	1,672	3,900	796	888	1,015	919	90	15
N. Dak.	48	160	1,048	3,931	1,162	3,463	452	340
S. Dak.	298	977	890	3,244	736	1,460	342	444
Nebr.	2,367	5,504	598	573	388	351	127	88
Kans.	1,237	3,360	535	374	380	511	18	43
Md.	184	440	154	128	51	46	*	*
Va.	220	376	111	110	51	20	18	26
Ky.	530	630	67	185	17	37	*	*
Tenn.	415	613	126	101	33	29	*	*
Okla.	174	425	315	315	133	180	19	22
Tex.	2,376	1,635	819	750	262	485	13	28
Other Southern	882	1,212	415	413	95	*	*	*
Mont.	22	14	312	397	300	560	15	9
Idaho	112	95	570	655	868	1,000	*	*
Wyo.	13	58	22	63	18	50	*	*
Colo.	335	1,020	130	185	443	485	53	51
Ariz.	12	38	5	31	140	665	2	---
Utah	105	76	61	47	378	373	*	*
Wash.	500	286	787	516	1,035	1,065	79	9
Oreg.	136	195	615	884	580	870	23	20
Calif.	1,338	633	842	672	6,584	6,815	18	16
Other Western	38	23	2	42	1	*	*	*
Other States and Undistributed *	---	---	---	---	---	2,678	3,534	1,707
U.S.	33,305	47,252	21,116	29,831	31,376	35,884	6,146	3,510

1/ For positions covered, see preceding paragraph.

*Stocks in States indicated combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.