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STOCKS OF GRAIN, OCTOBER 1, 1943

Stocks of 28,471,000 bushels of old corn from the 1942 and earlier crops, together with 61,492,000 bushels of oats, 83,160,000 bushels of barley, and 32,206,000 bushels of rye, in all commercial positions on October 1, 1943 are reported by the Crop Reporting Board. These totals represent a compilation of commercial stocks reported by the Food Distribution Administration at 46 terminal markets in addition to stocks estimated by the Crop Reporting Board in Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, in Merchant Mills and Oilseed Crushers, and in other storages such as breweries, distilleries, bean cleaning and corn processing plants, and similar miscellaneous storages. In the positions covered by estimates of the Crop Reporting Board were 21,019,000 bushels of old corn, 44,162,000 bushels of oats, 61,490,000 bushels of barley, and 8,431,000 bushels of rye.

Farm stocks on October 1 bring the combined total in all positions up to 393,315,000 bushels of corn and 1,002,584,000 bushels of oats. Farm stocks of barley and rye are estimated only on June 1 and December 1 each year. This is the first survey covering these positions on October 1, but comparisons are available for July 1 and April 1, 1943, as shown below:

Stocks of Grains, October 1, 1943 with comparisons

Enumerated or estimated by:	Position	Corn	Oats	Barley	Rye
		Thousand bushels			
Food Distribution Administration	1/46 Terminal Markets	7,452	17,330	21,670	23,775
Crop Reporting Board	Other Commercial Storages	21,019	44,162	61,490	8,431
"	On Farms	364,844	941,092	2/	2/
Total Commercial Stocks)		28,471	61,492	83,160	32,206
3/		30,916	27,278	40,498	32,643
)		95,340	34,166	46,525	28,784
Total All Positions)		393,315	1,002,584	2/	2/
(On and off farms)		843,608	263,722	2/	2/
3/		1,490,452	542,374	2/	2/

- 1/ As enumerated October 2; includes Canadian Bonded Grain in storage in U. S.
 2/ Farm stocks of barley and rye available only on June 1 and December 1 each year.
 3/ Excludes corn in steel bins owned by C.C.C., amounting to 477,000 bushels October 1, 9,105,000 bushels July 1, and 22,000,000 bushels April 1, 1943.

Aggregate stocks of these four grains, at 205,329,000 bushels, occupied about 12 percent of all commercial storage space, which totaled 1,667,192,000 bushels as of April 1, 1943. In addition, a relatively small amount of new crop corn had begun to move to storage by October 1. (Total wheat stocks will be reported later.)

In several Corn Belt States, stocks of corn in plants reporting to the Crop Reporting Board were larger on October 1 than on July 1, reversing the usual situation. Probably this indicates lower July 1 stocks than usual, as well as considerable movement from farms during the period. Stocks of corn on October 1 in all commercial storages are relatively low, for though no similar October 1 survey has been made previously, current stocks are lower than those held at the 46 terminal markets alone on the same date of the past three years.

STOCKS OF GRAINS, OCTOBER 1 AND JULY 1, 1943 1/

State	Shelled and		Oats		Barley		Rye	
	Ear Corn							
	July 1	Oct. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	July 1	Oct. 1
	Thous. bushels		Thous. bushels		Thous. bushels		Thous. bushels	
N. Eng.	419	170	525	610	135	226	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
N.Y.	3,169	493	1,234	1,571	1,002	1,228	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
N.J.	125	40	150	95	50	125	2	11
Pa.	505	300	465	570	176	425	19	50
Ohio	1,290	910	1,035	1,980	<u>2/</u>	405	28	15
Ind.	616	860	506	1,329	15	72	6	37
Ill.	5,750	6,170	1,173	3,988	2,040	2,513	18	47
Mich.	523	346	435	795	145	473	21	20
Wis.	315	265	413	740	11,776	10,085	446	125
Minn.	870	841	1,686	3,461	4,489	6,433	1,965	1,679
Iowa	2,118	4,937	4,000	6,219	<u>2/</u>	832	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Mo.	522	1,095	805	1,651	374	844	55	55
N.Dak.	53	58	1,330	3,802	1,660	4,300	1,075	1,041
S.Dak.	384	425	1,053	2,718	1,080	1,902	642	623
Nebr.	1,147	1,730	451	1,816	434	1,077	117	318
Kans.	520	456	145	954	195	650	20	57
Md.	240	90	90	140	80	129	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Va.	185	118	88	127	65	135	10	7
Ky.	225	245	73	150	55	67	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Tenn.	225	165	73	201	29	80	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Okla.	128	160	33	840	50	336	18	63
Texas	506	259	207	2,040	151	637	46	68
Other Southern	506	298	197	636	82	170	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Mont.	6	10	283	444	300	692	11	32
Idaho	22	19	270	1,330	352	2,375	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Wyo.	25	30	8	55	10	38	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Colo.	180	116	70	155	210	840	20	68
Utah	20	10	30	60	55	615	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Wash.	40	3	1,163	2,031	1,459	3,142	50	112
Oreg.	68	55	465	1,675	444	1,563	15	71
Calif.	537	326	228	1,887	2,755	18,272	14	25
Other Western	14	19	8	92	<u>2/</u>	809	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>
Other States & Undistributed <u>2/</u>	---	---	---	---	625	---	3,868	3,907
U. S.	21,253	21,019	18,692	44,162	30,293	61,490	8,466	8,431

1/ For positions covered, see text on reverse side of this sheet.

2/ Stocks in States indicated combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.