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STOCKS OF FEED GRAINS, OCTOBER 1, 1948

Only 126 million bushels of old corn remained in all positions on October 1, 1948, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. This is the smallest carryover of corn in the 6 years of comparable record, although it is probable that total October 1 stocks in 1935 and 1937 were much smaller. Nearly 115 million bushels of this total were on farms and nearly 10 million bushels were in interior mills, elevators and warehouses.

Stocks of oats in all positions on October 1 totaled 1,252 million bushels, of which less than 64 million bushels were in off-farm storages. The current total has been exceeded only on October 1, 1945. Barley stocks of nearly 297 million bushels are the largest since October 1, 1943, and about one-fifth larger than in the past three years.

Sorghum grain stocks on October 1 are estimated for the second year as a project under the Research and Marketing Act of 1946. The current total is nearly 7 million bushels, only slightly less than a year ago. Of this total, 2,289,000 bushels are commercial stocks at terminals and contain an unknown, but likely a major proportion of new crop sorghum grain. Stocks in other positions are carryovers of old sorghum grain.

Disappearance of corn, oats and barley from these positions between July 1 and October 1 is shown in the following table:

Disappearance of Grains, July-September Quarter												
Grain	:	1943	:	1944	:	1945	:	1946	:	1947	:	1948
Million bushels												
Corn		447		355		439		359		431		532
Oats		409		364		393		576		453		427
Barley		115		90		110		85		88		72

STOCKS OF FEED GRAINS, OCTOBER 1, 1948, WITH COMPARISONS										
Grain	:	Position	:	October 1, 1946	:	October 1, 1947	:	July 1, 1948	:	October 1, 1948
Thousand bushels										
Corn		(On Farms <u>1/</u>		153,003		254,210		426,553		114,550
		(Terminals <u>2/</u>		4,944		7,910		5,210		1,522
		(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>3/</u>		14,979		23,474		26,065		9,853
		TOTAL		172,926		285,594		457,808		125,925
Oats		(On Farms <u>1/</u>		1,147,713		964,340		171,479		1,188,320
		(Terminals <u>2/</u>		20,319		26,644		1,841		18,902
		(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>3/</u>		45,484		48,168		12,132		44,616
		TOTAL		1,213,516		1,039,152		185,452		1,251,838
Barley		(On Farms <u>1/</u>		159,635		160,403		26,600		210,178
		(Terminals <u>2/</u>		18,248		27,444		6,740		19,254
		(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>3/</u>		57,506		58,936		18,251		67,222
		TOTAL		235,389		246,783		51,591		296,654
Sorghum Grain		(On Farms <u>1/</u> <u>4/</u>		--		3,878		--		4,100
		(Terminals <u>2/</u>		3,004		2,651		533		2,289
		(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>3/4/</u>		--		486		--		418
		TOTAL		--		7,015		--		6,807

1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board. 2/ Commercial stocks reported by the Grain Branch, P.M.A., at 40 terminal cities. 3/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated; estimates of Crop Reporting Board. 4/ First date available, October 1, 1947.

Stocks of corn, oats, barley and sorghum grain, shown below by States, are for all off farm positions. Stocks in interior mills, elevators and war houses, as estimated by the Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, are combined with commercial stocks at terminals, as reported by the Grain Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration, to obtain these State totals.

OFF FARM 1/ STOCKS OF FEED GRAINS, OCT. 1, 1948, WITH COMPARISONS

State	Shelled and ear corn:		Oats		Barley		Sorghum grain	
	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948
Thousand bushels								
N. Eng.	265	232	449	430	73	57	---	---
N. Y.	1,139	264	5,502	3,963	1,621	1,756	5	56
N. J.	118	99	215	140	91	*	1	1
Pa.	512	260	433	1,015	156	189	13	5
Ohio	1,554	688	2,469	2,476	176	49	35	7
Ind.	1,668	752	1,726	2,063	40	25	7	23
Ill.	10,657	3,289	8,980	10,878	3,000	3,233	40	40
Mich.	301	401	738	710	476	*	---	---
Wis.	564	343	3,911	3,115	16,394	11,131	3	3
Minn.	1,520	577	11,232	3,571	21,511	19,010	2	4
Iowa	3,364	1,256	9,100	9,263	575	362	---	2
Mo.	1,800	344	3,179	1,014	1,014	374	31	71
N. Dak.	59	80	4,623	3,911	6,852	6,635	---	---
S. Dak.	653	129	4,906	3,582	7,096	2,035	3	1
Nebr.	2,408	657	3,044	2,386	613	558	9	18
Kans.	617	134	1,735	603	509	306	165	88
Del.	23	67	23	28	2	3	---	---
Md.	340	199	95	530	147	556	2	2
Va.	292	135	197	175	91	75	13	1
W. Va.	51	30	12	13	1	2	15	1
N. C.	157	122	261	175	42	22	1	1
S. C.	38	19	315	95	2	5	3	0
Ga.	140	42	172	175	6	3	---	---
Fla.	532	390	143	199	55	42	31	9
Deln.	451	105	616	679	26	52	35	7
Ala.	40	7	28	123	7	57	---	---
Miss.	26	13	229	130	1	14	---	---
Ark.	26	1	122	122	1	0	---	3
La.	27	0	91	5	0	0	1	0
Okla.	60	3	703	420	43	56	65	25
Tex.	149	18	1,793	685	115	140	2,210	2,204
Mont.	10	10	300	330	2,025	1,125	---	---
Idaho	26	30	1,294	724	2,336	2,617	---	---
Wyo.	2	5	146	46	74	61	---	---
Colo.	224	149	306	160	1,381	1,112	22	10
N. Mex.	3	7	16	25	17	22	2	40
Ariz.	2	4	75	67	244	2,220	19	10
Utah	20	20	97	71	809	1,058	---	---
Nev.	2	1	44	20	26	25	---	---
Wash.	103	53	1,945	803	3,937	3,586	---	---
Oreg.	90	72	1,754	1,482	3,809	4,909	20	10
Calif.	611	300	1,787	2,102	15,300	22,632	36	65
Unallocated*	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	327	-----	-----
U.S.	31,304	11,375	74,312	63,510	30,390	26,476	3,137	2,707

1/ For positions covered, see preceding paragraph.

* Unallocated -- to avoid disclosing individual operations.