



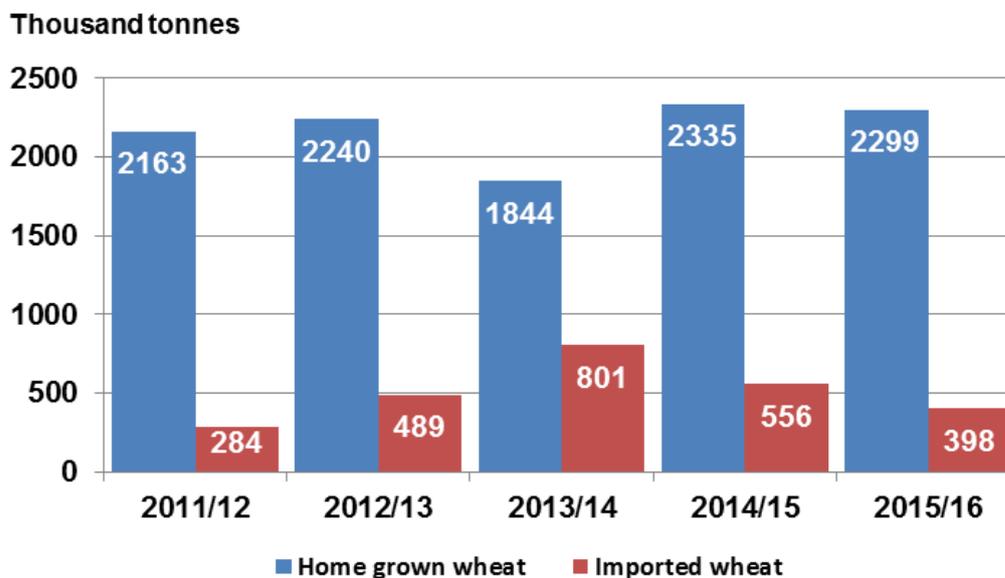
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## Cereals usage by Millers, Brewers, Distillers and Maltsters UK - November 2015

### Key points

- Milling industry, starch and Bioethanol used 553 thousand tonnes of wheat in November 2015, down 8.3% on November 2014. Of this 476 thousand tonnes was home produced.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 153 thousand tonnes of barley in November 2015, down 3.2% on November 2014.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 42 thousand tonnes of wheat in November 2015, down 38% on November 2014.
- Figure 1 shows crop year to date wheat milled July – Nov 2011/12 - 2015/16. Home grown wheat milled has decreased by 1.5% on July to Nov 2014; imported wheat milled has declined 28% on the July to Nov 2014.

**Figure 1: Wheat milled crop year to date 2011/12 - 2015/16 (July – Nov)**



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**Figure 2: Cereal usage in November 2015**

| <b>Flour Millers</b> |                   |                 |              | Thousand tonnes         |                    |                      |
|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| November             | Home Grown milled | Imported milled | Total milled | Home Grown year to date | Total year to date | Total closing stocks |
| Wheat Milled 2015    | 476               | 77              | 553          | 2299                    | 2698               | 244                  |
| Wheat Milled 2014    | 524               | 79              | 603          | 2335                    | 2891               | 266                  |
| % Difference         | -9.2%             | -2.7%           | -8.3%        | -1.5%                   | -6.7%              | -8%                  |

| Thousand tonnes       |                        |                    |                      |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| November              | Total Flour Production | Flour year to date | Flour Closing Stocks |
| Flour Production 2015 | 433                    | 2132               | 50                   |
| Flour Production 2014 | 457                    | 2214               | 57                   |
| % Difference          | -5.2%                  | -3.7%              | -12%                 |

| <b>Brewers, Maltsters and Distillers</b> |                      |                     |                       | Thousand tonnes     |                    |                      |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| November                                 | Barley monthly usage | Barley year to date | Barley Closing stocks | Wheat Monthly Usage | Wheat year to date | Wheat closing stocks |
| Barley 2015                              | 153                  | 744                 | 1019                  | 42                  | 272                | 4                    |
| Barley 2014                              | 158                  | 799                 | 1044                  | 68                  | 332                | 9                    |
| % Difference                             | -3.2%                | -6.9%               | -2.4%                 | -38%                | -18%               | -58%                 |

| <b>Oat Millers</b> |                      |                   |                     | Thousand tonnes |  |  |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Q3 Jul - Sept      | Oats Quarterly Usage | Oats year to date | Oats Closing stocks |                 |  |  |
| Oats Milled 2015   | 125                  | 125               | 17                  |                 |  |  |
| Oats Milled 2014   | 118                  | 118               | 18                  |                 |  |  |
| % Difference       | 5.6%                 | 5.6%              | -4.4%               |                 |  |  |

- Home grown wheat used for milling was down 9.2% to 476 thousand tonnes against November 2014. Imported wheat used for milling was down 2.7% to 77 thousand tonnes.
- Barley used for brewing, malting and distilling was down 3.2% to 153 thousand tonnes against November 2014. Wheat was also down by 38% to 42 thousand tonnes on November 2014.

Datasets for [Flour Millers](#), [Brewers Maltsters and Distillers](#) and [Oat Millers](#) have been published to accompany this notice with fuller detail, trends and methodology. All cereal usage statistics are accessible from the [cereal usage statistics](#) landing page.

### Usage of the Statistics

The UK government and the European Commission use these statistics to monitor and assess stocks of cereals as a key component of our food security. The estimates contribute to the UK cereal balance sheets published by the Agricultural and Horticultural Development Board [AHDB](#). Grain processors and traders use the estimates to help assess market conditions.

### Revisions

There is an element of estimation in the brewers maltsters and distillers data for November and small revisions made to the flour milling data for August to November.

### Further Information

1. Data are from Defra's monthly cereal usage surveys which cover all flour millers and brewers, maltsters and distillers and oat millers in the United Kingdom.
2. The next release will be on 04 February 2015 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed production](#) and [cereal stocks](#).