



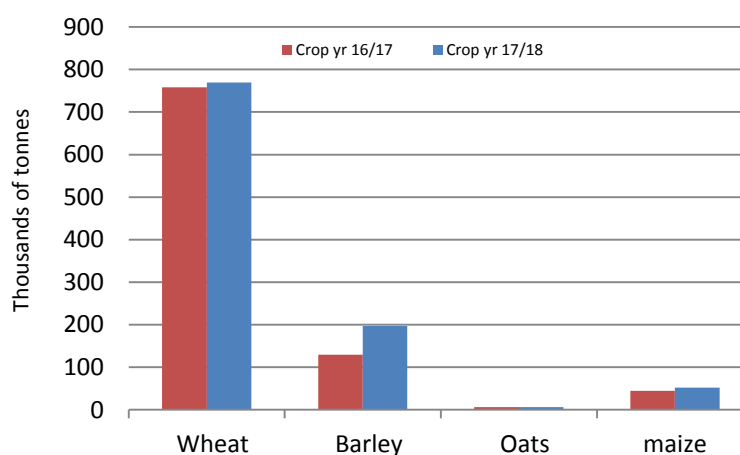
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## Animal Feed Statistics for Great Britain – August 2017

### Key points

- Animal feed production was up 23% for sheep, 11% for cattle and calves, 6.6% for pigs and down 4.3% for poultry in August 2017 compared to August 2016.
- 2.8% less wheat was used to produce animal feed in August 2017 than August 2016 and 52% more barley.
- Over the crop year from July to August, animal feed production was up 24% for sheep, 11% for cattle, 5.2% for pigs and 3.0% for poultry compared to the previous crop year.
- Over the crop year from July to August, wheat used to produce animal feed was up 1.5% and 53% for barley compared to the previous crop year.

**Figure 1: Cereal usage for animal feed in current crop year 17/18 compared to previous crop year 16/17**



A dataset for animal feed statistics has been published to accompany this notice with fuller detail and trends. All animal feed statistics, including quarterly prices, are accessible from the [animal feed production](#) landing page along with a methodology document.

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**Figure 2: Animal feed production and inputs, August 2017**

| Thousands of tonnes                       | Latest month | %Chg (2) | Latest 3 month (4) | %Chg (2) | Year to date (3) | %Chg (2) | 12 month rolling | %Chg (2) |
|---|--------------|----------|--------------------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| <b>PRODUCTION</b>                         | 1071         | 1.9      | 3330               | 5.5      | 2145             | 5.5      | 13675            | 2.5      |
| Cattle and calf feed                      | 314          | 10.7     | 925                | 11.1     | 605              | 10.7     | 4091             | 4.1      |
| Compounds for dairy cows                  | 164          | 7.5      | 496                | 9.5      | 321              | 8.1      | 2044             | 4.5      |
| Blends for dairy cows                     | 60           | 13.5     | 175                | 14.2     | 116              | 13.7     | 808              | 3.3      |
| Pig feed                                  | 153          | 6.6      | 454                | 3.0      | 297              | 5.2      | 1798             | -3.7     |
| Pig growing feed                          | 28           | 7.4      | 83                 | 5.4      | 54               | 5.5      | 323              | -9.9     |
| Pig finishing feed                        | 78           | 6.7      | 229                | 2.5      | 151              | 5.1      | 910              | -2.8     |
| Pig breeding feed                         | 33           | 4.7      | 98                 | 1.1      | 64               | -97.6    | 391              | -3.6     |
| Poultry feed (1)                          | 508          | -4.3     | 1665               | 3.4      | 1057             | 3.0      | 6212             | 2.2      |
| Layer feed                                | 101          | -0.6     | 316                | 1.5      | 205              | 2.3      | 1265             | 1.1      |
| Broiler chicken feed                      | 274          | -8.8     | 918                | 4.5      | 572              | 2.6      | 3541             | 3.7      |
| Sheep feed                                | 33           | 23.4     | 102                | 18.9     | 63               | 24.4     | 796              | 9.0      |
| Compounds for breeding sheep              | 2            | -21.2    | 7                  | -14.5    | 4                | -14.6    | 304              | -1.0     |
| Compounds for growing and finishing sheep | 23           | 36.7     | 75                 | 26.0     | 45               | 34.3     | 383              | 15.4     |
| Other feed                                | 64           | -4.8     | 185                | -1.5     | 122              | -4.5     | 777              | 5.3      |
| <b>USAGE (1)</b>                          | 1025         | 3.8      | 3145               | 7.2      | 2030             | 6.9      | 12770            | 2.3      |
| Wheat                                     | 384          | -2.8     | 1207               | 2.2      | 770              | 1.5      | 4714             | 2.3      |
| Barley                                    | 103          | 51.8     | 297                | 50.1     | 197              | 52.8     | 1118             | 10.0     |
| Oats                                      | 3            | 6.4      | 10                 | 1.7      | 6                | 3.2      | 40               | -16.3    |
| Whole and flaked maize                    | 27           | 19.0     | 80                 | 13.8     | 52               | 16.1     | 320              | -2.1     |
| Oilseed rape cake and meal                | 37           | -5.2     | 107                | 2.9      | 71               | -0.6     | 578              | -5.5     |
| Soya cake and meal                        | 91           | 2.2      | 283                | 3.6      | 184              | 4.7      | 1086             | -8.9     |
| Sunflower cake and meal                   | 32           | 31.1     | 94                 | 21.1     | 63               | 28.0     | 351              | 9.3      |
| Other oilseed cake and meal               | 36           | 10.2     | 110                | 11.0     | 70               | 10.6     | 501              | 1.6      |
| Other usage                               | 312          | -0.7     | 956                | 4.0      | 617              | 2.6      | 4062             | 5.1      |

(1) Includes data from compound processors and integrated poultry units

(2) % change relates to the same period in the previous year

(3) Year to date comprises of July to August 2017 data

(4) April 2016 is a 5 week reporting period & 2016 a 53 week year

## 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](#). Animal feed processors and grain traders use the estimates to help assess market conditions and inform business decisions.

## Revisions

We have reviewed some IPU's (Integrated Poultry Units) which produce both feed for their own use and feed for retail sale. We have adjusted the data from August 2015 which has resulted in an increase in compound poultry feed and a decrease in IPU feed. This statistical notice has been updated with final 2016 data for those smaller companies which are only surveyed annually.

## Further information

1. Data are from Defra's monthly animal feed surveys which cover all animal feed processors and integrated poultry units in Great Britain.
2. The next release will be on 02 November 2017 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed prices](#) and cereal usage by [millers and brewers](#) and [cereal stocks](#).

## Compound animal feed prices – key points

- The quarterly average price of Cattle and Calf compounds between April and June 2017 was £213 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Pig compounds between April and June 2017 was £232 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Poultry compounds between April and June 2017 was £254 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Sheep compounds between April and June 2017 was £224 per tonne

Figure 3: Quarterly compound animal feed prices 2010 to 2017

