



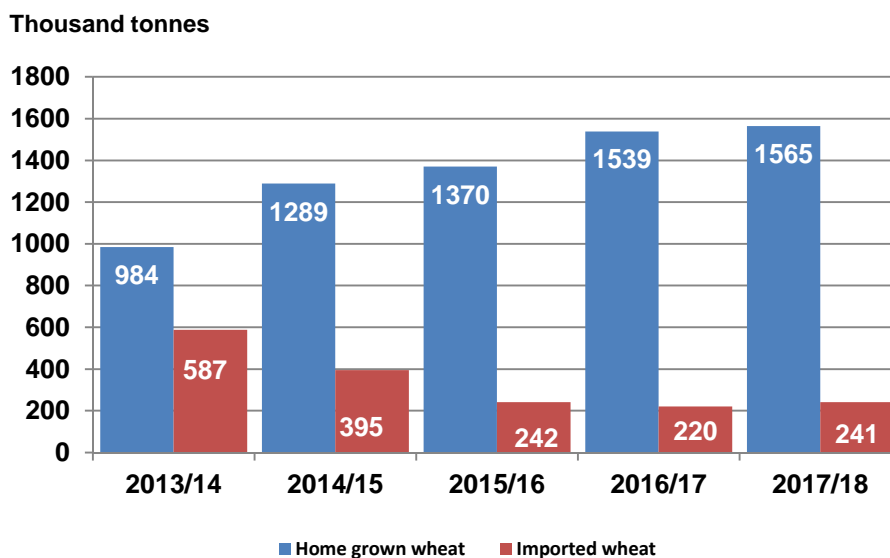
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## Cereals usage by Millers, Brewers, Distillers and Maltsters UK – Quarter 3 (Q3) 2017

### Key points

- Milling industry, starch and Bioethanol used 1807 thousand tonnes of wheat in Q3 2017, up 2.7% on the same period in 2016. Of this 1565 thousand tonnes was home produced.
- In Q3 2017 Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 466 thousand tonnes of barley up 4.3% and 212 thousand tonnes of wheat up 19%, against the same period in 2016.
- Figure 1 show wheat milled in the 2013/14 - 2017/18 crop years. Home grown wheat milled has increased by 1.7% on 2016/17; imported wheat milled has increased 9.6% during the same period.

**Figure 1: Wheat milled crop years 2013/14 - 2017/18 (July to June)**



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**Figure 2: Cereal usage quarter 3 2017**

<b>Flour Millers</b>				Thousand tonnes		
Quarter 3 Jul - Sep	Home Grown milled	Imported milled	Total milled	Home Grown year to date*	Total year to date*	Total closing stocks
Wheat Milled 2017	1565	241	1807	1565	1807	225
Wheat Milled 2016	1539	220	1759	1539	1759	232
% Difference	1.7%	10%	2.7%	1.7%	2.7%	-3.2%

Thousand tonnes			
Quarter 3 Jul - Sep	Total Flour Production	Crop year to date	Flour Closing Stocks
Flour Production 2017	1433	1433	51
Flour Production 2016	1379	1379	48
% Difference	3.9%	3.9%	5.8%

<b>Brewers, Maltsters and Distillers</b>				Thousand tonnes	
Quarter 3 Jul - Sep	Barley quarterly usage	Crop year to date	Barley Closing stocks	Wheat quarterly Usage	Wheat closing stocks
Barley 2017	466	466	901	212	12
Barley 2016	447	447	964	179	8
% Difference	4.3%	4.3%	-7%	19%	56%

<b>Oat Millers</b>				Thousand tonnes	
Quarter 3 Jul - Sep	Oats Quarterly Usage	Crop year to date	Oats Closing stocks		
Oats Milled 2017	129	129	20		
Oats Milled 2016	126	126	18		
% Difference	2.4%	2.4%	13.5%		

\* Crop year runs from July - June

- Imported wheat used for milling was up 9.6% to 241 thousand tonnes in Q3 2017.
- Flour production was up 3.9% to 1433 thousand tonnes against Q3 2016.
- For the 2017/18 crop year to date oats milled was up 2.4% to 129 thousand tonnes against 2016/17.

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

No revisions have been made.

#### 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 08 February 2018 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed production](#) and [cereal stocks](#).