

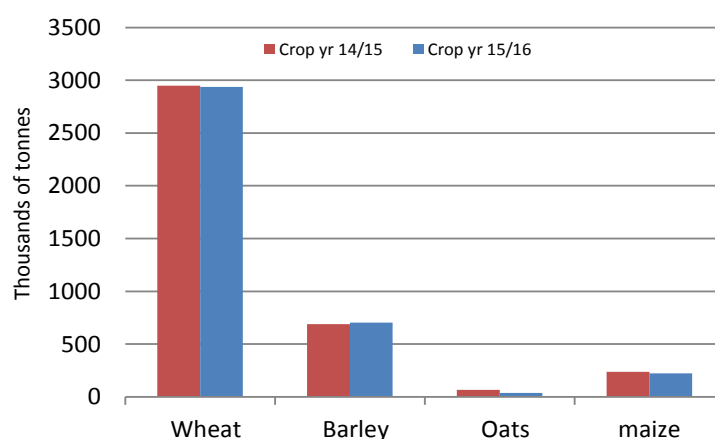


## Animal Feed Statistics for Great Britain - February 2016

### Key points

- Animal feed production was up 1.0% for poultry and 3.0% for pigs, down 6.0% for cattle and 4.9% for sheep in February 2016 compared to February 2015.
- 13.4% more barley was used to produce animal feed in February 2016 than February 2015 and 1.1% less wheat.
- Over the crop year from July to February, animal feed production was up 2.9% for pigs and 1.3% for poultry, down 9.6% for sheep and 4.6% for cattle compared to the previous crop year.
- Over the crop year from July to February, wheat used to produce animal feed was down 0.3% and barley up 2.4% compared to the previous crop year. See figure 1.

**Figure 1: Cereal usage for animal feed in current crop year 15/16 compared to previous crop year 14/15**



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, February 2016**

Thousands of tonnes	Latest month	%Chg (2)	Latest 3 month	%Chg (2)	Year to date (3)	%Chg (2)	12 month rolling	%Chg (2)
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	1083	-1.9	3374	-2.0	8685	-0.8	13253	-0.3
Cattle and calf feed	334	-6.0	1078	-5.5	2667	-4.6	4023	-3.5
Compounds for dairy cows	156	-4.5	505	-3.8	1327	-4.2	2024	-3.1
Blends for dairy cows	69	-7.2	227	-9.0	532	-6.0	810	-3.2
Pig feed	145	3.0	469	0.7	1258	2.9	1879	3.0
Pig growing feed	29	0.1	97	3.1	266	6.7	395	6.5
Pig finishing feed	69	2.5	230	1.3	610	2.6	903	3.0
Pig breeding feed	32	-3.7	102	-5.6	268	-3.4	413	-1.7
Poultry feed (1)	441	1.0	1415	1.6	3896	1.3	5924	1.0
Layer feed	97	3.7	306	3.2	805	4.7	1216	5.0
Broiler chicken feed	253	0.7	818	1.9	2158	-0.5	3300	-1.2
Sheep feed	108	-4.9	242	-8.1	371	-9.6	698	-1.8
Compounds for breeding sheep	61	-12.4	115	-16.2	134	-18.9	309	-1.4
Compounds for growing and finishing sheep	37	18.1	99	3.5	178	-3.8	298	-3.9
Other feed	54	-4.5	171	-5.9	494	1.6	729	1.8
<b>USAGE (1)</b>	1026	0.9	3183	-0.1	8145	0.2	12352	0.2
Wheat	350	-1.1	1100	-0.8	2938	-0.3	4510	3.8
Barley	93	13.4	288	10.3	704	2.4	1016	-6.6
Oats	4	-46.7	13	-49.6	36	-43.9	66	-38.9
Whole and flaked maize	28	1.6	87	-1.0	222	-6.3	339	-22.8
Oilseed rape cake and meal	61	-10.2	185	-14.4	422	-14.2	663	-7.5
Soya cake and meal	96	11.3	304	12.3	801	12.9	1174	10.3
Sunflower cake and meal	28	-15.5	80	-16.5	190	-16.5	314	-17.5
Other oilseed cake and meal	46	14.3	137	14.4	319	20.0	472	16.0
Other usage	320	0.7	988	-1.2	2513	0.6	3797	0.4

(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 February 2016 data

## 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 which has resulted in an increase in compound poultry feed and a decrease in IPU feed. This statistical notice has been updated with final 2015 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 05 May 2016 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 October and December 2015 was £203 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Pig compounds between October and December 2015 was £218 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Poultry compounds between October and December 2015 was £225 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Sheep compounds between October and December 2015 was £203 per tonne

**Figure 3: Quarterly compound animal feed prices 2010 to 2015**

