



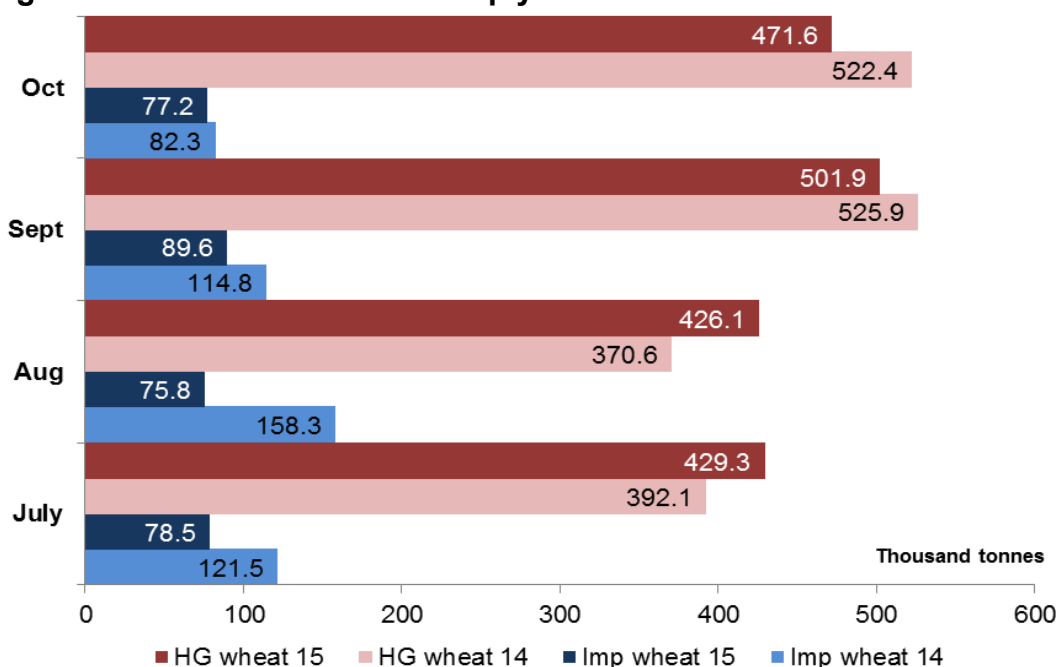
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## Cereals usage by Millers, Brewers, Distillers and Maltsters UK - October 2015

### Key points

- Milling industry, starch and Bioethanol used 549 thousand tonnes of wheat in October 2015, down 9.2% on October 2014. Of this 472 thousand tonnes was home produced.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 144 thousand tonnes of barley in October 2015, down 11% on October 2014.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 63 thousand tonnes of wheat in October 2015, down 8.7% on October 2014.
- Figure 1 shows crop year to date (2015/16) home grown wheat milled has increased by 1.0% on July to Oct 2014, imported wheat milled has declined 33% on the July to Oct 2014.

**Figure 1: Total wheat milled crop year to date 2014 & 2015**



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

Flour Millers				Thousand tonnes		
October	Home Grown milled	Imported milled	Total milled	Home Grown year to date	Total year to date	Total closing stocks
Wheat Milled 2015	472	77	549	1829	2150	249
Wheat Milled 2014	522	82	605	1811	2288	288
% Difference	-9.7%	-6.2%	-9.2%	1.0%	-6.0%	-13%

Thousand tonnes			
October	Total Flour Production	Flour year to date	Flour Closing Stocks
Flour Production 2015	431	1699	50
Flour Production 2014	459	1757	60
% Difference	-6.0%	-3.3%	-17%

Brewers, Maltsters and Distillers				Thousand tonnes		
October	Barley monthly usage	Barley year to date	Barley Closing stocks			
Barley 2015	144	591	1029			
Barley 2014	161	641	1064			
% Difference	-11%	-7.8%	-3.3%			

October	Wheat Monthly Usage	Wheat year to date	Wheat closing stocks
Wheat 2015	63	230	3
Wheat 2014	69	264	10
% Difference	-8.7%	-13%	-69%

Oat Millers				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 9.7% to 472 thousand tonnes against October 2014. Imported wheat used for milling was down 6.2% to 77 thousand tonnes.
- Barley used for brewing, malting and distilling was down 11% to 144 thousand tonnes against October 2014. Wheat was also down by 8.7% to 63 thousand tonnes on October 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 and in the flour milling data for October.

### 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 12 January 2015 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed production](#) and [cereal stocks](#).