



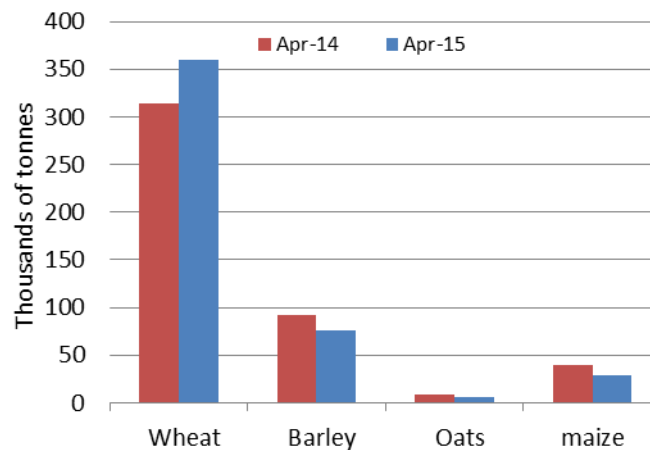
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## Animal Feed Statistics for Great Britain - April 2015

### Key points

- Animal feed production was up 8.2% for sheep, 1.5% for poultry and 0.8% for pigs in April 2015 compared to April 2014. Cattle feed was down 1.6%.
- 12.5% more wheat was used to produce animal feed in April 2015 than April 2014 and 20.9% less barley. See figure 1.
- Over the crop year from July to April, animal feed production was up for pigs by 3.7%, up for sheep by 3.0%, level for poultry and cattle was down 0.7% compared to the previous crop year.
- Over the crop year from July to April, wheat used to produce animal feed was up 5.1% and barley usage down 9.6% compared to the previous crop year.

**Figure 1: Cereal usage for animal feed in April 2015 compared to April 2014**



Datasets for [compounders](#) and [integrated poultry units](#) have been published to accompany this notice with fuller detail, trends and methodology. All animal feed statistics including quarterly prices are accessible from the [animal feed production](#) landing page.

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**Figure 2: Animal feed production and inputs, April 2015 (1)**

Thousands of tonnes	Latest month	%Chg last	Latest 3 month	%Chg last	Year to date (2)	%Chg last	12 month rolling	%Chg last
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	1081	1.0	3524	1.6	11146	0.1	13285	-0.1
Cattle and calf feed	333	-1.6	1114	0.5	3555	-0.7	4170	-1.2
Compounds for dairy cows	169	-0.6	530	0.6	1752	0.9	2088	1.7
Blends for dairy cows	69	4.6	236	5.7	728	5.5	850	4.7
Pig feed	144	0.8	439	-0.2	1502	3.7	1806	5.0
Pig growing feed	30	3.1	94	4.8	314	-5.0	376	-5.8
Pig finishing feed	67	2.5	205	0.5	719	10.7	862	13.2
Pig breeding feed	34	1.2	105	-0.4	348	1.8	419	2.5
Poultry feed	457	1.5	1426	0.6	4812	0.1	5843	0.2
Layer feed	98	7.7	302	5.4	976	2.2	1170	1.6
Broiler chicken feed	258	-1.2	825	-0.7	2740	-0.4	3334	0.1
Sheep feed	89	8.2	364	9.8	668	3.0	744	-1.9
Compounds for breeding sheep	47	2.6	214	7.0	309	3.9	323	-1.8
Compounds for growing and finishing sheep	34	15.4	114	8.9	268	-1.7	320	-5.1
Other feed	58	3.5	180	6.2	609	-6.2	723	-6.0
<b>USAGE</b>	1004	0.7	3282	2.2	10389	0.1	12384	-0.1
Wheat	359	12.5	1146	13.7	3739	5.1	4438	2.8
Barley	76	-20.9	253	-19.0	854	-9.6	1042	-4.3
Oats	6	-47.3	22	-42.8	78	-21.6	96	-14.2
Whole and flaked maize and other grains	29	-40.2	90	-43.1	299	-25.2	393	-16.6
Oilseed rape cake and meal	63	5.1	217	3.9	639	-2.3	728	-3.1
Soya cake and meal	86	4.6	276	6.6	894	5.1	1072	5.1
Sunflower cake and meal	31	-18.8	109	-15.5	303	-1.6	366	3.4
Other oilseed cake and meal	38	6.7	129	8.6	355	-6.0	416	-9.5
Other usage	316	3.4	1041	6.3	3228	1.1	3833	0.2

(1) Includes compound processors and integrated poultry units

(2) Year to date is July 14 to April 15 inclusive

### 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

There are no revisions to previous estimates.

### 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 2 July 2015 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed prices](#) and cereal usage by [millers and brewers](#) and [cereal stocks](#).