



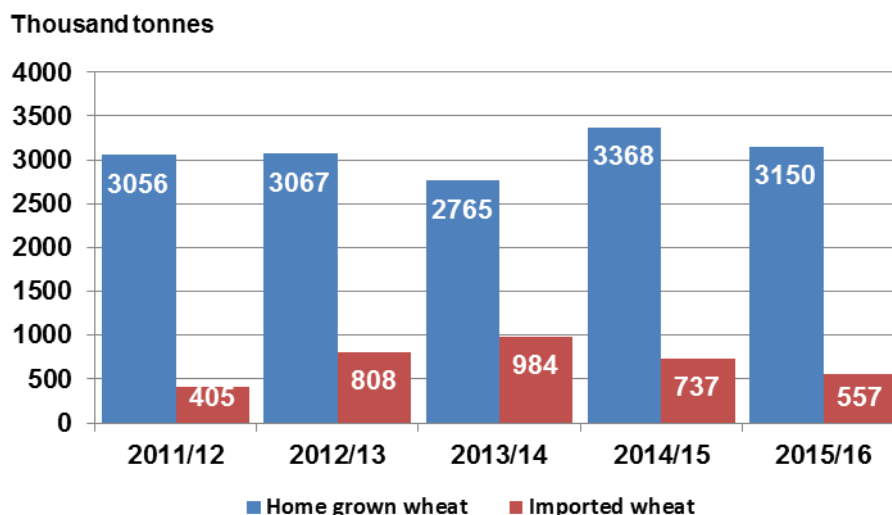
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## Cereals usage by Millers, Brewers, Distillers and Maltsters UK - January 2016

### Key points

- Milling industry, starch and Bioethanol used 426 thousand tonnes of wheat in January 2016, down 21.2% on January 2015. Of this 357 thousand tonnes was home produced.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 145 thousand tonnes of barley in January 2016, down 10.4% on January 2015.
- Brewers, maltsters and distillers used 36 thousand tonnes of wheat in January 2016, down 37% on January 2015.
- Figure 1 shows crop year to date wheat milled July – Jan 2011/12 - 2015/16. Home grown wheat milled has decreased by 6.5% on July to Jan 2015; imported wheat milled has declined 24.4% on the July to Jan 2015.

**Figure 1: Wheat milled crop year to date 2011/12 - 2015/16 (July – Jan)**



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**Figure 2: Cereal usage in January 2016**

<b>Flour Millers</b>				Thousand tonnes		
January	Home Grown milled	Imported milled	Total milled	Home Grown year to date	Total year to date	Total closing stocks
Wheat Milled 2016	357	69	426	3150	3707	262
Wheat Milled 2015	460	81	541	3368	4105	289
% Difference	-22.4%	-14.2%	-21.2%	-6.5%	-9.7%	-9%

Thousand tonnes			
January	Total Flour Production	Flour year to date	Flour Closing Stocks
Flour Production 2016	343	2942	51
Flour Production 2015	418	3144	57
% Difference	-17.8%	-6.4%	-12%

<b>Brewers, Maltsters and Distillers</b>				Thousand tonnes		
January	Barley monthly usage	Barley year to date	Barley Closing stocks	Wheat Monthly Usage	Wheat year to date	Wheat closing stocks
Barley 2016	145	1045	929	36	349	3
Barley 2015	162	1124	917	58	450	10
% Difference	-10.4%	-7.0%	1.3%	-37%	-22%	-67%

<b>Oat Millers</b>				Thousand tonnes		
Q4 Oct - Dec	Oats Quarterly Usage	Oats year to date	Oats Closing stocks			
Oats Milled 2016	137	262	20			
Oats Milled 2015	122	241	22			
% Difference	11.8%	8.7%	-5.1%			

- Home grown wheat used for milling was down 22.4% to 357 thousand tonnes against January 2015. Imported wheat used for milling was down 14.2% to 69 thousand tonnes.
- Barley used for brewing, malting and distilling was down 10.4% to 145 thousand tonnes against January 2015. Wheat was also down by 37% to 36 thousand tonnes on January 2015.

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 for December and small revisions made to the flour milling data for August to December.

### 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 07 April 2016 at 9.30am.
3. Related statistics are available on [animal feed production](#) and [cereal stocks](#).