

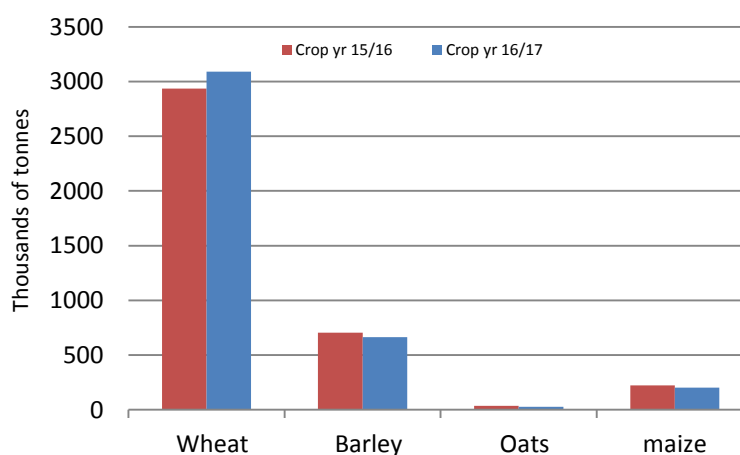


Animal Feed Statistics for Great Britain – February 2017

Key points

- Animal feed production was up 5.9% for sheep, 3.1% for poultry and 1.9% for cattle and calves and down 5.9% for pigs in February 2017 compared to February 2016.
- 2.9% more wheat was used to produce animal feed in February 2017 than February 2016 and 4.4% less barley.
- Over the crop year from July to February, animal feed production was up 21% for sheep, 3.6% for poultry and 0.5% for cattle and down 6.1% for pigs compared to the previous crop year.
- Over the crop year from July to February, wheat used to produce animal feed was up 5.2% and barley was down 5.8% compared to the previous crop year.

Figure 1: Cereal usage for animal feed in current crop year 16/17 compared to previous crop year 15/16



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 2017

Thousands of tonnes	Latest month	%Chg (2)	Latest 3 month (4)	%Chg (2)	Year to date (3)	%Chg (2)	12 month rolling	%Chg (2)
PRODUCTION	1109	2.1	3534	4.5	8889	2.2	13533	2.0
Cattle and calf feed	344	1.9	1123	3.6	2687	0.5	3970	-1.5
Compounds for dairy cows	160	1.7	523	3.1	1324	-0.4	1963	-3.1
Blends for dairy cows	74	5.5	232	1.3	536	0.4	790	-2.6
Pig feed	136	-5.9	447	-4.7	1182	-6.1	1806	-3.9
Pig growing feed	24	-15.3	78	-16.9	210	-20.1	320	-18.4
Pig finishing feed	68	-5.4	229	-3.0	606	-1.8	923	1.4
Pig breeding feed	31	-4.8	99	-3.4	257	-4.7	397	-4.3
Poultry feed (1)	454	3.1	1482	5.0	4033	3.6	6180	4.4
Layer feed	99	1.0	320	3.9	828	2.8	1266	4.0
Broiler chicken feed	268	6.5	874	7.1	2283	5.9	3504	6.3
Sheep feed	116	5.9	289	17.8	452	20.8	801	14.2
Compounds for breeding sheep	65	3.8	128	7.9	151	9.5	321	2.7
Compounds for growing and finishing sheep	42	13.5	119	21.6	226	27.5	374	25.8
Other feed	59	8.6	193	11.8	535	8.0	777	6.4
USAGE (1)	1032	0.3	3273	2.6	8279	1.6	12603	2.0
Wheat	360	2.9	1165	6.0	3090	5.2	4722	4.7
Barley	89	-4.4	282	-2.3	664	-5.8	993	-2.4
Oats	3	-22.9	10	-21.7	27	-26.1	42	-36.0
Whole and flaked maize	25	-7.9	81	-6.2	203	-8.3	316	-6.7
Oilseed rape cake and meal	57	-7.0	180	-2.3	401	-5.0	599	-9.7
Soya cake and meal	83	-13.4	268	-11.7	717	-10.6	1120	-4.6
Sunflower cake and meal	30	4.8	85	3.8	209	9.2	337	6.6
Other oilseed cake and meal	45	-2.9	139	-0.2	321	0.3	493	4.2
Other usage	340	5.2	1062	7.0	2649	5.3	3981	4.7

(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 2016 to February 2017 data

(4) April 2016 is a 5 week reporting period & 2016 a 53 week year

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 2015 which has resulted in an increase in compound poultry feed and a decrease in IPU feed. This statistical notice has been updated with final 2016 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 04 May 2017 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 2016 was £211 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Pig compounds between October and December 2016 was £224 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Poultry compounds between October and December 2016 was £237 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Sheep compounds between October and December 2016 was £213 per tonne

Figure 3: Quarterly compound animal feed prices 2010 to 2016

