



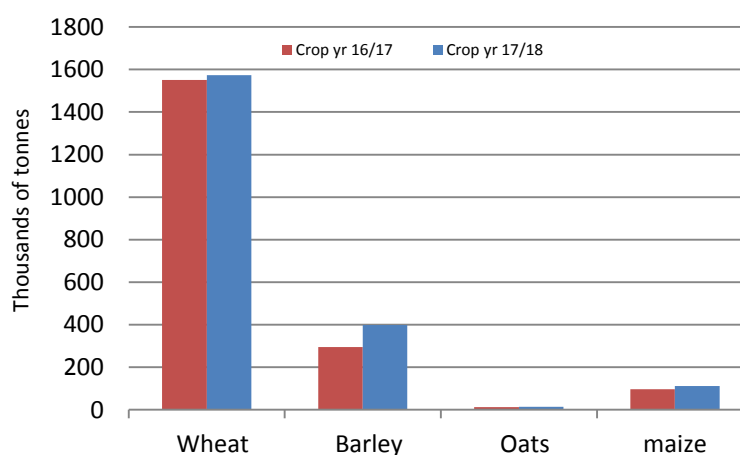
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## Animal Feed Statistics for Great Britain – October 2017

### Key points

- Animal feed production was up 18% for sheep, 9.2% for cattle and calves, 6.2% for pigs and up 1.4% for poultry in October 2017 compared to October 2016.
- 3.3% more wheat was used to produce animal feed in October 2017 than October 2016 and 19% more barley.
- Over the crop year from July to October, animal feed production was up 24% for sheep, 10% for cattle, 4.8% for pigs and 1.8% for poultry compared to the previous crop year.
- Over the crop year from July to October, wheat used to produce animal feed was up 1.4% and 35% for barley compared to the previous crop year.

**Figure 1: Cereal usage for animal feed in current crop year 17/18 compared to previous crop year 16/17**



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, October 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)
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	1112	5.0	3421	4.5	4466	4.9	13776	3.4
Cattle and calf feed	361	9.2	1045	10.1	1337	10.3	4158	6.2
Compounds for dairy cows	176	8.1	528	7.9	685	8.1	2071	5.8
Blends for dairy cows	73	9.1	205	11.0	261	11.7	821	5.4
Pig feed	153	6.2	470	5.3	613	4.8	1812	-1.1
Pig growing feed	28	5.5	84	5.0	110	4.6	325	-5.1
Pig finishing feed	80	7.3	244	6.5	316	5.8	920	-0.8
Pig breeding feed	32	3.7	97	1.9	128	1.6	390	-2.6
Poultry feed (1)	491	1.4	1590	0.9	2111	1.8	6221	2.1
Layer feed	101	3.4	314	1.9	412	1.3	1265	1.2
Broiler chicken feed	276	1.0	890	-0.3	1167	1.5	3543	3.1
Sheep feed	41	18.3	112	23.5	143	24.3	811	9.4
Compounds for breeding sheep	3	-33.3	9	-22.4	11	-19.5	302	-2.2
Compounds for growing and finishing sheep	28	25.4	79	33.8	102	33.9	397	16.3
Other feed	65	0.0	204	-3.2	263	-3.4	774	4.1
<b>USAGE (1)</b>	1040	5.5	3212	4.9	4189	5.4	12854	3.1
Wheat	382	3.3	1202	1.2	1573	1.4	4726	2.0
Barley	98	19.0	309	32.3	399	35.4	1155	15.1
Oats	4	20.3	11	13.9	14	9.6	41	-11.9
Whole and flaked maize	28	14.5	87	16.6	111	14.8	327	1.5
Oilseed rape cake and meal	44	-9.5	120	-11.7	153	-8.6	564	-6.2
Soya cake and meal	87	0.3	275	1.0	364	1.2	1082	-7.2
Sunflower cake and meal	31	29.2	96	27.7	126	26.2	364	9.6
Other oilseed cake and meal	40	3.7	117	6.1	151	7.0	504	2.5
Other usage	326	5.9	996	3.3	1297	3.7	4092	5.6

(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 October 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. Data for July 2017 has been amended due to changes in Compound/IPU split.

## 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 11 January 2018 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 July and September 2017 was £215 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Pig compounds between July and September 2017 was £233 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Poultry compounds between July and September 2017 was £257 per tonne
- The quarterly average price of Sheep compounds between July and September 2017 was £225 per tonne

Figure 3: Quarterly compound animal feed prices 2010 to 2017

