



Grain Crushings and Co-Products Production

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Highlights

January 2019 contained 31 days.

February 2019 contained 28 days.

Total corn consumed for alcohol and other uses was 449 million bushels in February 2019. Total corn consumption was down 9 percent from January 2019 and down 7 percent from February 2018. February 2019 usage included 91.7 percent for alcohol and 8.3 percent for other purposes. Corn consumed for beverage alcohol totaled 2.74 million bushels, down 4 percent from January 2019 but up 16 percent from February 2018. Corn for fuel alcohol, at 403 million bushels, was down 9 percent from January 2019 and down 7 percent from February 2018. Corn consumed in February 2019 for dry milling fuel production and wet milling fuel production was 91.2 percent and 8.8 percent, respectively.

Dry mill co-product production of distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS) was 1.69 million tons during February 2019, down 7 percent from January 2019 and down 8 percent from February 2018. Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65 percent or more moisture was 1.21 million tons in February 2019, down 11 percent from January 2019 and down 4 percent from February 2018.

Wet mill corn gluten feed production was 250,857 tons during February 2019, down 5 percent from January 2019 and down 12 percent from February 2018. Wet corn gluten feed 40 to 60 percent moisture was 224,333 tons in February 2019, down 11 percent from January 2019 and down 12 percent from February 2018.

Dry and Wet Mill, Corn Consumed – United States: February 2019 with Comparisons

Purpose	February 2018	January 2019	February 2019
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Consumed for alcohol production			
Beverage alcohol	2,364	2,869	2,740
Fuel alcohol	433,622	444,016	402,894
Dry mill	393,318	405,454	367,273
Wet mill	40,304	38,562	35,621
Industrial alcohol	5,829	6,787	6,157
Consumed for other purposes			
Total wet mill products other than fuel	39,966	38,948	37,285

Dry Mill, Sorghum Consumed – United States: February 2019 with Comparisons

Purpose	February 2018	January 2019	February 2019
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Consumed for alcohol production			
Fuel alcohol	1,815	4,883	5,054

Dry and Wet Mill, Co-products and Products Produced – United States: February 2019 with Comparisons

Co-products and products	February 2018	January 2019	February 2019
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)
Dry mill			
Condensed distillers solubles (CDS - syrup)	152,279	118,145	109,504
Corn oil (Corn Distillers Oil - CDO)	164,531	148,896	132,627
Distillers dried grains (DDG)	371,026	369,647	336,464
Distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS)	1,829,272	1,822,623	1,691,758
Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65% or more moisture	1,264,798	1,357,504	1,213,815
Modified distillers wet grains (DWG) 40% to 64% moisture	452,351	469,787	427,761
Wet mill			
Corn germ meal	58,351	61,166	56,218
Corn gluten feed	285,466	263,218	250,857
Corn gluten meal	90,924	84,214	77,454
Wet corn gluten feed 40% to 60% moisture	254,749	253,103	224,333
Dry and wet mill			
Carbon dioxide captured	187,762	262,241	221,058

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: *Grain Crushings and Co-Products Production* is part of the Current Agricultural Industrial Reports (CAIR) program. CAIR reports are administered under NASS's Census of Agriculture program. Response to CAIR surveys are required by law (Title 7, U.S. Code). Data are collected from all known mills that produce ethanol.

The census universe was determined during operation profile interviews which were completed for each potential facility to identify the presence of ethanol production in 2014. During the operation profile, facilities that met the survey criteria were asked for the nameplate production capacity. The operation profile also documented the manner in which the firm will report. A firm headquarters can report for all milling locations or each location can report separately.

In the Dry Mill Producers and Wet Mill Producers survey questionnaires, mills are asked for previous calendar month data on feedstocks consumed, products and co-products produced. Mills are mailed questionnaires with the options of completing the survey by mail or by Electronic Data Reporting (EDR). For surveys not received in a reasonable amount of time, telephone follow-up is conducted.

Estimating Procedures: Imputation is done for operations with non-response by using historical data and current data relationships. Data for reporting firms are added to estimates for non-reporting firms to obtain National totals.

Revision Policy: Data are revised the following month based on late reports or corrected data. Final figures are published in the annual summary of the following year.

Reliability: Approximately 130 reports are received each month which represent about 90 percent of total capacity. Monthly data can vary due to different firms reporting month to month. Survey data are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions and mistakes in reporting and in processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized by carefully reviewing all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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