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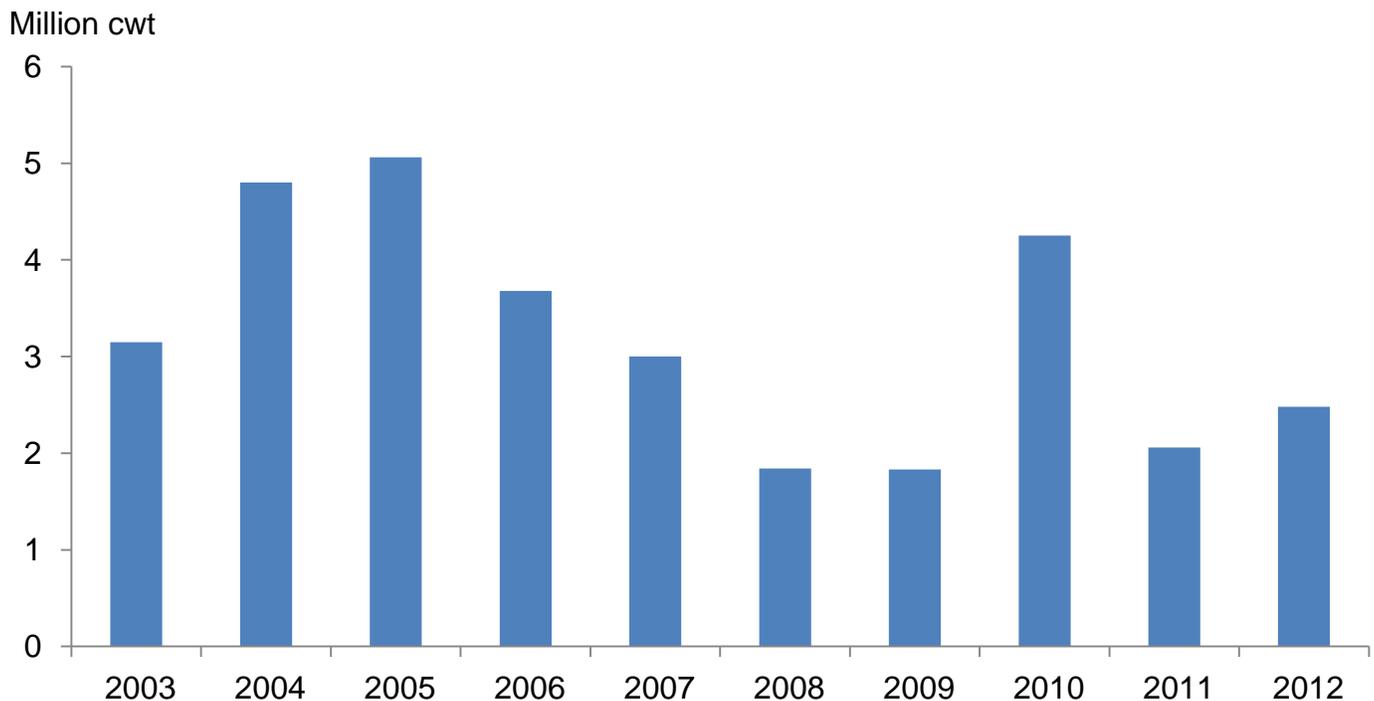
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California Rough Rice Stocks Up 20 Percent From October 2011

California **rough rice stocks** in all positions on October 1, 2012, totaled 2.48 million hundredweight (cwt), up 20 percent from the total on October 1, 2011 of 2.06 million cwt. California rough rice stocks were down 65 percent from the August 1, 2012 level. Medium grain varieties accounted for 75 percent of the total rough rice, while long and short varieties combined to account for 25 percent of the total rough rice stocks.

Milled rice stocks in all positions totaled 1.45 million cwt, up 45 percent from the August 1, 2012 level and 8 percent above a year ago.

Rough Rice Stocks in All Positions – California October 1, 2003 - 2012



Rice Stocks by Position and Month in Domestic Units – United States: 2011 and 2012

[Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Date	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Rough rice						
March 1	33,895	86,720	120,615	23,825	82,666	106,491
June 1	13,227	58,146	71,373	6,640	52,466	59,106
August 1	3,772	37,917	41,689	910	35,052	35,962
September 1 ²	2,242	23,613	25,855	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 ³	15	2,048	2,063	20	2,460	2,480
December 1	41,180	105,689	146,869			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	6,275	6,275	(X)	4,494	4,494
June 1	(X)	5,968	5,968	(X)	4,462	4,462
August 1	(X)	4,667	4,667	(X)	3,578	3,578
September 1 ²	(X)	3,998	3,998	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 ³	(X)	1,337	1,337	(X)	1,445	1,445
December 1	(X)	6,243	6,243			

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.

² Estimates discontinued in 2012.

³ California only.

Rice Stocks by Position and Month in Metric Units – United States: 2011 and 2012

[Data may not add to totals due to rounding. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Date	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)
Rough rice						
March 1	1,537,450	3,933,550	5,471,000	1,080,680	3,749,670	4,830,350
June 1	599,970	2,637,460	3,237,430	301,190	2,379,820	2,681,000
August 1	171,100	1,719,890	1,890,980	41,280	1,589,930	1,631,210
September 1 ²	101,700	1,071,070	1,172,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 ³	680	92,900	93,580	910	111,580	112,490
December 1	1,867,890	4,793,970	6,661,870			
Milled rice						
March 1	(X)	284,630	284,630	(X)	203,840	203,840
June 1	(X)	270,700	270,700	(X)	202,390	202,390
August 1	(X)	211,690	211,690	(X)	162,300	162,300
September 1 ²	(X)	181,350	181,350	(X)	(NA)	(NA)
October 1 ³	(X)	60,650	60,650	(X)	65,540	65,540
December 1	(X)	283,180	283,180			

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(X) Not applicable.

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³ California only.

Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2011 and 2012

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	(D)	1,366	1,870	(D)	(D)	2,063	2,480

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – California: October 1, 2011 and 2012

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	1	399	281	(D)	69	457	351
State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ¹		Brewers		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	(D)	-	-	(D)	(D)	880	1,094

- Represents zero.

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¹ Screenings included with second heads.

Rice Stocks by Position – States and United States: August 1, 2011 and 2012

State	2011			2012		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Rough rice						
Arkansas	1,540	23,713	25,253	310	21,822	22,132
California	115	6,507	6,622	120	7,029	7,149
Louisiana	210	2,269	2,479	250	1,880	2,130
Mississippi	900	1,059	1,959	30	630	660
Missouri	(D)	(D)	2,216	(D)	(D)	869
Texas	(D)	(D)	3,160	(D)	(D)	3,022
Unallocated ²	1,007	4,369	-	200	3,691	-
United States	3,772	37,917	41,689	910	35,052	35,962
Milled rice						
Arkansas	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	1,507	1,507
California	(X)	1,705	1,705	(X)	995	995
Louisiana	(X)	196	196	(X)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	(X)	(D)	(D)	(X)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(X)	625	625	(X)	443	443
Unallocated ²	(X)	2,141	2,141	(X)	633	633
United States	(X)	4,667	4,667	(X)	3,578	3,578

- Represents zero.

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¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.

² Unallocated includes State data withheld to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

**Rough Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:
August 1, 2011 and 2012**

State	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)							
California	(D)	(D)	5,526	5,965	(D)	(D)	6,622	7,149
Other States ¹	(D)	(D)	2,344	7,018	(D)	(D)	35,067	28,813
United States	32,847	22,034	7,870	12,983	972	945	41,689	35,962

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¹ Other States include Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas.

**Milled Rice Stocks by Length of Grain in All Positions – States and United States:
August 1, 2011 and 2012**

State	Whole kernels (head rice)							
	Long		Medium		Short		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	2	664	307	(D)	38	722	347
Other States ¹	(D)	1,548	181	189	(D)	-	2,092	1,737
United States	1,924	1,550	845	496	45	38	2,814	2,084

State	Broken kernels							
	Second heads		Screenings ²		Brewers		Total	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
California	(D)	311	-	-	(D)	337	983	648
Other States ¹	(D)	559	75	51	(D)	236	870	846
United States	992	870	75	51	786	573	1,853	1,494

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¹ Other States include Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Texas.

² Screenings included with second heads in California.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The rice stocks estimates in this report are based on a survey conducted during the first two weeks of October. Unlike other rice stocks estimating periods, only an off-farm survey was conducted. Off-farm stocks are a census of all known rice storage facilities. An effort is made to obtain reports from all off-farm facilities. Estimates are made for missing facilities to assure complete coverage. On-farm stocks in October are estimated based on historical changes from the previous estimating period.

Estimating Procedures: Survey data are reviewed at the State and national levels for reasonableness, consistency with historical estimates, and current crop size. After estimates are made for on-farm and off-farm rice stocks, the total of these two are combined and evaluated using the balance sheet approach. This method utilizes other sources of data to check the reasonableness of the stocks estimates. Estimates of production, exports, and millings are reviewed to make sure beginning stocks, production, utilization, and ending stocks are within reasonable balance and present the best possible estimate of stocks.

Revision Policy: On-farm and off-farm stocks are subject to revision in the period following initial publication and again in the following December 1 *Rice Stocks* report published in January each year. Revisions can be made when late reports are received, errors are detected in reporting and calculating, and when production estimates are revised. Estimates will also be reviewed after data from the 5-year Census of Agriculture are available. No revisions to these years will be made after that date.

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