



Iowa Ag News – Storage Capacity

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Iowa on-farm storage capacity on December 1, 2020, was 2.05 billion bushels, down 50.0 million bushels from December 1, 2019, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Grain Stocks* report. Iowa’s 850 off-farm storage facilities have a storage capacity of 1.52 billion bushels, down 20.0 million from the previous year. As of December 1, 2020, Iowa had a total of 3.57 billion bushels of storage capacity, the largest total storage capacity of any state.

On-farm capacity included all bins, cribs, sheds, and other structures located on farms that are normally used to store whole grains, oilseeds, or pulse crops. Off-farm capacity included all elevators, warehouses, terminals, merchant mills, other storage, and oilseed crushers, which store whole grains, soybeans, canola, flaxseed, mustard seed, safflower, sunflower, rapeseed, Austrian winter peas, dry edible peas, lentils, and chickpeas/garbanzo beans. Capacity data exclude facilities used to store only rice or peanuts, oilseed crushers processing only cottonseed or peanuts, tobacco warehouses, seed warehouses, and storage facilities that handle only dry edible beans, other than chickpeas/garbanzo beans.

Grain Storage Capacity – Iowa and Selected States: December 1, 2019 and 2020

State	On-Farm Storage Capacity		Off-Farm Storage Capacity		Total Storage Capacity	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Illinois	1,480,000	1,480,000	1,500,000	1,600,000	2,980,000	3,080,000
Iowa	2,100,000	2,050,000	1,540,000	1,520,000	3,640,000	3,570,000
Kansas	380,000	380,000	1,175,000	1,200,000	1,555,000	1,580,000
Minnesota	1,550,000	1,550,000	810,000	810,000	2,360,000	2,360,000
Missouri	540,000	540,000	285,000	285,000	825,000	825,000
Nebraska	1,200,000	1,200,000	980,000	990,000	2,180,000	2,190,000
North Dakota	930,000	930,000	460,000	460,000	1,390,000	1,390,000
South Dakota	730,000	730,000	435,000	440,000	1,165,000	1,170,000
Wisconsin	380,000	380,000	395,000	405,000	775,000	785,000
United States	13,533,000	13,490,000	11,618,210	11,752,210	25,151,210	25,242,210

Total Storage Capacity, December 1, 2020
(1,000 bushels)

