

PEANUT STOCKS AND PROCESSING



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MARCH PEANUT STOCKS 11 PERCENT ABOVE LAST YEAR

Commercial peanut stocks on March 31, 1976, totaled 2,137 million pounds of equivalent farmers' stock, 11 percent more than a year ago. Actual farmers' stock accounted for 1,212 million pounds while shelled peanuts and roasting stock totaled 875 and 50 million pounds, respectively. Commodity Credit Corporation holdings on March 31 were 117 million pounds, well below the 776 million pounds on hand a year earlier. The current CCC total does not include 897 million pounds of 1975 crop peanuts contracted for crushing since January.

Shelled peanut stocks on March 31 totaled nearly 658 million pounds, consisting of over 566 million pounds of edible grades and 91 million pounds of oil stock. By types, edible grades consisted of 120 million pounds of Virginias, 298 million pounds of Runners, and 149 million pounds of Spanish. There were no shelled edible grade peanuts in cold storage pending export on March 31. A year earlier 6 million pounds were in cold storage pending export.

MARCH MILLINGS UP 30 PERCENT FROM A YEAR EARLIER

March millings totaled 348 million pounds, 30 percent higher than a year ago. Millings by types consisted of 65 million pounds of Virginias, 241 million pounds of Runners, and 42 million pounds of Spanish during the month.

EDIBLE USES UP 13 PERCENT--CRUSHINGS MORE THAN TRIPLE

Shelled peanuts utilized by commercial processors in the manufacture of specified primary products totaled 110 million pounds, a 13 percent increase over March a year ago. Crushings for oil, cake, and meal totaled 96 million pounds during the month, more than triple the 30 million pounds crushed a year earlier. Crushings for the season to date (August 75 - March 76) are more than double crushings for the same period last year.

No March deliveries were scheduled under the Government Food Distribution Program for needy families and child nutrition.

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VISIBLE SUPPLY OF PEANUTS AT MONTHS END 1/

CLASS	STOCKS AS REPORTED			FARMERS STOCK EQUIVALENT 2/		
	MARCH 1975	FEBRUARY 1976	MARCH 1976 3/	MARCH 1975	FEBRUARY 1976	MARCH 1976 3/
	1,000 POUNDS					
FARMERS STOCK	1,128,773	1,578,671	1,212,385	1,128,773	1,578,671	1,212,385
SHELLED PEANUTS 4/	571,038	626,191	657,788	759,481	832,834	874,858
ROASTING STOCK 10/	37,349	47,171	49,680	37,349	47,171	49,680
TOTAL				1,925,603	2,458,676	2,136,923

STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTHS END 1/

PRODUCT AND TYPE	MARCH 1975	FEBRUARY 1976	MARCH 1976 3/
	1,000 POUNDS		
FARMERS STOCK			
VIRGINIAS	111,470	117,569	56,804
RUNNERS	873,403	1,274,184	1,023,869
SPANISH VA-NC	0	0	0
SPANISH S. E.	16,171	26,153	23,523
SPANISH S. W.	127,729	160,765	108,189
SPANISH TOTAL	143,900	186,918	131,712
TOTAL FARMERS STOCK	1,128,773	1,578,671	1,212,385
CCC UNCOMMITTED 5/ 6/ 11/	776,451	398,413	117,156
COMMERCIAL STOCK 6/	352,322	1,180,258	1,095,229
RESTRICTED USE 6/ 7/	24,638	6,118	0
OTHER COMMERCIAL 6/	327,684	1,174,140	1,095,229
SHELLED EDIBLES			
VIRGINIAS	159,917	119,618	119,896
RUNNERS	241,921	291,293	297,647
SPANISH	137,253	146,455	148,861
TOTAL SHELLED EDIBLES	539,091	557,366	566,404
ROASTING STOCK 10/	37,349	47,171	49,680
SHELLED OIL STOCK 8/	31,947	68,825	91,384
CRUDE PEANUT OIL 9/	5,645	21,800	15,766
CANE AND MEAL 9/	4,322	6,378	9,629

1/ EXCLUDES STOCKS ON FARMS BUT INCLUDES STOCKS OWNED BY OR HELD FOR ACCOUNT OF CCC, FARMERS STOCK ON NET WEIGHT BASIS.

2/ ACTUAL FARMERS STOCK, PLUS ROASTING STOCK, PLUS SHELLED PEANUTS X 1.33.

3/ PRELIMINARY.

4/ INCLUDES SHELLED EDIBLE AND SHELL OIL STOCK.

5/ FROM CCC OPERATING RECORDS.

6/ INCLUDED IN TOTAL FARMERS STOCK ABOVE.

7/ PURCHASED FROM CCC FOR CRUSHING OR EXPORT.

8/ INCLUDES UNGRADED AND STRAIGHT RUN OIL STOCK PEANUTS.

9/ RELATES TO PEANUT OIL MILLS ONLY.

10/ CLEANED AND UNSHELLED.

11/ DOES NOT INCLUDE 897 MILLION POUNDS OF 1975 CROP CCC PEANUTS CONTRACTED FOR CRUSHING THROUGH MARCH.

FARMERS STOCK PEANUTS MILLED (NET WEIGHT) 1/

TYPE	MONTH			CROP YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1		
	MARCH	FEBRUARY	MARCH	TOTAL	THROUGH MARCH	
	1975	1976	1976 3/		1974-75	1975
1,000 POUNDS						
VIRGINIAS	79,312	88,821	64,827	636,142	573,898	606,972
RUNNERS	147,501	221,253	241,128	1,645,522	1,196,547	1,590,323
SPANISH VA-NC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPANISH S. E.	3,982	3,836	2,068	154,600	140,858	69,910
SPANISH S. W.	36,697	53,660	40,005	486,660	411,729	385,591
SPANISH TOTAL	40,679	57,496	42,073	641,260	552,887	455,501
TOTAL MILLED	267,492	367,570	348,028	2,922,924	2,322,332	2,652,796

PRODUCTION OF MILLED PEANUT PRODUCTS

PRODUCT AND TYPE	MONTH			CROP YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1		
	MARCH	FEBRUARY	MARCH	TOTAL	THROUGH MARCH	
	1975	1976	1976 3/		1974-75	1975
1,000 POUNDS						
SHELLED EDIBLES						
VIRGINIAS	39,858	40,732	31,642	283,289	258,075	260,773
RUNNERS	89,860	98,280	105,956	892,193	684,036	825,447
SPANISH	25,571	37,002	23,733	381,616	338,529	291,026
TOTAL SHELLED EDIBLES	155,289	176,014	161,331	1,557,098	1,280,640	1,377,246
ROASTING STOCK 7/	14,398	20,075	14,134	132,185	113,763	137,771
SHELLED OIL STOCK 2/	35,244	86,706	89,350	555,610	390,875	509,259
CRUDE PEANUT OIL	12,132	32,632	41,950	186,338	105,943	251,483
CAKE AND MEAL	16,582	41,853	54,043	243,381	142,265	316,252

APPARENT DISAPPEARANCE OF MILLED PEANUT PRODUCTS 4/ 8/

TYPE	MONTH			CROP YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1		
	MARCH	FEBRUARY	MARCH	TOTAL	THROUGH MARCH	
	1975	1976	1976 3/		1974-75	1975
1,000 POUNDS						
SHELLED PEANUTS						
EDIBLE GRADES	133,192	139,038	152,294	1,637,449	1,101,300	1,090,243
OIL STOCK 5/	44,878	74,846	66,790	551,001	375,053	438,607
TOTAL ALL GRADES	178,070	213,884	219,084	2,188,450	1,476,353	1,528,850
ROASTING STOCK 7/	9,995	9,612	11,626	129,447	91,505	105,922
CRUDE PEANUT OIL 6/	13,129	29,650	47,984	181,010	111,196	253,970
CAKE AND MEAL 6/	16,428	37,724	50,792	242,048	144,781	316,997

- 1/ EXCLUDES PEANUTS MILLED FOR SEED.
- 2/ INCLUDES UNGRADED AND STRAIGHT RUN OIL STOCK PEANUTS.
- 3/ PRELIMINARY.
- 4/ INCLUDES IN TRANSIT, EXPORTS AND DOMESTIC USE.
- 5/ DISAPPEARANCE OF BOTH GRADED AND UNGRADED OIL STOCK.
FOR TOTAL PEANUTS CRUSHED, SEE TABLE ON PAGE 4.
- 6/ RELATES TO PEANUT OIL MILLS ONLY.
- 7/ CLEANED AND UNSHELLED.
- 8/ DERIVED DISAPPEARANCE MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY DUE TO ROUNDING.

SHELLED PEANUTS (RAW BASIS) USED IN PRIMARY PRODUCTS

REPORTED USE	MONTH			CROP YEAR BEGINNING AUGUST 1		
	MARCH 1975	FEBRUARY 1976	MARCH 1976 3/	TOTAL 1974-75	THROUGH MARCH 1975	1976 3/
	1,000 POUNDS					
EDIBLE GRADES USED IN:						
PEANUT CANDY 1/	15,531	19,724	20,685	217,034	142,931	157,365
SALTED PEANUTS	21,238	18,915	24,364	278,285	178,322	206,208
PEANUT BUTTER SAND. 5/	1,686	1,716	1,810	20,368	13,334	13,504
PEANUT BUTTER 2/	57,658	53,747	61,367	650,984	423,316	443,655
OTHER PRODUCTS	901	945	1,464	14,379	8,960	10,304
TOTAL EDIBLE USES	97,014	95,047	109,690	1,181,050	766,863	831,036
CRUSHED FOR OIL 4/ CAKE AND MEAL	29,534	74,347	96,022	439,315	253,622	580,953
TOTAL USES	126,548	169,394	205,712	1,620,365	1,020,485	1,411,989

- 1/ INCLUDES PEANUT BUTTER MADE BY MANUFACTURERS FOR OWN USE IN CANDY.
- 2/ EXCLUDES PEANUT BUTTER MADE BY MANUFACTURERS FOR OWN USE IN CANDY OR SANDWICHES.
- 3/ PRELIMINARY.
- 4/ INCLUDES ALL SHELLED PEANUTS CRUSHED REGARDLESS OF GRADE.
- 5/ INCLUDES PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES.