



Peanut Stocks and Processing

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Shelled Edible Grade Season to Date Utilization Up 6 Percent from Last Year Peanut Stocks in Commercial Storage Totaled 2.71 Billion Pounds

Peanut stocks reported in commercial storage on February 29, 2012 totaled 2.71 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 3.26 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 1.94 billion pounds of actual farmer stock.

Shelled peanuts on hand totaled 727 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 37.5 million pounds.

Shelled peanut stocks totaled 547 million pounds of which 500 million pounds were edible grades and 46.3 million pounds were oil stocks. Edible grade stocks by type included 63.2 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 429 million pounds of Runners, and 7.88 million pounds of Spanish.

Millings in February totaled 386 million pounds of which 319 million pounds Runners.

Commercial processors utilized 175 million pounds of **shelled edible** grade peanuts during February. Utilization by type was 105 million pounds for all peanut butter products, 40.6 million pounds for peanut candy, and 28.4 million pounds for peanut snacks. **Crushing** for oil and cake and meal totaled 35.0 million pounds during the month.

Deliveries under the Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Programs amounted to 2.23 million pounds of peanut butter and 77,760 pounds of roasted peanuts during February.

Stocks of treated seed on hand February 29, 2012 totaled 3.70 million pounds, compared with 1.46 million pounds on January 31, 2012. Of the February total, 2.69 million pounds were Virginias and Valencias, 949,000 pounds were Runners, and 57,000 pounds were Spanish. January stocks of treated seed included 1.17 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 236,000 pounds of Runners, and 57,000 pounds of Spanish.

Stocks estimates refer to February 29, 2012. All other data are for the month of February.

Peanut Stocks and Specified Products at Month's End – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Farmer stock	Shelled peanuts ¹	Roasting stock (in shell) ²	Farmer stock equivalent	
				Shelled peanuts	Total ³
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011					
August	471,990	485,115	54,356	645,203	1,171,549
September	613,758	452,167	37,263	601,382	1,252,403
October	2,300,132	421,590	27,359	560,715	2,888,206
November	2,839,016	434,869	30,094	578,376	3,447,486
December	2,636,388	468,940	32,985	623,690	3,293,063
2012					
January	2,294,620	498,787	35,867	663,387	2,993,874
February	1,942,900	546,503	37,542	726,849	2,707,291
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2011					
February	2,501,386	537,177	42,507	714,445	3,258,338

¹ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated).

² Cleaned and unshelled.

³ Farmer stock + roasting stock + (actual shelled peanuts X 1.33).

Farmer Stock Peanuts by Type at Month's End – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011				
August	26,396	438,284	7,310	471,990
September	23,308	586,790	3,660	613,758
October	371,906	1,923,042	5,184	2,300,132
November	461,728	2,362,650	14,638	2,839,016
December	431,264	2,186,022	19,102	2,636,388
2012				
January	384,392	1,891,390	18,838	2,294,620
February	323,418	1,607,076	12,406	1,942,900
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
2011				
February	331,984	2,128,284	41,118	2,501,386

Shelled Peanuts and Roasting Stock (in Shell) at Month's End – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of peanut producers and CCC in commercial storage facilities. Farmer stock on net weight basis. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Shelled edibles ¹				Shelled oil stocks ²	Total shelled	Roasting stock ³
	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011							
August	74,879	352,553	18,504	445,936	39,179	485,115	54,356
September	61,222	334,383	17,338	412,943	39,224	452,167	37,263
October	52,198	320,801	12,235	385,234	36,356	421,590	27,359
November	57,997	329,618	10,347	397,962	36,907	434,869	30,094
December	60,276	361,602	10,465	432,343	36,597	468,940	32,985
2012							
January	54,573	393,222	7,664	455,459	43,328	498,787	35,867
February	63,205	429,090	7,882	500,177	46,326	546,503	37,542
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2011							
February	98,406	368,570	24,769	491,745	45,432	537,177	42,507

¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes straight run oil stock peanuts.

³ Cleaned and unshelled.

Farmer Stock Peanuts Milled (Net Weight) by Month – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Includes peanuts milled for seed. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011				
August	60,558	246,678	1,370	308,606
September	20,612	251,488	3,840	275,940
October	42,862	264,686	-	307,548
November	(D)	267,340	(D)	337,756
December	56,464	278,676	4,108	339,248
2012				
January	(D)	319,914	(D)	380,056
February	(D)	319,294	(D)	386,270
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
2011				
February	47,876	291,018	12,582	351,476
2011-2012				
August-February	366,666	1,948,076	20,682	2,335,424
2010-2011				
August-February	377,284	1,749,822	58,692	2,185,798

- Represents zero.

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

**Production of Shelled and Roasting Stock (in Shell) Peanuts by Month – United States:
February 2012 with Comparisons**

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

Month ending	Shelled edibles ¹				Shelled oil stocks ²	Total shelled	Roasting stock ³
	Virginias and Valencias	Runners	Spanish	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011							
August	24,861	163,717	1,164	189,742	27,141	216,883	21,003
September	6,991	160,369	2,663	170,023	31,940	201,963	8,472
October	16,659	169,813	-	186,472	32,363	218,835	15,193
November	(D)	172,569	(D)	200,703	28,168	228,871	24,932
December	22,073	181,909	2,159	206,141	27,314	233,455	20,465
2012							
January	(D)	204,980	(D)	228,455	30,198	258,653	21,010
February	(D)	203,912	(D)	234,124	30,548	264,672	16,745
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2011							
February	18,698	195,130	8,261	222,089	26,406	248,495	17,711
2011-2012							
August-February	147,986	1,257,269	10,405	1,415,660	207,672	1,623,332	127,820
2010-2011							
August-February	144,710	1,168,792	41,035	1,354,537	200,316	1,554,853	149,011

- Represents zero.

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¹ Includes peanuts milled for seed.

² Includes straight run oil stock peanuts.

³ Cleaned and unshelled.

Shelled Peanuts Crushed, Production, and Stocks of Peanut Oil and Cake and Meal by Month – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Relates to oil mills only. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Shelled peanuts crushed ¹	Production		Stocks (end of month)	
		Crude oil	Cake and Meal	Crude oil	Cake and Meal
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011					
August	48,321	20,069	26,939	6,930	8,916
September	39,137	16,422	21,079	3,793	7,259
October	39,997	16,670	21,877	4,058	13,746
November	33,926	13,420	19,480	2,879	18,748
December	34,375	14,026	18,604	3,680	21,463
2012					
January	37,242	15,627	20,734	2,228	24,361
February	35,010	14,401	19,672	3,585	23,923
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2011					
February	34,697	15,139	18,052	4,664	8,134
2011-2012					
August-February	268,008	110,635	148,385	(X)	(X)
2010-2011					
August-February	234,026	101,530	131,333	(X)	(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ All crushings regardless of grade.

Apparent Disappearance of Milled Peanut Products by Month – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Includes in transit, exports, and domestic use. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Shelled peanuts			Roasting stock	Crude peanut oil ¹	Cake and meal ¹
	Edible grades	Oil stocks	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011						
August	217,684	31,342	249,026	25,617	19,975	27,982
September	203,016	31,895	234,911	25,565	19,559	22,736
October	214,181	35,231	249,412	25,097	16,405	15,390
November	187,975	27,617	215,592	22,197	14,599	14,478
December	171,760	27,624	199,384	17,574	13,225	15,889
2012						
January	205,339	23,467	228,806	18,128	17,079	17,836
February	189,406	27,550	216,956	15,070	13,044	20,110
March						
April						
May						
June						
July						
2011						
February	188,283	27,716	215,999	16,492	13,502	19,497
2011-2012						
August-February	1,389,361	204,726	1,594,087	149,248	113,886	134,421
2010-2011						
August-February	1,417,087	190,382	1,607,469	159,433	103,754	130,244

¹ Relates to oil mills only.

Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products and in Shell Peanuts by Month – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Edible grades used in products ¹					Total all grades ⁵	In shell peanuts ⁶
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut snacks ³	Peanut butter ⁴	Other products	Total		
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2011							
August	39,284	31,485	110,551	1,319	182,639	230,960	11,367
September	41,927	34,863	98,257	1,238	176,285	215,422	12,810
October	37,461	34,562	100,634	1,111	173,768	213,765	12,629
November	33,387	37,385	105,498	1,032	177,302	211,228	12,855
December	24,459	37,476	94,107	881	156,923	191,298	10,938
2012							
January	37,684	35,217	108,245	1,277	182,423	219,665	11,703
February	40,630	28,376	104,569	1,126	174,701	209,711	9,712
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
2011							
February	29,812	33,490	95,654	1,351	160,307	195,004	10,579
2011-2012							
August-February	254,832	239,364	721,861	7,984	1,224,041	1,492,049	82,014
2010-2011							
August-February	220,234	231,150	687,721	10,258	1,149,363	1,383,389	80,548

¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

³ Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

⁴ Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in cookies and sandwiches, but excludes peanut butter used in candy.

⁵ Includes all shelled peanuts crushed regardless of grade.

⁶ Includes peanuts re-packaged, roasted in shell, salted in shell, and raw in shell.

**Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products by Month and Type – United States:
February 2012 with Comparisons**

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Crushings by type not available. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending and type	Edible grades used in products ¹				
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut snacks ³	Peanut butter ⁴	Other products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Runner					
2011					
August	36,068	24,554	101,977	1,126	163,725
September	38,745	26,492	90,807	1,067	157,111
October	34,327	24,560	89,177	916	148,980
November	31,281	28,575	97,012	955	157,823
December	21,953	27,525	86,941	691	137,110
2012					
January	34,948	26,811	99,138	959	161,856
February	38,015	23,237	93,575	927	155,754
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2011					
February	27,233	26,657	85,720	952	140,562
2011-2012					
August-February	235,337	181,754	658,627	6,641	1,082,359
2010-2011					
August-February	202,711	185,898	607,600	8,050	1,004,259
Spanish					
2011					
August	1,476	827	(D)	(D)	3,155
September	1,614	1,001	(D)	(D)	2,751
October	1,736	970	(D)	(D)	3,224
November	788	1,041	(D)	(D)	2,029
December	1,171	957	(D)	(D)	2,463
2012					
January	1,417	462	(D)	(D)	1,938
February	1,366	419	(D)	(D)	2,143
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2011					
February	1,548	932	(D)	(D)	3,163
2011-2012					
August-February	9,568	5,677	(D)	(D)	17,703
2010-2011					
August-February	8,332	8,419	(D)	(D)	21,898

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products by Month and Type – United States:
February 2012 with Comparisons (continued)**

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Crushings by type not available. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending and type	Edible grades used in products ¹				
	Peanut candy ²	Peanut snacks ³	Peanut butter ⁴	Other products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
Virginia and Valencia					
2011					
August	1,740	6,104	(D)	(D)	15,759
September	1,568	7,370	(D)	(D)	16,424
October	1,398	9,032	(D)	(D)	21,564
November	1,318	7,769	(D)	(D)	17,450
December	1,335	8,994	(D)	(D)	17,350
2012					
January	1,319	7,944	(D)	(D)	18,628
February	1,249	4,720	(D)	(D)	16,804
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
2011					
February	1,031	5,901	(D)	(D)	16,581
2011-2012					
August-February	9,927	51,933	(D)	(D)	123,979
2010-2011					
August-February	9,191	36,833	(D)	(D)	123,204

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¹ Shelled edible grades include blanched and shelled roasted peanuts converted to a raw basis using conversion factors of 1.08 and 1.12, respectively.

² Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

³ Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

⁴ Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in cookies and sandwiches, but excludes peanut butter used in candy.

Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Program Deliveries by Month – United States: February 2012 with Comparisons

[Source: Food and Nutrition Service. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Month ending	Deliveries by product		
	Peanut butter	Roasted peanuts	Total
	(pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
2011			
August	575,680	25,920	601,600
September	962,880	34,560	997,440
October	3,473,920	25,920	3,499,840
November	1,807,840	25,920	1,833,760
December	1,591,040	25,920	1,616,960
2012			
January	3,111,840	25,920	3,137,760
February	2,231,040	77,760	2,308,800
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
2011			
February	2,643,045	51,840	2,694,885
2011-2012			
August-February	13,754,240	241,920	13,996,160
2010-2011			
August-February	24,102,275	414,720	24,516,995

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The peanut stocks and processing estimates in this report are based on a survey conducted during the first three weeks of the month. The survey is required by law under Title 7 of the United States Code (7 U.S.C. 951, 2010). Peanut stocks are a census of all known cleaners, shellers, crushers, warehouses, cold storage plants, and processors of peanuts who handle more than 30,000 pounds annually. Every effort is made to obtain a report from all facilities.

Estimating Procedures: Since a complete report is not always received from all facilities, estimates are made for missing facilities to assure complete coverage. Peanut stocks survey data are reviewed at the national level for reasonableness and consistency with historical estimates.

Revision Policy: Peanut stocks are subject to revision at any time during the marketing year. Revisions can be made when late reports are received and errors are detected in reporting and calculating. Once the marketing year ends, no revisions can be made to the previous marketing year.

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