



# Peanut Stocks and Processing

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## Shelled Edible Grade Season to Date Utilization Up 5 Percent from Last Year Peanut Stocks in Commercial Storage Totaled 2.33 Billion Pounds

**Peanut stocks** reported in commercial storage on March 31, 2012 totaled 2.33 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 2.87 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 1.51 billion pounds of actual farmer stock.

**Shelled peanuts** on hand totaled 779 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 41.3 million pounds.

Shelled peanut stocks totaled 586 million pounds of which 539 million pounds were edible grades and 46.5 million pounds were oil stocks. Edible grade stocks by type included 78.4 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 451 million pounds of Runners, and 9.37 million pounds of Spanish.

**Millings** in March totaled 403 million pounds. Millings by type were 81.7 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 316 million pounds of Runners, and 5.73 million pounds of Spanish.

Commercial processors utilized 170 million pounds of **shelled edible** grade peanuts during March. Utilization by type was 98.6 million pounds for all peanut butter products, 40.7 million pounds for peanut candy, and 29.0 million pounds for peanut snacks. **Crushing** for oil and cake and meal totaled 41.7 million pounds during the month.

Deliveries under the Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Programs amounted to 2.10 million pounds of peanut butter and 77,760 pounds of roasted peanuts during March.

**Stocks of treated seed** on hand March 31, 2012 totaled 34.7 million pounds, compared with 3.70 million pounds on February 29, 2012. Of the March total, 27.1 million pounds were Runners. February stocks of treated seed included 2.69 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 949,000 pounds of Runners, and 57,000 pounds of Spanish.

Stocks estimates refer to March 31, 2012. All other data are for the month of March.

## Peanut Stocks and Specified Products at Month's End – United States: March 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 <sup>1</sup>	Roasting stock (in shell) <sup>2</sup>	Farmer stock equivalent	
				Shelled peanuts	Total <sup>3</sup>
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>2011</b>					
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 .....	2,780,832	434,869	30,094	578,376	3,389,302
December .....	2,581,188	468,945	32,994	623,697	3,237,879
<b>2012</b>					
January .....	2,239,420	498,785	35,870	663,384	2,938,674
February .....	1,888,496	546,535	37,540	726,892	2,652,928
March .....	1,514,162	585,515	41,331	778,735	2,334,228
April .....					
May .....					
June .....					
July .....					
<b>2011</b>					
March .....	2,066,062	561,707	53,926	747,070	2,867,058

<sup>1</sup> Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated).

<sup>2</sup> Cleaned and unshelled.

<sup>3</sup> Farmer stock + roasting stock + (actual shelled peanuts X 1.33).

## Farmer Stock Peanuts by Type at Month's End – United States: March 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)
<b>2011</b>				
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	2,304,466	14,638	2,780,832
December .....	431,264	2,130,822	19,102	2,581,188
<b>2012</b>				
January .....	384,392	1,836,190	18,838	2,239,420
February .....	323,418	1,552,672	12,406	1,888,496
March .....	(D)	1,257,800	(D)	1,514,162
April .....				
May .....				
June .....				
July .....				
<b>2011</b>				
March .....	260,000	1,773,156	32,906	2,066,062

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

## Shelled Peanuts and Roasting Stock (in Shell) at Month's End – United States: March 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 <sup>1</sup>				Shelled oil stocks <sup>2</sup>	Total shelled	Roasting stock <sup>3</sup>
	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)
<b>2011</b>							
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 .....	60,281	361,602	10,465	432,348	36,597	468,945	32,994
<b>2012</b>							
January .....	54,576	393,217	7,664	455,457	43,328	498,785	35,870
February .....	63,216	429,105	7,888	500,209	46,326	546,535	37,540
March .....	78,374	451,292	9,373	539,039	46,476	585,515	41,331
April .....							
May .....							
June .....							
July .....							
<b>2011</b>							
March .....	100,873	389,143	22,463	512,479	49,228	561,707	53,926

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

<sup>2</sup> Includes straight run oil stock peanuts.

<sup>3</sup> Cleaned and unshelled.

## Farmer Stock Peanuts Milled (Net Weight) by Month – United States: March 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)
<b>2011</b>				
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
<b>2012</b>				
January .....	(D)	319,914	(D)	380,056
February .....	(D)	319,294	(D)	386,270
March .....	81,746	315,836	5,734	403,316
April .....				
May .....				
June .....				
July .....				
<b>2011</b>				
March .....	84,226	347,324	7,926	439,476
<b>2011-2012</b>				
August-March .....	448,412	2,263,912	26,416	2,738,740
<b>2010-2011</b>				
August-March .....	461,510	2,097,146	66,618	2,625,274

- Represents zero.

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

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

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

Month ending	Shelled edibles <sup>1</sup>				Shelled oil stocks <sup>2</sup>	Total shelled	Roasting stock <sup>3</sup>
	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)
<b>2011</b>							
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
<b>2012</b>							
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 .....	33,759	202,068	4,425	240,252	31,802	272,054	24,364
April .....							
May .....							
June .....							
July .....							
<b>2011</b>							
March .....	31,221	224,349	4,376	259,946	36,659	296,605	34,256
<b>2011-2012</b>							
August-March .....	181,745	1,459,337	14,830	1,655,912	239,474	1,895,386	152,184
<b>2010-2011</b>							
August-March .....	175,931	1,393,141	45,411	1,614,483	236,975	1,851,458	183,267

- Represents zero.

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<sup>1</sup> Includes peanuts milled for seed.

<sup>2</sup> Includes straight run oil stock peanuts.

<sup>3</sup> Cleaned and unshelled.

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

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

Month ending	Shelled peanuts crushed <sup>1</sup>	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)
<b>2011</b>					
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
<b>2012</b>					
January .....	37,242	15,627	20,734	2,228	24,361
February .....	35,010	14,401	19,672	3,585	23,923
March .....	41,700	17,568	23,159	5,527	25,363
April .....					
May .....					
June .....					
July .....					
<b>2011</b>					
March .....	45,766	19,963	26,657	3,322	9,129
<b>2011-2012</b>					
August-March .....	309,708	128,203	171,544	(X)	(X)
<b>2010-2011</b>					
August-March .....	279,792	121,493	157,990	(X)	(X)

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> All crushings regardless of grade.

## Apparent Disappearance of Milled Peanut Products by Month – United States: March 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 <sup>1</sup>	Cake and meal <sup>1</sup>
	Edible grades	Oil stocks	Total			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>2011</b>						
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 .....	171,755	27,624	199,379	17,565	13,225	15,889
<b>2012</b>						
January .....	205,346	23,467	228,813	18,134	17,079	17,836
February .....	189,372	27,550	216,922	15,075	13,044	20,110
March .....	201,422	31,652	233,074	20,573	15,626	21,719
April .....						
May .....						
June .....						
July .....						
<b>2011</b>						
March .....	239,212	32,863	272,075	22,837	21,305	25,662
<b>2011-2012</b>						
August-March .....	1,590,751	236,378	1,827,129	169,823	129,512	156,140
<b>2010-2011</b>						
August-March .....	1,656,299	223,245	1,879,544	182,270	125,059	155,906

<sup>1</sup> Relates to oil mills only.

## Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products and in Shell Peanuts by Month – United States: March 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 <sup>1</sup>					Total all grades <sup>5</sup>	In shell peanuts <sup>6</sup>
	Peanut candy <sup>2</sup>	Peanut snacks <sup>3</sup>	Peanut butter <sup>4</sup>	Other products	Total		
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>2011</b>							
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
<b>2012</b>							
January .....	37,688	35,217	108,245	1,277	182,427	219,669	11,703
February .....	40,629	28,379	104,569	1,126	174,703	209,713	9,721
March .....	40,718	29,010	98,552	1,479	169,759	211,459	12,522
April .....							
May .....							
June .....							
July .....							
<b>2011</b>							
March .....	35,292	39,439	104,267	1,178	180,176	225,942	13,016
<b>2011-2012</b>							
August-March .....	295,553	268,377	820,413	9,463	1,393,806	1,703,514	94,545
<b>2010-2011</b>							
August-March .....	255,526	270,589	791,988	11,436	1,329,539	1,609,331	93,564

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

<sup>2</sup> Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

<sup>3</sup> Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

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

<sup>5</sup> Includes all shelled peanuts crushed regardless of grade.

<sup>6</sup> 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: March 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 <sup>1</sup>				
	Peanut candy <sup>2</sup>	Peanut snacks <sup>3</sup>	Peanut butter <sup>4</sup>	Other products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Runner</b>					
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 .....	34,952	26,811	99,138	959	161,860
February .....	38,017	23,237	93,575	927	155,756
March .....	37,671	23,468	88,115	1,176	150,430
April .....					
May .....					
June .....					
July .....					
2011					
March .....	32,854	31,746	93,218	991	158,809
2011-2012					
August-March .....	273,014	205,222	746,742	7,817	1,232,795
2010-2011					
August-March .....	235,565	217,644	700,818	9,041	1,163,068
<b>Spanish</b>					
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 .....	1,364	421	(D)	(D)	2,143
March .....	1,314	362	(D)	(D)	1,680
April .....					
May .....					
June .....					
July .....					
2011					
March .....	1,473	867	(D)	(D)	3,320
2011-2012					
August-March .....	10,880	6,041	(D)	(D)	19,383
2010-2011					
August-March .....	9,805	9,286	(D)	(D)	25,218

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:  
March 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 <sup>1</sup>				
	Peanut candy <sup>2</sup>	Peanut snacks <sup>3</sup>	Peanut butter <sup>4</sup>	Other products	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
<b>Virginia and Valencia</b>					
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 .....	1,248	4,721	(D)	(D)	16,805
March .....	1,733	5,180	(D)	(D)	17,649
April .....					
May .....					
June .....					
July .....					
2011					
March .....	965	6,826	(D)	(D)	18,048
2011-2012					
August-March .....	11,659	57,114	(D)	(D)	141,629
2010-2011					
August-March .....	10,156	43,659	(D)	(D)	141,252

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

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

<sup>2</sup> Includes peanut butter made by manufacturers for own use in candy.

<sup>3</sup> Includes salted, unsalted, dry and honey roasted, salted and unsalted roasted, snack bars, and trail mixes.

<sup>4</sup> 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: March 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)
<b>2011</b>			
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
<b>2012</b>			
January .....	3,111,840	25,920	3,137,760
February .....	2,231,040	77,760	2,308,800
March .....	2,095,520	77,760	2,173,280
April .....			
May .....			
June .....			
July .....			
<b>2011</b>			
March .....	2,107,202	77,760	2,184,962
<b>2011-2012</b>			
August-March .....	15,849,760	319,680	16,169,440
<b>2010-2011</b>			
August-March .....	26,209,477	492,480	26,701,957

## 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.

**Reliability:** The peanut stocks and processing survey is subject to non-sampling errors such as omission, duplication, imputation for missing data, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. These errors cannot be measured directly, but are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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