



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 3.52 Billion Pounds

Peanut stocks reported in commercial storage on March 31, 2015 totaled 3.52 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 3.51 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 2.79 billion pounds of actual farmer stock.

Shelled peanuts on hand totaled 683 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 44.3 million pounds.

Shelled peanut stocks totaled 513 million pounds of which 489 million pounds were edible grades and 24.7 million pounds were oil stocks. Edible grade stocks by type included 68.0 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 399 million pounds of Runners, and 22.0 million pounds of Spanish.

Millings in March totaled 480 million pounds. Millings by type were 77.0 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 395 million pounds of Runners, and 7.37 million pounds of Spanish.

Commercial processors utilized 184 million pounds of **shelled edible** grade peanuts during March. Utilization by type was 109 million pounds for all peanut butter products, 34.6 million pounds for peanut candy, and 35.7 million pounds for peanut snacks. **Crushing** for oil and cake and meal totaled 44.8 million pounds during the month.

Deliveries under the Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Programs amounted to 2.33 million pounds of peanut butter and 25,920 pounds of roasted peanuts during March.

Stocks of treated seed on hand March 31, 2015 totaled 22.3 million pounds, compared with 3.43 million pounds on February 28, 2015. Of the March total, 15.4 million pounds were Runners.

Stocks estimates refer to March 31, 2015. All other data are for the month of March.

Peanut Stocks and Specified Products at Month's End – United States: March 2015 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)
2014					
August	661,774	527,892	62,846	702,096	1,426,716
September	572,956	528,451	54,669	702,840	1,330,465
October	3,517,738	511,641	47,848	680,483	4,246,069
November	4,046,436	468,401	47,932	622,973	4,717,341
December	3,947,902	429,406	54,219	571,110	4,573,231
2015					
January	3,622,834	469,777	50,558	624,803	4,298,195
February	3,226,904	467,925	44,808	622,340	3,894,052
March	2,794,362	513,306	44,294	682,697	3,521,353
April					
May					
June					
July					
2014					
March	2,615,138	625,385	58,597	831,762	3,505,497

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: March 2015 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)
2014				
August	152,424	495,260	14,090	661,774
September	147,674	411,434	13,848	572,956
October	737,246	2,726,468	54,024	3,517,738
November	859,946	3,131,150	55,340	4,046,436
December	800,776	3,087,026	60,100	3,947,902
2015				
January	741,598	2,826,120	55,116	3,622,834
February	703,102	2,468,952	54,850	3,226,904
March	622,004	2,124,578	47,780	2,794,362
April				
May				
June				
July				
2014				
March	478,086	2,100,900	36,152	2,615,138

Shelled Peanuts and Roasting Stock (in Shell) at Month's End – United States: March 2015 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)
2014							
August	61,776	422,979	23,993	508,748	19,144	527,892	62,846
September	72,946	417,574	20,910	511,430	17,021	528,451	54,669
October	86,132	382,035	23,183	491,350	20,291	511,641	47,848
November	72,085	358,397	25,458	455,940	12,461	468,401	47,932
December	70,297	318,843	21,071	410,211	19,195	429,406	54,219
2015							
January	69,227	357,972	22,301	449,500	20,277	469,777	50,558
February	60,952	363,186	23,235	447,373	20,552	467,925	44,808
March	67,973	398,579	22,011	488,563	24,743	513,306	44,294
April							
May							
June							
July							
2014							
March	62,971	493,521	35,307	591,799	33,586	625,385	58,597

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: March 2015 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)
2014				
August	60,906	344,798	1,440	407,144
September	67,294	337,174	1,794	406,262
October	67,186	262,966	9,880	340,032
November	44,866	267,210	8,856	320,932
December	74,732	291,878	2,428	369,038
2015				
January	59,688	330,046	6,598	396,332
February	30,884	398,564	6,160	435,608
March	77,010	395,244	7,370	479,624
April				
May				
June				
July				
2014				
March	75,422	362,818	13,020	451,260
2014-2015				
August-March	482,566	2,627,880	44,526	3,154,972
2013-2014				
August-March	470,868	2,751,722	52,022	3,274,612

Production of Shelled and Roasting Stock (in Shell) Peanuts by Month – United States: March 2015 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)
2014							
August	(D)	227,194	(D)	253,562	29,714	283,276	14,695
September	33,554	228,834	2,599	264,987	34,258	299,245	12,232
October	24,856	173,054	8,273	206,183	29,231	235,414	25,845
November	17,244	174,746	5,370	197,360	27,275	224,635	17,031
December	27,895	205,711	1,021	234,627	32,023	266,650	26,274
2015							
January	23,975	225,627	3,926	253,528	31,324	284,852	22,408
February	15,023	261,670	1,614	278,307	30,617	308,924	10,267
March	35,371	265,938	4,077	305,386	33,987	339,373	23,260
April							
May							
June							
July							
2014							
March	(D)	235,399	(D)	273,644	30,781	304,425	28,807
2014-2015							
August-March	(D)	1,762,774	(D)	1,993,940	248,429	2,242,369	152,012
2013-2014							
August-March	164,871	1,816,251	46,313	2,027,435	258,213	2,285,648	202,959

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

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: March 2015 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)
2014					
August	46,338	20,143	24,940	9,036	5,414
September	45,138	16,909	25,533	9,793	5,047
October	41,714	17,664	22,880	7,200	3,577
November	41,750	18,068	22,099	6,601	5,702
December	35,849	15,505	19,490	2,956	6,331
2015					
January	40,221	17,181	22,202	4,789	4,260
February	41,297	17,618	22,802	7,165	4,376
March	44,773	18,901	24,960	9,467	5,512
April					
May					
June					
July					
2014					
March	42,615	18,734	21,762	(D)	(D)
2014-2015					
August-March	337,080	141,989	184,906	(X)	(X)
2013-2014					
August-March	339,021	141,339	183,979	(X)	(X)

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

(X) Not applicable.

¹ All crushings regardless of grade.

Apparent Disappearance of Milled Peanut Products by Month – United States: March 2015 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)
2014						
August	264,638	35,934	300,572	25,002	17,596	22,494
September	262,305	36,381	298,686	20,409	16,152	25,900
October	226,263	25,961	252,224	32,666	20,257	24,350
November	232,770	35,105	267,875	16,947	18,667	19,974
December	280,356	25,289	305,645	19,987	19,150	18,861
2015						
January	214,239	30,242	244,481	26,069	15,348	24,273
February	280,434	30,342	310,776	16,017	15,242	22,686
March	264,196	29,796	293,992	23,774	16,599	23,824
April						
May						
June						
July						
2014						
March	260,910	32,294	293,204	27,052	17,350	21,007
2014-2015						
August-March	2,025,201	249,050	2,274,251	180,871	139,011	182,362
2013-2014						
August-March	1,982,937	258,510	2,241,447	216,257	138,894	185,782

¹ Relates to oil mills only.

Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products and In Shell Peanuts by Month – United States: March 2015 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)
2014							
August	32,783	35,756	109,532	2,797	180,868	227,206	10,712
September	34,560	35,957	114,156	3,241	187,914	233,052	11,717
October	31,060	38,026	124,294	3,651	197,031	238,745	13,466
November	33,366	34,006	101,233	2,904	171,509	213,259	10,809
December	21,590	34,008	107,618	4,496	167,712	203,561	12,571
2015							
January	31,537	33,365	116,264	4,845	186,011	226,232	13,571
February	27,767	35,637	103,818	4,198	171,420	212,717	10,423
March	34,582	35,663	108,732	5,362	184,339	229,112	11,358
April							
May							
June							
July							
2014							
March	31,511	38,270	115,464	3,003	188,248	230,863	14,243
2014-2015							
August-March	247,245	282,418	885,647	31,494	1,446,804	1,783,884	94,627
2013-2014							
August-March	256,478	287,031	805,461	18,208	1,367,178	1,706,199	100,474

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:
March 2015 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					
2014					
August	30,541	(D)	99,728	(D)	159,826
September	32,346	(D)	105,620	(D)	168,433
October	28,278	(D)	114,401	(D)	173,431
November	31,301	(D)	92,151	(D)	150,789
December	19,816	(D)	99,005	(D)	146,177
2015					
January	29,450	(D)	107,938	(D)	164,934
February	25,829	(D)	95,348	(D)	151,248
March	31,224	(D)	100,423	(D)	162,750
April					
May					
June					
July					
2014					
March	29,376	30,724	108,669	1,730	170,499
2014-2015					
August-March	228,785	217,398	814,614	16,791	1,277,588
2013-2014					
August-March	(D)	225,104	748,554	(D)	1,217,161
Spanish					
2014					
August	(D)	(D)	739	-	2,873
September	(D)	(D)	827	-	2,507
October	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,712
November	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	1,954
December	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	1,828
2015					
January	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	1,632
February	(D)	(D)	440	-	2,024
March	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	3,108
April					
May					
June					
July					
2014					
March	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	1,850
2014-2015					
August-March	10,260	4,735	(D)	(D)	18,638
2013-2014					
August-March	9,451	4,590	(D)	-	(D)

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 2015 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					
2014					
August	(D)	7,258	9,065	(D)	18,169
September	(D)	6,941	7,709	(D)	16,974
October	(D)	8,880	9,540	(D)	20,887
November	(D)	8,056	8,858	(D)	18,767
December	(D)	8,157	8,172	(D)	19,707
2015					
January	(D)	7,887	8,325	(D)	19,445
February	(D)	6,746	8,030	(D)	18,148
March	(D)	6,360	7,693	(D)	18,480
April					
May					
June					
July					
2014					
March	(D)	6,916	6,705	(D)	15,898
2014-2015					
August-March	8,200	60,285	67,392	14,701	150,577
2013-2014					
August-March	12,737	57,337	55,726	8,995	134,794

- Represents zero.

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

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: March 2015 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)
2014			
August	2,610,400	-	2,610,400
September	2,496,640	34,560	2,531,200
October	1,332,320	25,920	1,358,240
November	1,642,560	-	1,642,560
December	2,004,000	25,920	2,029,920
2015			
January	4,145,600	51,840	4,197,440
February	2,353,760	-	2,353,760
March	2,327,680	25,920	2,353,600
April			
May			
June			
July			
2014			
March	1,515,520	-	1,515,520
2014-2015			
August-March	18,912,960	164,160	19,077,120
2013-2014			
August-March	22,491,520	155,520	22,647,040

- Represents zero.

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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