



Peanut Stocks and Processing

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Shelled Edible Grade Season to Date Utilization Up 2 Percent from Last Year Peanut Stocks in Commercial Storage Totaled 4.21 Billion Pounds

Peanut stocks reported in commercial storage on March 31, 2018 totaled 4.21 billion pounds of equivalent farmer stock, compared with 3.09 billion pounds a year ago. This total includes 3.35 billion pounds of actual farmer stock.

Shelled peanuts on hand totaled 811 million pounds of farmer stock equivalent. Roasting stock totaled 48.8 million pounds.

Shelled peanut stocks totaled 610 million pounds of which 585 million pounds were edible grades and 24.7 million pounds were oil stocks. Edible grade stocks by type included 110 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 439 million pounds of Runners, and 35.5 million pounds of Spanish.

Millings in March totaled 469 million pounds. Millings by type were 74.9 million pounds of Virginias and Valencias, 388 million pounds of Runners, and 6.31 million pounds of Spanish.

Commercial processors utilized 186 million pounds of **shelled edible** grade peanuts during March. Utilization by type was 103 million pounds for all peanut butter products, 31.0 million pounds for peanut candy, and 44.1 million pounds for peanut snacks. **Crushing** for oil and cake and meal totaled 41.4 million pounds during the month.

Deliveries under the Government Domestic Feeding and Child Nutrition Programs amounted to 1.24 million pounds of peanut butter during March.

Stocks of treated seed on hand March 31, 2018 totaled 21.5 million pounds, compared with 3.61 million pounds on February 28, 2018. Of the March total, 5.20 million pounds were Virginias and Valencias and 16.3 million pounds were Runners.

Stocks estimates refer to March 31, 2018. All other data are for the month of March.

Peanut Stocks and Specified Products at Month's End - United States: March 2018 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)
2017					
August	373,930	462,046	25,073	614,521	1,013,524
September	1,251,984	399,937	22,547	531,916	1,806,447
October	4,131,664	437,497	25,634	581,871	4,739,169
November	4,977,150	429,454	39,421	571,174	5,587,745
December	4,679,180	493,051	44,157	655,758	5,379,095
2018					
January	4,283,352	532,800	40,285	708,624	5,032,261
February	3,831,556	532,286	46,214	707,940	4,585,710
March	3,346,618	609,908	48,878	811,178	4,206,674
April					
May					
June					
July					
2017					
March	2,342,758	536,840	31,009	713,997	3,087,764

¹ Included 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 2018 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)
2017				
August	(D)	327,868	(D)	373,930
September	134,852	1,116,792	340	1,251,984
October	680,038	3,392,370	59,256	4,131,664
November	822,530	4,025,042	129,578	4,977,150
December	781,514	3,780,210	117,456	4,679,180
2018				
January	715,350	3,447,974	120,028	4,283,352
February	640,858	3,095,070	95,628	3,831,556
March	564,192	2,693,266	89,160	3,346,618
April				
May				
June				
July				
2017				
March	350,660	1,959,914	32,184	2,342,758

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

Shelled Peanuts and Roasting Stock (in Shell) at Month's End - United States: March 2018 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)
2017							
August	76,220	332,129	29,061	437,410	24,636	462,046	25,073
September	67,309	291,091	27,379	385,779	14,158	399,937	22,547
October	66,112	331,886	25,866	423,864	13,633	437,497	25,634
November	87,308	303,684	21,393	412,385	17,069	429,454	39,421
December	96,597	351,269	29,403	477,269	15,782	493,051	44,157
2018							
January	81,869	396,151	30,567	508,587	24,213	532,800	40,285
February	99,044	374,473	35,604	509,121	23,165	532,286	46,214
March	110,360	439,382	35,493	585,235	24,673	609,908	48,878
April							
May							
June							
July							
2017							
March	91,613	394,850	29,279	515,742	21,098	536,840	31,009

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 2018 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)
2017				
August	29,844	343,714	-	373,558
September	26,644	171,218	-	197,862
October	70,814	332,106	9,926	412,846
November	89,854	320,694	-	410,548
December	46,456	290,072	16,818	353,346
2018				
January	64,712	344,352	9,790	418,854
February	72,668	313,526	12,854	399,048
March	74,888	388,190	6,312	469,390
April				
May				
June				
July				
2017				
March	58,856	361,976	25,474	446,306
2017-2018				
August-March	475,880	2,503,872	55,700	3,035,452
2016-2017				
August-March	457,660	2,594,186	63,788	3,115,634

- Represents zero.

Production of Shelled and Roasting Stock (in Shell) Peanuts by Month - United States: March 2018 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)
2017							
August	14,283	203,188	-	217,471	35,338	252,809	9,214
September	10,198	113,012	-	123,210	18,850	142,060	11,277
October	(D)	225,224	(D)	261,648	35,384	297,032	24,165
November	(D)	223,744	(D)	262,435	28,915	291,350	32,204
December	21,387	204,361	11,157	236,905	32,147	269,052	15,097
2018							
January	31,691	225,306	6,634	263,631	31,782	295,413	16,677
February	38,142	228,834	9,177	276,153	31,922	308,075	17,152
March	35,309	253,377	4,450	293,136	35,138	328,274	19,293
April							
May							
June							
July							
2017							
March	28,467	248,542	15,064	292,073	41,392	333,465	15,830
2017-2018							
August-March	219,946	1,677,046	37,597	1,934,589	249,476	2,184,065	145,079
2016-2017							
August-March	201,186	1,726,571	39,797	1,967,554	295,143	2,262,697	149,301

- 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: March 2018 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)
2017					
August	55,139	23,309	30,000	10,256	8,751
September	46,746	20,549	25,135	10,164	7,782
October	48,924	21,291	25,386	8,282	6,012
November	39,858	17,685	21,247	7,210	3,331
December	45,841	19,742	24,889	7,098	6,284
2018					
January	44,077	19,529	22,972	6,540	5,321
February	44,383	19,367	23,926	8,806	6,999
March	41,436	18,411	22,055	11,126	5,950
April					
May					
June					
July					
2017					
March	57,350	25,192	30,994	8,425	8,064
2017-2018					
August-March	366,404	159,883	195,610	(X)	(X)
2016-2017					
August-March	448,274	193,668	242,648	(X)	(X)

(X) Not applicable.

¹ All crushings regardless of grade

Apparent Disappearance or Milled Peanut Products by Month - United States: March 2018 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)
2017						
August	262,071	37,074	299,145	16,619	23,699	29,999
September	174,841	29,328	204,169	13,803	20,641	26,104
October	223,563	35,909	259,472	21,078	23,173	27,156
November	273,914	25,479	299,393	18,417	18,757	23,928
December	172,021	33,434	205,455	10,361	19,854	21,936
2018						
January	232,313	23,351	255,664	20,549	20,087	23,935
February	275,619	32,970	308,589	11,223	17,101	22,248
March	217,022	33,630	250,652	16,629	16,091	23,104
April						
May						
June						
July						
2017						
March	269,409	45,641	315,050	17,261	23,696	31,230
2017-2018						
August-March	1,831,364	251,175	2,082,539	128,679	159,403	198,410
2016-2017						
August-March	1,918,951	339,395	2,258,346	149,891	190,111	240,044

¹ Relates to oil mills only.

Shelled Peanuts (Raw Basis) Used in Primary Products and In Shell Peanuts by Month - United States: March 2018 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)
2017							
August	36,891	40,598	126,709	5,186	209,384	264,523	12,103
September	38,467	38,965	105,521	6,673	189,626	236,372	11,741
October	34,422	41,959	118,207	5,414	200,002	248,926	12,274
November	26,967	39,028	112,428	4,915	183,338	223,196	12,333
December	28,948	43,827	102,871	7,014	182,660	228,501	10,884
2018							
January	32,859	46,332	103,568	7,898	190,657	234,734	12,998
February	35,330	43,404	97,974	8,257	184,965	229,348	12,197
March	31,034	44,053	102,588	8,582	186,257	227,693	10,236
April							
May							
June							
July							
2017							
March	40,374	36,158	116,406	5,404	198,342	255,692	11,850
2017-2018							
August-March	264,918	338,166	869,866	53,939	1,526,889	1,893,293	94,766
2016-2017							
August-March	265,392	319,337	876,940	34,568	1,496,237	1,944,511	86,833

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 2018 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					
2017					
August	34,276	(D)	115,877	(D)	185,050
September	34,836	(D)	92,012	(D)	161,309
October	31,452	(D)	105,785	(D)	173,756
November	24,819	(D)	101,777	(D)	161,449
December	26,679	(D)	93,606	(D)	161,132
2018					
January	30,456	(D)	93,122	(D)	168,171
February	32,219	(D)	87,637	(D)	162,411
March	28,009	(D)	(D)	(D)	161,612
April					
May					
June					
July					
2017					
March	38,267	(D)	105,711	(D)	175,331
2017-2018					
August-March	242,746	277,499	(D)	(D)	1,334,890
2016-2017					
August-March	246,706	252,493	801,525	20,555	1,321,279
Spanish					
2017					
August	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	2,391
September	(D)	(D)	-	-	2,908
October	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	2,684
November	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	2,280
December	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	2,052
2018					
January	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	2,339
February	(D)	(D)	(D)	-	2,537
March	(D)	(D)	-	(D)	2,196
April					
May					
June					
July					
2017					
March	(D)	(D)	518	-	2,249
2017-2018					
August-March	11,985	(D)	3,117	(D)	19,387
2016-2017					
August-March	10,044	(D)	3,378	(D)	18,502

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 2018 with Comparisons (continued)**

[Excludes peanuts milled for seed. Crushings by type not available. Blank 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					
2017					
August	(D)	8,068	(D)	(D)	21,943
September	(D)	7,164	13,509	(D)	25,409
October	(D)	7,639	(D)	(D)	23,562
November	(D)	6,476	(D)	(D)	19,610
December	(D)	7,373	(D)	(D)	19,476
2018					
January	(D)	6,875	(D)	(D)	20,147
February	(D)	6,105	(D)	(D)	20,016
March	(D)	6,684	(D)	(D)	22,449
April					
May					
June					
July					
2017					
March	(D)	7,535	10,177	(D)	20,763
2017-2018					
August-March	10,187	56,384	86,148	19,893	172,612
2016-2017					
August-March	8,642	61,770	72,037	14,007	156,458

- Represents zero.

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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 2018 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)
2017			
August	3,170,470	25,920	3,196,390
September	2,756,320	-	2,756,320
October	3,015,795	-	3,015,795
November	2,947,825	25,920	2,973,745
December	2,410,720	-	2,410,720
2018			
January	1,819,025	-	1,819,025
February	1,822,560	155,520	1,978,080
March	1,236,480	-	1,236,480
April			
May			
June			
July			
2017			
March	1,243,360	-	1,243,360
2017-2018			
August-March	19,179,195	207,360	19,386,555
2016-2017			
August-March	20,114,823	233,280	20,348,103

- Represents zero.

Stocks of Treated Seed at Month's End - United States: March 2018 with Comparisons

[Excludes stocks on farms. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

Month ending	Virginias and Valencias	Runner	Spanish	Total
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)
2017				
August	(D)	(D)	-	221
September	(D)	(D)	-	63
October	(D)	-	-	(D)
November	(D)	-	-	(D)
December	(D)	-	-	(D)
2018				
January	(D)	-	-	(D)
February	(D)	(D)	-	3,605
March	5,203	16,308	-	21,511
April				
May				
June				
July				
2017				
March	7,533	23,781	1,080	32,394

- Represents zero.

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

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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