



Grain Crushings and Co-Products Production

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Highlights

September 2025 contained 30 days.

October 2025 contained 31 days.

Total corn consumed for alcohol and other uses was 524 million bushels in October 2025. Total corn consumption was up 9 percent from September 2025 and up 2 percent from October 2024. October 2025 usage included 93.1 percent for alcohol and 6.9 percent for other purposes. Corn consumed for beverage alcohol totaled 3.55 million bushels, down 2 percent from September 2025 but up 2 percent from October 2024. Corn for fuel alcohol, at 476 million bushels, was up 9 percent from September 2025 and up 3 percent from October 2024. Corn consumed in October 2025 for dry milling fuel production and wet milling fuel production was 92.6 percent and 7.4 percent, respectively.

Dry mill co-product production of distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS) was 1.93 million tons during October 2025, up 13 percent from September 2025 and up 3 percent from October 2024. Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65 percent or more moisture was 1.24 million tons in October 2025, up 2 percent from September 2025 but down 6 percent from October 2024.

Wet mill corn gluten feed production was 251,650 tons during October 2025, down 8 percent from September 2025 but up slightly from October 2024. Wet corn gluten feed 40 to 60 percent moisture was 189,128 tons in October 2025, up 15 percent from September 2025 but down 8 percent from October 2024.

Dry and Wet Mill, Corn Consumed – United States: October 2025 with Comparisons

Purpose	October 2024	September 2025	October 2025
Consumed for alcohol production	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Beverage alcohol	3,494	3,639	3,554
Fuel alcohol	463,593	435,361	476,403
Dry mill	428,519	397,644	440,914
Wet mill	35,074	37,717	35,489
Industrial alcohol	6,765	6,490	7,732
Consumed for other purposes			
Total wet mill products other than fuel	39,291	36,342	35,864

Dry and Wet Mill, Co-products and Products Produced – United States: October 2025 with Comparisons

Co-products and products	October 2024	September 2025	October 2025
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)
Dry mill			
Condensed distillers solubles (CDS - syrup)	112,013	110,359	107,402
Corn oil (Corn Distillers Oil - CDO)	198,165	171,938	221,174
Distillers dried grains (DDG)	390,721	366,687	390,774
Distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS)	1,869,619	1,706,310	1,927,920
Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65% or more moisture	1,312,975	1,212,599	1,240,272
Modified distillers wet grains (DWG) 40% to 64% moisture	429,103	381,891	449,873
Wet mill			
Corn germ meal	65,840	50,461	58,194
Corn gluten feed	251,577	274,599	251,650
Corn gluten meal	104,520	101,176	103,810
Wet corn gluten feed 40% to 60% moisture	205,988	164,266	189,128
Dry and wet mill			
Carbon dioxide captured	263,744	256,605	253,952

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: *Grain Crushings and Co-Products Production* is part of the Current Agricultural Industrial Reports (CAIR) program. CAIR reports are administered under NASS's Census of Agriculture program. Response to CAIR surveys are required by law (Title 7, U.S. Code). Data are collected from all known mills that produce ethanol.

The census universe was determined during operation profile interviews which were completed for each potential facility to identify the presence of ethanol production in 2014. During the operation profile, facilities that met the survey criteria were asked for the nameplate production capacity. The operation profile also documented the manner in which the firm will report. A firm headquarters can report for all milling locations or each location can report separately.

In the Dry Mill Producers and Wet Mill Producers survey questionnaires, mills are asked for previous calendar month data on feedstocks consumed, products and co-products produced. Mills are mailed questionnaires with the options of completing the survey by mail or by Electronic Data Reporting (EDR). For surveys not received in a reasonable amount of time, telephone follow-up is conducted.

Estimating Procedures: Imputation is done for operations with non-response by using historical data and current data relationships. Data for reporting firms are added to estimates for non-reporting firms to obtain National totals.

Revision Policy: Data are revised the following month based on late reports or corrected data. Final figures are published in the annual summary of the following year.

Reliability: Approximately 130 reports are received each month which represent about 90 percent of total capacity. Monthly data can vary due to different firms reporting month to month. Survey data are also subject to non-sampling errors such as omissions and mistakes in reporting and in processing the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized by carefully reviewing all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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