



Flour Milling Products

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Highlights

First Quarter 2025, January through March, contained 90 days.

Fourth Quarter 2025, October through December, contained 92 days.

First Quarter 2026, January through March, contained 90 days.

All wheat ground for flour during the first quarter 2026 was 222 million bushels, down 2 percent from the fourth quarter 2025 grind of 226 million bushels and down 2 percent from the first quarter 2025 grind of 227 million bushels. First quarter 2026 total flour production was 103 million hundredweight, down 1 percent from the fourth quarter 2025 and down 3 percent from the first quarter 2025. Whole wheat flour production, at 3.91 million hundredweight during the first quarter 2026, accounted for 4 percent of the total flour production. Millfeed production from wheat in the first quarter 2026 was 1.58 million tons. The daily 24-hour milling capacity of wheat flour during the first quarter 2026 was 1.59 million hundredweight.

Durum wheat ground for flour and semolina production during the first quarter of 2026 totaled 16.7 million bushels, up 3 percent from the fourth quarter 2025 but down 3 percent from the first quarter 2025. First quarter 2026 durum flour and semolina production was 7.94 million hundredweight, up 4 percent from the fourth quarter 2025 but down 3 percent from the first quarter 2025. Whole wheat durum flour and semolina production was 60,000 hundredweight, unchanged from 60,000 hundredweight in the fourth quarter 2025 but down 33 percent from 89,000 hundredweight from the first quarter 2025. First quarter durum wheat millfeed production was 105,027 tons and the daily 24-hour milling capacity for durum and semolina production was 134,730 hundredweight.

Rye ground for flour during the first quarter of 2026 was 364,000 bushels, up 6 percent from the fourth quarter 2025 and up 7 percent from the first quarter 2025. Rye flour production during the first quarter of 2026 was 168,000 hundredweight, compared to 160,000 hundredweight in the previous quarter and 152,000 hundredweight in the same quarter for the previous year. The daily 24-hour milling capacity for rye milling was 9,365 hundredweight for the first quarter 2026.

**All Wheat Ground, Flour Production, and Capacity – Regions and United States:
January 2026 - March 2026 with Comparisons**

Region	Wheat ground for flour (1,000 bushels)	Wheat flour production (1,000 cwt)	Daily (24-hour) capacity (cwt)
California			
January 2025 - March 2025	16,029	7,513	109,600
October 2025 - December 2025	16,069	7,574	109,600
January 2026 - March 2026	15,223	7,161	109,600
Colorado and Oklahoma			
January 2025 - March 2025	8,123	3,932	55,780
October 2025 - December 2025	8,281	3,874	55,780
January 2026 - March 2026	8,220	3,870	55,780
Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina			
January 2025 - March 2025	9,529	4,468	62,000
October 2025 - December 2025	9,157	4,287	62,000
January 2026 - March 2026	9,187	4,272	62,000
Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah, and Washington			
January 2025 - March 2025	15,764	7,419	119,387
October 2025 - December 2025	15,467	7,179	119,387
January 2026 - March 2026	15,994	7,458	119,387
Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin			
January 2025 - March 2025	25,097	11,644	163,252
October 2025 - December 2025	24,992	11,516	162,772
January 2026 - March 2026	26,041	12,020	162,772
Iowa and Nebraska			
January 2025 - March 2025	6,864	3,225	51,125
October 2025 - December 2025	6,259	2,867	51,125
January 2026 - March 2026	5,799	2,697	41,125
Kansas			
January 2025 - March 2025	15,810	7,394	111,800
October 2025 - December 2025	16,229	7,501	111,800
January 2026 - March 2026	15,333	7,164	111,800
Kentucky and Tennessee			
January 2025 - March 2025	8,951	4,063	59,000
October 2025 - December 2025	9,153	4,163	59,000
January 2026 - March 2026	8,633	3,949	59,000
Maryland and Virginia			
January 2025 - March 2025	5,447	2,485	48,500
October 2025 - December 2025	5,945	2,724	48,500
January 2026 - March 2026	5,749	2,635	48,500
Michigan			
January 2025 - March 2025	6,496	2,962	47,700
October 2025 - December 2025	6,765	3,073	49,900
January 2026 - March 2026	5,806	2,647	49,900
Minnesota			
January 2025 - March 2025	10,181	4,648	80,120
October 2025 - December 2025	10,024	4,639	70,220
January 2026 - March 2026	10,241	4,782	70,220
Missouri			
January 2025 - March 2025	13,876	6,724	92,800
October 2025 - December 2025	13,210	5,877	92,800
January 2026 - March 2026	13,666	6,089	92,800
New Jersey and New York			
January 2025 - March 2025	12,935	5,969	96,950
October 2025 - December 2025	13,623	6,243	96,950
January 2026 - March 2026	13,172	5,956	96,950

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**All Wheat Ground, Flour Production, and Capacity – Regions and United States:
January 2026 - March 2026 with Comparisons (continued)**

Region	Wheat ground for flour	Wheat flour production	Daily (24-hour) capacity
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 cwt)	(cwt)
North Carolina			
January 2025 - March 2025	7,938	3,605	67,796
October 2025 - December 2025	7,463	3,377	67,796
January 2026 - March 2026	7,412	3,388	67,796
North Dakota			
January 2025 - March 2025	16,263	7,499	106,000
October 2025 - December 2025	16,529	7,550	106,000
January 2026 - March 2026	16,319	7,501	106,000
Ohio			
January 2025 - March 2025	12,671	5,685	89,600
October 2025 - December 2025	10,469	4,661	98,600
January 2026 - March 2026	10,409	4,614	98,600
Pennsylvania			
January 2025 - March 2025	11,445	5,324	80,500
October 2025 - December 2025	11,906	5,504	80,500
January 2026 - March 2026	11,868	5,491	80,500
Texas			
January 2025 - March 2025	12,955	6,001	86,000
October 2025 - December 2025	14,000	6,450	87,000
January 2026 - March 2026	13,436	6,240	87,000
Other States ¹			
January 2025 - March 2025	10,253	4,817	72,907
October 2025 - December 2025	10,698	5,012	72,907
January 2026 - March 2026	9,895	4,613	72,907
United States			
January 2025 - March 2025	226,627	105,377	1,600,817
October 2025 - December 2025	226,239	104,071	1,602,637
January 2026 - March 2026	222,403	102,547	1,592,637

¹ Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Maine, and Louisiana combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Flour Milling Production, and Capacity – United States: January 2026 - March 2026 with Comparisons

Item	January - March 2025	October - December 2025	January - March 2026
All wheat			
Wheat ground for flour 1,000 bushels	226,627	226,239	222,403
Flour production 1,000 cwt	105,377	104,071	102,547
Whole wheat flour production 1,000 cwt	4,488	4,296	3,911
Millfeed production tons	1,597,789	1,610,036	1,575,400
Daily 24-hour capacity cwt	1,600,817	1,602,637	1,592,637
Wheat, excluding durum			
Wheat ground for flour 1,000 bushels	209,442	210,023	205,676
Flour production 1,000 cwt	97,146	96,434	94,604
Whole wheat production 1,000 cwt	4,399	4,236	3,851
Millfeed production tons	1,489,953	1,506,221	1,470,373
Daily 24-hour capacity cwt	1,466,087	1,467,907	1,457,907
Wheat, durum			
Wheat ground for flour and semolina 1,000 bushels	17,185	16,216	16,727
Durum flour and semolina production 1,000 cwt	8,231	7,637	7,943
Whole wheat durum flour and semolina production 1,000 cwt	89	60	60
Millfeed production tons	107,836	103,815	105,027
Daily 24-hour capacity cwt	134,730	134,730	134,730
Rye			
Rye ground for flour 1,000 bushels	340	342	364
Flour production 1,000 cwt	152	160	168
Millfeed production tons	570	561	596
Daily 24-hour capacity cwt	9,415	9,365	9,365

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: *Flour Milling Products* 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 wheat or rye flour.

The census universe was determined during operation profile interviews which were completed for each potential facility to identify the presence of wheat or rye flour production in 2014. 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 Flour Milling Products survey questionnaires, mills are asked for previous quarter data on wheat and rye ground for flour, and production of flour, whole wheat flour, and millfeed. Quarters are based on a calendar year with the following definitions: first quarter – January through March; second quarter – April through June; third quarter – July through September; fourth quarter – October through December. 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 or Regional totals.

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

Reliability: Approximately 165 reports are received each month which represent about 99 percent of total capacity. Quarterly data can vary due to different firms reporting quarter to quarter. 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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