



Grain Crashings and Co-Products Production

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Highlights

July 2026 contained 31 days.

August 2026 contained 31 days.

Total corn consumed for alcohol and other uses was 528 million bushels in August 2026. Total corn consumption was down less than 1 percent from July 2026 but up 4 percent from August 2025. August 2026 usage included 92.6 percent for alcohol and 7.4 percent for other purposes. Corn consumed for beverage alcohol totaled 3.31 million bushels, down 11 percent from July 2026 and down 3 percent from August 2025. Corn for fuel alcohol, at 478 million bushels, was up less than 1 percent from July 2026 and up 4 percent from August 2025. Corn consumed in August 2026 for dry milling fuel production and wet milling fuel production was 92.2 percent and 7.8 percent, respectively.

Dry mill co-product production of distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS) was 1.85 million tons during August 2026, down less than 1 percent from July 2026 and down 2 percent from August 2025. Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65 percent or more moisture was 1.28 million tons in August 2026, down 1 percent from July 2026 but up 5 percent from August 2025.

Wet mill corn gluten feed production was 278,611 tons during August 2026, up 11 percent from July 2026 and up 11 percent from August 2025. Wet corn gluten feed 40 to 60 percent moisture was 180,096 tons in August 2026, down 14 percent from July 2026 but up 2 percent from August 2025.

Dry and Wet Mill, Corn Consumed – United States: August 2026 with Comparisons

Purpose	August 2025	July 2026	August 2026
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Consumed for alcohol production			
Beverage alcohol	3,407	3,704	3,309
Fuel alcohol	459,373	476,146	477,732
Dry mill	423,310	440,991	440,666
Wet mill	36,063	35,155	37,066
Industrial alcohol	7,714	8,557	8,046
Consumed for other purposes			
Total wet mill products other than fuel	36,636	40,577	39,017

Dry and Wet Mill, Co-products and Products Produced – United States: August 2026 with Comparisons

Co-products and products	August 2025	July 2026	August 2026
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)
Dry mill			
Condensed distillers solubles (CDS - syrup)	121,200	120,964	120,765
Corn oil (Corn Distillers Oil - CDO)	197,431	222,100	221,754
Distillers dried grains (DDG)	401,483	393,639	412,722
Distillers dried grains with solubles (DDGS)	1,873,585	1,849,717	1,845,438
Distillers wet grains (DWG) 65% or more moisture	1,211,796	1,293,382	1,278,164
Modified distillers wet grains (DWG) 40% to 64% moisture	406,314	359,152	406,854
Wet mill			
Corn germ meal	57,506	50,571	57,915
Corn gluten feed	251,036	250,692	278,611
Corn gluten meal	98,197	103,391	98,844
Wet corn gluten feed 40% to 60% moisture	175,862	210,120	180,096
Dry and wet mill			
Carbon dioxide captured	268,024	284,535	292,163

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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Crops: Almonds, Asparagus, Barley, Beets, Blueberries, Carrots, Chickpeas, Coffee, Corn, Cranberries, Dry Edible Peas, Garlic, Grapefruit, Lemons, Lentils, Mandarins/Tangerines, Maple, Mushrooms, Onions, Oranges, Papayas, Pears, Pecans, Raspberries, Sweet Corn, Tobacco

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