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Releases

Stocks of principal field crops, December 31, 2012

As of December 31, total stocks of most principal field crops were down compared with the same date in 2011.

Canola stocks amounted to 7.4 million tonnes, a 23.6% drop from December 31, 2011. It was the third consecutive decline and the lowest level at December 31 for total canola stocks since the same date in 2006. Production of canola fell from 14.6 million tonnes in 2011 to 13.3 million tonnes in 2012.

Total stocks of wheat edged down 0.7% from December 31, 2011, to just under 20.7 million tonnes. This occurred despite a 7.6% increase in wheat production in 2012. Total stocks of durum wheat, down 4.1%, accounted for most of this decline. On-farm stocks for all types of wheat rose 1.7% to 16.5 million tonnes compared with the same period in 2011. However, commercial stocks fell 9.1% to 4.2 million tonnes.

Stocks of oats recorded a 19.8% decline to 1.9 million tonnes nationally, primarily due to a 21.2% decrease in on-farm stocks. This decline mirrored a 15.0% decrease in oat production in 2012.

Total stocks of barley fell 7.2% to 5.1 million tonnes, mainly as a result of a 6.2% decline in volumes kept on farms. Stocks were down despite a 1.5% rise in barley production in 2012. Barley stocks have been declining for the last four years.

On-farm stocks of soybeans decreased 25.6% to 1.3 million tonnes nationally, while commercial stocks rose 36.5% to 1.1 million tonnes, their highest level since 2006. Consequently, total stocks of soybeans fell 6.7% to 2.4 million tonnes. This occurred despite a 14.7% production increase in 2012.

Total stocks of corn for grain, on the other hand, set a record high of 10.4 million tonnes, a 9.8% rise over December 2011. This followed record production of 13.1 million tonnes in 2012. The biggest contribution came from on-farm stocks, which increased 11.0% to 7.8 million tonnes.

Note to readers

The December Farm Survey of 10,435 Canadian farmers is a survey of stocks of principal field crops conducted from January 4 to 13, 2013. Farmers were asked to report the amounts of grain, oilseeds and special crops in on-farm storage. Data on commercial stocks of western major crops originate from the Canadian Grain Commission.

Commercial stocks of corn and soybeans are estimated by a Statistics Canada sample of grain elevators in Eastern Canada. Data on commercial stocks of special crops originate from a survey of handlers and agents of special crops.

Release calendar: The dates for upcoming releases from the Field Crop Reporting Series are available online: Stocks of principal field crops, Principal field crop areas and Production of principal field crops.

Total stocks of principal field crops at December 31						
	2010	2011	2012			
	thou	thousands of tonnes				
Total wheat	20 790	20.821	20.60			

Table 4

	2010	2011	2012	2010 to 2011	2011 to 2012
	thousands of tonnes		% change		
Total wheat	20 790	20 831	20 690	0.2	-0.7
Wheat excluding durum	17 016	16 836	16 860	-1.1	0.1
Durum wheat	3 775	3 995	3 830	5.8	-4.1
Corn for grain	9 822	9 436	10 365	-3.9	9.8
Canola	9 874	9 646	7 371	-2.3	-23.6
Barley	5 963	5 481	5 088	-8.1	-7.2
Soybeans	2 514	2 573	2 401	2.3	-6.7
Oats	2 330	2 333	1 872	0.1	-19.8
Dry field peas	2 460	1 693	1 552	-31.2	-8.3
Lentils	1 421	1 448	1 231	1.9	-15.0
Flaxseed	458	430	406	-6.1	-5.6
Rye	211	139	172	-34.1	23.7

Available in CANSIM: tables 001-0010, 001-0017 and 001-0040 to 001-0043.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3401, 3403, 3443, 3464 and 3476.

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Aircraft movement statistics: Major airports, November and December 2012

Data on aircraft take-offs and landings at the 93 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations are now available for November and December.

Available in CANSIM: tables 401-0007 to 401-0020.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2715.

A data table with summary information on NAV CANADA Towers is available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Summary tables*.

The November and December 2012 issues of *Aircraft Movement Statistics: NAV CANADA Towers and Flight Service Stations (TP 141)* (51-007-X) will be released soon.

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Canadian Foreign Post Indexes, February 2013

Data on Canadian Foreign Post Indexes are now available for February.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2322.

The February 2013 issue of *Canadian Foreign Post Indexes* (62-013-X) is now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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Canadian business patterns, December 2012

Canadian business patterns data are now available for December.

Canadian business patterns data provide counts of active locations by industry classification and employment size for Canada and the provinces. The data are compiled from the Business Register, which is a repository of information on the Canadian business population.

Nationally, there were 2,481,742 active locations recorded in December.

Note to readers

Data are presented according to the 2006 Standard Geographical Classification, the 2012 North American Industry Classification System and employment size categories.

Starting with the December 2011 reference period, data are available on CANSIM. However, the data should not be considered a time series and each reference period will appear in a separate CANSIM table.

Available in CANSIM: table 551-0003.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1105.

Custom extractions for other geographic levels can also be ordered on a cost-recovery basis. Data prior to December 2011 are also available upon request on a cost-recovery basis.

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Supply and disposition of grains in Canada, August 2011 to July 2013

Revised data on the supply and disposition of grains in Canada for the crop years 2011/2012 to 2012/2013 are now available.

Available in CANSIM: tables 001-0041 to 001-0043.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3403, 3404, 3443, 3464, 3476, 5046 and 5153.

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New products and studies

New products

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Forward Sortation Area Boundary File, Reference Guide, Census year 2011 Catalogue number 92-179-G (HTML | PDF)

Forward Sortation Area Boundary File, Census year 2011 Catalogue number 92-179-X (HTML)

Census: Age and Sex: "Age (131) and Sex (3) for the Population of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 22 Catalogue number 98-311-X2011022 (HTML)

Census: Families, Households and Marital Status: "Presence of Children (5), Number of Children at Home (8) and Census Family Structure (7) for the Census Families in Private Households of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 20 Catalogue number 98-312-X2011020 (HTML)

Census: Families, Households and Marital Status: "Legal Marital Status (6), Common-law Status (3), Age Groups (17) and Sex (3) for the Population 15 Years and over of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 42 Catalogue number 98-312-X2011042 (HTML)

Census: Language: "Census Profile - Age, Sex, Marital Status, Families, Households, Dwellings and Language for Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 8 Catalogue number 98-314-X2011008 (HTML)

Census: Language: "Mother Tongue (8), Age Groups (25) and Sex (3) for the Population of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 25 Catalogue number 98-314-X2011025 (HTML)

Census: Language: "Detailed Mother Tongue (232), Knowledge of Official Languages (5), Age Groups (17A) and Sex (3) for the Population Excluding Institutional Residents of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 32 Catalogue number 98-314-X2011032 (HTML)

Census: Language: "First Official Language Spoken (7), Detailed Language Spoken Most Often at Home (232), Age Groups (17A) and Sex (3) for the Population Excluding Institutional Residents of Canada and Forward Sortation Areas, 2011 Census", Census year 2011, No. 38 Catalogue number 98-314-X2011038 (HTML)

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