



Total stocks of principal field crops at March 31

	March 2015	March 2016	March 2017	March 2015 to March 2016	March 2016 to March 2017
	thousands of tonnes	thousands of tonnes	thousands of tonnes	% change	% change
Total wheat	17 994	14 379	16 601	-20.1	15.5
Durum wheat	2 558	2 705	4 078	5.7	50.8
Wheat excluding durum	15 436	11 675	12 522	-24.4	7.3
Barley	3 405	3 733	4 578	9.6	22.6
Canola	8 548	8 565	6 567	0.2	-23.3
Corn for grain	6 289	7 763	8 360	23.4	7.7
Dry field peas	1 743	1 351	1 700	-22.5	25.8
Flaxseed	382	553	404	44.8	-26.9
Lentils	1 159	555	1 070	-52.1	92.8
Oats	1 673	1 817	1 663	8.6	-8.5
Rye	88	99	198	12.5	100.0
Soybeans	2 078	1 937	1 855	-6.8	-4.2

Wheat

Total wheat stocks were at 16.6 million metric tonnes as of March 31, 2017, up 15.5% from the same day a year earlier. This increase resulted from higher stock levels being



held on farms, up 17.5% to 12.2 million tonnes, and a 10.2% rise in commercial stocks to 4.4 million tonnes. Farm stock levels in Saskatchewan increased by 11.1% to 5.9 million tonnes, while farm stocks in Alberta increased 26.9% to 4.2 million tonnes.

Canola

As of March 31, total canola stocks were down 23.3% from the same day a year earlier to 6.6 million tonnes. This decrease resulted from a 28.0% decline in on-farm stocks to 5.0 million tonnes. On-farm stocks in Saskatchewan were down 32.1% to 2.3 million tonnes, while farm stocks in Alberta fell 24.5% to 1.8 million tonnes. Commercial stocks also contributed to the overall decrease as they were down 3.4% to 1.6 million tonnes.

Corn for grain

Corn for grain stocks were up 7.7% from the same reference date a year earlier, to a record high 8.4 million tonnes. Commercial stocks were up 40.6% to 2.8 million tonnes while farm stocks were down 3.6% to 5.6 million tonnes. Farm stocks in Quebec increased 6.2%, to a record high 2.1 million tonnes for a March 31 stock levels reading.

Soybeans

Soybean stocks decreased 4.2% to 1.9 million tonnes as of March 31, despite a 1.4% increase in production in 2016. On-farm stocks were down 19.6% to 930 000 tonnes, mainly driven by Ontario, where they fell 33.8% to 460 000 tonnes. Commercial stocks increased 18.6% to 925 000 tonnes.

Barley and oats

Total barley stocks increased 22.6% to 4.6 million tonnes as of March 31, following a 6.8% gain in production in 2016. Farm stocks grew 24.2% compared with the same day a year earlier, to 4.3 million tonnes. The commercial stock levels increased 4.6% to 317 100 tonnes.

After an 8.2% year-over-year decline in oat production in 2016, total oat stocks decreased 8.5% to 1.7 million tonnes compared with March 31, 2016. Both farm stocks (-6.8%) and commercial stocks (-19.1%) contributed to the overall decrease.