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Grain Stocks  
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## September 1 Grain Stocks Report

### North Dakota

**All wheat** stored in positions in North Dakota on September 1, 2008 totaled 239 million bushels, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. This is up 5 percent from a year ago. All wheat stocks include Durum, spring and winter wheat. On-farm stocks are estimated at 160 million bushels, up 14 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 79.3 million bushels, are down 9 percent from a year ago. The June-August disappearance is 101 million bushels, down 24 percent from the same period in 2007.

**Durum wheat** stocks in all positions totaled 32.8 million bushels, down 10 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 26.5 million bushels, are up 13 percent. Off-farm stocks totaled 6.3 million bushels, down from 13.0 million bushels a year ago. The June-August disappearance is 12.7 million bushels, down 32 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Barley** stored in all positions totaled 64.6 million bushels, up 13 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 46.0 million bushels, up 15 percent from September 1, 2007. Off-farm stocks totaled 18.6 million bushels, up 8 percent from a year ago. Disappearance during the quarter totaled 38.4 million bushels, a 3 percent increase from the same period a year earlier.

**Corn** stocks in all positions totaled 26.1 million bushels, up from 16.5 million bushels last year and from 17.3 million bushels on September 1, 2006. On-farm stocks totaled 7.20 million bushels, down 1.60 million from last year. Off-farm stocks totaled 18.9 million bushels, up from 7.70 million bushels a year ago and the largest September 1 stocks on record. Disappearance during the quarter totaled 43.5 million bushels, up from 17.3 million bushels last year.

**Soybean** stocks in all positions totaled 4.65 million bushels, down from last year's record high of 18.9 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 1.70 million bushels, down from 7.7 million bushels a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.95 million, is down 74 percent from a year ago. The disappearance of 9.25 million bushels for the quarter was up from 6.45 million bushels a year ago.

**Sunflower** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 168 million pounds, up from 165 million pounds last year. **Oil sunflower** stocks in all positions totaled 120 million pounds, up from 64 million pounds a year earlier. **Non-oil sunflower** stocks totaled 47.6 million pounds, down from 101 million pounds a year earlier and 96 million pounds on September 1, 2006.

### United States

**All wheat** stored in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 1.86 billion bushels, up 8 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 635 million bushels, up 28 percent from last September. Off-farm stocks, at 1.22 billion bushels, are down slightly from a year ago. The June - August 2008 indicated disappearance is 949 million bushels, up 18 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Durum wheat** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 59.0 million bushels, down 16 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 36.2 million bushels, are up 4 percent from September 1, 2007. Off-farm stocks totaled 22.8 million bushels, down 36 percent from a year ago. The June - August 2008 indicated disappearance of 34.2 million bushels is up 51 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Barley** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 207 million bushels, up 10 percent from September 1, 2007. On-farm stocks are estimated at 127 million bushels, 20 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 80.4 million bushels, are 3 percent below September 2007. The June - August 2008 indicated disappearance is 100 million bushels, 9 percent above the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop corn** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 1.62 billion bushels, up 25 percent from September 1, 2007. Of the total stocks, 500 million bushels are stored on farms, up 9 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.12 billion bushels, are up 33 percent from a year ago. The June - August 2008 indicated disappearance is 2.40 billion bushels, compared with 2.23 billion bushels during the same period last year.

**Old crop soybeans** stored in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 205 million bushels, down 64 percent from September 1, 2007. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 47.0 million bushels, down 67 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 158 million bushels, are down 63 percent from last September. Indicated disappearance for June - August 2008 totaled 471 million bushels, down 9 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**Old crop sunflower** stocks in all positions on September 1, 2008 totaled 265 million pounds, down 12 percent from a year ago. All stocks stored on farms totaled 32.2 million pounds and off-farm stocks totaled 232 million pounds. Stocks of **oil type sunflower** seed are 176 million pounds; of this total, 26.3 million pounds are on-farm stocks and 149 million pounds are off-farm stocks. **Non-oil sunflower** stocks totaled 88.9 million pounds, with 5.91 million pounds stored on the farm and 83.0 million pounds stored off the farm.

**Stocks: By Position, Current and Previous Quarter  
North Dakota and United States, 2007-2008 <sup>1</sup>**

Crop	Date	North Dakota			United States		
		On Farm	Off Farm <sup>2</sup>	Total All Positions	On Farm	Off Farm <sup>2</sup>	Total All Positions
		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>
Wheat, All	Sept 1, 2007	140,000	87,200	227,200	495,000	1,221,927	1,716,927
	June 1, 2008	9,300	19,350	28,650	25,635	280,183	305,818
	Sept 1, 2008	160,000	79,300	239,300	635,000	1,221,576	1,856,576
Durum Wheat <sup>3</sup>	Sept 1, 2007	23,500	13,000	36,500	34,700	35,764	70,464
	June 1, 2008	1,800	1,450	3,250	2,350	5,938	8,288
	Sept 1, 2008	26,500	6,300	32,800	36,200	22,799	58,999
Barley	Sept 1, 2007	40,000	17,200	57,200	105,600	83,095	188,695
	June 1, 2008	3,300	13,500	16,800	9,950	58,273	68,223
	Sept 1, 2008	46,000	18,600	64,600	127,070	80,369	207,439
Oats	Sept 1, 2007	11,000	760	11,760	53,650	34,710	88,360
	June 1, 2008	2,700	760	3,460	16,100	50,674	66,774
	Sept 1, 2008	7,000	560	7,560	52,800	66,275	119,075
Corn	Sept 1, 2007	8,800	7,700	16,500	460,100	843,547	1,303,647
	June 1, 2008	40,000	29,600	69,600	1,970,900	2,057,117	4,028,017
	Sept 1, 2008	7,200	18,900	26,100	499,950	1,124,200	1,624,150
Soybeans	Sept 1, 2007	7,700	11,200	18,900	143,000	430,810	573,810
	June 1, 2008	6,600	7,300	13,900	226,600	449,543	676,143
	Sept 1, 2008	1,700	2,950	4,650	47,000	158,034	205,304
		<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>
All Sunflower	Sept 1, 2007	10,700	154,300	165,000	26,635	275,365	302,000
	Mar 1, 2008	294,000	392,800	686,800	392,305	634,711	1,027,016
	Sept 1, 2008	21,300	146,300	167,600	32,220	232,461	264,681
Oil Sunflower	Sept 1, 2007	6,000	58,000	64,000	19,305	109,227	128,532
	Mar 1, 2008	250,000	285,600	535,600	331,380	463,490	794,870
	Sept 1, 2008	16,500	103,500	120,000	26,310	149,445	175,755
Non-oil Sunflower	Sept 1, 2007	4,700	96,300	101,000	7,330	166,138	173,468
	Mar 1, 2008	44,000	107,200	151,200	60,925	171,221	232,146
	Sept 1, 2008	4,800	42,800	47,600	5,910	83,016	88,926
Mustard <sup>4</sup>	Sept 1, 2007	---	---	---	---	---	8,478
	Sept 1, 2008	---	---	---	---	---	6,165
Safflower <sup>4</sup>	Sept 1, 2007	---	---	---	---	---	10,020
	Sept 1, 2008	---	---	---	---	---	22,341

<sup>1</sup> Corn, soybean, sunflower, safflower and mustard stocks are old crop grains on hand September 1 from 2007 and earlier crop years. Small grain stocks are from all crop years, including 2008. <sup>2</sup> Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. <sup>3</sup> Included in all wheat. <sup>4</sup> Estimates published at the U.S. level only.

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