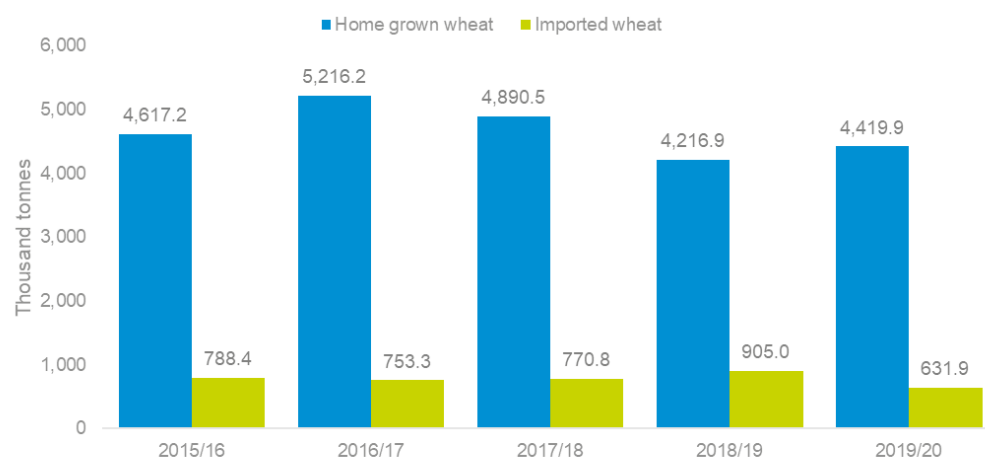


UK HUMAN AND INDUSTRIAL USAGE

KEY POINTS

- In April 2020, wheat used by the UK milling industry⁽¹⁾ was 450.2 thousand tonnes, an increase of 1.1% year on year. Home grown wheat usage was at 396.8 thousand tonnes, up 2.8% and imported wheat usage was down 9.9% at 53.4 thousand tonnes.
- From July to April 5.052 million tonnes of wheat was used by UK flour millers⁽¹⁾, down 1.4% on the same period in 2018/19. Home grown wheat usage is at 4.420 million tonnes, 4.8% higher over the same period. Imported wheat usage is 30.2% lower at 631.9 thousand tonnes.
- UK brewers, maltsters and distillers used 114.7 thousand tonnes of barley in April 2020, 28.1% less than in April 2019. 53.9 thousand tonnes of wheat was used, 21.1% less year on year. Season to date (Jul-Apr) barley usage is down 2.1% on season earlier levels at 1.538 million tonnes.

Season to date ⁽³⁾ wheat usage by UK millers ⁽¹⁾



Source: AHDB, Defra

Thousand tonnes	Latest month	%Chg ⁽²⁾	Season to date ⁽³⁾	%Chg ⁽²⁾
FLOUR MILLERS ⁽¹⁾				
Total milled	450.2	1.1%	5,051.9	-1.4%
Home grown milled	396.8	2.8%	4,419.9	4.8%
Imported milled	53.4	-9.9%	631.9	-30.2%
Wheat closing stocks ⁽⁴⁾	269.2	22.1%	-	-
Total flour production	363.6	2.0%	4,008.2	-1.3%
Flour closing stocks ⁽⁴⁾	55.4	-2.8%	-	-
BREWERS, MALTSTERS & DISTILLERS				
Barley usage	114.7	-28.1%	1,538.3	-2.1%
Wheat usage ⁽⁵⁾	53.9	-21.1%	528.1	-1.7%

(1) Including starch and bioethanol; (2) % change relates to the same period in the previous year; (3) Season to date comprises of July 2019 to April 2020 data; (4) As at end-April 2020; (5) Representative total and percentage change for season to date information as no data was published in December 2019 due to insufficient sample. Due to rounding, totals may not agree with the sum of the individual items.

Datasets for UK flour millers and brewers, maltsters and distillers have been published to accompany this notice– [click here](#). Figures in this publication are provisional and subject to revision.

USAGE OF STATISTICS

The information in the publication is used by the UK government and the EU Commission as evidence for assessing market conditions and evaluating agricultural policy. A key use of the statistics is to produce the UK cereals supply and demand balance sheets which are published on the AHDB website – [click here](#).

ENQUIRIES

If you have any enquiries regarding the UK cereals usage data please get in contact with the AHDB Balance Sheet Team (balance.sheet.team@ahdb.org.uk).