

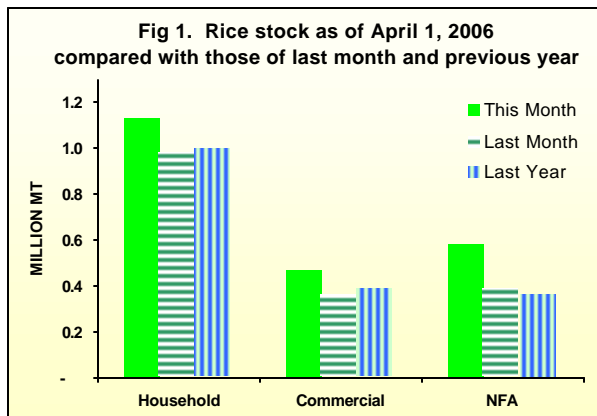
APRIL 1, 2006 RICE AND CORN STOCK INVENTORY

RICE STOCK

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ITEM	APR. 1, 2006 P/	MAR. 1, 2006 P/	APR. 1, 2005	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Apr. 2006/ Mar. 2006	Apr. 2006/ Apr. 2005
TOTAL STOCK	2,192.0	1,719.9	1,744.7	27.5	25.6
Household	1,137.7	980.6	993.2	16.0	14.6
Commercial *	470.2	358.0	381.6	31.3	23.2
NFA *	584.1	381.3	369.9	53.2	57.9

* NFA data



- The April 1, 2006 total rice stock inventory was estimated at **2.19** million metric tons, up by **27.5** and **25.6** percent from previous month and last year's levels, respectively. Stock inventory went up as more harvests came in the later part of the quarter.

- Comparative estimates with those of last month showed significant increases in all the sectors' inventories. Household and commercial sectors' holdings went up by **16.0** and **31.3** percent, respectively. Stocks in NFA depositories of which **92** percent are imported rice, were also higher by **53.2** percent.

- Compared to last year's records, stocks in households, commercial warehouses and NFA depositories registered increments by **14.6**, **23.2** and **57.9** percent, respectively.

- Of the total stock, **52** percent are with the households, **24** percent are with commercial warehouses and **27** percent are with NFA depositories. These are good for **37**, **16** and **20** days supply, respectively. The current total stock is enough to last for **73** days.

CORN STOCK

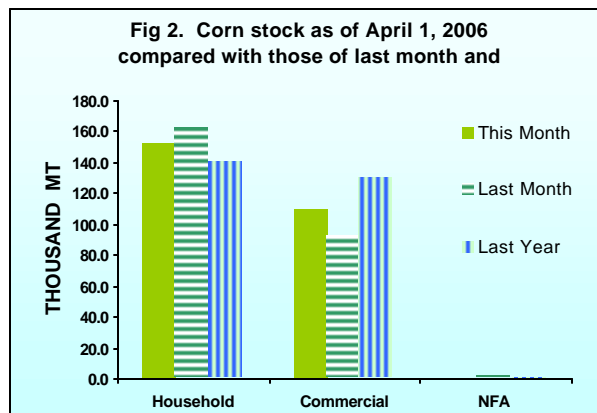
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ITEM	APR 1, 2006 P/	MAR 1, 2006 P/	APR. 1, 2005	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Apr. 2006/ Mar. 2006	Apr. 2006/ Apr. 2005
TOTAL STOCK ^{1/}	263.6	255.5	270.3	3.2	(2.5)
Household	153.1	162.5	139.6	(5.8)	9.7
Commercial *	110.5	92.0	129.2	20.1	(14.5)
NFA *	0.033	0.98	1.50	(96.6)	(97.8)

* NFA data

P/ Preliminary.

^{1/} Excludes corn stock held by commercial livestock and poultry producers and corn mixed in feed stocks



- The April 1, 2006 total corn stock inventory of **263.6** thousand metric tons was **3.2** percent higher than last month's level but **2.5** percent below that of same period last year.

- Compared to last month's inventory, household stocks declined by **5.8** percent, while commercial stocks increased by **20.1** percent. In contrast, the household stocks increased by **9.7** percent, while that of the commercial warehouses dropped by **14.5** percent compared to last year's level.

- Around **58.0** percent of the current corn stocks are with the households and **42.0** percent are with the commercial warehouses. NFA reported **32.6** metric tons of corn grain for the period.