

OCTOBER 1, 2004 RICE AND CORN STOCK

RICE STOCK

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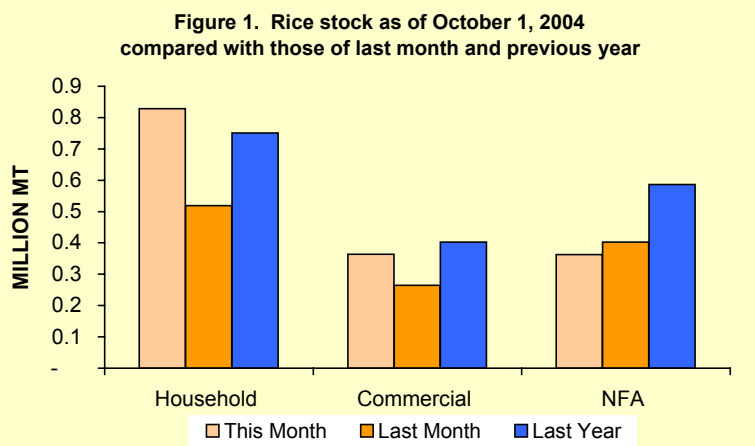
ITEM	OCT 1, 2004 P/	SEP 1, 2004 P/	OCT 1, 2003	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Oct. 2004/ Sept. 2004	Oct. 2004/ Oct. 2003
TOTAL STOCK	1,555.3	1,187.1	1,740.3	31.0	(10.6)
Household	828.4	519.2	750.6	59.6	10.4
Commercial *	364.2	264.8	403.3	37.5	(9.7)
NFA *	362.7	403.1	586.4	(10.0)	(38.2)

- The October 1, 2004 total rice stock was **1.55** million metric tons good for **55** days supply. It surpassed last month's level by **31.0** percent, but lower by **10.6** percent compared to the previous year's level.

- Stocks in the household and commercial sector posted increments over their month ago levels by **59.6** and **37.5** percent, respectively. This was attributed to the good harvests in most areas in the latter part of September. However, NFA stocks dropped by **10.0** percent.

- Compared to their 2003 records, the NFA and commercial stocks went down by **38.2** and **9.7** percent, respectively. In contrast, stocks in the household went up by **10.4** percent. Around **313** thousand metric tons or **86.0** percent of NFA stocks are imported rice.

- More than half of the current total rice stocks came from the households, while a little over **20.0** percent each were with the NFA and commercial sector.



CORN STOCK

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ITEM	OCT 1, 2004 P/	SEPT 1, 2004 P/	OCT 1, 2003	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Oct. 2004/ Sept. 2004	Oct. 2004/ Oct. 2003
TOTAL STOCK ^{1/}	424.9	336.4	323.0	26.3	31.6
Household	324.0	232.3	207.7	39.5	56.0
Commercial *	100.9	104.1	115.3	(3.1)	(12.5)
NFA *	-	-	-	-	-

- The total corn stock as of October 1, 2004 was estimated at **424.9** thousand metric tons, higher than previous month and year ago levels by **26.3** and **31.6** percent, respectively.

- The household sector posted **39.5** and **56.0** percent stock increments over its month and year ago records. On the other hand, stocks in the commercial sector went down by **3.1** and **12.5** percent, respectively for the same reference periods.

- NFA reported no corn stock for the period.

* NFA data
P/ Preliminary.

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

