

FEBRUARY 1, 2009 RICE AND CORN STOCK INVENTORY

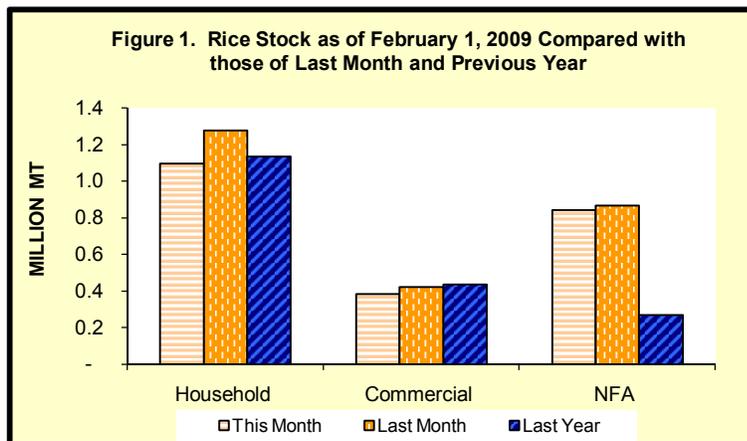
RICE STOCK

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ITEM	FEB. 1, 2009 P/	JAN. 1, 2009	FEB. 1, 2008	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Feb. 2009/ Jan. 2009	Feb. 2009/ Feb. 2008
TOTAL STOCK	2,322.2	2,570.9	1,843.5	(9.7)	26.0
Household	1,096.0	1,278.4	1,134.2	(14.3)	(3.4)
Commercial *	382.5	424.3 r/	437.9 r/	(9.9)	(12.7)
NFA *	843.7	868.2 r/	271.4 r/	(2.8)	210.9

* NFA data

P/ Preliminary.



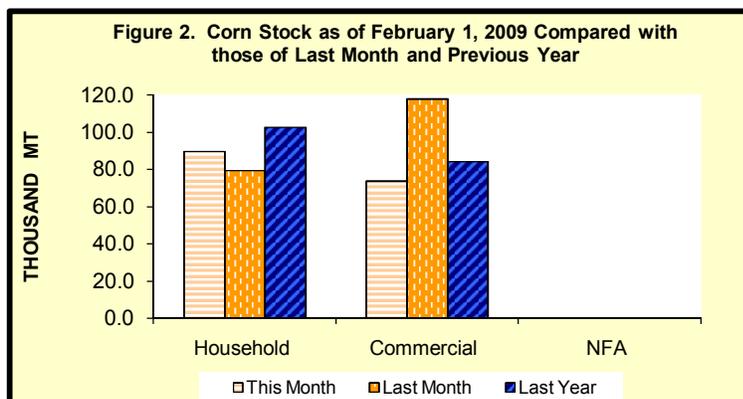
CORN STOCK

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ITEM	FEB 1, 2009 P/	JAN 1, 2009 P/	FEB. 1, 2008	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
				Feb. 2009/ Jan. 2009	Feb. 2009/ Feb. 2008
TOTAL STOCK ^{1/}	163.5	197.6	187.1	(17.3)	(12.6)
Household	89.8	79.5	102.8	13.0	(12.7)
Commercial *	73.7	118.1 r/	84.3 r/	(37.6)	(12.6)
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^{1/} Excludes corn stock held by commercial livestock and poultry producers and corn mixed in feed stock.



- Total rice stock as of February 1, 2009 was estimated at **2.32** million metric tons. It was lower by **9.7** percent from previous month's stock volume but **26.0** percent higher than last year's level. The current stock would be enough for **66** days.
- Compared to previous month's stock position, this month's records were lower. In the households, stocks dropped by **14.3** percent. Reductions were also noted in commercial sector, by **9.9** percent and in NFA, by **2.8** percent.
- Compared to 2008 levels, this year's stocks were lower; by **3.4** percent in the households and by **12.7** percent in the commercial sector. In contrast, stocks in NFA depositories registered a significant increase of **210.9** percent. Imported rice accounted for **47.0** percent of NFA stocks.
- Around **47** percent of the total rice stock inventory were with the households, while **17** percent were with the commercial warehouses and **36** percent were with the NFA depositories.
- The February 1, 2009 total corn stock inventory stood at **163.5** thousand metric tons. It was lower than the preceding month's level by **17.3** percent and **12.6** percent from last year's record.
- Compared to last month's level, stock in the households was higher by **13.0** percent but was **12.7** percent lower than last year's level. Stocks in the commercial sector also declined by **37.6** percent from last month's record and by **12.6** percent from last year's level.
- NFA did not have corn stock during the inventory period.