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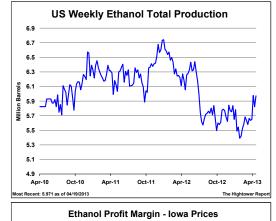
ETHANOL PRODUCTION REPORT April 24, 2013

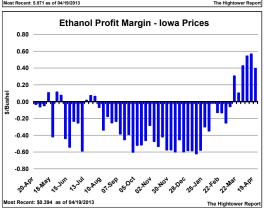
Summary

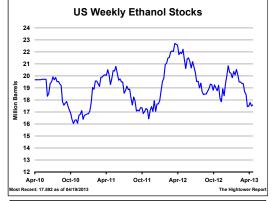
Ethanol production for the week ending April 19 averaged 853 thousand barrels per day. This is up 2.52% vs. last week and down 1.39% vs. last year. Total Ethanol production for the week was 5.971 million barrels. Stocks as of April 19 were 17.592 million barrels. This is up 0.49% vs. last week and down 19.49% vs. last year. Corn used in last week's production is estimated at 89.57 million bushels. This crop year's cumulative corn used ethanol production for this crop year is 2.81 billion bushels. Corn use needs to average 90.906million bushels per week to meet this crop year's USDA estimate of 4.55billion bushels.

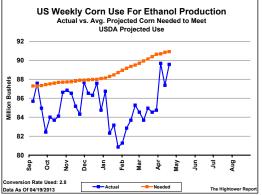
| Recent History | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| | In Million Barrels | | | | | Corn Usage For Crop Year (MMBu) | | |
| | Wee | | | Weekly | | Needed / | | |
| | Total | | | Stocks | Implied | Corn Used | Week for | Cumulative for |
| Date | Production | Imports | Stocks | Change | Demand* | Per Week | USDA Est | Crop Year |
| 1/4/13 | 5.782 | 0.3640 | 19.854 | -0.359 | 6.505 | 86.730 | 88.118 | 1541.400 |
| 1/11/13 | 5.488 | 0.1890 | 20.361 | 0.507 | 5.170 | 82.320 | 88.293 | 1623.720 |
| 1/18/13 | 5.544 | 0.4690 | 20.083 | -0.278 | 6.291 | 83.160 | 88.453 | 1706.880 |
| 1/25/13 | 5.390 | 0.0630 | 20.540 | 0.457 | 4.996 | 80.850 | 88.697 | 1787.730 |
| 2/1/13 | 5.418 | 0.0000 | 20.098 | -0.442 | 5.860 | 81.270 | 88.943 | 1869.000 |
| 2/8/13 | 5.523 | 0.0770 | 19.500 | -0.598 | 6.198 | 82.845 | 89.152 | 1951.845 |
| 2/15/13 | 5.579 | 0.1470 | 19.495 | -0.005 | 5.731 | 83.685 | 89.347 | 2035.530 |
| 2/22/13 | 5.684 | 0.2240 | 19.374 | -0.121 | 6.029 | 85.260 | 89.497 | 2120.790 |
| 3/1/13 | 5.635 | 0.0000 | 19.351 | -0.023 | 5.658 | 84.525 | 89.687 | 2205.315 |
| 3/8/13 | 5.579 | 0.0000 | 18.688 | -0.663 | 6.242 | 83.685 | 89.926 | 2289.000 |
| 3/15/13 | 5.663 | 0.1890 | 18.465 | -0.223 | 6.075 | 84.945 | 90.132 | 2373.945 |
| 3/22/13 | 5.635 | 0.1890 | 17.441 | -1.024 | 6.848 | 84.525 | 90.375 | 2458.470 |
| 3/29/13 | 5.649 | 0.3430 | 17.481 | 0.04 | 5.952 | 84.735 | 90.629 | 2543.205 |
| 4/5/13 | 5.978 | 0.0000 | 17.788 | 0.307 | 5.671 | 89.670 | 90.675 | 2632.875 |
| 4/12/13 | 5.824 | 0.0000 | 17.507 | -0.281 | 6.105 | 87.360 | 90.839 | 2720.235 |
| 4/19/13 | 5.971 | 0.2730 | 17.592 | 0.085 | 6.159 | 89.565 | 90.906 | 2809.800 |

*Implied Demand = Production + Imports - Change in Stocks









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