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Arizona's Cotton Production Decreased from 2004

Arizona's all cotton production for 2005 is estimated at 628,000 bales, 14 percent lower than the final 2004 production. All acres for harvest, at 233,100, are down 7,900 acres from 2004. All cotton yield, at 1,293 pounds per acre, is down 158 pounds from last year.

Upland cotton production is expected to total 620,000 bales, down 14 percent from the 2004 crop. Yield is estimated at 1,300 pounds per acre, compared to 1,458 pounds per acre last year. Harvested acreage at 229,000 acres is down from 238,000 acres harvested in 2004. Arizona's American-Pima production is estimated at 8,000 bales for 2005. Harvested area is estimated at 4,100 acres for an average yield of 937 pounds per acre.

U.S. upland cotton production is estimated at a record high 23.1 million bales, up fractionally from the December 1 forecast and 2 percent above last year's production. The U.S. yield for upland cotton is estimated at 824 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month but 19 pounds less than

last year's record high yield. Harvested area, at 13.4 million acres, increased marginally from last month and is 5 percent above 2004. Upland planted acreage is estimated at 13.9 million acres, 4 percent above last year.

American-Pima production is estimated at 655,000 bales, down 3 percent from last month and 12 percent from last year. The U.S. Pima yield is estimated at 1,171 pounds per acre, down 50 pounds from last month and 272 pounds from last year. Producers planted 270,400 acres of Pima cotton, up 8 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 268,600 acres, up 3,600 acres from last month and up 8 percent from last year.

Arizona's cottonseed production for 2005 is estimated at 243,000 tons, down 19 percent from last year. U.S. cottonseed production is expected to total 8.50 million tons, up 3 percent from 2004.

Cotton: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Type, State, and United States, 2004-2005

Type and State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production 1/	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Bales 2/</i>	
Upland						
AL	540.0	545.0	724	749	814.0	850.0
AZ	238.0	229.0	1,458	1,300	723.0	620.0
AR	900.0	1,040.0	1,114	1,011	2,089.0	2,190.0
CA	557.0	428.0	1,543	1,178	1,790.0	1,050.0
FL	87.0	85.0	601	728	109.0	129.0
GA	1,280.0	1,210.0	674	853	1,797.0	2,150.0
KS	80.0	66.0	424	655	70.7	90.0
LA	490.0	600.0	867	896	885.0	1,120.0
MS	1,100.0	1,200.0	1,024	864	2,346.0	2,160.0
MO	378.0	438.0	1,054	970	830.0	885.0
NM	64.0	51.0	848	941	113.0	100.0
NC	725.0	810.0	900	847	1,360.0	1,430.0
OK	200.0	240.0	727	730	303.0	365.0
SC	214.0	265.0	875	761	390.0	420.0
TN	525.0	635.0	900	847	984.0	1,120.0
TX	5,350.0	5,500.0	694	716	7,740.0	8,200.0
VA	81.0	92.0	956	965	161.4	185.0
US	12,809.0	13,434.0	843	824	22,505.1	23,064.0
American-Pima						
AZ	3.0	4.1	896	937	5.6	8.0
CA	214.0	229.0	1,532	1,216	683.0	580.0
NM	10.5	11.5	869	918	19.0	22.0
TX	20.5	24.0	890	900	38.0	45.0
US	248.0	268.6	1,443	1,171	745.6	655.0
All						
US	13,057.0	13,702.6	855	831	23,250.7	23,719.0

1/ Production ginned and to be ginned.

2/ 480-lb. net weight bales.

Arizona Wheat Seedings

Arizona durum wheat seedings for 2006 are estimated at 70,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from 2005. Other wheat seedings at 4,000 acres, are down 1,000 acres from last year.

Durum Wheat: Seedings in Arizona and California for 2006 harvest are estimated at 145,000 acres. This total is down 6 percent from their 2005 level. Planting is ongoing in California's San Joaquin and Imperial Valleys. The crop's emergence has been slow due to dry weather. In Arizona, acreage is down due to the cost of fertilizer and concerns about low prices. No major problems with the crop have been reported.

Winter Wheat: Planted area for harvest in 2006 is estimated at 41.4 million acres, up 2 percent from 2005. Seeding began last August and was behind the 5-year average pace because of a lack of moisture in the southern Great Plains during September and much of October. Precipitation during mid-October relieved moisture concerns somewhat in major producing areas and allowed seeding to advance ahead of the 5-year average during the latter part of the month as mild and dry weather conditions prevailed. Nearly all of the U.S. acreage was seeded by December 1 with the exception of some intended acres in the Southeast and California. Seeding should finish this month in California. The winter wheat crop condition at the end of November was rated at 52 percent good to excellent compared with 76 percent last year.

Wheat: Area Seeded, By Selected States and United States, 2004-06

Crop and State	2006 as % of 2005			
	2004	2005 1/	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	1,000 Acres			
Durum Wheat 2/				
AZ	100	80	70	88
CA	120	75	75	100
ID 3/		20		
MN 4/	1			
MT	570	590		
ND	1,750	1,980		
SD	20	15		
US	2,561	2,760		
Winter Wheat				
AZ 5/	5	5	4	80
CA	560	495	430	87
CO	2,300	2,550	2,400	94
ID	750	770	750	97
IL	920	630	860	137
IN	450	360	460	128
KS	10,000	10,000	10,200	102
MO	1,050	590	1,000	169
MT	1,900	2,150	2,000	93
NE	1,850	1,850	1,750	95
NV	6	8	16	200
NM	490	450	440	98
ND	245	310	180	58
OK	6,200	5,700	5,800	102
OR	820	830	800	96
SD	1,650	1,550	1,350	87
TX	6,300	5,500	5,800	105
UT	130	145	135	93
WA	1,800	1,850	1,850	100
WY	150	160	150	94
US	43,350	40,433	41,367	102

1/Updated from "Small Grains 2005 Summary" released September 30, 2005.

2/ Indicated 2006 area seeded for all six states will be published in

"Prospective Plantings" released March 31, 2006.

3/ Estimates began in 2005.

4/ Estimates discontinued in 2005.

5/ Wheat other than Durum.

Arizona and California Citrus Production

Arizona's citrus crop for 2005-06 is forecast as follows: lemons, 3.80 million boxes, up 58 percent; grapefruit, 100,000 boxes, down 29 percent; Valencia oranges, 200,000 boxes, up 5 percent; navel and miscellaneous oranges, 250,000 boxes, up 4 percent; and tangerines, 500,000 boxes, up 25 percent from the previous season.

Citrus production in California is forecast as follows: lemons, 19.0 million boxes, same as previous season; grapefruit, 6.00 million boxes, up 3 percent; Valencia oranges, 12.0 million boxes, down 33 percent; navel and miscellaneous oranges, 42.0 million boxes, down 2 percent; and tangerines, 3.10 million boxes, up 11 percent from the previous season.

Citrus Fruits: Utilized Production by Crop, State, and United States, 2003-04, 2004-05 and Forecasted January 1, 2006 1/

Crop and State	Utilized Production		
	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	1,000 Boxes 2/		
Oranges, Early, Mid, and Navel 3/			
AZ	300	240	250
CA	39,500	43,000	42,000
FL	126,000	79,100	80,000
TX	1,420	1,500	1,300
US	167,220	123,840	123,550
Oranges, Valencia			
AZ	170	190	200
CA	11,000	18,000	12,000
FL	116,000	70,500	78,000
TX	230	270	230
US	127,400	88,960	90,430
All Oranges			
AZ	470	430	450
CA	50,500	61,000	54,000
FL	242,000	149,600	158,000
TX	1,650	1,770	1,530
US	294,620	212,800	213,980
All Grapefruit			
AZ	140	140	100
CA	5,800	5,800	6,000
FL	40,900	12,800	16,000
TX	5,700	6,600	5,100
US	52,540	25,340	27,200
Tangerines			
AZ 4/	690	400	500
CA 4/	2,200	2,800	3,100
FL	6,500	4,450	5,700
US	9,390	7,650	9,300
Lemons			
AZ	3,000	2,400	3,800
CA	18,000	19,000	19,000
US	21,000	21,400	22,800

1/ The crop year begins with the bloom of the first year shown and ends with the completion of harvest the following year.

2/ Net lbs. per box: oranges-AZ and CA-75, FL-90, TX-85; grapefruit-AZ and CA-67, FL-85, TX-80; lemons-76; tangerines-AZ and CA-75, FL-95.

3/ Navel and miscellaneous varieties in AZ and CA. Early (including navel) and midseason varieties in FL and TX. Small quantities of tangerines in TX.

4/ Includes tangelos and tangors.

**Corn Stocks Up 4 Percent from December 2004
Soybean Stocks Up 9 Percent
All Wheat Stocks Down Slightly**

Corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 9.81 billion bushels, up 4 percent from December 1, 2004. Of the total stocks, 6.33 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.49 billion bushels, are up 5 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 3.41 billion bushels, compared with 3.31 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Durum wheat stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 81.4 million bushels, up 4 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 57.7 million bushels, are up 11 percent from December 1, 2004. Off-farm stocks totaled 23.7 million bushels, down 12 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance of 20.0 million bushels is up 60 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Barley stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 208 million bushels, down 15 percent from December 1, 2004. On-farm stocks are estimated at 104 million bushels, 21 percent below a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 104 million bushels, are 9 percent below December 2004. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 46.9 million bushels, 6 percent above the same period a year earlier.

Grain sorghum stored in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 289 million bushels, up 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 55.0 million bushels, are down 30 percent from December 1 last year. Off-farm stocks, at 234 million bushels, are up 15 percent from a year earlier. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance from all positions is 162 million bushels, down 21 percent from the same period in 2004.

Hay: Stocks on Farms, Selected States and United States, December 1 and May 1, 2003-2005

State	December 1			May 1	
	2003	2004 1/	2005	2004	2005
	1,000 Tons				
AZ	280	250	350	55	35
CA	2,086	1,770	1,798	306	215
CO	1,841	2,527	2,365	610	470
ID	2,772	2,782	2,260	445	535
MT	3,986	4,427	5,440	790	860
NV	857	741	788	121	80
NM	525	545	545	115	164
OR	2,357	2,366	1,790	371	362
UT	1,495	1,383	1,355	279	300
WA	1,620	1,560	1,475	470	322
WY	1,963	1,860	1,784	478	383
US	111,027	114,516	105,056	25,947	27,758

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Potatoes: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production by Seasonal Group, State, and United States, 2005

Seasonal Group And State	Area		Yield	Production
	Planted	Harvested		
	2005	2005	2005	2005
	1,000 Acres		Cwt	1,000 Cwt
Winter				
CA	14.0	14.0	250	3,500
FL	6.0	5.8	240	1,392
Total	20.0	19.8	247	4,892
Spring 1/				
AZ	4.3	4.3	275	1,183
CA	15.1	15.1	405	6,116
FL	23.6	23.2	281	6,527
Hastings	17.3	17.0	280	4,760
Other FL	6.3	6.2	285	1,767
NC	15.5	15.0	190	2,850
TX	9.5	9.1	225	2,048
Total	68.0	66.7	281	18,724

1/ 2005 revised.

Cottonseed: Production by State and United States 2003-2005

State	Production		
	2003	2004	2005 1/
	1,000 Tons		
AL	327.0	282.0	306.0
AZ	216.8	301.6	243.0
AR	689.0	734.0	808.0
CA	680.0	902.0	588.0
FL	37.0	35.0	40.0
GA	732.0	560.0	718.0
KS	34.2	26.0	34.0
LA	365.0	295.0	393.0
MS	773.0	804.0	768.0
MO	274.0	268.0	315.0
NM	31.6	52.5	43.0
NC	349.0	447.0	478.0
OK	79.0	113.0	136.0
SC	109.0	94.0	137.0
TN	311.0	336.0	391.0
TX	1,616.0	2,939.0	3,040.0
VA	41.0	53.0	63.0
US	6,664.6	8,242.1	8,501.0

1/ Estimates based on a 3-year average lint-seed ratio.

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December Farm Prices Received Index Increased 1 Point From Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 114, based on 1990-92=100, increased 1 point (0.9 percent) from November. The Crop Index is up 4 points (3.8 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased 2 points (1.7 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for tomatoes, corn, strawberries, and lettuce. Lower prices were received for oranges, broilers, dairy, and grapes. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of

commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of dairy, wheat, oranges, and broilers offset decreased marketings of cattle, soybeans, grapes, and corn.

Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 3 points (2.7 percent) from December 2004. The Food Commodities Index, at 120, was unchanged from last month but increased 3 points (2.6 percent) from December 2004.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The December Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 143 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is unchanged from November but 9 points (6.7 percent) above December 2004. Lower prices in

December for feeder cattle, diesel fuel, complete feeds, and LP gas offset higher prices for nitrogen fertilizers, feed concentrates, feeder pigs, and feed grains.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, December 2004 and 2005 and November 2005

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		December 2004 Entire Month	November 2005 Entire Month	December 2005 Mid-Month	December 2004 Entire Month	November 2005 Entire Month	December 2005 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	46.20	53.90	1/	39.30	48.50	48.90
Cottonseed 2/	\$ Ton	159.00	1/	125.00	111.00	92.60	95.10
Durum Wheat 3/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	122.33	108.33	111.00
Alfalfa Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	95.00	120.00	120.00	92.10	97.50	97.70
Oranges 5/	\$ Box	20.30	---	19.40	20.10	22.80	19.50
Lemons 5/	\$ Box	30.60	28.30	26.40	31.30	28.90	27.10
Tangerines 5/	\$ Box	28.40	33.10	29.40	29.40	30.80	29.20
Grapefruit 5/	\$ Box	27.10	30.40	22.80	29.70	28.20	25.30
Cows 6/	\$ Cwt	51.60	44.00	49.20	48.60	46.00	46.60
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	104.00	103.00	107.00	91.90	97.30	99.10
Beef Cattle 7/	\$ Cwt	103.00	102.00	106.00	86.80	91.30	92.70
Calves	\$ Cwt	120.00	120.00	122.00	122.00	133.00	135.00
All Milk 8/	\$ Cwt	15.90	15.00	14.50	16.40	15.10	14.70

- 1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.
 2/ Marketing year August – February.
 3/ Not available for Arizona.
 4/ Mid-month.
 5/ F.O.B. packed fresh Arizona box weights: Lemons 76 lbs., Oranges 75 lbs., Tangerines 75 lbs., Grapefruit 67 lbs.
 6/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
 7/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.
 8/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2004		2005	
	November	December	November	December
Prices Received	115	111	113	114
Prices Paid	135	134	143	143
Ratio 1/	85	83	79	80

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.