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This report contains the results from the *May Ag Yield* survey, which was conducted to obtain acreage, yield and production estimates for winter wheat and stock estimates for hay. The data are also posted on our web site at the Internet address above, and in a more detailed U.S. report at www.usda.gov/nass/. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires or interviews for this survey.

Winter Wheat Production Up 48 Percent from 2006 Lowest May 1 Hay Stocks since 1996 2006 Cotton Crop was Largest on Record

Cotton: Arkansas cotton producers set a new production record in 2006 with 2,525,000 bales produced. This is 323,000 bales higher than the previous record crop set in 2005, a 15 percent increase. Producers yielded 1,045 pounds per harvested acre, up 29 pounds from a year ago. Producers harvested 1.16 million acres of cotton, up 12 percent from 2005.

Hay Stocks: The May 1, 2007, hay stocks, at 160,000 tons, is the lowest May 1 stocks on hand since 1996. Farmers used 93 percent of the hay stocks since December 1, 2006. Hay stocks are down 24 percent compared to last year at this time.

Winter Wheat: Winter Wheat production in 2007 for Arkansas is forecast at 27.6 million bushels, up 48 percent from a year ago. Based on May 1 conditions, yield is expected to average 46 bushels per acre, 15 bushels per acre less than last year's record high yield. This year's drop may be a result of below-freezing temperatures which the crop was exposed to in early April. Area for harvest, at 600,000 acres, is up 97 percent from 2006.

Winter Wheat, Area Harvested, Yield and Production,
Arkansas, Select States and U.S., 2006-2007, May 1 Forecast

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 Acres		Bushels per Acre		1,000 Bushels	
Arkansas	305	600	61.0	46.0	18,605	27,600
Mississippi	73	300	59.0	59.0	4,307	17,700
Missouri	910	750	54.0	42.0	49,140	31,500
Oklahoma	3,400	4,600	24.0	35.0	81,600	161,000
Tennessee	190	230	64.0	32.0	12,160	7,360
Texas	1,400	3,900	24.0	34.0	33,600	132,600
United States	31,117	37,172	41.7	43.5	1,298,081	1,615,613

Upland Cotton, Area Planted, Area Harvested, Yield and Production,
Arkansas, Surrounding States and U.S., 2005-2006

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Lint Yield		Production ¹	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Pounds per Acre		1,000 Bales	
Arkansas	1,050.0	1,170.0	1,040.0	1,160.0	1,016.0	1,045.0	2,202.0	2,525.0
Louisiana	610.0	635.0	600.0	630.0	878.0	946.0	1,098.0	1,241.0
Mississippi	1,210.0	1,230.0	1,200.0	1,220.0	859.0	829.0	2,147.0	2,107.0
Missouri	440.0	500.0	438.0	496.0	947.0	953.0	864.0	985.0
Oklahoma	255.0	320.0	240.0	180.0	716.0	541.0	358.0	203.0
Tennessee	640.0	700.0	635.0	695.0	848.0	945.0	1,122.0	1,368.0
Texas	5,950.0	6,400.0	5,600.0	4,100.0	723.0	679.0	8,440.0	5,800.0
U.S. Upland Total	13,975.0	14,948.0	13,534.0	12,408.0	825.0	806.0	23,259.7	20,822.4

¹480 Lb Net Weight Bales.

Cottonseed Production, Arkansas, Surrounding States and U.S., 2004-2006

State	2004	2005	2006	% Change from `05
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Arkansas	734.0	771.0	861.0	+ 12
Louisiana	295.0	364.0	400.0	+ 10
Mississippi	804.0	736.0	731.0	- 1
Missouri	268.0	285.0	359.0	+ 26
Oklahoma	113.0	127.0	71.6	- 44
Tennessee	336.0	386.0	441.0	+ 14
Texas	2,895.0	2,868.7	2065.9	- 28
United States	8,198.1	8,172.1	7347.9	- 10

Hay Stocks On Farms, Arkansas, Surrounding States and U.S., 2005-2007

State	December 1	May 1	December 1	May 1
	2005	2006	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Arkansas	2,000	210	2,140	160
Louisiana	596	81	690	57
Mississippi	1,567	210	1,186	78
Missouri	6,315	873	5,415	625
Oklahoma	3,900	550	3,275	400
Tennessee	3,625	742	3,103	425
Texas	8,000	896	7,550	885
United States	105,205	21,345	96,397	14,988