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SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS

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AUGUST 2006 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **USDA/NASS NEW MEXICO FIELD OFFICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the **AUGUST YIELD SURVEY** conducted the last week of July and the first week of August. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,

Dwaine C. Nelson
Director

AUGUST CROP PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: **Corn for grain** production is forecast at 9 million bushels, down from 9.6 million in 2005. Harvested acreage is down from 55,000 acres to 50,000 acres, while yields are expected to average 180 bushels compared to 175 bushels last year. **Upland cotton** is expected to yield 950 pounds per acre, down from 1,016 pounds per acre one year ago. Producers expect to harvest 50,000 acres. **American-Pima** cotton yields are forecasted at 886 pounds per acre down from 918 pounds per acre. Harvested acres are expected to reach 13,000, an increase of 13% over the previous year. **Sorghum for grain** production is forecasted at 3.0 million bushels with forecasted yields, down 22% from 2005, at 35.0 bushels per acre. **Peanut** production is forecasted to reach 64.6 million pounds, up 3% from 2005. **Dry edible beans** production is forecasted to reach 181,000 pounds, an increase of 30% from 2005. Harvested acres are expected to reach 8,600 acres compared to 6,300 acres in 2005.

UNITED STATES: **Corn** production is forecast at 11.0 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last year and 7 percent below 2004. **All cotton** production is forecast at 20.4 million 480-pound bales, down 14 percent from last year's record high 23.9 million bales. Yield is expected to average 765 pounds per harvested acre, down 66 pounds from 2005. **Upland cotton** production is forecast at 19.5 million 480-pound bales, 16 percent below 2005. **American-Pima** production is forecast at a record high 893,000 bales, up 42 percent from last year. The first production forecast of **sorghum** for the 2006 crop year is 296 million bushels, down 25 percent from last year. If realized, this would be the lowest production

since 1956. Based on August 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast is 55.8 bushels per acre, down 12.9 bushels from last year. **Peanut** production is forecast at 3.26 billion pounds, down 32 percent from last year's crop and down 24 percent from 2004. If realized, this would be the lowest production since 1980. Area for harvest is expected to total 1.23 million acres, down 3 percent from June and down 24 percent from 2005. Yields are expected to average 2,645 pounds per acre, 315 pounds per acre below last year. Planted acres, at 1.26 million, are down 3 percent from the June estimate and 24 percent below 2005. U.S. **dry edible bean** production is forecast at 23.3 million cwt in 2006, down 15 percent from last year but 31 percent above two years ago.

August 2006 Crop Summary: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, 2005 and Forecasted August 1, 2006

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
		2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
		-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Units-----		-----1,000 Units-----	
NEW MEXICO							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	55	50	175.0	180.0	9,625	9,000
All Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	62.5	63.0	998	937	130.0	123.0
Upland Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	51.0	50.0	1,016	950	108.0	99.0
A-P Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	11.5	13.0	918	886	22.0	24.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	97	85	45.0	35.0	4,365	2,975
Peanuts	Lb.	19	19	3,300	3,400	62,700	64,600
Dry Edible Beans	Lb.	6.3	8.3	2,200	2,100	139	181
UNITED STATES							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	75,107	72,091	147.9	152.2	11,112,072	10,975,740
All Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	13,802.6	12,815.0	831	765	23,890.2	20,431.0
Upland Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	13,534.0	12,482.0	825	751	23,259.7	19,538.0
A-P Cotton ^{1/2}	Lb.	268.6	333.0	1,127	1,287	630.5	893.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	5,736	5,317	68.7	55.8	393,893	296,453
Peanuts	Lb.	1,629	1,233	2,960	2,645	4,821,250	3,260,800
Dry Edible Beans	Lb.	1,568.6	1,519.0	1,744	1,534	27,350	23,301

^{1/} Production ginned and to be ginned. ^{2/} Yield reported in pounds per acre: production in bales (480 lb. net wt.).