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On: UPLAND COTTON ACREAGE UP 8 PERCENT

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AUSTIN . . . Texas **Upland cotton** acreage for 2006 is estimated at 6.4 million acres, up 8 percent from 2005 and up 9 percent from 2004. The first forecast of harvested acreage and production will be released on August 11, 2006. Planted acreage of **American Pima cotton** is estimated at 26,000 acres, up 5 percent from last year.

According to figures released by the Texas Field Office, planted acreage estimates for sorghum, corn, peanuts, soybeans, rice and sunflower are down from last year, State Director David Abbe reported.

Sorghum planted acreage is expected to total 2.0 million acres, down 2 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 1.7 million acres, down 8 percent from 2005.

Planted acreage of **corn** is estimated at 1.75 million acres, down 15 percent from 2005; harvested acreage, at 1.45 million acres, is down 22 percent from last year.

Texas's **peanut** planted acreage is estimated at 210,000 acres, down 21 percent from 2005. Harvested acreage is forecast at 205,000 acres, down 21 percent from 2005.

Rice producers have planted 150,000 acres, down 26 percent from 2005.

Acreage planted to **soybeans** is estimated at 230,000 acres, down 12 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 200,000 acres, 13 percent lower than last year.

Planted acreage of **winter wheat**, at 5.6 million acres, is up 2 percent from last year. Harvested acreage, at 1.4 million acres, is down 53 percent from last year's crop and up 8 percent from the May forecast.

Texas's harvested acreage for **all hay** is estimated at 5.35 million acres, up 6 percent from last year.

Other planted acreages for 2006 include **dry beans** at 15,000 acres, down 12 percent, **sunflowers** at 58,000 acres, down 60 percent from the 145,000 acres planted last year and **oats** at 760,000 acres, up 10 percent from last year.

United States Upland cotton acreage is estimated at 14.9 million acres, up 7 percent from last year. Corn acreage, at 79.4 million, is down 3 percent from 2005, while sorghum acreage is down 3 percent at 6.3 million acres.

Nationally, producers expect to plant 74.9 million acres of soybeans, up 4 percent from 2005, and 1.3 million acres of peanuts, down 22 percent.

Winter wheat planted acreage is estimated at 41.4 million acres, up 2 percent. U.S. producers expect to harvest 31.1 million acres, down 8 percent from last year.

TEXAS DISTRICT ESTIMATES, ACRES PLANTED, 2004-2006

Districts	2004	2005	2006 ^{1/}	2006 as percent of 2005
CORN	<u>1,000 acres</u>			<u>percent</u>
1-N	689.9	661.2	550.0	83
4	593.5	748.8	620.0	83
8-N	166.2	190.0	150.0	79
9	134.3	165.8	170.0	103
10-S	40.2	62.1	50.0	81
Other districts ^{2/}	205.9	222.1	210.0	95
STATE	1,830.0	2,050.0	1,750.0	85
UPLAND COTTON	<u>1,000 acres</u>			<u>percent</u>
1-N	849.0	918.0	980.0	107
1-S	2,813.0	2785.0	2,920.0	105
2-N	396.0	413.0	400.0	97
2-S	488.0	528.0	650.0	123
4	127.0	119.1	180.0	151
7	163.1	180.5	140.0	78
8-N	79.0	83.0	90.0	108
8-S	367.5	371.1	400.0	108
9	245.6	248.2	160.0	64
10-N	34.6	38.5	110.0	286
10-S	215.2	192.0	260.0	135
Other districts ^{2/}	72.0	73.6	110.0	149
STATE	5,850.0	5,950.0	6,400.0	108
SORGHUM	<u>1,000 acres</u>			<u>percent</u>
1-N	500.0	499.0	470.0	94
1-S	171.5	134.5	120.0	89
2-S	77.5	83.0	90.0	108
4	248.5	221.3	230.0	104
7	71.5	59.8	70.0	117
8-N	115.0	91.9	130.0	141
8-S	324.5	308.7	260.0	84
9	186.5	152.1	170.0	112
10-N	82.0	75.1	70.0	93
10-S	377.0	379.5	330.0	87
Other districts ^{2/}	56.0	45.1	60.0	133
STATE	2,210.0	2,050.0	2,000.0	98

^{1/} Preliminary June 1. ^{2/} Sum of individual districts with less than 50,000 acres planted.

