



# Press Release

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On: TEXAS WHEAT PRODUCTION  
DOWN 65 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . The 2006 Texas winter wheat production is estimated at 33.6 million bushels, down 65 percent from last year and 69 percent lower than 2004.

According to the September survey conducted by the Texas Field Office, the statewide yield averaged 24 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from last year and down 1 bushel from the August 1 forecast. Acreage harvested for grain, at 1.4 million acres, was down 53 percent from 2005 and the same as the August 1 forecast.

Production on the Northern High Plains is estimated at 13.50 million bushels, down 76 percent from last year. Winter wheat production on the southern Low Plains is estimated at 4.35 million bushels, down 58 percent from last year. Production on the Blacklands is estimated at 7.25 million bushels, up 17 percent from last year. Production on the Edwards Plateau is estimated at 900,000 bushels, down 79 percent from the 2005 crop.

United States winter wheat production for 2006 is estimated at 1.30 billion bushels, down 13 percent from last year and up 1 percent from the August 1 forecast. Yield per acre averaged 41.7 bushels, down 2.7 bushel from a year ago. Acreage harvested for grain totaled 31.1 million acres, down 8 percent from a year ago.

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DISTRICT TABLE ON BACK

**TEXAS WHEAT: ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, 2005 AND 2006 <sup>1/</sup>**

Districts	Planted acres		Harvested acres		Yield per acre		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 bushels</i>	
1-N .....	2,268	2,200	1,572	530	35.8	25.5	56,246	13,500
1-S .....	422	370	113	70	28.1	24.6	3,170	1,720
2-N .....	647	640	330	200	28.4	16.5	9,358	3,300
2-S .....	954	999	441	230	23.7	18.9	10,471	4,350
3 .....	470	470	138	60	26.6	21.7	3,671	1,300
4 .....	345	520	176	212	35.3	34.2	6,208	7,250
7 .....	240	220	147	50	29.8	18.0	4,385	900
8-N .....	74	45	50	15	29.6	<b>16.0</b>	1,479	240
Other districts .....	80	86	33	33	30.7	31.5	1,012	1,040
<b>STATE</b> .....	<b>5,500</b>	<b>5,550</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>96,000</b>	<b>33,600</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Preliminary, September 2006.

