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On: TEXAS OCTOBER CROP PRODUCTION FORECAST

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AUSTIN . . . The 2007 Texas **Upland cotton** crop is expected to total 5.3 million bales, down 36 percent from 2007 and unchanged from last month's forecast. Yield is expected to average 759 pounds per acre compared with 843 pounds last year. Acres expected for harvest, at 3.35 million, is down 1 percent from the previous month. Objective yield measurements in Texas showed the boll weights and bolls per acre to be second heaviest and second largest, respectively, in the last 5 years.

Corn production is forecast at 260 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year's production, and down 7 percent from last month. Based on October 1 conditions, statewide yield is expected to average 127 bushels per acre, 21 bushels less than in 2007 and up 3 bushels from last month's forecast. Planted and harvested acreage were 2.25 million and 2.05 million acres, respectively.

Texas **peanut** production is up 26 percent from last year, at 875 million pounds. Statewide yield, at 3,500 pounds per acre, is down 200 pounds from last year and unchanged from last month's forecast.

Sorghum production is forecast at 153 million bushels, 5 percent less than last year. Yield, at 52 bushels per acre, is down 14 bushels from last year, and unchanged from last month. Planted and harvested acreage were 3.3 million and 2.95 million acres, respectively.

Rice production is forecast at 12.3 million cwt, up 29 percent from 2007. Yield is forecast at 7,300 pounds per acre, up 700 pounds from a year ago and up 100 pounds from last month's forecast.

The 2008 Texas **soybean** crop is forecast at 4.6 million bushels, up 34 percent from last year's production and up 9 percent from last month's forecast. Yield is expected to average 22 bushels per acre, down 15 bushels from last year and down 1 bushel from last month. Planted and harvested acreage were 225,000 and 210,000 acres, respectively.

United States **corn** production is forecast at 12.2 billion bushels, down 7 percent from last year. A yield of 154 bushels per acre is forecast, up 2.9 bushels from last year. The **sorghum** crop is expected to be 464 million bushels, down 8 percent from 2007. The U.S. **Upland cotton** crop is expected to total 13.3 million bales, down 28 percent from last year. **Soybean** production is forecast at 2.98 billion bushels, up 11 percent from last year. The U.S. **peanut** crop is estimated at 4.93 billion pounds, up 34 percent from a year ago. U.S. **rice** production is forecast at 204 million cwt, up 3 percent from 2007.

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TEXAS DISTRICT ESTIMATES, 2007 AND 2008 ^{1/}

Districts	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
CORN	<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 bushels</i>	
1-N	855.5	830.0	784.0	760.0	209.2	211.8	164,000	161,000
1-S	79.7	90.0	63.2	85.0	199.7	172.4	12,620	14,650
4	566.7	640.0	527.0	580.0	95.8	68.1	50,470	39,500
8-N	179.3	200.0	174.2	180.0	100.7	53.9	17,550	9,700
9	263.5	290.0	259.1	270.0	113.0	77.8	29,270	21,000
Other districts	205.3	200.0	190.4	175.0	116.0	82.9	22,090	14,500
STATE	2,150.0	2,250.0	1,997.9	2,050.0	148.2	127.0	296,000	260,350
UPLAND COTTON	<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 bales</i>	
1-N	584.7	610.0	507.0	560.0	1,082	951	1,143.0	1,110.0
1-S	2,604.8	2,680.0	2,500.2	1,410.0	819	837	4,267.0	2,460.0
2-N	349.0	340.0	346.9	270.0	725	560	524.0	315.0
2-S	446.4	480.0	443.9	445.0	823	410	761.0	380.0
4	83.7	80.0	82.8	80.0	665	480	114.7	80.0
7	157.9	180.0	157.6	145.0	935	596	307.0	180.0
8-N	56.4	60.0	55.5	50.0	924	864	106.8	90.0
8-S	295.7	200.0	290.7	155.0	898	805	544.0	260.0
9	146.6	110.0	144.4	105.0	606	686	182.2	150.0
10-S	100.9	80.0	97.8	70.0	645	891	131.5	130.0
Other districts	73.9	80.0	73.2	60.0	1,107	1160	168.8	145.0
STATE	4,900.0	4,900.0	4,700.0	3,350.0	843	759	8,250.0	5,300.0
SORGHUM	<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 bushels</i>	
1-N	628.0	650.0	519.5	600.0	69.0	53.3	36,101	32,000
1-S	324.0	1050.0	298.5	950.0	58.0	45.3	17,378	43,000
2-N	50.0	70.0	35.9	40.0	49.0	32.5	1,767	1,300
2-S	105.3	90.0	80.0	50.0	47.0	30.8	3,780	1,540
4	256.8	180.0	235.9	170.0	59.0	57.6	13,822	9,800
7	83.4	110.0	75.8	100.0	60.0	37.0	4,580	3,700
8-N	110.8	90.0	97.8	80.0	64.0	42.5	6,299	3,400
8-S	378.8	330.0	371.2	320.0	76.0	68.8	28,129	22,000
9	219.0	180.0	183.2	170.0	68.0	73.5	12,465	12,500
10-N	114.7	90.0	96.9	80.0	51.0	37.5	4,939	3,000
10-S	452.1	430.0	440.7	380.0	71.0	55.3	31,460	21,000
Other districts	27.1	30.0	14.6	10.0	67.1	16.0	980.0	160.0
STATE	2,750.0	3,300.0	2,450.0	2,950.0	66.0	52.0	161,700	153,400

^{1/} Preliminary, October, 2008.

