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## Texas Wheat Production Estimated at 122.5 Million Bushels

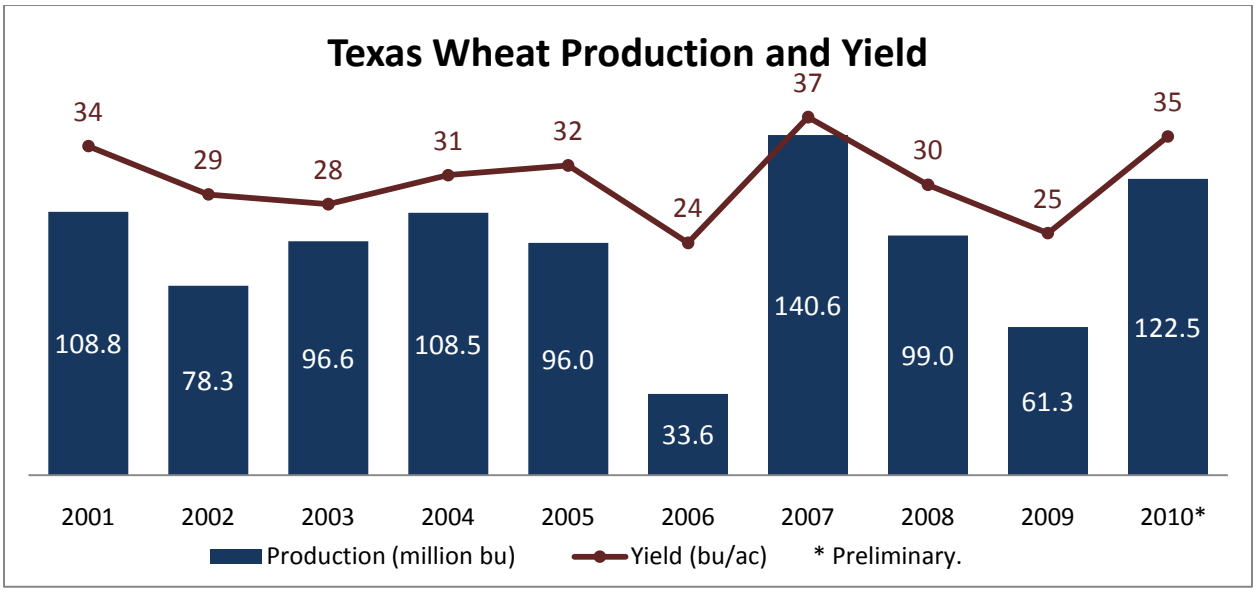
According to a May 1 survey conducted by the USDA-NASS, Texas Field Office, Texas wheat producers expect to harvest 122.5 million bushels, up from 61.3 million in 2009 and up 23 percent from 2008. This forecast is up 9 percent from the Texas April forecast.

Statewide yield is expected to average 35 bushels per acre, up 10 bushels from last year, and up 5 bushels from two years ago. Harvested acreage for grain, at 3.5 million acres, is up 43 percent from 2009.

Production on the Northern High Plains is forecast at 55.6 million bushels, up 47 percent from last year. Winter wheat production in the Blacklands is forecast at 7.9 million bushels, up 7 percent from last year. The Low Plains' production is estimated at 36.6 million bushels, up from 7.4 million bushels last year.

United States winter wheat production for 2010 is forecast at 1.46 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2009. Yield is expected to average 45.9 bushels per acre, 1.7 bushels more than a year ago. Acreage to be harvested for grain is expected to total 31.8 million acres, down 8 percent from last year.

On May 1, 78 percent of the winter wheat acreage was rated fair to good, compared to 24 percent fair to good last year.

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**Texas Wheat District Estimates 2009 and 2010 [1/]**

| District | Planted Acres | | Harvested Acres | | Yield per Acre | | Production | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010[2/] | 2009 | 2010 |
| | *1,000 acres* | | *1,000 acres* | | *bushels* | | *1,000 bushels* | |
| 1 – N | 2,316.0 | 2,000.0 | 1,336.0 | 1,450.0 | 28.3 | 38.5 | 37,813 | 55,600 |
| 1 – S | 688.0 | 560.0 | 184.0 | 155.0 | 25.5 | 35.0 | 4,697 | 5,400 |
| 2 – N | 736.0 | 700.0 | 231.0 | 470.0 | 17.9 | 33.5 | 4,126 | 15,800 |
| 2 – S | 1,112.0 | 1,095.0 | 216.5 | 680.0 | 15.3 | 30.5 | 3,319 | 20,800 |
| 3 | 470.0 | 450.0 | 86.5 | 190.0 | 11.5 | 28.5 | 995 | 5,400 |
| 4 | 593.6 | 320.0 | 290.3 | 210.0 | 25.4 | 37.5 | 7,386 | 7,900 |
| 5 – N | 45.0 | 60.0 | 8.5 | 12.5 | 31.4 | 44.0 | 267 | 550 |
| 7 | 266.5 | 250.0 | 46.0 | 195.0 | 27.0 | 33.5 | 1,240 | 6,500 |
| 8 – N | 65.0 | 60.0 | 10.4 | 54.0 | 28.9 | 37.5 | 301 | 2,025 |
| Other districts | 107.9 | 105.0 | 40.8 | 83.5 | 27.1 | 30.0 | 1,106 | 2,525 |
| **State** | **6,400.0** | **5,600.0** | **2,450.0** | **3,500.0** | **25.0** | **35.0** | **61,250** | **122,500** |

[1/] May 1, 2010. [2/] Yield is rounded to nearest half bushel.

*The May wheat yield and production forecast are based on two surveys conducted by the Texas Field Office of USDA-NASS: a farm operator survey and an objective yield survey. The farm operator survey was conducted primarily by telephone with some use of mail, internet and personal interviewers. The objective yield survey collects actual stalk counts and head weights from plots set up in producer fields across the state.*

Link to the US report: http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd//2010s/2010/CropProd-05-11-2010.pdf

Link to USDA-NASS website: www.nass.usda.gov/index.asp