



News Release

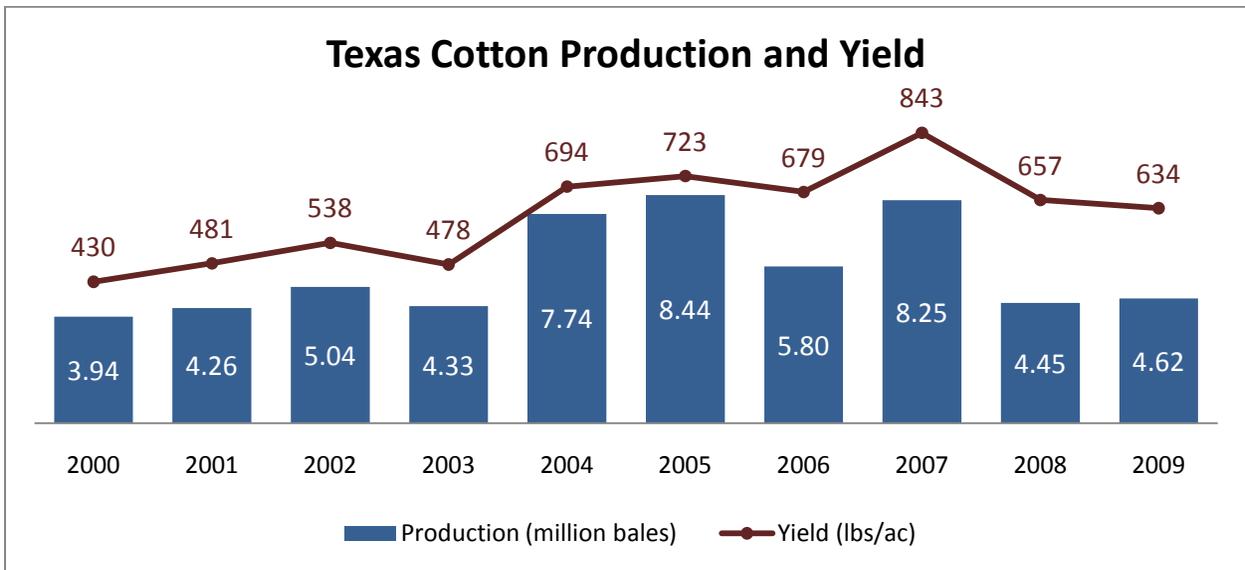
Cooperating with Texas Department of Agriculture
Texas Field Office · Post Office Box 70 · Austin, Texas 78767 800-626-3142 www.nass.usda.gov/tx

Issue No.: PR-131-10, May 11, 2010

Contacts: Paul Sueper or Betty Johnson

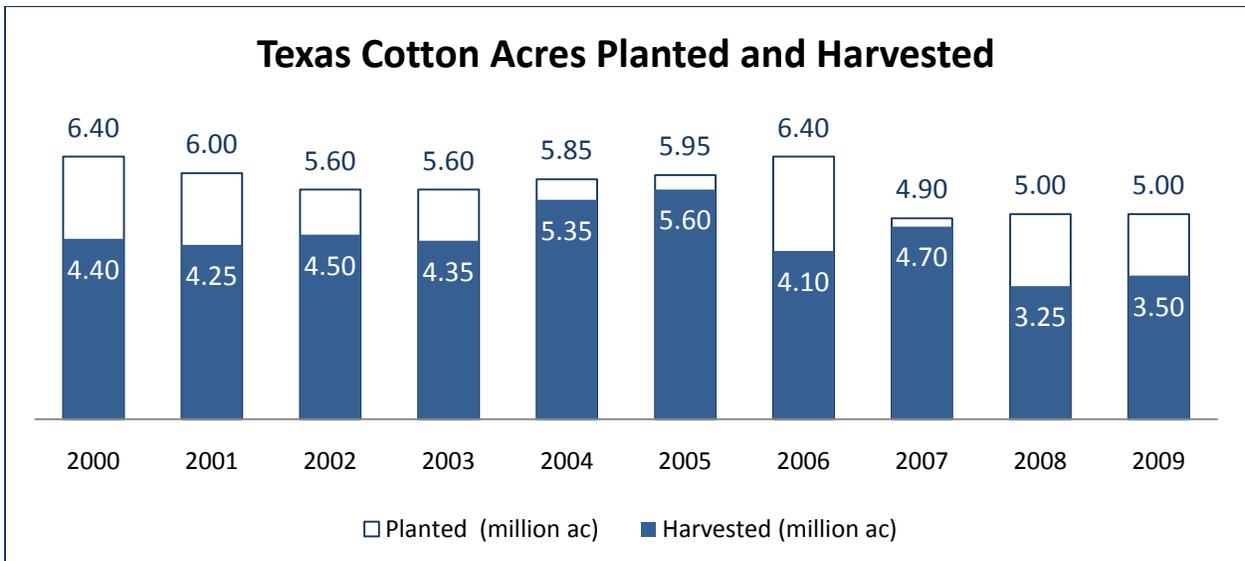
Final 2009 Texas Upland Cotton Production at 4.62 Million Bales

The 2009 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 4.62 million bales, up 4 percent from 2008, according to the Texas Field Office. The production estimate was decreased by 280 thousand bales, or 6 percent, from the January forecast. The average yield per acre, at 634 pounds, was down 10 pounds per acre from January, and down 23 pounds from 2008.



Harvested acreage for the season totaled 3.5 million acres, up 8 percent from the previous season, and down 150 thousand acres from the January estimate. Upland cotton planted acres are unchanged from the January estimate of 5 million acres, unchanged from the acreage planted in 2008.

The Texas 2009 county estimates will be released on May 11th at 2:00 pm CST. The data will be available on Quick Stats at www.nass.usda.gov.



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