



ARIZONA CROPS APRIL 2001

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ARIZONA COTTON ACREAGE SLIGHTLY UP

Cotton acreage in Arizona is expected to slightly increase from 2000 according to an intentions survey conducted by the Arizona Agricultural Statistics Service. Acreage of all cotton is anticipated to total 287,000 acres, compared to 286,000 acres last year. Growers

of upland cotton intend to plant 280,000 acres, the same as last season, while producers of American-Pima have indicated that they will plant 7,000 acres, up 1,000 acres from last season.

UNITED STATES COTTON ACREAGE EXPECTED TO BE UP SLIGHTLY FROM 2000

Area planted to all cotton for 2001 is expected to total 15.6 million acres, up less than 1 percent from last year. If intentions are realized this would be the largest acreage since 1995 and the second largest since 1962. Upland cotton acreage is expected to total 15.4 million acres, 29,000 acres above 2000. Growers intend to plant 220,000 acres of American-Pima cotton, up 28 percent from last year. Low cotton prices and high energy costs have limited any significant increase in planting intentions.

plant 6.42 million acres of upland cotton, a 6 percent decrease from 2000. High irrigation and fertilizer costs, coupled with low cotton prices have caused uncertainty among producers when deciding this years planting intentions.

Producers in the Southeastern States (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia) intend to plant 3.69 million acres of upland cotton. This is an increase of 4 percent from 1999.

Upland planted acreage in California and Arizona is estimated at 940,000 acres, 11 percent below last year. California producers intend to plant 660,000 acres, a 15 percent decrease from 2000. Questionable water supplies, high energy costs, and low upland cotton prices have reduced expectations for this year.

Upland growers in the Delta States (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee) intend to plant 4.35 million acres, a 10 percent increase from 2000.

American-Pima acreage intentions are reported at 220,000 acres, an increase of 48,500 acres from last year. Arizona, California, and New Mexico all intend to increase the amount of acreage planted to American-Pima. Texas producers intend to plant the same amount of American-Pima cotton as in 2000.

Producers in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico intend to

COTTON: AREA PLANTED BY TYPE, STATE, AND UNITED STATES, 1999-2001

Type and State	Area Planted			
	1999	2000	Indicated 2001 1/	2001 as % of 2000
	1,000 Acres			Percent
Upland				
AL	565.0	590.0	600.0	102
AZ	270.0	280.0	280.0	100
AR	970.0	960.0	1,050.0	109
CA	610.0	775.0	660.0	85
FL	107.0	130.0	120.0	92
GA	1,470.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	100
KS	33.0	40.0	44.0	110
LA	615.0	710.0	800.0	113
MS	1,200.0	1,300.0	1,500.0	115
MO	380.0	400.0	400.0	100
NM	84.0	90.0	75.0	83
NC	880.0	930.0	1,050.0	113
OK	240.0	280.0	300.0	107
SC	330.0	300.0	310.0	103
TN	570.0	570.0	600.0	105
TX	6,150.0	6,400.0	6,000.0	94
VA	110.0	110.0	105.0	95
US	14,584.0	15,365.0	15,394.0	100
American-Pima				
AZ	9.0	6.0	7.0	117
CA	240.0	145.0	190.0	131
NM	7.5	4.5	7.0	156
TX	33.0	16.0	16.0	100
US	289.5	171.5	220.0	128

1/ Intended plantings in 2001 as indicated by reports from farmers.

**U.S. BARLEY INTENTIONS DOWN 9 PERCENT;
CORN INTENTIONS DOWN 4 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR**

Barley growers intend to seed 5.32 million acres in 2001, down 9 percent from the 5.84 million acres seeded in 2000. North Dakota, with 1.60 million acres, is down 16 percent from last year and Montana is down 4 percent from a year ago. Of the 27 barley producing States only 5 plan to increase acreage.

Corn growers intend to plant 76.7 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2001, down 4 percent from 2000 and down 1 percent from 1999. Expected acreage is down in almost all areas of the United States. Plantings are down throughout the Corn Belt due mostly to the high cost of inputs and low price prospects.

Arizona acreage seeded to barley totals 45,000 acres, up 13 percent from last year. Field corn acreage for all purposes is expected to total 50,000 acres, down 6,000 acres from 2000.

AREA PLANTED BY STATE AND UNITED STATES, 1999-01 1/

Crop and State	1,000 Acres		Percent	
	1999	2000	Indicated 2001 2/	2001 as % of 2000
Barley				
AZ	63	40	45	113
CA	140	110	130	118
CO	95	110	105	95
ID	710	750	760	101
MN	200	270	260	96
MT	1,300	1,250	1,200	96
ND	1,350	1,900	1,600	84
OR	145	150	125	83
SD	80	115	90	78
UT	90	95	85	89
WA	500	500	400	80
WY	90	105	110	105
US	5,194	5,844	5,321	91
Corn				
AZ	50	56	50	89
CA	525	540	520	96
CO	1,230	1,350	1,130	84
IL	10,800	11,200	11,000	98
IN	5,800	5,700	5,500	96
IA	12,100	12,300	11,900	97
KS	3,150	3,450	3,400	99
MI	2,200	2,200	2,150	98
MN	7,100	7,100	6,800	96
MO	2,650	2,850	2,850	100
NE	8,600	8,500	8,300	98
NM	150	150	140	93
ND	800	1,080	950	88
OH	3,450	3,550	3,350	94
SD	3,600	4,300	4,100	95
TX	1,950	2,100	1,900	90
WA	155	155	125	81
WI	3,600	3,500	3,400	97
US	77,386	79,545	76,693	96

1/ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

2/ Intended plantings in 2001 as indicated by reports from farmers.

RELEASE DATES FOR UPCOMING NATIONAL REPORTS

April 25 Floriculture Crops
 April 30 Agricultural Prices
 May 10 Crop Production
 May 10 Cotton Ginnings - Annual

ALL HAY INTENTIONS UP 7 PERCENT

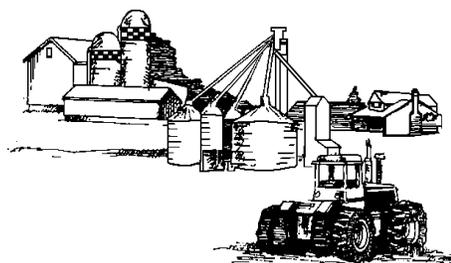
Hay producers expect to harvest 63.8 million acres of hay in 2001, up 7 percent from the 59.9 million acres harvested in 2000. Increases are intended in 26 States across the nation. The greatest increase in acreage is planned in the Great Plains States where 2000 acreage was down due to dry conditions. Sixteen States report no expected changes in acreage.

For Arizona, hay is expected to be harvested from 250,000 acres, 1 percent more than last year. This acreage includes both alfalfa and other types of hay.

**AREA HARVESTED BY STATE AND UNITED STATES
1999-2001**

Crop and State	1,000 Acres		Percent	
	1999	2000	Indicated 2001 1/	2001 as % of 2000
All Hay				
AZ	240	247	250	101
AR	1,240	1,250	1,250	100
CA	1,580	1,530	1,540	101
CO	1,520	1,400	1,550	111
ID	1,430	1,390	1,410	101
IL	850	850	850	100
IN	700	750	750	100
IA	1,700	1,700	1,700	100
KS	2,750	2,800	2,900	104
MI	1,300	1,300	1,300	100
MN	2,450	2,250	2,400	107
MO	3,650	3,720	3,850	103
MT	2,600	2,000	2,500	125
NE	3,200	3,050	3,200	105
NV	480	490	485	99
NM	380	380	380	100
ND	2,900	2,450	2,800	114
OK	2,560	2,430	2,550	105
OR	1,100	1,080	1,050	97
SD	4,000	4,050	4,200	104
TX	5,530	4,120	5,900	143
UT	700	700	700	100
WA	740	780	760	97
WI	2,600	2,100	2,100	100
WY	1,290	1,140	1,250	110
US	63,220	59,854	63,771	107

1/ Intended area harvested in 2001 as indicated by reports from farmers.



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ARIZONA WHEAT SEEDINGS MORE THAN INTENDED

Arizona's Durum wheat seedings totaled 80,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from 2000. Seedings of wheat other than Durum totaled 5,000 acres, down 2,000 acres from last year.

AREA PLANTED BY STATE AND UNITED STATES, 1999-01 1/

Crop and State	1999		2000		Indicated 2001 2/	2001 as % of 2000
	1,000 Acres	Percent	1,000 Acres	Percent		
Durum Wheat 2/						
AZ	75	85	80	94		
CA	90	100	85	85		
MN	5	2	2	100		
MT	360	480	470	98		
ND	3,450	3,250	2,800	86		
SD	55	20	25	125		
US	4,035	3,937	3,462	88		
Winter Wheat 3/						
AZ	11	7	5	71		
AR	970	1,180	1,150	97		
CA	500	500	500	100		
CO	2,600	2,500	2,400	96		
ID	760	780	760	97		
IL	1,050	950	800	84		
IN	550	550	500	91		
KS	10,000	9,800	9,900	101		
MI	610	530	570	108		
MN	40	20	20	100		
MO	980	1,050	900	86		
MT	1,050	1,500	1,200	80		
NE	1,900	1,750	1,800	103		
NV	11	10	8	80		
NM	445	470	500	106		
ND	60	120	160	133		
OH	1,050	1,120	1,000	89		
OK	6,400	6,100	5,400	89		
OR	710	750	750	100		
SD	1,300	1,350	1,300	96		
TX	6,200	6,000	5,700	95		
UT	150	150	145	97		
WA	1,900	1,850	1,850	100		
WY	200	190	170	89		
US	43,331	43,348	41,336	95		

1/ Intended planting for 2001 as indicated by reports from farmers.

2/ Includes area planted in preceding fall in AZ and CA.

3/ For Arizona, wheat other than Durum.

ARIZONA CITRUS PRODUCTION

The April 1 citrus forecast of the 2000-01 crop by the Arizona Agricultural Statistics Service shows increased crop expectations for valencia oranges, grapefruit, and lemons. Utilization of lemons is expected to total 3.2 million 76-pound boxes, up 100,000 boxes from the 99-00 season. Valencia orange output is predicted at 550,000 75-pound boxes, up 50,000 from last year. Navel and miscellaneous orange production, at 450,000 boxes, is down 150,000 boxes from last year. Grapefruit, at 650,000 boxes, is up 200,000 boxes from a year ago, while tangerine production is estimated to total 650,000 boxes, a decrease of 200,000 boxes from last year.

SPRING POTATOES: AREA PLANTED AND HARVESTED, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION 1999-01

State	Area				Yield		Production		
	Planted		Harvested		2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
	2000	2001	2000	2001					
	1,000 Acres				Cwt		1,000 Cwt		
AL 1/							280		
AZ	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	280	280	3,024	2,520	2,520
CA	18.8	17.0	18.8	17.0	395	390	7,600	7,426	6,630
FL-Hastings	17.2	17.0	16.5	16.5	295	260	6,930	4,868	4,290
Other	5.1	5.6	5.0	5.5	295	260	1,890	1,475	1,430
NC 2/	17.5	18.0	17.0	17.5	200	190	3,300	3,400	3,325
TX	9.8	9.5	9.3	9.0	240	230	2,303	2,232	2,070
TOTAL	77.4	76.1	75.6	74.5	290	272	25,327	21,921	20,265

1/ Spring estimates to be combined with summer starting with 2000 crop year.

2/ Summer estimates combined with spring starting with 2000 crop year.

CITRUS FRUIT: UTILIZED PRODUCTION 1998/99-1999/00 AND FORECASTED APRIL 1, 2001 1/ 2/

Crop and State	Utilized Production		
	1998/99	1999/00	Forecasted 2000/01
	1,000 Boxes 3/		
Oranges, Early Mid and Navel 4/			
AZ	550	600	450
CA	21,000	40,000	34,000
FL	112,000	134,000	128,000
TX	1,250	1,540	2,000
US	134,800	176,140	164,450
Oranges, Valencia			
AZ	600	500	550
CA	15,000	24,000	23,000
FL	74,000	99,000	96,000
TX	180	200	210
US	89,780	123,700	119,760
All Oranges			
AZ	1,150	1,100	1,000
CA	36,000	64,000	57,000
FL	186,000	233,000	224,000
TX	1,430	1,740	2,210
US	224,580	299,840	284,210
Temples			
FL	1,800	1,950	1,400
All Grapefruit			
AZ	750	450	650
CA	7,300	7,000	7,200
FL	47,050	53,400	49,000
TX	6,100	5,930	6,700
US	61,200	66,780	63,550
Tangerines			
AZ 5/	950	850	650
CA 5/	1,500	2,300	2,600
FL	4,950	7,000	5,600
US	7,400	10,150	8,850
Lemons			
AZ	3,450	3,100	3,200
CA	16,200	19,600	22,000
US	19,650	22,700	25,200
Tangelos			
FL	2,550	2,200	2,100
K-Early Citrus			
FL	80	110	40

1/ The crop year begins with the bloom of the first year shown and ends with the completion of harvest the following year.

2/ 1999-2000 revised.

3/ Net lbs. per box: oranges-AZ & CA-75, FL-90, TX-85; grapefruit-AZ & CA-67, FL-85, TX-80; lemons-76; tangelos, K-Early Citrus & Temples-90; tangerines-AZ & CA-75, FL-95.

4/ Navel and miscellaneous varieties in AZ and CA. Early (including Navel) and midseason varieties in FL and TX. Small quantities of tangerines in TX.

5/ Includes tangelos and tangors.

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PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 4 POINTS

The Preliminary All Farms Products Index of Prices Received in March was 104 based on 1990-92=100, up 4 points (4.0 percent) from the February Index. Higher prices for hogs, broilers, milk, and cattle were partially offset by lower prices for apples, lettuce, strawberries, and corn. The seasonal change in the mix of commodities farmers sell often affects the overall index. Higher seasonal marketings of strawberries, asparagus, milk, and broilers were partially offset by lower marketings of cattle, cotton, oranges, and corn.

Compared with March 2000, the All Farm Products Index was 8 points (8.3 percent) higher. Price increases from March 2000 for milk, cattle, broilers, and strawberries were partially offset by lower prices for soybeans, corn, apples, grapefruit, and potatoes.

PRICES PAID INDEX UNCHANGED

The March Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) was 124 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index was unchanged from February but 5 points (4.2 percent) above March 2000. Lower prices in March for insecticides, feed concentrates, complete feeds, and diesel fuel were offset by higher prices for herbicides, nitrogen fertilizers, LP gas, and feeder cattle.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS: ARIZONA AND U.S., MARCH 2000 AND 2001 AND FEBRUARY 2001

Commodity	Unit	ARIZONA			UNITED STATES		
		March 2000 Entire Month	February 2001 Entire Month	March 2001 Mid-Month	March 2000 Entire Month	February 2001 Entire Month	March 2001 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton 1/	¢ Lb	2/	2/	2/	0.479	0.491	0.496
All Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt	---	---	---	2.59	2.83	2.89
Durum Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt	---	---	---	2.62	2.60	2.67
Winter Wheat 3/	\$ Cwt	---	---	---	2.38	2.74	2.86
All Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	90.00	95.00	95.00	74.80	86.80	87.20
Alfalfa Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	90.00	92.00	96.00	78.00	94.20	93.70
Other Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	80.00	93.00	86.00	66.70	71.20	71.30
Grapefruit 5/	\$ Box	11.80	84.00	14.00	15.00	13.60	13.50
Oranges 5/	\$ Box	12.80	12.40	10.60	13.60	16.30	17.30
Lemons 5/	\$ Box	35.30	16.80	21.60	25.70	19.60	20.60
Tangerines 5/	\$ Box	19.90	20.10	17.00	21.20	26.70	26.50
Cows 6/	\$ Cwt	38.60	39.40	42.50	39.00	42.70	43.20
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	71.30	78.10	80.40	73.40	78.90	81.10
Beef Cattle 7/	\$ Cwt	71.00	77.70	80.00	69.80	74.80	77.00
Calves	\$ Cwt	112.00	112.00	112.00	109.00	109.00	111.00
All Milk 8/	\$ Cwt	11.40	12.60	12.80	11.90	13.00	13.60

1/ Includes both spot and contract sales.

2/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

3/ Not available for Arizona.

4/ Mid-month.

5/ F.O.B. packed fresh Arizona box weights: Grapefruit 67 lbs., Oranges 75 lbs., Lemons 76 lbs., Tangerines 75 lbs.

6/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

7/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

8/ Preliminary: Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

U.S. PRICE INDEX SUMMARY TABLE

INDEX 1990-92 = 100	2000		2001	
	February	March	February	March
Prices Received	93	96	100	104
Prices Paid	119	119	124	124
Ratio 1/	78	81	81	84

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.