

Louisiana Eighth In Cotton Production

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Louisiana cotton production for 2002 was 739,000 bales, down 29 percent from 2001. Yield per acre reached 717 pounds, up 24 percent or 137 pounds, from a year earlier. Acres harvested totaled 495,000, down 42 percent from 2001. Among the cotton producing states, Louisiana ranks eighth behind Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, Georgia, California, Tennessee, and North Carolina. Louisiana ranks eighth in cottonseed production at 271,000 tons.

Cotton, Upland Acreage, Yield and Production

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield		Production ³	
	2001	2002 ¹	2001	2002 ¹	2001	2002 ¹	2001	2002 ^{1/2}
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Pounds-----		-----1,000 Bales-----	
Alabama	610.0	590.0	605.0	540.0	730.0	507.0	920.0	570.0
Arizona	295.0	215.0	290.0	213.0	1,142.0	1,381.0	690.0	613.0
Arkansas	1,080.0	960.0	1,065.0	920.0	826.0	871.0	1,833.0	1,669.0
California	630.0	480.0	625.0	477.0	1,359.0	1,469.0	1,770.0	1,460.0
Florida	125.0	120.0	124.0	115.0	612.0	401.0	158.0	96.0
Georgia	1,490.0	1,450.0	1,480.0	1,360.0	720.0	557.0	2,220.0	1,578.0
Kansas	40.5	80.0	35.5	68.0	407.0	539.0	30.1	76.3
Louisiana	870.0	520.0	855.0	495.0	580.0	717.0	1,034.0	739.0
Mississippi	1,620.0	1,170.0	1,600.0	1,150.0	719.0	808.0	2,396.0	1,935.0
Missouri	405.0	380.0	400.0	368.0	834.0	796.0	695.0	610.0
New Mexico	68.0	54.0	65.0	50.0	916.0	816.0	124.0	85.0
North Carolina	970.0	940.0	965.0	920.0	832.0	421.0	1,673.0	806.0
Oklahoma	270.0	200.0	185.0	180.0	511.0	557.0	197.0	209.0
South Carolina	300.0	290.0	296.0	200.0	686.0	314.0	423.0	131.0
Tennessee	620.0	565.0	615.0	530.0	763.0	741.0	978.0	818.0
Texas	6,000.0	5,600.0	4,250.0	4,500.0	481.0	538.0	4,260.0	5,040.0
Virginia	105.0	100.0	104.0	98.0	929.0	465.0	201.3	95.0
United States	15,498.5	13,714.0	13,559.5	12,184.0	694.0	651.0	19,602.4	16,530.3

¹Revised.

²480-pound net weight bales.

³Production ginned and to be ginned.

Cottonseed: Production and Farm Disposition¹

State	Production		Farm Disposition				Used for Planting ³	
	2001	2002	Sales to Oil Mills		Other ²		2001	2002
	-----1,000 Tons-----		-----1,000 Tons-----				-----1,000 Tons-----	
Alabama	315.0	195.0	44.0	48.0	271.0	147.0	6.8	6.7
Arizona	261.0	232.4	3.0	5.6	258.0	226.8	2.0	1.9
Arkansas	708.0	627.0	568.0	491.0	140.0	136.0	9.1	9.8
California	849.0	731.0	20.0	81.0	829.0	650.0	5.9	6.0
Florida	53.0	29.0	38.0	18.0	15.0	11.0	1.3	1.1
Georgia	764.0	544.0	434.0	309.0	330.0	235.0	18.0	17.0
Kansas	11.4	28.0	7.3	13.0	4.1	15.0	0.8	1.1
Louisiana	380.0	271.0	170.0	131.0	210.0	140.0	4.7	4.8
Mississippi	877.0	697.0	820.0	548.0	57.0	149.0	11.7	12.5
Missouri	268.0	218.0	183.0	139.0	85.0	79.0	4.0	4.3
New Mexico	47.8	35.5	15.6	15.3	32.2	20.2	0.7	0.7
North Carolina	559.0	272.0	79.0	44.0	480.0	228.0	8.5	8.1
Oklahoma	80.0	81.0	66.0	72.0	14.0	9.0	2.2	2.2
South Carolina	137.0	44.0	89.0	20.0	48.0	24.0	2.0	1.8
Tennessee	351.0	291.0	296.0	244.0	55.0	47.0	4.0	4.2
Texas	1,724.0	1,855.0	1,028.0	1,109.0	696.0	746.0	56.2	58.2
Virginia	67.0	33.0	0.0	0.0	67.0	33.0	0.9	0.9
United States	7,452.2	6,183.9	3,860.9	3,287.9	3,591.3	2,896.0	138.8	141.3

¹2001 crop revised, 2002 crop preliminary.

²Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, losses and other uses.

³Included in "other" farm disposition. Seed for planting is produced in crop year shown, but used in the following year.

United States Winter Wheat

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.56 billion bushels, up 37 percent from 2002. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 42.9 bushels per acre, 4.4 bushels more than last year. Yields are above a year ago in all States except California, Idaho, Michigan, and the Mid-Atlantic States. Grain area totals 36.4 million acres, up 23 percent from last season. The sharp increase in harvested acreage is the result of both increased plantings and a rebound from larger than normal abandonment last year. The portion of the winter wheat crop rated good to excellent on April 27, at 54 percent, was 18 percentage points higher than last year.

U.S. Hay Stocks on Farms

All hay stored on farms May 1, 2003 totaled 22.2 million tons, down 1 percent from the previous year. This decrease was mainly the result of lower hay production in 2002. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2002 - May 1, 2003, totaled 81.6 million tons, 7 percent less than the disappearance of 88.0 million tons for the same period a year earlier. Disappearance was down from the previous year despite unfavorable winter weather conditions east of the Mississippi River and lingering effects of the drought in the central and northern Great Plains. Texas's stocks are the highest on record, following record high production in 2002.

Thirty-one of the 48 reporting States had lower hay stocks than a year ago. Most of the States reporting a decrease in stocks were located in the eastern Corn Belt, Southeast, northern Great Plains, central Rocky Mountains, lower Delta, California, and along the Atlantic Coast. Severely damaged pastures in Nebraska and South Dakota resulted in significantly lower stocks.

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Winter Wheat

Selected States	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2002	Ind. 2003	2002	Ind. 2003	2002	Ind. 2003
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Bushels-----		-----1,000 Bushels-----	
Arkansas	840	610	46.0	52.0	38,640	31,720
Colorado	1,650	2,200	22.0	30.0	36,300	66,000
Kansas	8,100	9,700	33.0	40.0	267,300	388,000
Louisiana	220	1/	40.0	1/	8,000	1/
Mississippi	205	125	44.0	46.0	9,020	5,750
Oklahoma	3,500	4,700	28.0	34.0	98,000	159,800
Texas	2,700	3,700	29.0	31.0	78,300	114,700
United States	29,651	36,447	38.5	42.9	1,142,802	1,563,314

¹Not available until September 2003.

Hay Stocks on Farms

Selected States	December 1			May 1		
	2000	2001	2002	2001	2002	2003
	-----1,000 tons-----			-----1,000 tons-----		
Alabama	1,000	2,100	1,700	100	650	246
Arkansas	2,150	2,280	3,000	270	280	640
Louisiana	415	1,096	709	30	200	186
Mississippi	850	1,833	1,631	45	390	249
Oklahoma	3,700	3,300	4,500	450	500	1,000
Texas	7,104	7,477	10,803	1,450	1,625	4,017
United States	105,582	110,510	103,756	21,106	22,494	22,188

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