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## Mississippi Corn and Rice Yields at Record High

Based on conditions as of September 1, 2001, the Mississippi **cotton** production is forecast at 2.57 million bales, up 50 percent from the previous year. If realized, this would be the second highest production on record. There were 2.69 million bales produced in 1937. Yield per acre is forecast at 757 pounds, up 14 pounds from last month and up 115 pounds from last year. Acres for harvest are estimated at 1.63 million acres, down 3 percent from last month, but up 27 percent from last year.

**Corn** for grain production is forecast at 47.4 million bushels, up 23 percent from 2000. Yield per acre is forecast at 128 bushels, a record high. This is an increase of 8 bushels from August 2001 and an increase of 28 bushels from last year. Acreage harvested for grain is estimated at 370,000 acres, down 4 percent from 2000.

Production of **rice** is expected to be 15.6 million hundredweight, up 22 percent from 2000. The yield per acre is forecast at a record high 6,300 pounds, up 300 pounds from last month and up 400 pounds from last year. Acres for harvest are estimated at 248,000 acres, up 4 percent from last month and up 14 percent from last year.

Mississippi **soybean** production is forecast at 40.6 million bushels, up 17 percent from last year. Producers are expected to harvest 32 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from last month and 10 bushels per acre above last year. Acres to be harvested are estimated at 1.27 million acres, 20 percent below last year.

Crop Acreage, Yield, and Production, September 1, 2001

Crop	Unit	Acreage		Yield Per Acre		Production	
		Harvested 2000	For Harvest 2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
<b>Mississippi</b>		1,000 Acres				1,000 Units	
Soybeans	bu	1,580	1,270	22.0	32.0	34,760	40,640
All Cotton <sup>12</sup>	bales	1,280	1,630	642	757	1,711	2,570
Rice <sup>1</sup>	cwt	218	248	5,900	6,300 *	12,862	15,624
Corn, Grain	bu	385	370	100.0	128.0 *	38,500	47,360
<b>United States</b>							
Soybeans	bu	72,718	74,137	38.1	38.2	2,769,665	2,833,511 *
All Cotton <sup>12</sup>	bales	13,053.0	14,138.0	632	679	17,188.3	19,992.0
Rice <sup>1</sup>	cwt	3,039	3,290	6,281	6,272	190,872	206,349 *
Corn, Grain	bu	72,732	69,191	137.1	133.5	9,968,358	9,238,356

\* Record High.

<sup>1</sup> Yield in pounds per acre.

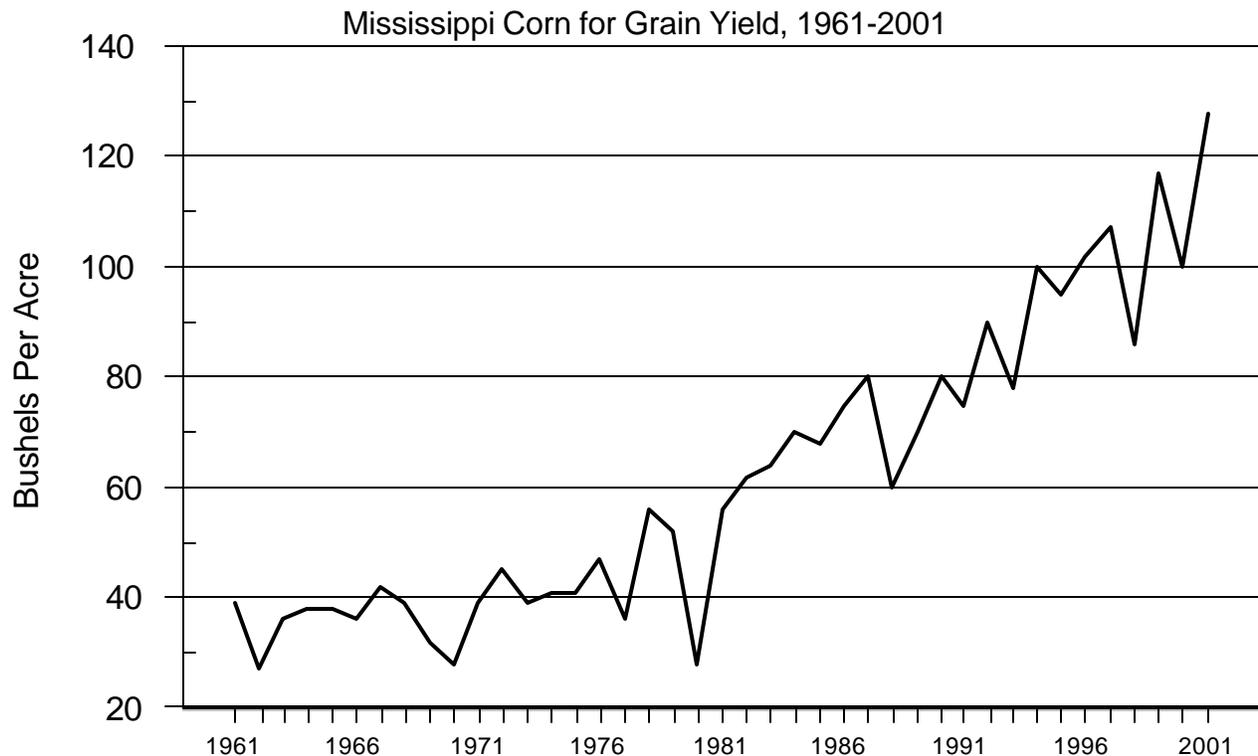
<sup>2</sup> Production in 480 lb. net bales.

## Mississippi Cotton Forecast by Districts, September 1, 2001

District	Harvested Acres		Yield Per Harvested Acre (lbs)		Production in 480 Net Weight Bales	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	Upper Delta	328,200	521,000	658	799	450,000
N. Central	111,900	118,000	554	704	129,200	173,000
Lower Delta	562,500	700,000	690	767	809,000	1,119,000
Central	151,800	147,000	583	671	184,400	205,600
Other Districts	125,600	144,000	529	685	138,400	205,400
State	1,280,000	1,630,000	642	757	1,711,000	2,570,000

## Mississippi Soybean Forecast By Districts, September 1, 2001

District	Harvested Acres		Yield Per Harvested Acre (bu)		Soybean Production (bu)	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	Upper Delta	632,600	475,000	23.3	31.4	14,752,000
N. Central	165,300	146,000	16.3	30.8	2,700,000	4,500,000
Northeast	143,300	151,000	17.8	27.5	2,557,000	4,150,000
Lower Delta	468,100	365,000	25.8	35.1	12,057,000	12,800,000
E. Central	98,100	90,000	13.1	32.2	2,655,000	2,900,000
Other Districts	72,600	43,000	13.7	32.3	9,929,000	1,390,000
State	1,580,000	1,270,000	22.0	32.0	44,650,000	40,640,000



## Mississippi Cash Receipts From Farm Marketings

Commodity	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000 <sup>1</sup>
1,000 Dollars					
Livestock and Products	1,941,691	2,000,389	2,164,559	2,144,704	2,036,624
Cattle and Calves	145,119	195,400	173,652	212,429	212,911
Hogs	45,173	55,819	40,496	43,583	53,500
Dairy Products	105,455	90,720	93,150	89,324	75,060
Broilers	1,197,004	1,225,958	1,369,663	1,323,180	1,220,835
Eggs	153,569	145,676	158,092	158,207	155,465
Farm Chickens	3,271	5,028	7,243	8,149	3,195
Catfish	274,559	265,934	307,229	294,876	300,303
Horses/Mules	---	9,000	9,000	---	---
Honey	1,183	1,013	898	710	845
Other Livestock and Poultry	16,358	5,841	5,136	14,246	14,510
Crops	1,484,976	1,477,665	1,265,135	1,011,766	885,835
Rice	136,137	136,560	135,794	119,858	80,957
Wheat	54,170	28,337	18,932	19,647	30,884
Hay	34,617	27,318	10,963	6,436	5,422
Corn	152,400	126,387	87,619	66,053	67,772
Sorghum Grain	11,664	6,494	4,053	6,462	11,042
Cotton Lint	624,266	532,038	519,078	428,129	343,461
Cottonseed	77,062	69,756	62,725	47,419	62,256
Soybeans	311,957	450,763	334,546	211,711	184,884
Sweetpotatoes	15,396	19,269	22,906	31,174	25,510
Watermelons	2,260	1,464	1,296	1,206	878
Misc. Vegetables	13,000	13,600	13,505	12,400	12,400
Pecans	1,755	3,010	960	3,975	2,945
Other Fruits and Nuts	2,650	5,650	3,150	5,820	6,080
Floriculture	10,750	19,968	13,608	14,876	14,544
Other Crops <sup>2</sup>	36,892	37,051	36,000	36,600	36,800
<b>Total All Commodities</b>	<b>3,426,667</b>	<b>3,478,054</b>	<b>3,429,694</b>	<b>3,156,470</b>	<b>2,922,459</b>

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary.

<sup>2</sup> Greenhouse/Nursery, Other Seed and Other Field Crops. Forest Products are not included in this category.

Mississippi Farm Output, Expenses, Government Transactions and Net Farm Income <sup>1</sup>

Item	1997	1998	1999	2000
	1,000 Dollars			
Final Agricultural Sector Output (+)	3,885,960	3,784,168	3,671,612	3,386,827
Final Crop Output	1,485,406	1,157,863	1,061,090	900,442
Final Animal Output	1,949,021	2,161,326	2,098,063	2,041,951
Services and Forestry	451,534	464,979	512,459	444,434
Machine Hire and Customwork	10,160	9,343	15,506	9,493
Forest Products Sold	25,500	25,000	24,100	23,600
Other Farm Income	234,413	256,770	285,869	228,008
Rental Value of Farm Dwellings	181,461	173,866	186,984	183,333
Total Production Expenses (-)	2,246,239	2,237,518	2,259,670	2,149,144
Farm Origin	815,992	820,116	818,139	792,196
Feed Purchased	604,006	613,044	591,623	569,819
Livestock and Poultry Purchased	141,657	133,041	144,553	143,058
Seed Purchased	70,329	74,031	81,963	79,319
Manufactured Inputs	535,374	500,135	512,398	511,440
Fertilizers and Lime	132,852	123,138	134,318	125,769
Pesticides	245,783	239,229	240,868	222,843
Petroleum fuel and Oils	106,102	93,545	100,154	123,723
Electricity	50,637	44,223	37,058	39,105
Other Intermediate Expenses	894,873	917,267	929,133	845,508
Net Government Transactions (+)	110,714	223,678	382,775	404,832
Capital Consumption (-)	288,061	294,409	305,600	313,123
Factor Payments (-)	520,549	555,807	555,192	560,192
Hired Labor	168,187	173,832	180,844	166,423
Net rent to Nonoperator Landlords	128,366	158,149	148,449	156,928
Interest	223,996	223,826	225,899	236,841
Net Farm Income (=)	941,825	920,113	933,925	769,201

<sup>1</sup> Final sector output is the gross value of the commodities and services produced within a year. Net value-added is the sector's contribution to the National economy and is the sum of the income from production earned by all factors of production. Net farm income is the farm operators' share of income from the sector's production activities. The concept presented is consistent with that employed by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Source: Economic Research Service.

## Chicken Eggs in Incubators, August 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-type			Egg-type		
	2000	2001	2001/ 2000	2000	2001	2001/ 2000
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	11,704	12,669	108	5,954	5,324	89
East North Central	7,903	7,414	94	5,988	5,525	92
West North Central	20,060	20,541	102	6,703	6,644	99
South Atlantic	229,164	230,956	101	3,402	3,973	117
South Central	322,856	332,677	103	3,819	5,455	143
West	23,319	24,773	106	4,271	3,961	93
United States	615,006	629,030	102	30,137	30,882	102

## July Layers and Egg Production, Selected States

State	All Layers on Hand		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000		Million		Million	
Indiana	22,643	22,861	502	498	13	13
Georgia	20,480	20,492	249	240	178	176
Arkansas	15,269	15,006	114	106	185	177
North Carolina	11,151	10,746	78	73	127	133
Alabama	10,426	10,487	62	61	138	142
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>6,747</b>	<b>6,689</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>90</b>
United States	324,957	332,395	5,952	6,085	1,109	1,096

--- Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations.

## Young Chickens Slaughtered: Pounds Certified and Post-Mortem Condemnations, Selected States and United States, August 2000-2001

State	Total Certified <sup>1</sup>		Post-Mortem Condemnations			
	2000	2001	N.Y. Dressed Weight		Percent <sup>2</sup>	
			2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000 Pounds		Percent			
Alabama	275,240	300,664	5,758	4,974	1.69	1.35
Arkansas	329,154	329,511	5,337	5,579	1.33	1.36
Georgia	337,911	366,869	5,084	4,273	1.23	.95
Louisiana	45,608	44,300	660	496	1.13	.90
<b>Mississippi</b>	<b>218,668</b>	<b>240,425</b>	<b>2,150</b>	<b>3,664</b>	<b>.85</b>	<b>1.30</b>
Missouri	90,598	96,547	1,482	1,574	1.32	1.31
Tennessee	62,780	65,863	695	989	.89	1.20
Texas	176,276	190,224	2,629	2,962	1.28	1.35
United States	2,417,746	2,539,229	39,705	37,886	1.35	1.23

<sup>1</sup> Ready-to-cook weights.

<sup>2</sup> Pounds condemned as percent of equivalent N.Y. dressed weight of quantity inspected. Percentages are based on unrounded data.

**US Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Paid to Producers by Major Processors, and United States Imports, 2000 - 2001**

Month	Round Weight Processed				Average Price Paid to Producers <sup>1</sup>		Imports of Catfish <sup>2</sup>	
	Monthly		Cumulative		2000	2001	2000	2001
	2000	2001	2000	2001				
	1,000 Pounds				Dollars Per Pound		(000) Pounds	
January	50,552	46,999	50,552	46,999	.744	.693	487	862
February	50,942	50,257	101,494	97,256	.788	.696	235	510
March	56,856	57,766	158,350	155,022	.789	.697	309	1,201
April	48,781	52,478	207,131	207,500	.789	.694	554	1,787
May	48,424	51,736	255,555	259,236	.785	.687	698	1,989
June	48,011	47,883	303,566	307,119	.786	.669	791	2,114
July	49,023	47,829	352,589	354,948	.760	.656	945	
August	53,204		405,793		.741		981	
September	49,422		455,215		.727		674	
October	51,412		506,627		.710		650	
November	45,535		552,162		.696		871	
December	41,441		593,603		.682		1,041	

<sup>1</sup> Price for fish delivered to processing plant door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

<sup>2</sup> Data furnished by U.S. Bureau of Census.

**US Catfish: Sales, Average Price and Ending Inventory, July 2000-2001**

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price		Ending Inventory	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
<b>Fresh</b>						
Whole Fish	3,491	3,233	1.65	1.59	203	169
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	4,650	5,191	2.90	2.77	462	516
Other <sup>2</sup>	1,340	1,375	1.72	1.61	114	88
<b>Total Fresh</b>	<b>9,481</b>	<b>9,799</b>	<b>2.27</b>	<b>2.22</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>773</b>
<b>Frozen</b>						
Whole Fish	1,308	967	2.00	1.95	943	439
Fillets <sup>1</sup>	10,076	9,973	2.86	2.61	5,598	8,374
Other <sup>2</sup>	4,046	4,077	1.60	1.59	2,429	2,208
<b>Total Frozen</b>	<b>15,430</b>	<b>15,017</b>	<b>2.46</b>	<b>2.29</b>	<b>8,970</b>	<b>11,021</b>
<b>Total Fresh &amp; Frozen</b>	<b>24,911</b>	<b>24,816</b>	<b>2.39</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>9,749</b>	<b>11,794</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes regular, shank, and strip fillets; excludes any breaded product.

<sup>2</sup> Includes steaks, nuggets and all other products not already reported, including weight of breading and added ingredients.

Hired Workers: Wage Rates for Type of Workers and All Hired Workers by Region  
and United States, July 8-14, 2001<sup>1</sup>

U.S. and Region <sup>2</sup>	Type of Worker			Wage Rates for All Hired Workers
	Field	Livestock	Field & Livestock	
Dollars Per Hour				
Northeast I	8.12	7.19	7.79	8.26
Northeast II	7.41	7.85	7.50	8.23
Appalachian I	7.22	7.89	7.39	7.79
Appalachian II	6.77	7.34	7.04	7.29
Southeast	7.19	7.50	7.26	7.69
Florida	7.50	7.65	7.53	8.65
Lake	8.21	7.66	8.00	8.38
Cornbelt I	7.65	8.13	7.75	8.66
Cornbelt II	7.80	8.08	7.94	8.10
Delta	6.63	6.47	6.60	6.93
Northern Plains	7.96	7.98	7.97	8.24
Southern Plains	6.58	7.23	6.85	7.23
Mountain I	7.08	7.73	7.37	7.61
Mountain II	7.36	8.05	7.64	8.28
Mountain III	7.00	8.52	7.46	8.12
Pacific	8.41	9.40	8.50	8.88
California	7.97	9.49	8.10	8.76
Hawaii <sup>2</sup>	9.55		9.60	11.21
United States <sup>3</sup>	7.70	7.89	7.75	8.29

Hired Workers: Distribution by Category, United States<sup>1 2</sup>

Category	July 9-15, 2000	April 8-14, 2001	July 8-14, 2-001
Percent of Hired Workers			
Employed on Farms Hiring			
1 Worker	11	12	11
2 Workers	10	9	9
3-6 Workers	20	20	20
7-10 Workers	9	9	9
At least 11 Workers	50	50	51

<sup>1</sup> 48 States, excluding AK and HI.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes Agricultural Service Workers.

## Mississippi and US Price Highlights

Commodity	Unit	August 2000		July 2001		August 2001	
		MS	US	MS	US	MS	US
Dollars							
Corn	bu	---	1.52	---	1.88	---	1.93
Cotton, Upland	lb	.445	.513	.441	.400	.427 <sup>1</sup>	.435 <sup>1</sup>
Sorghum, grain	cwt	---	2.73	---	3.72	---	3.58
Soybeans	bu	4.89	4.45	<sup>3</sup>	4.79	<sup>3</sup>	4.87
Winter Wheat	bu	---	2.31	---	2.61	---	2.67
Rice, Rough	cwt	---	5.60	---	5.25	---	5.30
All Milk	cwt	---	12.50	---	16.20	---	16.30
Fluid	cwt	---	12.50	---	16.30	---	16.40
Manufacturing	cwt	---	10.70	---	15.00	---	15.20
All Beef Cattle	cwt	---	65.50	---	71.90	---	70.90
Cows	cwt	---	39.00	---	42.90	---	43.40
Calves	cwt	---	106.00	---	107.00	---	106.00
Steers & Heifers	cwt	---	68.00	---	75.00	---	73.70
All Hogs	cwt	---	43.80	---	51.70	---	51.70
Barrows & Gilts	cwt	---	44.30	---	52.30	---	52.40
Sows	cwt	---	34.30	---	41.10	---	40.60
Broilers, Live	lb	---	.330	---	.420	---	.420
Market Eggs	doz	.590 <sup>2</sup>	.501 <sup>2</sup>	.450 <sup>2</sup>	.350 <sup>2</sup>	.450	.384

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month price

<sup>3</sup> Not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.