

# ANEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

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## SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS

### AUGUST 2005 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

#### AUGUST CROP PRODUCTION

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the **AUGUST YIELD SURVEY** conducted the last week of July and the first week of August. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,



Dwaine C. Nelson  
Director

**NEW MEXICO: Corn for grain** production is forecast at 8.1 million bushels, down 22.4 percent from a year ago. Harvested acreage is down to 45,000 acres, while yields are expected to average 180 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year. **Upland cotton** is expected to yield 829 pounds an acre, down 2.2 percent from 2004. Producers anticipate harvesting 55,000 acres for a production of 95,000 bales. **America-Pima cotton** yield is forecasted at 1,056 pounds an acre, up 21.5 percent. Harvested acreage is slightly less than last year at 10,000 acres with production totaling 22,000 bales. **Sorghum for grain** production is forecasted at 4.1 million bushels, with yields down 2.2 percent to 45 bushels an acre. **Peanut** production is expected to reach 64.8 million pounds, up 8.9 percent from 2004. Both **Alfalfa** acreage and yields are up in 2005, with 1.3 million tons forecasted to be harvested this year.

**UNITED STATES: Corn** production is forecast at 10.3 billion bushels, down 12 percent from last year but 3 percent above 2003. **All cotton** production is forecast at 21.3 million 480-pound bales, down 8 percent from last year's record high 23.3 million bales. Yield is expected to average 748 pounds per harvested acre, down 107 pounds from 2004. **Upland Cotton** production is forecast at 20.6 million 480-pound bales, 9 percent below 2004. **American-Pima** production is forecast at 725,000 bales, down 3 percent from last year. **Sorghum** production forecast for the 2005 crop year is 380 million bushels, down 16 percent from last year. Based on August 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast is 63.1 bushels per acre, down 6.7 bushels from last year. **Peanut** production is forecast at

a record high 5.14 billion pounds, up 21 percent from last year's crop and up 24 percent from 2003. Area for harvest is expected to total 1.61 million acres, unchanged from June but up 16 percent from 2004. Yields are expected to average a record high 3,190 pounds per acre, 133 pounds per acre above last year. Planted acres, at 1.65 million, are unchanged from the June estimate but 15 percent above 2004. **Alfalfa** production is forecast at 73.8 million tons, down 2 percent from last year. Yields are expected to average 3.34 tons per acre, a decrease of 0.13 ton from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 22.1 million acres, unchanged from June but up 2 percent from 2004.

August 2005 Crop Summary: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, 2004 and Forecasted August 1, 2005

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
		2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
		-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Units-----		-----1,000 Units-----	
<b>NEW MEXICO</b>							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	58	45	180.0	180.0	10,440	8,100
All Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	74.5	65.0	850	864	132.0	117.0
Upland Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	64.0	55.0	848	829	113.0	95.0
A-P Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	10.5	10.0	869	1,056	19.0	22.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	92	90	46.0	45.0	4,232	4,050
Peanuts	Lb.	17	18	3,500	3,600	59,500	64,800
Potatoes, Fall	Cwt.	240	250	4.90	5.20	1,176	1,300
<b>UNITED STATES</b>							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	73,632	74,368	160.4	139.2	11,807,217	10,349,841
All Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	13,057.0	13,657.0	855	748	23,250.7	21,291.0
Upland Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	12,809.0	13,396.0	843	737	22,505.1	20,566.0
A-P Cotton <sup>1/2/</sup>	Lb.	248.0	261.0	1,443	1,333	745.6	725.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	6,517	6,030	69.8	63.1	454,899	380,319
Peanuts	Lb.	1,394	1,612	3,057	3,190	4,261,700	5,142,100
Potatoes, Fall	Tons	21,707	22,118	3.47	3.34	75,383	73,849

<sup>1/</sup> Production ginned and to be ginned. <sup>2/</sup> Yield reported in pounds per acre: production in bales (480 lb. net wt.).