

# West Virginia Agricultural Statistics Service

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## WEST VIRGINIA VALUE OF PRODUCTION OF 2003 CROPS

**WEST VIRGINIA** -- Corn for grain value of production totaled \$8.2 million in 2003, an 8 percent decrease from 2002. The marketing year average price received per bushel for corn was \$2.65, down 20 cents from 2002.

Tobacco value of production totaled \$3.1 million, down 20 percent from 2002. The average price received per pound for tobacco was \$1.97, down a fraction from 2002.

The value of winter wheat production in 2003 was \$890 thousand, a 15 percent decrease from the 2002 crop. Growers received an average of \$3.10 per bushel for the 2003 crop, unchanged from 2002.

Soybeans value of production totaled \$4.3 million, a 21 percent increase from 2002. The average price received per bushel for soybeans was \$7.00. This was up \$1.36 from the 2002 average price.

The value of all hay production totaled \$59.7 million in 2003, 11 percent less than 2002. The average price received per ton was \$56.00, \$7.50 less than the 2002 average price.

The value of alfalfa hay production totaled \$11.8 million in 2003, 17 percent less than 2002. The average price received per ton was \$104.00, \$9.00 less than the 2002 average price.

The value of all other hay production totaled \$48.0 million in 2003, 10 percent less than 2002. The average price received per ton was \$50.50, \$6.50 less than the 2002 average price.

The 2003 total value of production of principal crops (including fruits) was \$88.7 million, down 7 percent from the 2002 value of \$95.8 million, and down 10 percent from the 2001 value of \$98.1 million.

## UNITED STATES VALUE AND MARKETING YEAR AVERAGE PRICE WITH 2002 COMPARISONS

- Corn for grain value of production - \$24.80 billion, up 18%; \$2.45 per bushel, up 13 cents.
- Tobacco value of production - \$1.64 billion, down 4%; \$1.967 per pound, up 2.9 cents.
- Winter wheat value of production - \$5.57 billion, up 45%; \$3.25 per bushel, down 16 cents.
- Soybeans value of production - \$17.47 billion, up 15%, \$7.25 per bushel, up \$1.72.
- All hay value of production - \$12.33 billion, down 1%; \$92.90 per ton, up \$0.50.
- Alfalfa hay value of production - \$6.92 billion, down 4%; \$98.00 per ton, down \$2.00.
- Other hay value of production - \$5.41 billion, up 3%; \$80.80 per ton, up \$7.00.
- All crops (including fruits, nuts and vegetables) value of production - \$106.1 billion, up 12 percent.

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