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CROP PRODUCTION – JUNE 2018

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Durum wheat production in Arizona, based on conditions as of June 1, 2018, is forecast at 8.57 million bushels, according to the June 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is unchanged from the May 1 forecast, but 5 percent below the 8.99 million bushels produced last year. Estimated acreage for harvest, at 84,000 acres, is unchanged from May 1, but 5,000 acres less than the 89,000 acres harvested in 2017. As of June 1, the average yield is forecast at 102.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from the May 1 forecast and 1.0 bushel above last year's final yield.

As of June 3, Arizona's durum wheat crop condition was rated 21 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 42 percent excellent, compared with 10 percent fair, 70 percent good, and 20 percent excellent last year. Producers had harvested 29 percent of this year's crop, 1 percentage point ahead of last year and 8 percentage points ahead of the 5-year average.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.20 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but down 6 percent from 2017. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 48.4 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushel from last month but down 1.8 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre.

Hard Red Winter production, at 650 million bushels, is up 1 percent from last month. Soft Red Winter, at 316 million bushels, is up slightly from the May forecast. White Winter, at 232 million bushels, is up 2 percent from last month. Of the White Winter production, 21.8 million bushels are Hard White and 210 million bushels are Soft White.

Production of **Durum wheat** in Arizona and California is forecast at a collective 12.0 million bushels, up 5 percent from 2017.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.