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CROP PRODUCTION – NOVEMBER 2018

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Based on November 1 conditions, **all cotton** production in Arizona is expected to total 475,000 480-lb bales, according to the November 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is down 6 percent from the October 1 forecast and down 8 percent from last year's crop.

Upland cotton harvested acreage is forecast at 149,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from last year. As of November 1, producers expect to harvest 450,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, down 7 percent from last year. Upland yield is forecast at 1,450 pounds per acre, down 96 pounds from the October 1 forecast and down 14 pounds from last year. As of November 4, 85 percent of the upland cotton crop had been defoliated, compared with 74 percent last year and 62 percent for the 5-year average, and 40 percent had been harvested, compared with 42 percent last year and 43 percent for the 5-year average. The cotton crop was rated 2 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 45 percent good, and 10 percent excellent as of November 4. **Pima cotton** estimates are carried forward from the September 1 forecast. Harvested acreage is estimated at 13,500 acres, down 1,500 acres from last year. Producers expect to harvest 25,000 480-lb bales of Pima cotton, compared with 30,200 bales last year, and Pima yield is forecast at 889 pounds per acre, down 77 pounds from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All cotton production is forecast at 18.4 million 480-pound bales, down 7 percent from the October forecast and down 12 percent from last year. Yield is expected to average 852 pounds per harvested acre, down 49 pounds from last month and down 53 pounds from last year. Harvested area for all cotton is expected to total 10.4 million acres, down 1 percent from October and down 7 percent from 2017. Upland cotton production is forecast at 17.6 million 480-pound bales, down 13 percent from 2017. Upland harvested area is expected to total 10.1 million acres, down 7 percent from last year. Pima cotton production, forecast at 771,000 bales, was carried forward from an earlier forecast.

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