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CROP PRODUCTION – NOVEMBER 2020

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Based on November 1 conditions, all cotton production in Arizona is expected to total 370,000 480-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 up 1 percent from the October 1 forecast but down 6 percent from last year’s crop.

Upland cotton harvested acreage is forecast at 123,000 acres, down 35,000 acres from last year. As of November 1, producers expect to harvest 355,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, down 7 percent from last year. Upland yield is forecast at 1,385 pounds per acre, up 19 pounds per acre from the October 1 forecast and up 231 pounds per acre from last year. As of November 1, 88 percent of the upland cotton crop had been defoliated, compared with 87 percent last year and 72 percent for the 5-year average, and 42 percent had been harvested, compared with 37 percent last year and 40 percent for the 5-year average. The cotton crop was rated 4 percent fair, 50 percent good, and 46 percent excellent as of November 1. Pima cotton harvested acreage is estimated at 6,500 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year. Producers expect to harvest 15,000 480-lb bales of Pima cotton, compared with 12,500 bales last year, and Pima yield is forecast at 1,108 pounds per acre, up 308 pounds per acre from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All cotton production is forecast at 17.1 million 480-pound bales, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but down 14 percent from 2019. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 911 pounds per harvested acre, up 2 pounds from the previous forecast and up 88 pounds from 2019. Upland cotton production is forecast at 16.5 million 480-pound bales, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but down 14 percent from 2019. Pima cotton production is forecast at 557,000 bales, up 2 percent from the previous forecast but down 19 percent from 2019. All cotton area harvested is forecast at 9.01 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast, but down 22 percent from 2019.

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