CROP PRODUCTION – JULY 2021

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Durum wheat production in Arizona, based on conditions as of July 1, 2021, is forecast at 4.66 million bushels, according to the July 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is up 4 percent from the June 1 forecast and 9 percent above the 4.26 million bushels produced last year. Estimated acreage for harvest, at 49,000 acres, is 6,000 acres more than the 43,000 acres harvested in 2020. As of July 1, the average yield is forecast at 95.0 bushels per acre, 7.0 bushels per acre below the June 1 forecast and 4.0 bushels per acre below last year’s final yield.

As of July 4, Arizona producers had harvested 95 percent of this year’s Durum wheat crop, compared with 97 percent last year and the 5-year average of 89 percent.

Barley production is forecast at 1.68 million bushels, up 72 percent from the 2020 crop. Acreage harvested is expected to total 14,000 acres, up 6,000 acres from the 8,000 acres harvested last year. Barley yield is forecast at 120.0 bushels per acre, 2.0 bushels per acre below last year.

As of July 4, the 2021 Arizona barley crop was 99 percent harvested, compared with 100 percent last year and the 5-year average of 91 percent.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Durum wheat production is forecast at 37.2 million bushels, down 46 percent from 2020. Based on July 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 25.8 bushels per harvested acre, down 15.6 bushels from 2020. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed totals 1.44 million acres, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 30, 2021, but down 13 percent from 2020.

Barley production is forecast at 114 million bushels, down 31 percent from 2020. If realized, this would be the lowest production since 1900. Based on conditions as of July 1, the average yield for the United States is forecast at 55.9 bushels per acre, down 21.6 bushels from last year. Barley producers are expecting the lowest yield since 2002. Area harvested for grain or seed, at 2.04 million acres is unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 30, 2021, but down 4 percent from 2020.

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