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CROP PRODUCTION – DECEMBER 2021

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Based on December 1 conditions, **all cotton** production in Arizona is expected to total 338,000 480-lb bales, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is up 1 percent from the November 1 forecast and up 7 percent from last year's crop.

Upland cotton harvested acreage is forecast at 119,000 acres, down 4,000 acres from last year. As of December 1, producers expect to harvest 320,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, up 6 percent from last year. Upland yield is forecast at 1,291 pounds per acre, unchanged from the November 1 forecast and up 112 pounds per acre from last year. As of November 28, 78 percent of the upland cotton crop had been harvested, compared with 74 percent last year and 74 percent for the 5-year average. **Pima cotton** harvested acreage is estimated at 9,000 acres, up 2,500 acres from last year. Producers expect to harvest 18,000 480-lb bales of Pima cotton, compared with 14,000 bales last year, and Pima yield is forecast at 960 pounds per acre, down 74 pounds per acre from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All cotton production is forecast at 18.3 million 480-pound bales, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast, and up 25 percent from 2020. Based on conditions as of December 1, yields are expected to average 885 pounds per harvested acre, up 5 pounds from the previous forecast and up 38 pounds from 2020. **Upland cotton** production is forecast at 17.9 million 480-pound bales, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast and up 27 percent from 2020. **Pima cotton** production is forecast at 374,000 bales, up 8 percent from the previous forecast but down 32 percent from 2020. All cotton area harvested is forecast at 9.92 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast, but up 20 percent from 2020.

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