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This report contains the results from the **2017 December Agricultural Survey**, **Rice Stocks**, and **Grain Stocks Surveys**. The data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/ar>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

2017 Arkansas Crop Production Annual Summary

Corn: Area harvested for grain is 595,000 acres, down 20 percent from 2016. The average yield is estimated at 183 bushels per acre, up 12 bushels from last year. Production totaled 109 million bushels, down 15 percent from 2016.

Cotton: All cotton harvested acres is 438,000 acres, up 17 percent from 2016. All cotton is expected to average 1,205 pounds per acre, up 130 pounds per acre from 2016 and the highest yield on record. Production is forecast at 1.10 million bales, up 31 percent from 2016.

All Hay: All hay harvested is 1.16 million acres, down 3 percent from 2016. The average yield is estimated at 2.00 tons per acre, unchanged from last year. Production totaled 2.33 million tons, down 3 percent from 2016.

Peanuts: Area harvested for peanuts is 29,000 acres, up 26 percent from 2016. The average yield is estimated at 5,100 pounds per acre, up 300 pounds per acre from last year. Production totaled 148 million pounds, up 34 percent from 2016.

Rice: All rice acres harvested is 1.10 million acres, down 27 percent from 2016. The all rice average yield is estimated at 7,490 pounds per acre, up 570 pounds from last year. Production totaled 82.6 million hundredweight, down 22 percent from 2016.

Sorghum: Area harvested for grain is 7,000 acres, down 84 percent from 2016 and the lowest harvested acres since 1944. The average yield is estimated at 76 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last year. Production totaled 532,000 bushels, down 83 percent from 2016.

Soybeans: Area harvested for soybeans is 3.50 million acres, up 13 percent from 2016. The average yield is estimated at 51 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from last year and a record yield for the State. Production totaled 179 million bushels, up 23 percent from 2016 and the highest production on record.

Winter Wheat: Area seeded to winter wheat is forecasted to decrease 15 percent from the previous year to 170,000 acres. This will be the lowest acres seeded since 1962.

Principal Crops Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - Arkansas and United States: 2016 and 2017

Crop	Unit	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
		2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
Arkansas		(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
Corn for grain	bushels	745.0	595.0	171.00	183.00	127,395.0	108,885.0
Cotton, all	¹	375.0	438.0	1,075.00	1,205.00	840.0	1,100.0
Hay, all	tons	1,204.0	1,163.0	2.00	2.00	2,414.0	2,331.0
Alfalfa	tons	4.0	3.0	3.60	3.60	14.0	11.0
Other	tons	1,200.0	1,160.0	2.00	2.00	2,400.0	2,320.0
Peanuts	pounds	23.0	29.0	4,800.00	5,100.00	110,400.0	147,900.0
Rice, all	²	1,521.0	1,104.0	6,920.00	7,490.00	105,314.0	82,644.0
Long grain	²	1,390.0	955.0	6,940.00	7,510.00	96,466.0	71,721.0
Medium grain	²	130.0	148.0	6,760.00	7,340.00	8,788.0	10,863.0
Short grain	²	1.0	1.0	6,000.00	6,000.00	60.0	60.0
Sorghum for grain	bushels	44.0	7.0	73.00	76.00	3,212.0	532.0
Soybeans for beans	bushels	3,100.0	3,500.0	47.00	51.00	145,700.0	178,500.0
United States		(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
Corn for grain	bushels	86,748.0	82,703.0	174.60	176.60	15,148,038.0	14,604,067.0
Cotton, all	¹	9,507.8	11,348.9	867.00	899.00	17,169.9	21,263.0
Hay, all	tons	53,481.0	53,784.0	2.52	2.44	134,995.0	131,455.0
Alfalfa	tons	16,885.0	16,563.0	3.45	3.32	58,263.0	55,068.0
Other	tons	36,596.0	37,221.0	2.10	2.05	76,732.0	76,387.0
Peanuts	pounds	1,536.0	1,775.6	3,634.00	4,074.00	5,581,570.0	7,233,600.0
Rice, all	²	3,097.0	2,374.0	7,237.00	7,507.00	224,145.0	178,228.0
Long grain	²	2,403.0	1,748.0	6,927.00	7,314.00	166,465.0	127,850.0
Medium grain	²	651.0	587.0	8,377.00	8,155.00	54,533.0	47,867.0
Short grain	²	43.0	39.0	7,319.00	6,438.00	3,147.0	2,511.0
Sorghum for grain	bushels	6,163.0	5,045.0	77.90	72.10	480,261.0	363,832.0
Soybeans for beans	bushels	82,696.0	89,522.0	52.00	49.10	4,296,086.0	4,391,553.0
Sweet potatoes	cwt	163.3	159.3	193.00	224.00	31,546.0	35,646.0

¹ Cotton yield in pounds per acre, production in 480 pound bales.

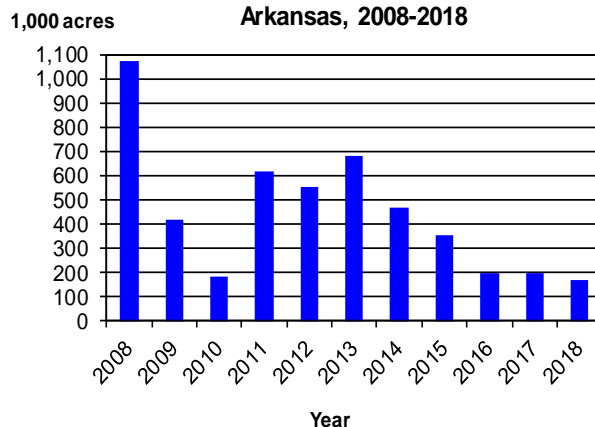
² Rice yield in pounds per acre, production in hundredweight (cwt).



Winter Wheat: Area Seeded - Delta Region, Top 5 States, and United States: 2017 and 2018

State	2017 (1,000 acres)	2018 ¹ (1,000 acres)	2018/2017 (percent)
Arkansas*	200	170	85
Colorado	2,250	2,150	96
Kansas	7,600	7,800	103
Louisiana*	20	15	75
Mississippi*	45	35	78
Montana	1,750	1,550	89
Oklahoma	4,500	4,100	91
Texas	4,700	5,000	106
United States	32,696	32,608	100

* Delta Region.

¹ Forecasted as of December 1, 2017.**Winter Wheat: Area Seeded
Arkansas, 2008-2018****Rice Stocks by Position - States and United States: December 1, 2016 and 2017**

Class & State	On Farms		Off Farms ¹		Total, All Positions		
	2016 (1,000 cwt)	2017 (1,000 cwt)	2016 (1,000 cwt)	2017 (1,000 cwt)	2016 (1,000 cwt)	2017 (1,000 cwt)	2017/2016 (percent)
Rough Rice							
Arkansas	23,300	17,000	52,702	42,887	76,002	59,887	79
California	3,625	3,120	38,125	28,159	41,750	31,279	75
Louisiana	10,700	6,200	8,236	5,965	18,936	12,165	64
Mississippi	5,000	1,700	1,790	1,484	6,790	3,184	47
Missouri	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	7,244	5,061	70
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9,607	8,098	84
United States	48,595	31,570	111,734	88,104	160,329	119,674	75
Milled Rice							
Arkansas	-	-	1,919	3,192	1,919	3,192	166
California	-	-	2,239	1,926	2,239	1,926	86
Louisiana	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	-	-	503	524	503	524	104
United States	-	-	5,795	6,702	5,795	6,702	116

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.**Grain Stocks by Position - Arkansas and United States: December 1, 2016 and 2017**

Crop	On Farms		Off Farms ¹		Total, All Positions		
	2016 (1,000 bushels)	2017 (1,000 bushels)	2016 (1,000 bushels)	2017 (1,000 bushels)	2016 (1,000 bushels)	2017 (1,000 bushels)	2017/2016 (percent)
Arkansas							
Corn	(D)	(D)	29,756	27,195	(D)	(D)	(D)
Oats	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sorghum	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Soybeans	(D)	(D)	30,993	41,876	(D)	(D)	(D)
Wheat, all	30	30	(D)	10,718	(D)	10,748	(D)
United States							
Corn	7,611,000	7,739,000	4,772,471	4,777,406	12,383,471	12,516,406	101
Oats	30,430	23,300	45,058	43,504	75,488	66,804	88
Sorghum	43,000	33,800	266,079	192,216	309,079	226,016	73
Soybeans	1,335,000	1,485,000	1,564,056	1,672,020	2,899,056	3,157,020	109
Wheat, all	571,280	393,180	1,508,080	1,480,364	2,079,360	1,873,544	90

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¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.**Hay Stocks On Farms - Delta Region, Surrounding States, and United States: December 1, 2016 and 2017**

State	2016 (1,000 tons)	2017 (1,000 tons)	2017/2016 (percent)
Alabama	1,050	1,550	148
Arkansas*	1,950	1,800	92
Louisiana*	780	620	79
Mississippi*	900	970	108
Missouri	5,350	5,100	95
Oklahoma	5,700	4,800	84
Tennessee	3,050	3,000	98
Texas	10,000	7,300	73
United States	95,837	86,246	90

* Delta Region.