



HAWAII SUGARCANE ACREAGE & PRODUCTION

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U.S. SUGARCANE

Production is forecast at a record high 36.7 million tons, 4 percent above the previous record of 35.3 million tons set last year. Sugarcane growers intend to harvest a record high 1.03 million acres for sugar and seed during the 2000 crop year, 3 percent more than last year's final harvested acres. Louisiana growers expect to harvest a record high 490,000 acres. In Florida, harvested acres are expected to exceed the previous forecast, but will remain below last year's level. Yield is forecast at 35.7 tons per acre, 0.2 ton above 1999.

Rain boosted crop conditions in Florida during August, but drought intensified and reduced yield prospects in Louisiana. Moisture shortages also limited crop growth in Texas. Moisture shortages in Hawaii were partially alleviated by timely precipitation.

SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR AND SEED: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State and United States, 1998-99 and forecasted September 1, 2000

State	Area harvested		Yield ¹		Production ¹		
	1999	Indication 2000	1999	Indication 2000	1998	1999	Indication 2000
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----		----- 1,000 tons -----		
Florida	460.0	454.0	35.0	38.0	17,925	16,100	17,252
Hawaii	37.3	35.4	79.4	77.0	2,798	2,960	2,726
Louisiana	465.0	490.0	32.7	31.0	12,920	15,206	15,190
Texas	31.0	47.0	33.3	31.9	1,064	1,033	1,499
U.S.	993.3	1,026.4	35.5	35.7	34,707	35,299	36,667

¹ Net tons.

U.S. SUGARBEETS

Production is forecast at 34.3 million tons from just over 1.5 million acres. The yield is forecast at 22.8 tons per acre, 0.9 tons above 1999. This production forecast does not reflect expected reductions due to the government PIK program announced in July. Acreage and production adjustments due to the program will not be known until all bids are reviewed and either accepted or rejected. Yields are expected to equal the previous record in Minnesota and moisture supplies remain favorable for the North Dakota crop. Crop conditions were maintained by irrigation in the High Plains and northern Rocky Mountains in spite of hot weather. Mild weather continued to boost yield prospects in California and Michigan, although some fields were treated for diseases.

SUGARBEETS: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State and United States, 1998-99 and forecasted August 1, 2000¹

State	Area Harvested		Yield		Production		
	1999	Indication 2000	1999	Indication 2000	1998	1999	Indication 2000
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----		----- 1,000 tons -----		
California	108.0	99.0	32.0	33.0	2,723	3,456	3,267
Colorado	68.5	61.3	21.3	21.1	1,301	1,459	1,293
Idaho	210.0	211.0	24.3	26.8	5,501	5,103	5,655
Michigan	190.0	180.0	18.6	18.0	2,768	3,534	3,240
Minnesota	470.0	476.0	20.1	21.2	9,710	9,447	10,091
Montana	61.7	60.0	23.8	23.7	1,410	1,468	1,422
Nebraska	66.2	62.1	19.0	19.0	934	1,258	1,180
North Dakota	247.0	250.0	20.8	22.0	5,386	5,138	5,500
Ohio	1.7	1.1	19.5	18.0	19	33	20
Oregon	19.7	15.8	25.1	27.8	471	494	439
Washington	27.4	28.3	30.1	33.4	1,192	825	945
Wyoming	57.1	59.4	21.1	21.0	1,084	1,205	1,247
U.S.	1,527.3	1,504.0	21.9	22.8	32,499	33,420	34,299

¹ Relates to year of intended harvest except for overwintered spring planted beets in California.

² No acres planted in 1998 or 1999.