



HAWAII SUGARCANE ACREAGE & PRODUCTION

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U.S. SUGARCANE

Production is forecast at 35.3 million tons, fractionally above the September 1 forecast and 2 percent above last year's 34.6 million tons. Sugarcane growers intend to harvest 1.02 million acres for sugar and seed during the 2002 crop year. This is slightly lower than the previous month's forecast, and 1 percent below last year's 1.03 million harvested acres. Yield is forecast at 34.6 tons per acre, up 0.2 ton from the September 1 forecast and 3 percent above last year's 33.6 ton yield.

Tropical Storm Isidore halted Louisiana's early-season harvest for a few days. Also, severe lodging was expected to result in a more tedious harvest pace. However, acreage and yield reductions were not expected. Warm weather and adequate precipitation supported normal development in Florida.

SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR AND SEED: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State and United States, 2000-2001 and forecasted October 1, 2002

State	Area harvested		Yield ¹			Production ¹	
	2001	2002	2001	2002		2001	2002
				Sep 1	Oct 1		
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----			----- 1,000 tons -----	
Florida	465.0	455.0	35.1	36.4	36.4	16,338	16,552
Hawaii	21.0	25.1	92.0	91.0	91.0	1,932	2,284
Louisiana	495.0	495.0	29.0	30.0	30.0	14,355	14,850
Texas	47.0	47.5	41.7	32.0	34.9	1,962	1,660
U.S.	1,028.0	1,022.6	33.6	34.4	34.6	34,587	35,346

¹ Net tons.

U.S. SUGARBEETS

Production is forecast at 28.6 million tons, up slightly from the September 1 forecast and 11 percent above last year's production. Growers in the 12 sugarbeet-producing States expect to harvest 1.37 million acres. This is unchanged from the September estimate, but 10 percent above last year. The yield is forecast at 20.9 tons per acre, 0.1 ton above September and 0.2 ton above 2001.

The harvest season began slightly later than normal in the Red River Valley. On September 29, harvest in Minnesota, at 9 percent, and in North Dakota, at 8 percent, trailed the 5-year averages of 13 and 14 percent, respectively. In Michigan, hard soils hindered harvest progress and continuing moisture shortages reduced yield potential. In contrast, timely precipitation and careful distribution of irrigation water supplies maintained yield potential across much of the High Plains and Pacific Northwest. In California, nearly ideal weather supported harvest of mature fields and promoted development of less advanced fields.

SUGARBEETS: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State and United States, 2000-2001 and forecasted October 1, 2002¹

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2001	2002	2001	2002		2001	2002
				Sep 1	Oct 1		
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----			----- 1,000 tons -----	
California	44.7	48.0	36.2	38.8	38.8	1,618	1,862
Colorado	36.8	40.6	22.4	20.1	20.2	824	820
Idaho	179.0	210.0	25.9	25.6	25.6	4,636	5,376
Michigan	166.0	175.0	19.4	19.0	18.5	3,220	3,238
Minnesota	426.0	459.0	18.3	18.7	19.2	7,796	8,813
Montana	53.5	57.0	21.5	21.0	21.0	1,150	1,197
Nebraska	41.4	43.1	20.3	19.5	19.0	840	819
North Dakota	237.0	284.0	18.1	18.5	18.5	4,290	5,254
Ohio	0.6	1.7	20.0	20.0	19.0	12	32
Oregon	10.0	10.9	29.1	29.7	29.7	291	324
Washington	7.0	4.0	36.1	38.3	38.3	253	153
Wyoming	41.6	37.5	20.6	19.5	19.5	857	731
U.S.	1,243.6	1,370.8	20.7	20.8	20.9	25,787	28,619

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