




HAWAII SUGARCANE ACREAGE & PRODUCTION

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U.S. SUGARCANE

Production of sugarcane for sugar and seed in 2006 is forecast at 29.8 million tons, 3 percent above the October forecast and 12 percent above 2005. Sugarcane growers intend to harvest 908,800 acres for sugar and seed during the 2006 crop year, unchanged from October but down 1 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 32.8 tons per acre, 0.9 ton above the previous forecast and 4.0 tons above the 2005 yield.

The acreage, yield, and production forecasts are unchanged for Florida, Hawaii, and Texas. In Louisiana, the acreage forecast is unchanged, but yield is forecast at 2.0 tons higher than the previous month due to beneficial rainfall during October.

SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR AND SEED: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State, 2005 and forecasted November 1, 2006

State	Area harvested		Yield ¹			Production ¹	
	2005	2006	2005	2006		2005	2006
				Oct 1	Nov 1		
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----			----- 1,000 tons -----	
Florida	401.0	405.0	31.8	34.8	34.8	12,746	14,094
Hawaii	24.2	22.3	75.0	79.0	79.0	1,814	1,762
Louisiana	455.0	435.0	22.9	26.0	28.0	10,420	12,180
Texas	42.4	46.5	38.3	38.9	38.9	1,624	1,809
U.S.	922.6	908.8	28.8	31.9	32.8	26,604	29,845

¹ Net tons.

U.S. SUGARBEETS

Production for 2006 is forecast at a record high 33.6 million tons, 2 percent above the October forecast and 22 percent above last year's production. The yield is forecast at 25.8 tons per acre, up 1.3 tons from October and 3.6 tons above 2005. If realized, yield will also be a record high, exceeding the previous record, set in 2000, by over 2 tons. Growers expect to harvest 1.31 million acres, 3 percent below last month but 5 percent above last year.

The reduction in the area harvested forecast is mostly due to conditions in Minnesota and North Dakota, where record high yields have resulted in some acreage abandonment to stay within sugar allotments. Even with the lower harvested acreage, both States are expected to set record high production levels. Outside of the Red River Valley, Montana growers also expect a record high yield and production, while Michigan's yield is expected to set a new record high. Though not record highs, forecasted production in Idaho and Oregon will exceed the previous year by over 20 percent, while Nebraska's expected production is 45 percent above 2005.

Harvest was nearly complete in the Red River Valley by month's end, while over three-fourths of Idaho's acreage had been harvested. In Michigan, however, harvest was well behind normal due to persistent rainfall.

Sugarbeets: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, by State, 2005 and Forecasted November 1, 2006¹

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006		2005	2006
				Oct 1	Nov 1		
	----- 1,000 Acres -----		----- Tons -----			----- 1,000 Tons -----	
California	44.1	43.0	38.9	37.0	37.0	1,715	1,591
Colorado	34.3	38.3	24.3	21.5	22.8	833	873
Idaho	167.0	187.0	27.1	27.9	29.1	4,526	5,442
Michigan	152.0	152.0	21.3	21.0	23.0	3,238	3,496
Minnesota	460.0	473.0	20.4	23.7	25.1	9,384	11,872
Montana	49.9	53.5	22.9	28.0	28.0	1,143	1,498
Nebraska	45.3	58.2	20.4	22.0	23.0	924	1,339
North Dakota	243.0	245.0	18.9	24.0	25.5	4,593	6,248
Ohio ²							
Oregon	9.7	13.1	32.1	29.9	28.9	311	379
Washington	1.7	2.0	40.6	36.0	38.5	69	77
Wyoming	35.9	40.8	22.3	21.5	19.9	801	812
U.S.	1,242.9	1,305.9	22.2	24.5	25.8	27,537	33,627

¹ Relates to year of intended harvest in all States except California. In California, relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for overwintered beets in central and southern California.

² No acreage reported for 2005 and 2006