



HAWAII SUGARCANE ACREAGE & PRODUCTION

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Production of sugarcane for sugar and seed in 2004 is forecast at 30.4 million tons, unchanged from the November forecast but 10 percent below 2003. Sugarcane growers intend to harvest 961,400 acres for sugar and seed during the 2004 crop year, the same as November but 3 percent less than last year's revised harvested area of 992,300 acres. Yield is forecast at 31.6 tons per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast but 2.5 tons below the revised 2003 yield of 34.1 tons per acre.

In Florida, mild conditions allowed harvest to proceed normally. Louisiana's yield forecast of 24.0 tons per acre, if realized, would be the lowest since 1993, when growers harvested 22.8 tons per acre.

SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR AND SEED: Area harvested, yield, and production, by State and United States, 2003 and forecasted December 1, 2004

State	Area harvested		Yield ¹			Production ¹	
	2003	2004	2003	2004		2003	2004
				Oct 1	Nov 1		
	----- 1,000 acres -----		----- Tons -----			----- 1,000 tons -----	
Florida	438.0	420.0	39.3	36.0	36.0	17,231	15,120
Hawaii	21.3	24.1	97.7	94.0	93.9	2,082	2,264
Louisiana	490.0	475.0	26.2	24.0	24.0	12,838	11,400
Texas	43.0	42.3	39.7	37.0	37.0	1,707	1,566
U.S.	992.3	961.4	34.1	31.6	31.6	33,858	30,350

¹ Net tons.