



Louisiana Crop and Stocks Report

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This report contains the results from the **2015 December Agricultural Survey**, **Rice Stocks**, and **Grain Stocks Surveys**. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/la>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

2015 Louisiana Crop Production Annual Summary

Corn: Area harvested for grain is 390,000 acres, unchanged from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 171 bushels per acre, down 12 bushels from last year's record high yield. Production totaled 66.7 million bushels, down 7 percent from 2014.

Cotton: All cotton harvested acres is 112,000 acres, down 33 percent from 2014 and the lowest harvested acres on record. All cotton is expected to average 814 pounds per acre, down 340 pounds per acre from 2014. Production is forecast at 190,000 bales, down 53 percent from 2014.

Hay: All hay harvested is 430,000 acres, down 9 percent from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 2.5 tons per acre, down 0.2 ton per acre from last year. Production totaled 1.08 million tons, down 15 percent from 2014.

Rice: All rice acres harvested is 415,000 acres, down 10 percent from 2014. The all rice average yield is estimated at 6,940 pounds per acre, down 190 pounds per acre from last year. Production totaled 28.8 million hundredweight, down 13 percent from 2014.

Sorghum: Area harvested for grain is 74,000 acres, down 23 percent from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 85 bushels per acre, 8 bushels lower from last year. Production totaled 6.29 million bushels, down 30 percent from 2014.

Soybeans: Area harvested for soybeans is 1.40 million acres, unchanged from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 41 bushels per acre, down 15.5 bushels from last year's record high yield. Production totaled 57.2 million bushels, down 27 percent from 2014.

Sugarcane: Area harvested for sugar and seed is 410,000 acres, down slightly from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 31 net tons per acre, up 1.5 net tons from last year. Production totaled 12.7 million net tons for sugar and seed, up 5 percent from 2014.

Sweet Potatoes: Area harvested for sweet potatoes is 9,000 acres, up 2 percent from 2014. The average yield is estimated at 220 hundredweight per acre, down 10 hundredweight per acre from last year. Production totaled 1.98 million hundredweight, down 2 percent from 2014.

Winter Wheat: Area seeded to winter wheat is forecasted to decrease 55 percent from the previous year to 50,000 acres. It realized this will be the lowest planted acres on record.

Principal Crops: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Louisiana and United States 2014-2015

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
		2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
		<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Per Acre</i>		<i>1,000 Units</i>	
Louisiana							
Corn for Grain	<i>bushels</i>	390	390	183*	171	71,370	66,690
Cotton, All	¹	168	112**	1,154	814	404	190
Hay, All	<i>tons</i>	470*	430	2.70	2.50	1,269	1,075
Rice, All	²	462	415	7,130	6,940	32,944	28,791
Long Grain	²	393	351	7,150	6,990	28,100	24,535
Medium Grain	²	69	64	7,020	6,650	4,844	4,256
Sorghum for Grain	<i>bushels</i>	96	74	93	85	8,928	6,290
Soybeans for Beans	<i>bushels</i>	1,395	1,395	56.5*	41.0	78,818*	57,195
Sugarcane (Sugar & Seed)	<i>net tons</i>	411	410	29.5	31.0	12,125	12,710
Sweet Potatoes	<i>cwt</i>	8.8	9.0	230*	220	2,024	1,980
United States							
Corn for Grain	<i>bushels</i>	83,136	80,749	171.0*	168.4	14,215,532*	13,601,198
Cotton, All	¹	9,346.8	8,076.9	838	769	16,319.4	12,943.0
Hay, All	<i>tons</i>	57,062	54,437	2.45	2.47	139,923	134,388
Alfalfa	<i>tons</i>	18,395	17,778	3.34	3.32	61,451	58,974
Other	<i>tons</i>	38,667	36,659	2.03	2.06	78,472	75,414
Peanuts	<i>pounds</i>	1,322.5	1,568.0	3,923	3,963	5,188,665	6,213,790
Rice, All	²	2,933	2,575	7,576	7,470	222,215	192,343
Long Grain	²	2,196	1,843	7,407	7,218	162,665	133,032
Medium Grain	²	700	695	8,175	8,155	57,222	56,677
Sorghum for Grain	<i>bushels</i>	6,401	7,851	67.6	76.0*	432,575	596,571
Soybeans for Beans	<i>bushels</i>	82,591	81,849	47.5	48.0*	3,927,090	3,929,885
Sugarcane (Sugar & Seed)	<i>net tons</i>	868.5	892.7	35.0	36.5	30,424	32,549
Sweet Potatoes	<i>cwt</i>	135.2	153.1	219	203	29,584	31,016

*Record high.

**Record low.

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

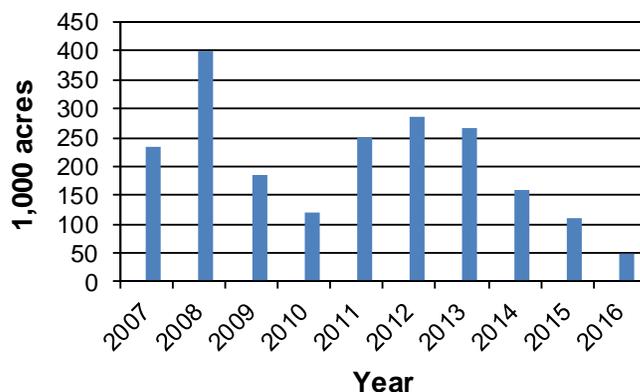
² Rice yield in pounds per acre, production in hundredweight (cwt).

**Winter Wheat: Area Seeded
Delta Region, Top 5 States, and U.S., 2015-2016**

State	2015	2016	2016/2015
	1,000 acres		Percent
Arkansas*	350	230	66
Colorado	2,400	2,250	94
Kansas	9,200	8,500	92
Louisiana*	110	50	45
Mississippi*	150	100	67
Montana	2,350	2,250	96
Oklahoma	5,300	4,900	92
Texas	6,000	5,300	88
U.S.	39,461	36,609	93

* Delta Region

**Winter Wheat: Area Seeded
Louisiana, 2007-2016**



December 1 Rice, Grain and Hay Stocks

Rice: Stocks by Position, Selected States and U.S., December 1, 2014-2015

Class & State	On Farms		Off Farms ¹		Total, All Positions		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2015/2014
Rough Rice	<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>						
Arkansas	22,500	21,000	51,622	48,916	74,122	69,916	94
California	3,415	3,220	36,001	35,147	39,416	38,367	97
Louisiana	11,100	10,800	9,578	7,774	20,678	18,574	90
Mississippi	4,000	2,800	2,100	1,813	6,100	4,613	76
Missouri	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	8,842	7,278	82
Texas	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	8,768	6,301	72
United States	47,865	43,245	110,061	101,804	157,926	145,049	92
Milled Rice	<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>						
Arkansas	-	-	1,714	2,227	1,714	2,227	130
California	-	-	2,490	2,196	2,490	2,196	88
Louisiana	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Mississippi	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Missouri	-	-	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	-	-	547	754	547	754	138
United States	-	-	5,646	6,245	5,646	6,245	111

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, ports, and in transit.

(D) Included in United States inventories to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Grain, Soybean, and Hay: Stocks by Position, Louisiana and U.S., December 1, 2014-2015

Crop	On Farms		Off Farms ¹		Total, All Positions		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2015/2014
Louisiana	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>						
Corn ²	-	-	23,619	31,289	-	-	-
Oats ²	-	-	(D)	(D)	-	-	-
Sorghum ²	-	-	1,307	480	-	-	-
Soybeans ²	-	-	6,479	5,406	-	-	-
Wheat, All ²	-	-	7,454	8,167	-	-	-
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>						
Hay, All ³	820	620					76
United States	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>						
Corn	7,087,000	6,829,000	4,124,380	4,382,605	11,211,380	11,211,605	100
Oats	31,300	36,750	35,670	46,135	66,970	82,885	124
Sorghum	30,500	51,500	192,094	262,628	222,594	314,128	141
Soybeans	1,218,000	1,309,500	1,309,744	1,405,317	2,527,744	2,714,817	107
Wheat, All	472,800	503,450	1,056,830	1,234,917	1,529,630	1,738,367	114
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>						
Hay, All ³	92,052	94,993					103

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.² Only Off-Farm stocks are available.³ Only On-Farm stocks are available for hay.

(D) Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.