



# Louisiana Crop Production Report

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This report contains the results from the *2016 August Ag Yield and Objective Yield Surveys*. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in a more detailed report at <http://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to these surveys, and to those cotton and soybean producers who allowed objective measurements to be taken in their fields.

## Corn, Rice, Soybeans, Cotton and Sugarcane Production Up from Last Year Hay and Sorghum Production Down from Last Year

Louisiana **corn** for grain production is forecast at 105 million bushels, up 57 percent from 2015. Based on conditions as of August 1, yield is expected to average 178 bushels per acre, up 7 bushels from last year. Producers expect to harvest 590,000 acres of corn for grain, up 200,000 acres from 2015.

**All cotton** production is forecast at 320,000 bales, up 69 percent, or 131,000 more bales than last year. Yield is expected to average 1,024 pounds per harvested acre, up 214 pounds from 2015. Producers expect to harvest 150,000 acres of cotton, a 38,000 acre increase from 2015.

**Hay** production is forecast at 1.01 million tons, down 6 percent from 2015. Based on conditions as of August 1, yield is expected to average 2.6 tons per acre, up 0.1 ton per acre from last year. Producers expect to harvest 390,000 acres of all hay, down 40,000 acres from 2015.

Total **rice** production for the state is forecast at 33 million hundredweight, up 15 percent from last year's production of 28.8 million hundredweight. Based on conditions as of August 1, the all rice yield for 2016 is forecast at 7,100 pounds per acre, up 160 pounds from last year. Louisiana producers expect to harvest 465,000 acres of rice, up 50,000 acres from 2015.

**Sorghum** for grain production in 2016 is forecast at 6.11 million bushels, down 3 percent from a year ago. Based on August 1 conditions, yield is expected to average 97 bushels per acre, up 12 bushels from 2015. Area for grain harvest, at 63,000 acres, is down 11,000 acres from 2015.

**Soybeans** production in 2016 is forecast at 61.5 million bushels, up 8 percent from last year. Based on August 1 conditions, yield is expected to average 50 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from last year. Area for harvest, at 1.23 million acres, is down 165,000 acres from 2015.

**Sugarcane** production is forecast at 13.6 million net tons, up 12 percent from a year ago. The yield is forecast at 31 net tons per acre, up 1.4 net tons per acre from last year. Area harvested for sugar and seed totaled 440,000 acres, up 30,000 acres from 2015.

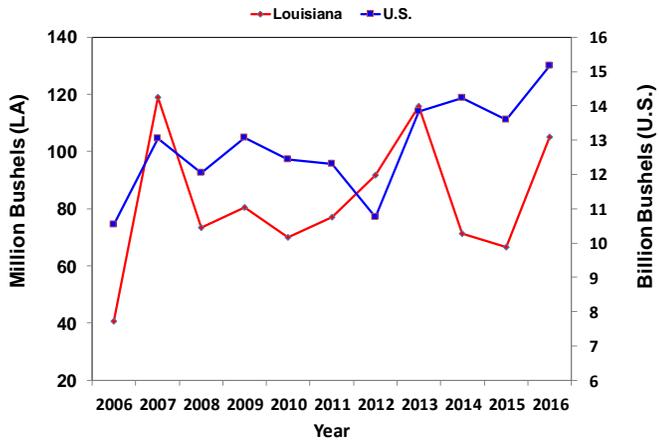
### Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Louisiana and U.S., 2015 and Forecasted August 1, 2016

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
		2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
		1,000 Acres		Per Acre		1,000 Units	
<b>Louisiana</b>							
Corn for Grain	<i>Bushels</i>	390	590	171	178	66,690	105,020
Cotton, All	<sup>1</sup>	112	150	810	1,024	189	320
Hay, excluding Alfalfa	<i>Tons</i>	430	390	2.50	2.60	1,075	1,014
Rice, All	<sup>2</sup>	415	465	6,940	7,100	28,791	33,015
Sorghum for Grain	<i>Bushels</i>	74	63	85	97	6,290	6,111
Soybeans for Beans	<i>Bushels</i>	1,395	1,230	41	50	57,195	61,500
Sugarcane (sugar/seed)	<i>Net Tons</i>	410	440	29.6	31.0	12,136	13,640
<b>United States</b>							
Corn for Grain	<i>Bushels</i>	80,749	86,550	168.4	175.1	13,601,198	15,153,472
Cotton, All	<sup>1</sup>	8,074.9	9,530.3	766	800	12,888	15,879
Hay, All	<i>Tons</i>	54,437	56,127	2.47	2.50	134,388	144,480
Peanuts	<i>Pounds</i>	1,567	1,531	3,963	3,990	6,210,590	6,109,400
Rice, All	<sup>2</sup>	2,575	3,190	7,470	7,659	192,343	244,327
Sorghum for Grain	<i>Bushels</i>	7,851	6,456	76.0	73.5	596,751	474,680
Soybeans for Beans	<i>Bushels</i>	81,814	83,037	48.0	48.9	3,929,160	4,060,188
Sugarcane (sugar/seed)	<i>Net Tons</i>	887.3	921.5	36.4	36.0	32,275	33,185
Winter Wheat	<i>Bushels</i>	32,257	30,176	42.5	54.9	1,370,188	1,657,440

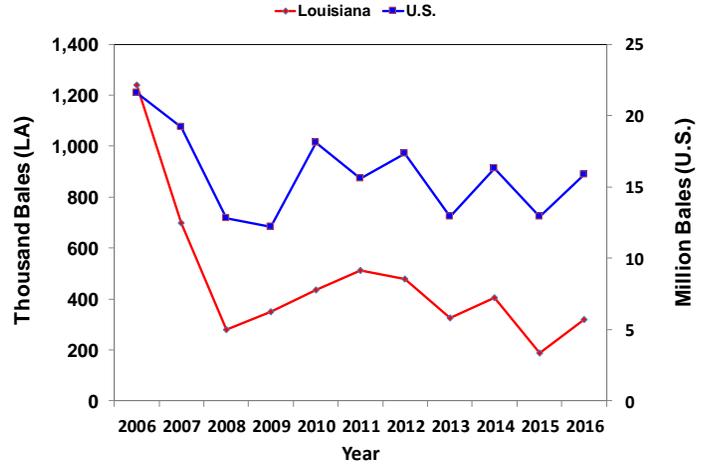
<sup>1</sup> Cotton yield in pounds per acre, production in 480 pound bales.

<sup>2</sup> Rice yield in pounds per acre, production in hundredweight (cwt).

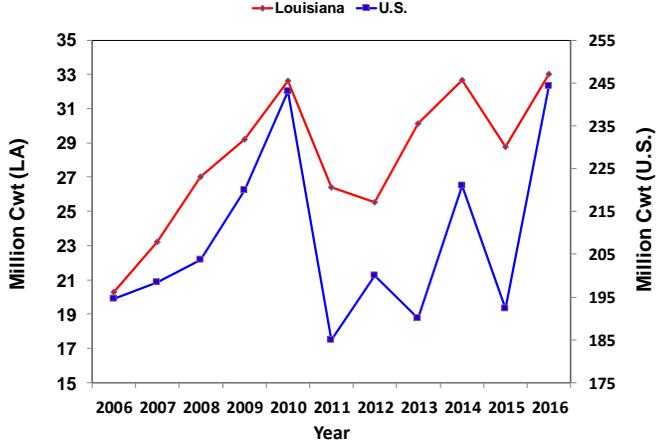
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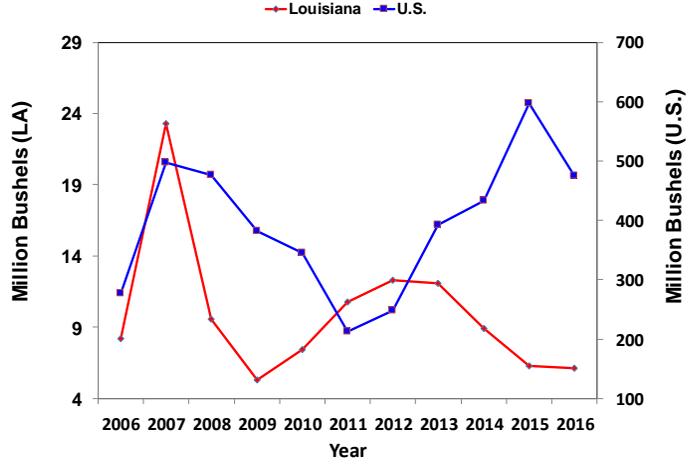
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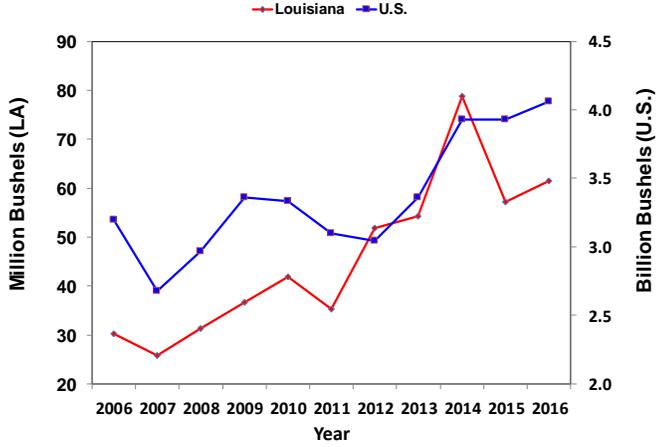
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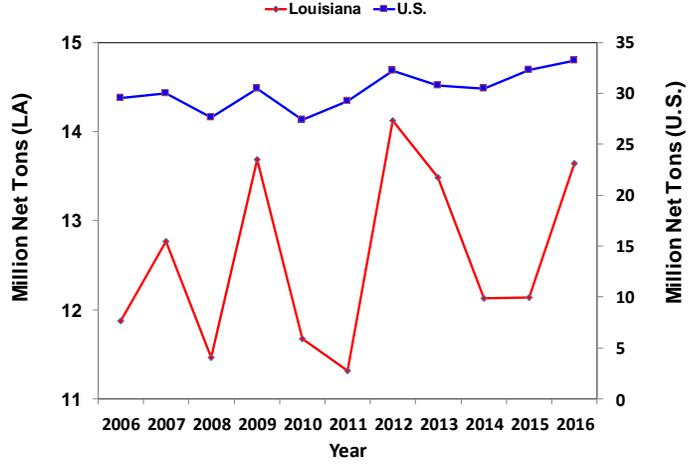
**Sorghum: Production, Louisiana and U.S. 2006-2016<sup>1</sup>**



**Soybean: Production, Louisiana and U.S. 2006-2016<sup>1</sup>**



**Sugarcane: Production, Louisiana and U.S. 2006-2016<sup>1</sup>**



<sup>1</sup> Forecasted production for 2016 as of August 1, 2016.