



News Release

Michigan Small Grains Summary

Winter wheat in Michigan averaged 75 bushels per acre this year, up 4 bushels from last year, according to Marlo Johnson, Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office.

Wheat was planted on 490,000 acres, with 450,000 acres harvested for grain. Wheat production was 33.8 million bushels, down 3 percent from 2019. Hot and dry conditions during grain fill led to a lower yield than farmers were hoping for.

Oats in Michigan averaged 55 bushels per acre, a decrease of 2 bushels from last year. Thirty thousand acres of oats were harvested in 2020, up 20 percent from last year. Oat production, at 1.65 million bushels, was up 16 percent from a year ago.

Nationally, winter wheat production for 2020 totaled 1.17 billion bushels, down 11 percent from the revised 2019 total of 1.32 billion bushels. The United States yield, at 50.9 bushels per acre, was down 2.7 bushels from 2019. Area harvested for grain was estimated at a record low 23.0 million acres, down 6 percent from the previous year. A record low harvested acreage is estimated in California. Record high yields were estimated in Idaho, Montana, New Jersey, Oklahoma, and South Dakota for 2020.

U.S. production was estimated at 65.4 million bushels, up 23 percent from 2019. Yield was estimated at 65.1 bushels per acre, up 0.8 bushel from the previous year. Harvested area, at 1.00 million acres, was 21 percent above last year.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Michigan and United States: 2019 - 2020

Commodity	Michigan		United States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Barley				
Planted1,000 acres	11	11	2,772	2,621
Harvested1,000 acres	8	8	2,221	2,133
Yield Bushels	44.0	56.0	77.7	77.5
Production 1,000 bu	352	448	172,499	165,324
Oats				
Planted1,000 acres	70	70	2,830	2,984
Harvested1,000 acres	25	30	828	1,004
Yield Bushels	57.0	55.0	64.3	65.1
Production 1,000 bu	1,425	1,650	53,258	65,355
Wheat, winter				
Planted1,000 acres	550	490	31,474	30,415
Harvested1,000 acres	490	450	24,592	23,024
Yield Bushels	71.0	75.0	53.6	50.9
Production 1,000 bu	34,790	33,750	1,316,963	1,171,022