



Pacific Region Field Crop Review

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FIELD CROP PRODUCTION – PACIFIC REGION

COTTON: California Upland cotton production is forecast at 220 thousand bales, 34 percent below last year. Harvest acreage is estimated at 59.0 thousand acres, down 36 percent from a year ago. The yield is forecast at 1,790 pounds per acre, up 3 percent from last year. The California American Pima cotton production, carried forward from September, is forecast at 510 thousand bales, 16 percent below the previous year. Harvest acreage is estimated at 154.0 thousand acres, down 17 percent from a year ago. The yield is forecast at 1,590 pounds per acre, up 1 percent from last year.

U.S. Upland cotton production is forecast at 15.7 million 480-pound bales, up 28 percent from 2013. Upland cotton harvested area is expected to total 9.69 million acres, unchanged from last month but up 32 percent from 2013. The **U.S. American Pima** production, forecast at 578 thousand bales, was carried forward from last month and is down 9 percent from last year. Pima harvested area, at 189.4 thousand acres, down 5 percent from 2013.

RICE: California's 2014 rice crop forecast, at 36.4 million cwt., is 24 percent below 2013. The 428 thousand acres for harvest is down 24 percent from the previous year. The yield is forecast at 8,500 pounds per acre, up 20 pounds from last year.

The 2014 **U.S.** rice production is forecast at 221 million cwt, up 16 percent from last year. Area for harvest is expected to total 2.91 million acres, 18 percent higher than 2013. Based on conditions as of October 1, the average U.S. yield is forecast at 7,584 pounds per acre, down 110 pounds from last year.

HAY: Production of alfalfa hay in Nevada is forecast at 0.95 million tons, up 0.5 percent from 2013.

Production of alfalfa hay in California is forecast at 6.60 million tons, up 8 percent from last year's crop. Other hay production is forecast at 1.50 million tons, down 19 percent from the 2013 crop.

The **U.S.** production of alfalfa hay for 2014 is forecast at 64.5 million tons, up 12 percent from 2013. Based on October 1 conditions, yield is expected to average 3.55 tons per acre, up 0.31 ton from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 18.2 million acres, unchanged from September, but up 2 percent from 2013.

SUGAR BEETS: California sugar beet production is forecast at 1.09 million tons, down 1 percent from the 2013 crop. Acreage for harvest is forecast at 24.5 thousand acres, down 1 percent from last year. The yield is expected to be 44.6 tons per acre, 0.2 percent above last year.

The **U.S.** sugar beet production is forecast at 32.1 million tons, down 2 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 1.15 million acres, down 1 percent from the 2013 forecast. Expected yield is forecast at 28.0 tons per acre, down 0.4 tons from last year.

CORN: California's 2014 corn for grain production is expected to total 493 thousand tons, 50 percent below last year. Acreage for harvest, at 110 thousand acres, is 39 percent below last year. The forecast yield, at 4.48 tons per acre is 18 percent below 2013.

The **U.S.** corn for grain production is forecast at 405.3 million tons, up 4 percent from 2013. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 4.88 tons per acre, 0.43 tons above the 2013 average. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 83.1 million acres, down 5 percent from 2013.

DRY BEANS: California's 2014 all dry bean production is forecast at 1.14 million cwt., down 1 percent from the 2013 crop. The 47.5 thousand acres for harvest is 4 percent below last year. The forecast yield of 2,400 pounds per acre, is 80 pounds above the 2013 yield.

The **U.S.** dry edible bean production is forecast at 29.0 million cwt for 2014, up 19 percent from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 1.63 million acres, 24 percent above the previous year. The average **U.S.** yield is forecast at 1,787 pounds per acre, a decrease of 80 pounds from 2013.

WINTER WHEAT: California's 2014 winter wheat production is estimated at 432 thousand tons, 48 percent below 2013. Average yields came in at 2.40 tons per acre, unchanged from the previous year. Harvested acreage was estimated at 180 thousand acres, 48 percent below last year.

The **U.S.** winter wheat production totaled 41.3 million tons, down 11 percent below the previous year. The **U.S.** yield is 1.28 tons per acre, down 0.14 tons from 2013. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 32.3 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous year.

BARLEY: California's 2014 barley production, estimated at 43.8 thousand tons, 42 percent below last year. The average yield of 1.75 tons per acre was 0.05 ton below 2013. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 25 thousand acres, down 40 percent from 2013.

The **U.S.** barley production is estimated at 4.33 million tons, down 17 percent from 2013. Average yield per acre, at 1.76 tons, is up 0.05 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 2.46 million acres, is down 19 percent from last year.

FIELD CROP ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production		
	2013	2014 Forecast	Unit	2013	2014 Forecast	Unit	2013	2014 Forecast
	1,000 acres			1,000				
HAWAII								
Coffee 1/	8.2	---	Lbs.	940	---	Cwt.	7,700	---
Sugar Cane	17.7	19	Tons	78.9	75.0	Tons	1,397	1,425
NEVADA								
Wheat, Winter	12	9	Tons	2.70	3.30	Tons	29.7	---
Wheat, Other Spring	3	1	Tons	2.25	1.80	Tons	6.75	1.80
Hay, All	345	390	Tons	3.37	2/	Tons	1,161	2/
Alfalfa	210	250	Tons	4.50	3.80	Tons	945	950
Other	135	140	Tons	1.60	2/	Tons	216	2/
CALIFORNIA								
Wheat, Winter	345	180	Tons	2.40	2.40	Tons	828	432
Wheat, Durum	49	35	Tons	3.00	3.15	Tons	147	110
Oats	15	10	Tons	1.28	1.60	Tons	19.2	16.0
Barley	42	25	Tons	1.80	1.75	Tons	76	44
Corn for Grain	180	110	Tons	5.46	4.48	Tons	983	493
Rice, All 3/	561	428	Lbs.	8,480	8,500	Cwt.	47,574	36,380
Long	6	5	Lbs.	5,700	2/	Cwt.	342	2/
Medium	510	390	Lbs.	8,670	2/	Cwt.	44,217	2/
Short 3/	45	33	Lbs.	6,700	2/	Cwt.	3,015	2/
Cotton, Upland 4/	92.0	59.0	Lbs.	1,737	1,790	Bales	333.0	220.0
Cotton, American-Pima 4/	186.0	154.0	Lbs.	1,574	1,590	Bales	610.0	510.0
Sweet Potatoes	19.0	19.0	Cwt.	360	2/	Cwt.	6,840	2/
Sugar Beets 5/	24.3	24.5	Tons	44.4	44.6	Tons	1,079	1,093
Beans, Dry, Edible 6/	49.5	47.5	Lbs.	2,320	2,400	Cwt.	1,150	1,140
Hay, All	1,440	1,370	Tons	5.53	5.91	Tons	7,956	8,099
Alfalfa	900	930	Tons	6.80	7.10	Tons	6,120	6,603
Other	540	440	Tons	3.40	3.40	Tons	1,836	1,496
Safflower	49.5	54.0	Lbs.	2,000	2/	Lbs.	99,000	2/
Sunflower	58.0	42.4	Lbs.	1,296	1,107	Lbs.	75,150	46,930
UNITED STATES								
Wheat, Winter	32,650	32,304	Tons	1.42	1.28	Tons	46,287	41,326
Wheat, Durum	1,338	1,372	Tons	1.30	1.25	Tons	1,739	1,713
Wheat, Other Spring	11,344	12,800	Tons	1.41	1.41	Tons	16,023	18,023
Oats	1,009	1,039	Tons	1.03	1.08	Tons	1,034	1,127
Barley	3,040	2,458	Tons	1.71	1.76	Tons	5,202	4,330
Corn for Grain	87,668	83,097	Tons	4.45	4.88	Tons	389,904	405,298
Rice, All 3/	2,468	2,910	Lbs.	7,694	7,584	Cwt.	189,886	220,691
Long	1,767	2,186	Lbs.	7,464	2/	Cwt.	131,896	2/
Medium	655	690	Lbs.	8,384	2/	Cwt.	54,915	2/
Short 3/	46	34	Lbs.	6,685	2/	Cwt.	3,075	2/
Cotton, Upland 4/	7,345.0	9,692.0	Lbs.	802	776	Bales	12,275.0	15,677.0
Cotton, American-Pima 4/	199.4	189.4	Lbs.	1,527	1,465	Bales	634.2	578.0
Sweet Potatoes	113.2	130.0	Cwt.	219	2/	Cwt.	24,785	2/
Sugar Beets 5/	1,154.0	1,145.7	Tons	28.4	28.0	Tons	32,813	32,069
Coffee 1/	8.2	---	Lbs.	940	---	Cwt.	7,700	---
Sugarcane	910.8	882.5	Tons	33.8	33.2	Tons	30,761	29,340
Beans, Dry, Edible 6/	1,311.3	1,625.3	Lbs.	1,867	1,787	Cwt.	24,486	29,036
Hay, All	58,257	57,646	Tons	2.33	2.58	Tons	135,946	148,671
Alfalfa	17,763	18,190	Tons	3.24	3.55	Tons	57,581	64,524
Other	40,494	39,456	Tons	1.94	2.13	Tons	78,365	84,147
Safflower	170.0	176.2	Lbs.	1,232	2/	Lbs.	209,461	2/
Sunflower	1,474.6	1,508.8	Lbs.	1,378	1,626	Lbs.	2,032,725	2,453,770

1/ 2014-2015 estimate will be released in December Crop Production on December 10, 2014.

2/ To be released 2015

3/ Includes sweet rice

4/ Cotton yield in pounds; production in 480-pound net weight bales.

5/ Relates to year of intended harvest in all states, except California. In California, related to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for over-wintered beets in central and southern California.

6/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

GRAIN STOCKS

All wheat stocks in California on September 1, 2014 totaled 452 thousand tons, down 24 percent from a year earlier. **U.S.** stocks of all wheat at 57.4 million tons were 2 percent more than the 56.1 million tons on hand September 1, 2013.

Off-farm barley stocks in California totaled 18.3 thousand tons on September 1, 2014, up 15 percent

from last year. **U.S.** barley stocks, at 4.29 million tons, were down 9 percent from September 2013.

Off-farm stocks of corn in California totaled 121 thousand tons on September 1, 2014, up 162 percent from 2013. **U.S.** stocks of corn in all positions totaled 34.6 million tons, 50 percent above September 2013.

GRAIN STOCKS IN ALL POSITIONS (Includes stocks under support and government owned grain.)

Grain and Position	September 1, 2013	June 1, 2014 1/	September 1, 2014
	Tons		
ALL WHEAT			
California			
On-Farm	48,000	7,200	25,500
Off-Farm 2/	<u>543,570</u>	71,130	<u>426,240</u>
Total	591,570	78,330	451,740
U.S. Total	56,089,110	17,687,130	57,420,000
BARLEY			
California			
Off-Farm 2/ 3/	15,984	12,408	18,336
U.S. Total	4,706,160	1,968,528	4,291,248
OATS			
California			
Off Farm 2/ 3/	2,160	880	2,160
U.S. Total	1,015,824	395,904	1,170,800
CORN			
California			
Off-Farm 2/ 3/	46,340	176,232	121,324
U.S. Total	22,993,180	107,856,308	34,599,264
SORGHUM GRAIN			
California			
Off-Farm 2/	4/	4/	4/
U.S. Total	424,284	2,587,872	952,896

1/ U.S. revised.

2/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

3/ California on-farm stocks and total stocks are included in United States totals.

4/ Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

**PRICES RECEIVED
BY CALIFORNIA FARMERS - SEPTEMBER 2014**

Mid-September prices for wheat were not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. There were insufficient sales to establish a mid-month price for barley, dry edible beans, all types of potatoes and upland cotton lint.

U.S. PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in September, at 106 percent, based on 2011=100, decreased 3 points (2.8 percent) from August. The Crop Index is down 3 points (3.3 percent) but the Livestock Index was unchanged. Producers received lower prices for hogs, corn, soybeans, and cattle. Higher prices were received for broilers, milk, strawberries, and apples. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of soybeans, corn, potatoes, and calves offset the decreased marketing of cattle, wheat, cotton, and barley.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 3 points (2.9 percent) from September 2013. The Food Commodities Index, at 119, decreased 1 point (0.8 percent) from last month but increased 13 points (12 percent) from September 2013.

The September Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is at 111 (2011=100). The index is unchanged from August but 4 points (3.7 percent) above September 2013. Higher prices in September for feeder cattle, potash & phosphate, LP gas, and herbicides offset lower prices for complete feeds, feeder pigs, hay & forages, and feed grains.

The September All Farm Products Index is 106 percent of its 2011 base, down 2.8 percent from the August index but 2.9 percent above the September 2013 index.

All crops: The September index, at 87, decreased 3.3 percent from August and is 12 percent below September 2013. Index decreases for oilseeds & grains and vegetable & melon production more than offset the index increases for other crop production and fruit & tree nut production.

Food grains: The September index, at 83, is unchanged from the previous month but 14 percent below a year ago. The September price for all wheat, at \$5.72 per bushel, is down 26 cents from August and \$1.08 below September 2013.

Feed grains: The September index, at 58, is down 7.9 percent from last month and 36 percent below a year

ago. The corn price, at \$3.38 per bushel, is down 25 cents from last month and \$2.02 below September 2013. Sorghum grain, at \$6.58 per cwt, is 55 cents below August and \$1.59 below September last year.

Oilseeds: The September index, at 89, is down 8.2 percent from August and 15 percent lower than September 2013. The soybean price, at \$11.20 per bushel, decreased \$1.20 from August and is \$2.10 below September 2013.

Fruits & tree nuts: The September index, at 129, is up 0.8 percent from August and 9.3 percent higher than a year ago. The price increases for strawberries and apples more than offset price decreases for grapes and peaches.

Vegetable & melon: The September index, at 97, is down 2.0 percent from last month but 6.6 percent above September 2013. During September, lower sweet corn prices more than offset higher lettuce prices.

Other crops: The September index, at 101, is up 2.0 percent from last month but 1.0 percent below September 2013. The all hay price, at \$176 per ton, is down \$9.00 from August but up \$2.00 from last September. The price for upland cotton, at 71.6 cents per pound, is up 1.1 cents from August but 3.0 cents below from last September.

Livestock and products: The September index, at 131, is unchanged from last month but up 21 percent from September 2013. Compared with a year ago, prices are higher for cattle, milk, broilers, calves, hogs, turkeys, and market eggs.

Meat animals: The September index, at 133, is down 2.9 percent from last month but 23 percent higher than last year. The September hog price, at \$73.40 per cwt, is down \$9.80 from August but \$2.70 higher than a year ago. The September beef cattle price of \$156 per cwt is down \$2.00 from last month but \$34.00 higher than September 2013.

Dairy products: The September index, at 124, is up 3.3 percent from a month ago and 24 percent higher than September last year. The September all milk price of \$25.00 per cwt is up 90 cents from last month and up \$4.90 from September 2013.

Poultry & eggs: The September index, at 133, is up 5.6 percent from August and 16 percent above a year ago. The September market egg price, at 82.5 cents per dozen, decreased 3.6 cents from August but is 0.2 cents above September 2013. The September broiler price, at 66.0 cents per pound, is up 5.0 cents from August and 11.0 cents above a year ago. The September turkey price, at 77.3 cents per pound, is up 1.7 cents from the previous month and up 9.4 cents from a year earlier.

AVERAGE FARM PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/ 2/

Commodity	Unit	CALIFORNIA			UNITED STATES		
		October 2013	September 2014	September 2014	October 2013	September 2014	September 2014
		Dollars					
Corn 3/	Tons	---	---	---	192.86	129.64	120.71
Wheat 3/	Tons	4/	4/	5/	226.67	199.33	190.67
Oats 3/	Tons	---	---	---	223.13	203.13	192.50
Barley 3/	Tons	4/	285.83	5/	245.00	233.33	214.58
Sorghum Grain 3/	Cwt.	---	---	---	8.17	7.13	6.58
Rice 3/	Cwt.	---	---	---	15.60	15.40	15.50
Dry Edible Beans 3/	Cwt.	43.00	4/	5/	39.10	36.20	30.90
All Potatoes 6/	Cwt.	5/	5/	5/	11.15	9.81	9.75
Spring	Cwt.	5/	5/	5/	---	---	---
Fall	Cwt.	5/	5/	5/	---	---	---
Upland Cotton Lint 3/	Lbs	4/	5/	5/	0.746	0.705	0.716
Cottonseed	Tons	---	---	---	---	---	---

- 1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers. They are averages for all grades, classes, and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.
- 2/ Current month prices are preliminary.
- 3/ Previous month revised to monthly average.
- 4/ Not published to avoid possible disclosure of operations.
- 5/ Insufficient data to establish a price.
- 6/ Monthly average.

INDEX NUMBER OF PRICES RECEIVED AND PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES

Index	2011 Base		
	Oct 2013 (Percent)	Sep 2014 (Percent)	Oct 2014 (Percent)
Agricultural Production	103	109	106
Crop Production	99	90	87
Grains and oilseed	96	76	72
Feed grain	90	63	58
Food grain	97	83	83
Oilseed	105	97	89
Fruit and nut	118	128	129
Commercial vegetable	91	99	97
Other crop	102	99	101
Livestock Production	108	131	131
Meat animal	108	137	133
Cattle	109	141	141
Hog	106	125	110
Dairy	100	120	124
Poultry and egg	115	126	133
Food Commodity	106	120	119

- 1/ All production indexes as of 15th of month.

HAY PRICES 1/

Commodity	Unit	Alfalfa hay			Other Hay		
		October 2013	September 2014	October 2014	October 2013	September 2014	October 2014
		Dollars					
Arizona	Tons	180.00	240.00	195.00	200.00	205.00	220.00
California 2/	Tons	201.00	245.00	230.00	161.00	190.00	170.00
Idaho	Tons	180.00	200.00	190.00	180.00	180.00	170.00
Nevada	Tons	196.00	260.00	240.00	190.00	225.00	215.00
Oregon	Tons	200.00	230.00	225.00	200.00	225.00	210.00
Utah	Tons	187.00	205.00	205.00	150.00	165.00	165.00
UNITED STATES	Tons	194.00	209.00	197.00	133.00	134.00	129.00

1/ Current month hay prices are preliminary.

2/ Previous month revised to monthly average.