

FIELD CROPS

HAY

All harvested hay totaled 320,000 acres in 2009, down from 340,000 acres in 2008. Yield for all hay totaled 4.33 tons an acre for a total production of 1.38 million tons. The average price for all hay was \$152 per ton. Harvested alfalfa acreage decreased to 240,000 acres from the previous year's total of 250,000 acres. Yield per acre was 5.10 tons for a total production of 1.2 million tons. The price of alfalfa hay averaged \$154 per ton.

SORGHUM

New Mexico's sorghum acreage harvested for grain decreased to 50,000 in 2009 compared to 80,000 acres harvested the previous year. Yields averaged 46 bushels per acre for a total production of 2.3 million bushels compared to 3.4 million bushels produced a year earlier. The average price decreased to \$3.19 per bushel. Total value of production was \$7.3 million, decreasing from \$12.0 million in 2008. There was a total of 18,000 acres harvested for silage with an average yield of 16 tons per acre, which produced 288,000 tons.

CORN

Corn for grain production decreased from 9.9 million bushels in 2008 to 9.25 million bushels in 2009. Yields were 185 bushels per acre; harvested acres decreased by 5,000 acres to 50,000. The 2009 price per bushel averaged \$4.00 for a total value of production of \$37 million. Acres harvested for silage decreased 5,000 acres to 78,000. Yield was up slightly from last year to 27 tons per acre for a total production of 2.1 million tons.

WHEAT

Winter wheat production in the state for 2009 was 3.5 million bushels, down from 4.2 million in 2008. Harvested acreage remained the same from 2008 to 2009 at 140,000 acres. The average yield was 25 bushels per acre. The value of production was \$16 million with an average price of \$4.70 per bushel.

PEANUTS

Peanut harvested acreage decreased by 1,000 acres from the previous year to 7,000 acres in 2009. Yields were slightly lower in 2009 with 3,100 pounds per acre. Production was 21.7 million pounds. Crop value rose from \$6.2 million in 2008 to \$7.1 million in 2009 with the average price at 33 cents per pound.

COTTON

Upland cotton producers harvested 29,500 acres in 2009 compared to 35,000 in 2008. Yields were higher in 2009 coming in at 1,172 pounds per acre. Total production for the year was estimated at 72,000 bales. Price per pound averaged \$0.63 with total value of production at \$15 million. American-Pima harvested acres totaled 2,800, an increase of 900 acres from the 2008 total of 1,900 acres. Yields for the year averaged 686 pounds per acre with total production coming in at 4,000 bales. Price per pound was \$1.10, with total value of production at 2.3 million dollars.