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## CROP PRODUCTION – SEPTEMBER 2019

### NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

Based on September 1 conditions, **all cotton** production in New Mexico is expected to total 109,000 480-lb bales, according to the September 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is down 3 percent from the August 1 forecast and down 13 percent from last year's crop.

**Upland cotton** harvested acreage is forecast at 45,000 acres, down 11,000 acres from last year. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 100,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, down 12 percent from last year. Upland yield is forecast at 1,067 pounds per acre, unchanged from the August 1 forecast and up 90 pounds from last year. As of September 1, 8 percent of upland cotton bolls had opened, compared with 12 percent last year and the five-year average of 22 percent. The cotton crop was rated 1 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 48 percent fair, 22 percent good, and 11 percent excellent as of September 1. **Pima cotton** harvested acreage is estimated at 5,400 acres, down 1,400 acres from last year. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 9,000 480-lb bales of Pima cotton, compared with 11,500 bales last year. Pima yield is forecast at 800 pounds per acre, down 35 pounds from the August 1 forecast and 12 pounds less than last year.

**Peanut** production for 2019 is forecast at 16.00 million pounds, down 3 percent from the 16.50 million pounds produced a year earlier. Yields are expected to average 3,200 pounds per acre, up from 3,000 pounds per acre last year. Growers expect to harvest 5,000 acres this year, down 500 acres from last year. As of September 1, New Mexico's peanut crop condition was rated 9 percent poor, 65 percent fair, and 26 percent good.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**All cotton** production is forecast at 21.9 million 480-pound bales, down 3 percent from the previous forecast but up 19 percent from 2018. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 839 pounds per harvested acre, down 16 pounds from the previous forecast and down 25 pounds from 2018. **Upland cotton** production is forecast at 21.1 million 480-pound bales, down 3 percent from the previous forecast but up 20 percent from 2018. **Pima cotton** production is forecast at 717,000 bales, down 9 percent from the previous forecast and down 10 percent from 2018. All cotton area harvested is forecast at 12.5 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous forecast but up 23 percent from 2018. All cotton planted area totaled 13.8 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 2 percent from 2018.

**Peanut** production is forecast at 5.65 billion pounds, up 7 percent from the previous forecast and up 3 percent from 2018. Planted area, at 1.43 million acres, is up 4 percent from the previous estimate but down less than 1 percent from the 2018 planted area. Harvested area is expected to total 1.38 million acres, up 5 percent from the previous forecast and up 1 percent from 2018. Based on conditions as of September 1, the average yield for the United States is forecast at 4,086 pounds per acre, up 78 pounds per acre from last month and 95 pounds per acre above the 2018 average yield.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).