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CROP PRODUCTION – MAY 2020

NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

Hay stocks on New Mexico farms and ranches as of May 1, 2020 totaled 50,000 tons, down 52 percent from stocks of 105,000 tons on hand last year, according to the May 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Hay production for 2019 was 954,000 tons, 2 percent higher than 2018 production. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 to May 1, 2020 was 280,000 tons, compared with 145,000 tons for the same period a year earlier.

Final **all cotton** production in New Mexico totaled 86,000 480-lb bales, 31 percent below 2018. Area of all cotton harvested, at 50,000 acres, is down 11,800 acres from last year. The all cotton yield is 826 pounds per acre, down 149 pounds from 2018. **Upland cotton** planted acres are estimated at 63,000 for 2019, with 45,000 acres harvested. Upland cotton production totaled 77,000 bales, down 32 percent from the 2018 crop. Yield is estimated at 821 pounds per acre, down 174 pounds from last year. **American Pima** planted cotton acres are estimated at 5,200 for 2019, with 5,000 acres harvested. New Mexico's 2019 American Pima production is estimated at 9,000 bales with an average yield of 864 pounds per acre.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2019. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.7 bushels per acre, down 1.9 bushels from last year's average yield of 53.6 bushels per acre.

Hard Red Winter production, at 733 million bushels, is down 12 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 298 million bushels, is up 24 percent from 2019. White Winter, at 224 million bushels, is down 3 percent from last year. Of the White Winter production, 16.2 million bushels are Hard White and 207 million bushels are Soft White.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2020 totaled 20.4 million tons, up 37 percent from May 1, 2019, which were the second lowest since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 - May 1, 2020 totaled 64.1 million tons, down less than 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Final 2019 **All cotton** production is estimated at 19.9 million 480-pound bales, 8 percent higher than the 2018 crop. The United States yield for all cotton is estimated at 823 pounds per acre, down 59 pounds from the previous year. **Upland cotton** production is estimated at 19.2 million 480-pound bales, up 9 percent from the 2018 crop. The United States yield for upland cotton is estimated at 810 pounds per acre, down 55 pounds from 2018. **America Pima** production is estimated at 685,500 bales (480-pounds), down 14 percent from 2018. The United States yield is estimates at 1,472 pounds per acre, down 73 pounds from the previous season.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.