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CROP PRODUCTION – SEPTEMBER 2022

NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

Based on September 1 conditions, all cotton production in New Mexico is expected to total 140,000 480-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 up 84 percent from last year’s crop.

Upland cotton harvested acreage is forecast at 48,000 acres, up 22,000 acres from last year. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 105,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, up 75 percent from last year. Upland yield is forecast at 1,050 pounds per acre, down 58 pounds per acre from last year. As of September 4, 79 percent of upland cotton was setting bolls, compared with 78 percent last year and the five-year average of 79 percent. The cotton crop was rated 5 percent very poor, 29 percent poor, 36 percent fair, 24 percent good, and 6 percent excellent as of September 4. Pima cotton harvested acreage is estimated at 18,500 acres, up 6,500 acres from last year and the highest harvested acreage since 19,400 acres were harvested in 1991. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 35,000 480-lb bales of Pima cotton, compared with 16,000 bales last year, and the highest production since 1989. Pima yield is forecast at 908 pounds per acre, 268 pounds per acre more than last year.

Peanut production for 2022 is forecast at 21.30 million pounds, down 26 percent from the 28.60 million pounds produced a year earlier. Yields are expected to average 3,000 pounds per acre, up from 2,600 pounds per acre last year. Growers expect to harvest 7,100 acres this year from 7,100 planted acres, down 3,900 acres from last year’s harvested acreage. As of September 4, New Mexico’s peanut crop condition was rated 5 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 75 percent fair, and 13 percent good.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All cotton production is forecast at 13.8 million 480-pound bales, up 10 percent from the previous forecast but down 21 percent from 2021. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 843 pounds per harvested acre, down 3 pounds from the previous forecast but up 24 pounds from 2021. Upland cotton production is forecast at 13.4 million 480-pound bales, up 10 percent from the previous forecast but down 22 percent from 2021. Pima cotton production is forecast at 460,000 bales, up 13 percent from the previous forecast and up 39 percent from 2021. All cotton area harvested is forecast at 7.88 million acres, up 10 percent from the previous forecast but down 23 percent from 2021. All cotton planted area totaled 13.8 million acres, up 11 percent from the previous forecast and up 23 percent from 2021.

Peanut production is forecast at 5.85 million pounds in 2022, down 6 percent from the previous forecast and down 8 percent from 2021. Acreage updates were made in several States based on a thorough review of all available data. Planted area at 1.46 million acres is down 5 percent from the previous estimate and down 8 percent from 2021 planted area. Area harvested is expected to total 1.41 million acres, down 6 percent from the previous forecast and down 9 percent from 2021. Based on conditions as of September 1, the average yield for the United States is forecast at 4.145 pounds per acre, up 16 pounds per acre from the previous forecast and up 10 pounds per acre from 2021.

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