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CROP PRODUCTION – MAY 1, 2023

NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

Hay stocks on New Mexico farms and ranches as of May 1, 2023, totaled 30,000 tons, unchanged from stocks 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. All hay production for 2022 totaled 740,000 tons, 9 percent lower than production in 2021, and the lowest hay production since 1961. Disappearance from December 1, 2022 – May 1, 2023, was 160,000 tons, compared with 210,000 tons during the same period a year earlier.

Final **all cotton** production in New Mexico for 2022 totaled 88,000 480-lb bales, 16 percent above 2021. Area of all cotton harvested, at 48,800 acres, is up 10,900 acres from last year. The all cotton yield is 866 pounds per acre, down 97 pounds per acre from 2021. **Upland cotton** planted area is estimated at 66,000 acres for 2022, with 30,000 acres harvested. Upland cotton production totaled 60,000 480-lb bales, unchanged from the 2021 crop. Yield is estimated at 960 pounds per acre, up down 148 pounds per acre from last year. **American Pima** cotton planted area is estimated at 19,000 acres for 2022, with 18,800 acres harvested. New Mexico's 2022 American Pima production is estimated at 28,000 480-lb bales, with an average yield of 715 pounds per acre.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.13 billion bushels, up 2 percent from 2022. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 44.7 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from last year's average yield of 47.0 bushels per acre. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed is forecast at 25.3 million acres, up 8 percent from last year. Hard Red Winter production, at 514 million bushels, is down 3 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 406 million bushels, is up 21 percent from 2022. White Winter, at 210 million bushels, is down 11 percent from last year. Of the White Winter production, 10.2 million bushels are Hard White and 200 million bushels are Soft White.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2023, totaled 14.5 million tons, down 13 percent from May 1, 2022. The May 1 hay stock level for the United States represents the second lowest amount stored since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2022 – May 1, 2023, totaled 57.4 million tons, down 8 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All cotton 2022 final production is estimated at 14.5 million 480-pound bales, 17 percent lower than the 2021 crop. The United States yield for all cotton is estimated at 950 pounds per acre, up 131 pounds from the previous year. **Upland** cotton production is estimated at 14.0 million 480-pound bales, down 19 percent from the 2021 crop. The United States yield for upland cotton is estimated at 942 pounds per acre, up 129 pounds from 2021. **American Pima** production is estimated at 470,000 bales (480-pounds), up 42 percent from 2021. The United States yield is estimated at 1,280 pounds per acre, down 8 pounds from the previous season.

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