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N.C. FARMERS TO PLANT MORE CORN AND SOYBEANS, LESS COTTON AND TOBACCO

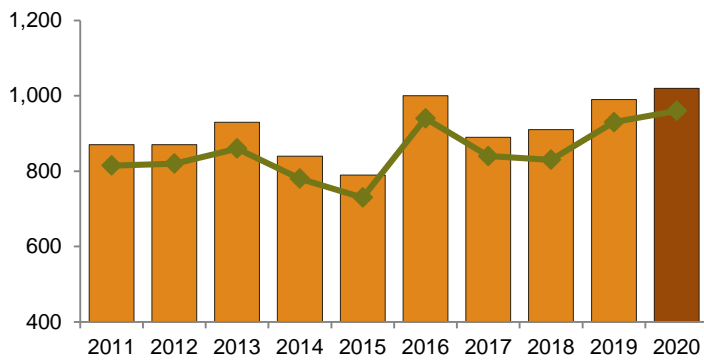
“The USDA’s June Acreage Report released today captures North Carolina farmer’s estimated harvested acres for 2020,” said Dee Webb, North Carolina State Statistician. “North Carolina farmers have once again stepped up to provide this essential information and ensured quality data was provided for the report. We understand farmers are dealing with many issues in the agriculture industry and we thank them for their continued support.”

- ◆ **Corn** plantings are expected to total 1.02 million acres in 2020, up 3% from 2019.
- ◆ **Cotton** growers intend to plant 370,000 acres in 2020, down 27% from last year.
- ◆ **Flue-cured tobacco** growers expect to harvest 92,000 acres in 2020, down 21% from 2019.
- ◆ **Burley tobacco** growers expect to harvest 300 acres in 2020, down 25% from last year.
- ◆ **Soybean** plantings, at 1.6 million acres, are expected to increase 4% from 2019.
- ◆ **Peanut** growers intend to plant 105,000 acres in 2020, up 1% from the planted acreage in 2019.
- ◆ **Hay** producers expect to cut 774,000 acres in 2020, down 5% from the 2019 estimate.
- ◆ **Winter wheat** plantings totaled 460,000 acres, up 59% from last year.

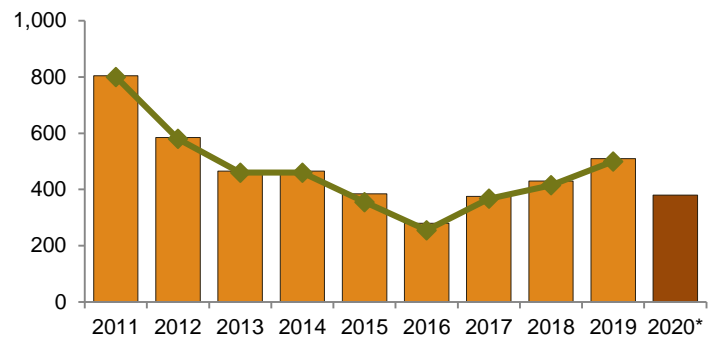
NORTH CAROLINA CROP ACREAGES, JUNE 1					
Crops	Planted		Harvested		Percent Change (Planted Acres)
	2019	2020	2019	2020	
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>+/-</i>
Barley	11	15	6	11	+36
Corn for Grain ¹	990	1,020	930	960	+3
Cotton	510	370	500	³	-27
Hay: All	-	-	816	774	-5
Hay: Alfalfa	-	-	6	4	-33
Hay: Other	-	-	810	770	-5
Oats ²	22	33	7	13	+50
Peanuts	104	105	102	103	+1
Soybeans	1,540	1,600	1,520	1,570	+4
Tobacco: All	-	-	117.4	92.3	-21
Tobacco: Burley	-	-	0.4	0.3	-25
Tobacco: Flue-cured	-	-	117.0	92.0	-21
Wheat ²	290	460	225	380	+59

¹ Planted for all purposes. ² Includes area planted in preceding fall. ³ Released on August 12, 2020.

NC Corn for Grain - (Thousand Acres)



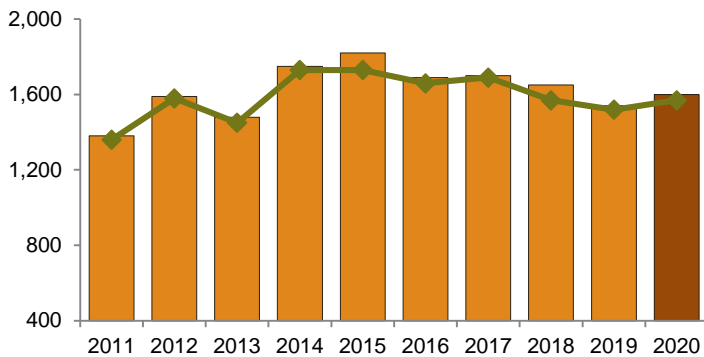
NC Upland Cotton - (Thousand Acres)



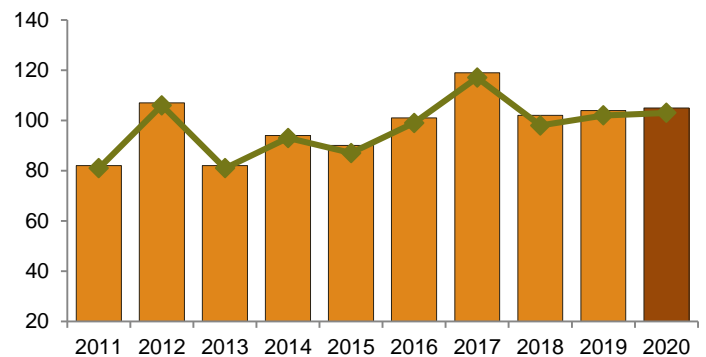
* Harvested Acres released on August 12, 2020.

Planted Harvested

NC Soybeans- (Thousand Acres)



NC Peanuts - (Thousand Acres)



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