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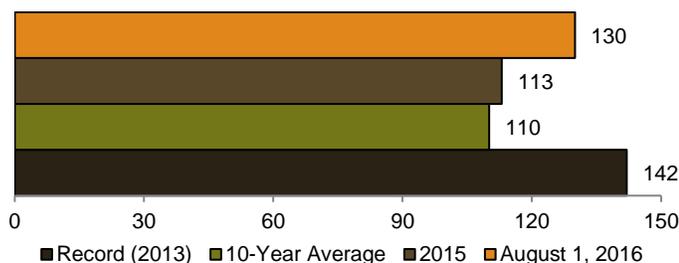
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NORTH CAROLINA CORN PRODUCTION UP

Corn for grain

- Yield is forecast at 130 bushels per acre, up 17 bushels from last year's yield of 113 bushels per acre.
- Production is forecast to total 122.2 million bushels, up 48% the 82.5 million bushels produced last year.
- Harvested acres are forecast at 940,000, up from the 730,000 acres harvested in 2015.

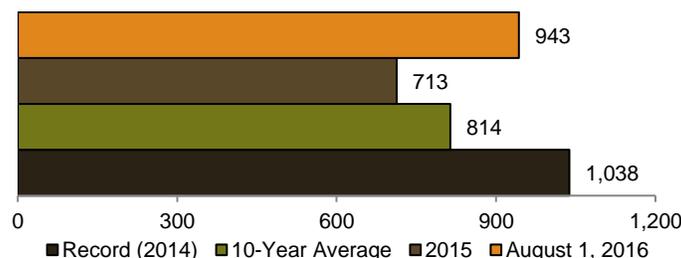
Corn for Grain Yield - (Bushels)



Cotton

- Yield is forecast at 943 pounds per acre, up 230 pounds from last year's yield of 713 pounds per acre.
- Production is forecast at 560,000 bales, up 6% from last year's production of 527,000 bales.
- Harvested acres are expected to total 285,000 acres compared with 355,000 acres harvested in 2015.

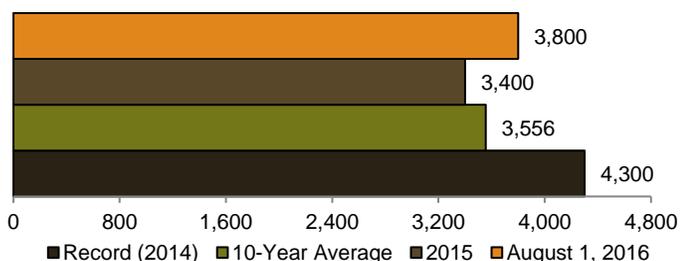
Upland Cotton Yield - (Pounds)



Peanuts

- Yield per acre is forecast at 3,800 pounds, up 400 pounds per acre from last year.
- Production is forecast at 300 million pounds, up slightly from last year's production.
- Harvested acres are projected at 79,000 acres, down 9,000 acres from 2015.

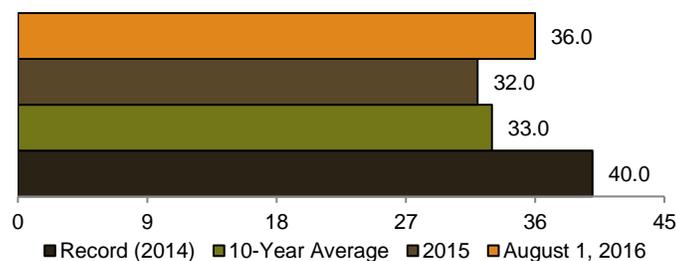
Peanut Yield - (Pounds)



Soybeans

- Yield is forecast to average 36 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from last year's yield of 32.
- Production is forecast to total 57.6 million bushels, up 1% from last year's production of 57.2 million bushels.
- Harvested acres are projected at 1.6 million acres, down 11% from last year.

Soybean Yield - (Bushels)



ACRES, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, AUGUST 1, 2016									
Crops	Unit	Harvested		Yield			Production		Percent Change
		2015	2016	2015	2016		2015	2016	
					July 1	August 1			
		Thousand Acres		Unit per Acre			Thousands		+/-
Corn for Grain	Bu.	730	940	113	-	130	82,490	122,200	+48
Cotton: Upland ¹	Lb.	355	285	713	-	943	527	560	+6
Hay: Other	Ton	770	790	2.4	-	2.3	1,848	1,817	-2
Peanuts	Lb.	88	79	3,400	-	3,800	299,200	300,200	0
Soybeans	Bu.	1,790	1,600	32	-	36	57,280	57,600	+1
Tobacco: Flue Cured	Lb.	172	165	2,200	2,300	2,200	378,400	363,000	-4
Tobacco: Burley	Lb.	1	0.9	1,850	-	1,700	1,850	1,530	-17
Wheat: Winter	Bu.	570	420	53	48	44	30,210	18,480	-39

¹ Production in 480-lb. net weight bales.