



Agriculture Across Ohio

Winter Wheat Production

Ohio wheat growers expect yields to be even better than reported last month. Wheat production in the State is anticipated to be 35 million bushels, up 62 percent from last year; an increase attributable both to an increase in harvested acreage and higher yields. The yield forecast of 76 bushels per acre is up 20 bushels per acre from last year and up 2 bushels from last month. As of May 31, Ohio wheat was rated 73 percent good to excellent compared to 32 percent at the same time last year.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.27 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but down 3

percent from 2019. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 52.1 bushels per acre, up 0.4 bushel from last month but down 1.5 bushels from last year's average yield of 53.6 bushels per acre. As of May 31, fifty-one percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, 13 percentage points lower than at the same time last year. Nationally, 77 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by May 31, four percentage points lower than the 5-year average pace. If realized, the 2020 United States winter wheat yield will be the third highest on record.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2019 - 2020

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Wheat, winter				
Planted 1,000 acres	500	510	31,159	30,775
Harvested 1,000 acres	385	460	24,327	24,275
Yield Bushels	56.0	76.0	53.6	52.1
Production 1,000 bu	21,560	34,960	1,304,003	1,265,700

Red Meat Production

Commercial red meat production in Ohio totaled 22.4 million pounds in April 2020, up 12 percent from April 2019.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.86 billion pounds in April, down 15 percent from the 4.55 billion pounds produced in April 2019.

Beef production, at 1.82 billion pounds, was 20 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.24 million head, down 21 percent from April 2019. The average live weight was up 24 pounds from the previous year, at 1,353 pounds.

Veal production totaled 4.8 million pounds, 20 percent below April a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 33,300 head, down 22 percent from April 2019. The average live weight was up 9 pounds from last year, at 250 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.03 billion pounds, down 10 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.41 million head, down 11 percent from April 2019. The average live weight was up 2 pounds from the previous year, at 289 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.1 million pounds, was down 27 percent from April 2019. Sheep slaughter totaled 180,900 head, 23 percent below last year. The average live weight was 123 pounds, down 6 pounds from April a year ago.

January to April 2020 commercial red meat production was 18.3 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 2019.

Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was down 10 percent, pork was up 4 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 12 percent.

Commercial Slaughter - Ohio: April 2019 and 2020

Species	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	5.2	6.4	6,783	8,378	1,305	1,305
Calves	8.7	5.6	1,503	1,384	175	251
Hogs	71.5	76.3	20,228	22,657	284	297
Sheep	6.1	3.8	958	600	158	160

April Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of April 2020 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: April corn, at \$3.66 per bushel, decreased \$0.33 from March but increased \$0.02 from last year; April soybeans, at \$8.88 per bushel, decreased \$0.23 from last month but increased \$0.38 from last year; April wheat, at \$5.32 per bushel, decreased \$0.30 from March but increased \$0.49 from last year; April milk, at \$14.80 per cwt., decreased \$4.10 from last month and decreased \$2.90 from last year.

The April Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 84.9, decreased 9.0 percent from March and 9.4

percent from April 2019. At 92.4, the Crop Production Index was up 4.2 percent from last month and 7.7 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 78.3, decreased 20 percent from March and 22 percent from April last year. Producers received lower prices during April for broilers, market eggs, milk, and corn but higher prices for oranges, grapefruit, rice, and hay. In addition to prices, the indexes are influenced by the volume change of commodities producers market. Increased monthly movement of strawberries, oranges, milk, and apples offset the decreased marketing of corn, cattle, soybeans, and hay.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Ohio and United States: April 2020 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Apr 2019	Mar 2020	Apr 2020	Apr 2019	Mar 2020	Apr 2020
Corn dollars/bu	3.64	3.99	3.66	3.53	3.68	3.29
Hay, alfalfa dollars/ton	185.00	200.00	200.00	198.00	175.00	181.00
Hay, other dollars/ton	125.00	145.00	140.00	158.00	130.00	124.00
Soybeans dollars/bu	8.50	9.11	8.88	8.28	8.46	8.35
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	4.83	5.62	5.32	4.86	4.84	4.88
Milk, all dollars/cwt	17.70	18.90	14.80	17.70	18.00	14.40

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

Milk Production and Income

Cash receipts from marketings of milk by Ohio producers were \$1.01 billion in 2019, up 11.8 percent from 2018. The average price of milk sold was \$18.70 per cwt, up \$2.30 from 2018. Milk production in Ohio during 2019 was 5.43 billion

pounds, compared with 5.53 billion pounds in 2018. The milk cow herd averaged 251,000 head, down 8,000 from 2018. Milk per cow was 21,614 pounds, up from 21,359 in 2018. Ohio ranked eleventh among States in milk production in 2019.

Milk Production, Utilization, Marketings, and Value - Ohio: 2018 and 2019

Item	2018	2019
Production		
Total milk produced on farmsmil. Lbs.	5,532	5,425
Milkfat producedmil. Lbs.	215.2	212.7
Milkfatpercent	3.89	3.92
Utilization		
Milk used where produced		
Fed to calvesmil. Lbs.	24	24
Used for milk, cream, and buttermil. Lbs.	5	5
Milk marketed by producers.....mil. Lbs.	5,503	5,396
Average return per 100 lbs. of milk dollars	16.40	18.70
Average return per pound milkfat..... dollars	4.22	4.77
Fluid grade percent	97	97
Total cash receipts 1,000 dol	902,492	1,009,052
Value		
Value of milk used where produced ¹ 1,000 dol	820	935
Total value of milk produced 1,000 dol	907,248	1,014,475

¹ Includes value of milk fed to calves and milk used by farm households.

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 35.3 million during April, down 5 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 809 million eggs, down 12 percent from last year. The rate of lay during April was 2,290 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 393.3 million during April, down 3 percent from a year ago. There were 23.7 million turkey poultts hatched in the U.S. in April, down 2 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production - Ohio and United States: April 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020	Percent Change
Ohio			
All layers..... thousand	37,041	35,323	-5
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,489	2,290	-8
Eggs produced..... million	922	809	-12
U.S.			
All Layers..... thousand	404,691	393,268	-3
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,317	2,322	0
Eggs produced..... million	9,378	9,132	-3
Turkey Eggs in incubators, May 1..... thousand	28,189	28,144	0
Turkey Poultts hatched, Apr..... thousand	24,198	23,656	-2

April Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 466 million pounds of milk during April, up 1.7 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,840 pounds for April, 10 pounds above April 2019. The dairy herd was estimated at 253,000

head for April, up 3,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in April by Ohio dairy producers was \$14.80 per cwt., \$2.90 less than the price in April 2019.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: April 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020
Cows..... 1,000 hd	250	253
Milk per cow..... lbs/month	1,830	1,840
Production..... mil lbs	458	466
Milk price, all..... dol/cwt	17.70	14.80
Fat test..... pct	3.91	3.93
Protein ¹ pct	3.14	3.16

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