



# Agriculture Across Ohio

## Winter Wheat Production

Ohio farmers are optimistic about the winter wheat yield in 2021. Ohio wheat growers expect yields to be higher than reported last month. Wheat production in the State is anticipated to be 41.3 million bushels, up 19 percent from last year. The yield forecast of 78 bushels per acre is up 7 bushels per acre from last year and up 3 bushels from last month. If realized, the yield would be the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest on record. As of May 30, the 2021 Ohio winter wheat crop was 78 percent headed which was a 9-percentage point increase over last year and 3-percentage points ahead of the five-year average. The winter wheat crop was rated 77 percent good to excellent compared to 73 percent at the same time last year.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.31 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the May 1 forecast, and up

12 percent from 2020. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 53.2 bushels per acre, up 1.1 bushels from last month and up 2.3 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.9 bushels per acre. If realized, the 2021 United States winter wheat yield will be the third highest on record. Record high yields are forecasted in Missouri and Montana. As of May 30, forty-eight percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, 3 percentage points lower than at the same time last year. Nationally, 79 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by May 30, one percentage point higher than the 5-year average pace.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2020 - 2021

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
Wheat, winter				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	530	570	30,415	33,078
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	490	530	23,024	24,612
Yield ..... Bushels	71.0	78.0	50.9	53.2
Production ..... 1,000 bu	34,790	41,340	1,171,022	1,309,000

## Red Meat Production

Commercial red meat production in Ohio totaled 22.7 million pounds in April 2021, down slightly from April 2020.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.71 billion pounds in April, up 22 percent from the 3.86 billion pounds produced in April 2020.

Beef production, at 2.35 billion pounds, was 29 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.85 million head, up 27 percent from April 2020. The average live weight was up 13 pounds from the previous year, at 1,366 pounds.

Veal production totaled 4.3 million pounds, 12 percent below April a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 27,400 head, down 18 percent from April 2020. The average live weight was up 16 pounds from last year, at 268 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.34 billion pounds, up 15 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 10.8 million head, up 15 percent from April 2020. The average live weight was up 1 pound from the previous year, at 290 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.6 million pounds, was up 22 percent from April 2020. Sheep slaughter totaled 222,800 head, 23 percent above last year. The average live weight was 122 pounds, down 1 pound from April a year ago.

January to April 2021 commercial red meat production was 18.9 billion pounds, up 4 percent from 2020.

Accumulated beef production was up 6 percent from last year, veal was down 16 percent, pork was up 2 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production were up 6 percent.

### Commercial Slaughter - Ohio: April 2020 and 2021

Species	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	7.0	7.4	9,074	9,765	1,305	1,325
Calves	5.6	4.2	1,384	823	251	201
Hogs	76.6	77.5	22,731	22,185	297	287
Sheep	3.8	5.3	607	833	160	158

## April Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of April 2021 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: April corn, at \$5.54 per bushel, increased \$0.48 from March and increased \$1.88 from last year; April soybeans, at \$14.00 per bushel, increased \$0.70 from last month and increased \$5.12 from last year; April wheat, at \$6.11 per bushel, decreased \$0.11 from March and increased \$0.79 from last year; April milk, at \$18.70 per cwt., increased \$0.60 from last month and increased \$3.90 from last year.

Nationally, the April Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 105.1, increased 6.9 percent from

March and 28 percent from April 2020. At 106.1, the Crop Production Index was up 6.8 percent from last month and 23 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 104.3, increased 7.1 percent from March, and 33 percent from April last year. Producers received higher prices during April for broilers, corn, hogs, and cattle but lower prices for market eggs, lettuce, broccoli, and cauliflower. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In April, there was increased monthly movement for strawberries, milk, broilers, and oranges and decreased marketing of corn, soybeans, cattle, and hay.

### Prices Received by Farmers<sup>1</sup> - Ohio and United States: April 2021 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Apr 2020	Mar 2021	Apr 2021	Apr 2020	Mar 2021	Apr 2021
Corn ..... dollars/bu	3.66	5.06	5.54	3.29	4.89	5.31
Hay, alfalfa ..... dollars/ton	200.00	220.00	210.00	180.00	181.00	187.00
Hay, other ..... dollars/ton	140.00	150.00	150.00	127.00	142.00	143.00
Soybeans ..... dollars/bu	8.88	13.30	14.00	8.35	13.20	13.90
Wheat, winter ..... dollars/bu	5.32	6.22	6.11	4.88	6.02	6.20
Milk, all ..... dollars/cwt	14.80	18.10	18.70	14.40	17.40	18.40

<sup>1</sup> Entire month weighted average price.

## Milk Production and Income

Cash receipts from marketings of milk by Ohio producers were \$1.02 billion in 2020, up 1.3 percent from 2019. The average price of milk sold was \$18.30 per cwt, down up \$0.40 from 2019. Milk production in Ohio during 2020 was 5.62 billion pounds, compared with 5.43 billion pounds in 2019.

The milk cow herd averaged 254,000 head, up 3,000 from 2019. Milk per cow was 22,118 pounds, up from 21,614 in 2019. Ohio ranked eleventh among States in milk production in 2020.

### Milk Production, Utilization, Marketings, and Value - Ohio: 2019 and 2020

Item	2019	2020
<b>Production</b>		
Total milk produced on farms .....mil. Lbs.	5,425	5,618
Milkfat produced .....mil. Lbs.	212.7	219.7
Milkfat .....percent	3.92	3.91
<b>Utilization</b>		
Milk used where produced		
Fed to calves .....mil. Lbs.	24	28
Used for milk, cream, and butter .....mil. Lbs.	5	5
Milk marketed by producers.....mil. Lbs.		
Average return per 100 lbs. of milk ..... dollars	18.70	18.30
Average return per pound milkfat..... dollars	4.77	4.68
Fluid grade ..... percent	97	97
Total cash receipts ..... 1,000 dol	1,009,052	1,022,055
<b>Value</b>		
Value of milk used where produced <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000 dol	935	915
Total value of milk produced ..... 1,000 dol	1,014,475	1,028,094

<sup>1</sup> Includes value of milk fed to calves and milk used by farm households.

## Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 34.7 million during April, down 2 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 863 million eggs, up 7 percent from last year. The rate of lay during April was 2,488 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S. totaled

389.5 million during April, down 1 percent from a year ago. There were 23.3 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in April, down 1 percent from the previous year.

### Egg and Hatchery Production - Ohio and United States: April 2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021	Percent Change
<b>Ohio</b>			
All layers..... thousand	35,323	34,696	-2
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,290	2,488	9
Eggs produced..... million	809	863	7
<b>U.S.</b>			
All Layers..... thousand	392,770	389,491	-1
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,316	2,360	2
Eggs produced..... million	9,096	9,193	1
Turkey Eggs in incubators, May 1..... thousand	27,274	25,953	-5
Turkey Poults hatched, Apr..... thousand	23,461	23,264	-1

## April Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 478 million pounds of milk during April, up 2.6 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,840 pounds for April, unchanged from April 2020. The dairy herd was estimated at 260,000 head for

April, up 7,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in April by Ohio dairy producers was \$18.70 per cwt., \$3.90 more than the price in April 2020.

### Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: April 2020 and 2021

Item	2020	2021
Cows..... 1,000 hd	253	260
Milk per cow..... lbs/month	1,840	1,840
Production..... mil lbs	466	478
Milk price, all..... dol/cwt	14.80	18.70
Fat test..... pct	3.93	3.88
Protein <sup>1</sup> ..... pct	3.16	3.18

<sup>1</sup> FMO 33

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