



Agriculture Across Ohio

Winter Wheat Production and Hay Stocks

Ohio wheat growers anticipate slightly lower yields in 2023 than they had last year. Ohio wheat growers expect to harvest 540,000 acres, up 75,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to total 42.1 million bushels. The yield forecast is 78 bushels, down 1 bushel from last year.

U.S. 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.

Hay stocks on Ohio farms on May 1, 2023, were 350,000 tons, down 3 percent from this time last year.

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.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2022 - 2023

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Wheat, winter				
Planted 1,000 acres	510	650	33,271	37,505
Harvested 1,000 acres	465	540	23,459	25,286
Yield Bushels	79.0	78.0	47.0	44.7
Production 1,000 bu	36,735	42,120	1,103,707	1,130,415

March Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of March 2023 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: March corn, at \$6.28 per bushel, decreased \$0.21 from February and decreased \$0.25 from last year; March soybeans, at \$15.30 per bushel, decreased \$0.10 from last month and decreased \$0.50 from last year; March wheat, at \$6.93 per bushel, decreased \$0.50 from February and decreased \$2.58 from last year; March milk, at \$21.90 per cwt., decreased \$0.70 from last month and decreased \$3.20 from last year.

Nationally, the March Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 128.4, increased 1.3 percent from

February and 1.0 percent from March 2022. At 118.9, the Crop Production Index was down 1.5 percent from last month and 1.4 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 138.3, increased 3.8 percent from February and 3.3 percent from March last year. Producers received higher prices during March for broilers, cattle, market eggs, and hogs but lower prices for corn, milk, oranges, and soybeans. In addition to prices, the volume change of commodities marketed also influences the indexes. In March, there was increased monthly movement for strawberries, cattle, milk, and broilers and decreased marketing of soybeans, apples, cotton, and hay.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Ohio and United States: March 2023 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Mar 2022	Feb 2023	Mar 2023	Mar 2022	Feb 2023	Mar 2023
Corn dollars/bu	6.53	6.49	6.28	6.56	6.80	6.67
Hay, alfalfa dollars/ton	180.00	195.00	200.00	228.00	266.00	267.00
Hay, other dollars/ton	140.00	165.00	155.00	155.00	172.00	171.00
Soybeans dollars/bu	15.80	15.40	15.30	15.40	15.10	14.90
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	9.51	7.43	6.93	9.50	8.33	8.25
Milk, all dollars/cwt	25.10	22.60	21.90	25.60	21.60	21.10

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

Meat Animals Cash Receipts

Ohio cattle and calves cash receipts totaled \$857.1 million in 2022, up 50 percent from 2021. Cattle and calf marketings totaled 657.2 million pounds, up 25 percent from 2021.

Ohio hog cash receipts totaled \$1.04 billion in 2022, up 9 percent from 2021. All hog and pig marketings totaled 1.5 billion pounds in 2022, up 4 percent from the previous year.

Nationally, cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves increased 18 percent, from \$72.7 billion in 2021 to \$86.1 billion in 2022. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 61.6 billion pounds in 2022, up 1 percent from 2021.

Nationally, cash receipts from hogs and pigs totaled \$30.6 billion during 2022, up 9 percent from 2021. Marketings totaled 42.1 billion pounds in 2022, up 1 percent from 2021.

Livestock Marketings and Receipts – Ohio: 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022	Change
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Marketings			
Cattle and calves	526,000	657,200	25
Hogs and pigs	1,410,447	1,466,634	4
	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	
Cash receipts			
Cattle and calves	570,480	857,096	50
Hogs and pigs	949,231	1,036,910	9

March Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 490 million pounds of milk during March, up 2.1 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,945 pounds for March, 25 pounds above March 2022. The dairy herd was estimated at 252,000

head for March, up 2,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in March by Ohio dairy producers was \$21.90 per cwt., \$3.20 less than the price in March 2022.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: March 2022 and 2023

Item	2022	2023
Cows	250	252
Milk per cow	1,920	1,945
Production	480	490
Milk price, all.....	25.10	21.90
Fat test	4.04	4.07
Protein ¹	3.25	3.26

¹ FMO 33

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 38.2 million during March, down 2 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 968 million eggs, down 3 percent from last year. The rate of lay during March was 2,529 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 382.5 million during March, down slightly percent from a year ago. There were 23.6 million turkey poult hatched in the U.S. in March, down 2 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production - Ohio and United States: March 2022 and 2023

Item	2022	2023	Percent Change
Ohio			
All layers thousand	38,833	38,249	-2
Eggs per hundred layers number	2,564	2,529	-1
Eggs produced.....million	996	968	-3
U.S.			
All Layers thousand	384,293	382,505	0
Eggs per hundred layers number	2,465	2,408	-2
Eggs produced.....million	9,471	9,211	-3
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Apr 1 thousand	27,845	26,402	-5
Turkey Poults hatched, Mar thousand	24,098	23,571	-2

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