



# Agriculture Across Ohio

## Winter Wheat Production

Wheat production in the State is anticipated to be 41.0 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year on more harvested acres. The yield forecast of 76 bushels per acre is down 3 bushels per acre from last year and down 2 bushels from last month. As of May 28, the 2023 Ohio winter wheat crop was 75 percent headed which was a 15-percentage point increase over both last year and the five-year average. The winter wheat crop condition was rated 72 percent good to excellent compared to 55 percent at the same time last year.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.14 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 3

percent from 2022. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 44.9 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushel from last month but down 2.1 bushels from last year's average yield of 47.0 bushels per acre. Dry conditions through the Central Plains have hampered yield potential. As of June 4, thirty-six percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, six percentage points higher than at the same time last year. Nationally, 82 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by June 4, one percentage point ahead of the 5-year average pace.

### 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	76.0	47.0	44.9
Production ..... 1,000 bu	36,735	41,040	1,103,707	1,136,465

## Red Meat Production

Commercial red meat production in Ohio totaled 21.3 million pounds in April 2023, down 4 percent from April 2022.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.20 billion pounds in April, down 8 percent from the 4.54 billion pounds produced in April 2022.

Beef production, at 2.07 billion pounds, was 11 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.54 million head, down 10 percent from April 2022. The average live weight was down 19 pounds from the previous year, at 1,354 pounds.

Veal production totaled 3.6 million pounds, 21 percent below April a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 21,900 head, down 22 percent from April 2022. The average live weight was up 3 pounds from last year, at 280 pounds.

Pork production totaled 2.12 billion pounds, down 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.77 million head, down 3 percent from April 2022. The average live weight was down 2 pounds from the previous year, at 291 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 11.0 million pounds, was down 11 percent from April 2022. Sheep slaughter totaled 185,900 head, 6 percent below last year. The average live weight was 117 pounds, down 6 pounds from April a year ago.

January to April 2023 commercial red meat production was 18.1 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2022. Accumulated beef production was down 5 percent from last year, veal was down 13 percent, pork was up 1 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was up slightly.

### Commercial Slaughter - Ohio: April 2022 and 2023

Species	Number slaughtered		Total live weight		Average live weight	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(pounds)	(pounds)
Cattle	6.9	6.1	9,141	8,200	1,335	1,336
Calves	5.4	3.4	1,085	775	203	227
Hogs	77.0	76.0	21,760	21,513	283	283
Sheep	4.6	4.3	745	711	161	165

## April Agricultural Prices

Prices Received by Ohio farmers for the full month of April 2023 are listed in the table below. Some Ohio highlights were: April corn, at \$6.42 per bushel, increased \$0.14 from March but decreased \$0.65 from last year; April soybeans, at \$15.40 per bushel, increased \$0.10 from last month but decreased \$0.80 from last year; April wheat, at \$6.38 per bushel, decreased \$0.55 from March and decreased \$1.99 from last year; April milk, at \$21.70 per cwt., decreased \$0.20 from last month and decreased \$4.70 from last year.

Nationally, the April Prices Received Index 2011 Base (Agricultural Production), at 130.8, increased 1.9 percent from March but decreased 2.2 percent from April 2022. At 125.6,

the Crop Production Index was up 5.8 percent from last month and 2.4 percent from the previous year. The Livestock Production Index, at 135.8, decreased 1.8 percent from March, and 6.2 percent from April last year. Producers received higher prices during April for lettuce, broilers, cattle, and broccoli but lower prices for market eggs, hogs, milk, and apples. 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 lettuce and decreased marketing of corn, soybeans, hay, and cattle.

### Prices Received by Farmers<sup>1</sup> - Ohio and United States: April 2023 with Comparisons

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	Apr 2022	Mar 2023	Apr 2023	Apr 2022	Mar 2023	Apr 2023
Corn ..... dollars/bu	7.07	6.28	6.42	7.07	6.67	6.70
Hay, alfalfa ..... dollars/ton	185.00	200.00	200.00	257.00	267.00	287.00
Hay, other ..... dollars/ton	145.00	155.00	155.00	152.00	171.00	167.00
Soybeans ..... dollars/bu	16.20	15.30	15.40	15.80	14.90	14.90
Wheat, winter ..... dollars/bu	8.37	6.93	6.38	9.84	8.25	8.07
Milk, all ..... dollars/cwt	26.40	21.90	21.70	27.00	21.10	20.70

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

## Milk Production and Income

Cash receipts from marketings of milk by Ohio producers were \$1.40 billion in 2022, up 30.8 percent from 2021. The average price of milk sold was \$25.40 per cwt, up \$6.40 from 2021. Milk production in Ohio during 2022 was 5.52 billion

pounds, compared with 5.64 billion pounds in 2021. The milk cow herd averaged 250,000 head, down 7,000 from 2021. Milk per cow was 22,076 pounds, up from 21,946 in 2021. Ohio ranked twelfth among States in milk production in 2022.

### Milk Production, Utilization, Marketings, and Value - Ohio: 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022
<b>Production</b>		
Total milk produced on farms .....mil. Lbs.	5,640	5,519
Milkfat produced .....mil. Lbs.	221.7	220.8
Milkfat .....percent	3.93	4.00
<b>Utilization</b>		
Milk used where produced		
Fed to calves .....mil. Lbs.	25	25
Used for milk, cream, and butter .....mil. Lbs.	5	5
Milk marketed by producers .....mil. Lbs.	5,610	5,489
Average return per 100 lbs. of milk ..... dollars	19.00	25.40
Average return per pound milkfat ..... dollars	4.83	6.35
Fluid grade ..... percent	97	97
Total cash receipts ..... 1,000 dol	1,065,900	1,394,206
<b>Value</b>		
Value of milk used where produced <sup>1</sup> ..... 1,000 dol	950	1,270
Total value of milk produced ..... 1,000 dol	1,071,600	1,401,826

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

## Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Ohio totaled 38.4 million during April, down 2 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 936 million eggs, down 3 percent from last year. The rate of lay during April was 2,440 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S.

totalled 385.6 million during April, up 4 percent from a year ago. There were 21.1 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in April, down 5 percent from the previous year.

### Egg and Hatchery Production - Ohio and United States: April 2022 and 2023

Item	2022	2023	Percent Change
<b>Ohio</b>			
All layers..... thousand	39,243	38,350	-2
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,458	2,440	-1
Eggs produced..... million	965	936	-3
<b>U.S.</b>			
All Layers..... thousand	372,228	385,597	4
Eggs per hundred layers..... number	2,390	2,336	-2
Eggs produced..... million	8,895	9,008	1
Turkey Eggs in incubators, May 1..... thousand	26,615	27,360	3
Turkey Poults hatched, Apr..... thousand	22,242	21,090	-5

## April Milk Production

Dairy herds in Ohio produced 471 million pounds of milk during April, up 1.9 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Ohio averaged 1,870 pounds for April, 30 pounds above April 2022. The dairy herd was estimated at 252,000 head for April, up 1,000 head from a year earlier. The average

price of milk cows in April was \$1,650 per head, up \$150 from a year ago. The average price of milk sold in April by Ohio dairy producers was \$21.70 per cwt., \$4.70 less than the price in April 2022.

### Milk Cows, Production, and Price – Ohio: April 2022 and 2023

Item	2022	2023
Cows..... 1,000 hd	251	252
Milk per cow..... lbs/month	1,840	1,870
Production..... mil lbs	462	471
Milk cow price..... dol/hd	1,500	1,650
Milk price, all..... dol/cwt	26.40	21.70
Fat test..... pct	4.00	4.01
Protein <sup>1</sup> ..... pct	3.23	3.22

<sup>1</sup> FMO 33

## Ohio Floriculture Sales Worth More Than \$240 Million

Ohio floriculture was worth more than \$240 million in 2022. Ohio floriculture producers sold nearly \$244 million worth of floriculture commodities in 2022. This was down 10 percent from the \$269 million sold in 2021. There was 25.2 million square feet of greenhouse used to produce floriculture crops in 2022, down from the 25.6 million square feet used in 2021. Four hundred fifty-three producers in Ohio sold at least

\$10,000 worth of floriculture products last year, down from 512 the previous year. Most of the reduction in producers occurred in the \$50,000 to \$99,999 sales class. The complete set of data, which includes statistics on type, pot size, and price of individual floricultural crops, can be found in the NASS Quick Stats database at [quickstats.nass.usda.gov](https://quickstats.nass.usda.gov).

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