



# News Release

## Ohio Winter Wheat Production

Ohio winter wheat producers remain optimistic about this year’s production even after the recent heavy rainfall saturated some fields, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 32.7 million bushels. The yield forecast of 76.0 bushels would be 4 bushels below last year’s state record of 80.0 bushels per acre. Wheat continues to be in good condition despite ponding seen across the state. At the end of May, 94% of the crop was reported as headed, well ahead of the five year average of 71%. At the same time, condition was rated 3% poor, 18% fair, 60% good, and 19% excellent.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, up less than 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but down 25 percent from 2016. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 48.9 bushels per acre, up 0.1 bushel from last month, but down 6.4 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be the second highest yield on record for the United States, behind only 2016.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2015 - 2017

Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Wheat, winter						
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	520	580	470	39,681	36,137	32,747
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	480	560	430	32,346	30,222	25,564
Yield ..... Bushels	67.0	80.0	76.0	42.5	55.3	48.9
Production ..... 1,000 bu	32,160	44,800	32,680	1,374,690	1,671,532	1,250,192

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