



# News Release

## Ohio August 1 Crop Forecast

Yield forecasts are a mixed bag for Ohio growers, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician, USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Ohio producers experienced extremely wet conditions for much of the season, creating wide variations in crop conditions. Highlights of the August 1 Crop Production report follow:

- Ohio's average corn yield is forecast at 171 bushels per acre, 12 bushels above last year. Total production is forecast at 552.3 million bushels, up 5 percent from last year.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 53 bushels per acre, down 1.5 bushels from last year. Total production is forecast at 264 million bushels, up 2 percent from last year.
- Winter Wheat yield is estimated at 77 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from last year.
- Ohio's oat yield is forecast at 66 bushels per acre 8 bushels below last year. Total production is forecast at 1.3 million bushels.
- Hay producers expect to harvest 320,000 acres of alfalfa hay with an average yield of 3.2 tons per acre. Total production is forecast at 1.02 million tons. All other hay for harvest is expected at 700,000 acres with an average yield of 2.3 tons per acre. Total state production is forecast at 1.61 million tons.

The Ohio 2017 apple production forecast is 47.0 million pounds, down 13.5 million pounds from last year. The grape forecast is 4,800 tons, compared with 5,500 tons in 2016. The peach forecast is 3,500 tons, up from 1,570 tons from last year. The U.S. apple production is forecast is 10,444 million pounds, down from the 2016 production of 11,273.5 million pounds. The U.S. grape forecast is 7,505,300 tons, compared with 7,669,030 tons last year. The national peach crop forecast is 735,200 tons, down from 795,630 tons last year.

### 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
Corn, all						
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	3,550	3,550	3,500	88,019	94,004	90,886
Corn, grain						
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	3,260	3,300	3,230	80,753	86,748	83,496
Yield ..... Bushels	153.0	159.0	171.0	168.4	174.6	169.5
Production ..... 1,000 bu	498,780	524,700	552,330	13,601,964	15,148,038	14,152,966
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	330	330	320	17,778	16,885	17,111
Yield ..... Tons	2.90	3.40	3.20	3.32	3.45	3.28
Production ..... 1,000 tons	957	1,122	1,024	58,974	58,263	56,177
Hay, other						
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	750	640	700	36,669	36,576	36,407
Yield ..... Tons	2.10	2.10	2.30	2.06	2.09	2.10
Production ..... 1,000 tons	1,575	1,344	1,610	75,528	76,518	76,417
Oats						
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	70	50	45	3,088	2,828	2,536
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	40	25	20	1,276	981	880
Yield ..... Bushels	63	74	66	70.2	66.0	61.0
Production ..... 1,000 bu	2,520	1,850	1,320	89,535	64,770	53,719
Soybeans						
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	4,750	4,850	5,000	82,650	83,433	89,513
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	4,740	4,840	4,990	81,732	82,736	88,731
Yield ..... Bushels	50.0	54.5	53.0	48.0	52.1	49.4
Production ..... 1,000 bu	237,000	263,780	264,470	3,926,339	4,306,671	4,381,053
Wheat, winter						
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	520	580	460	39,681	36,137	32,839
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	480	560	420	32,346	30,222	25,760
Yield ..... Bushels	67	80	77	42.5	55.3	50.0
Production ..... 1,000 bu	32,160	44,800	32,340	1,374,690	1,671,532	1,287,133

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