



# News Release

## Ohio July 1 Small Grains Forecast

Ohio's 2018 winter wheat production is forecast at 35.55 million bushels according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician, USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. This report is based on conditions as of July 1, 2018. Some highlights of the Crop Production Report follow:

The Ohio winter wheat yield is forecast at 79 bushels per acre, which if realized would be a 5 bushel increase from last year. As of July 1, 24 percent of the crop was harvested. Seventy-nine percent of the crop was rated good to excellent.

Oat yield in Ohio is forecast at 61 bushels per acre, 9 bushels lower than the previous year. Oats were 91 percent headed as of July 1, 2 percent above last year and 5 percent above the 5 year average. As of July 1, 79 percent of the crop was rated good to excellent.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.19 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the June 1 forecast and down 6 percent from 2017. As of July 1, the United States yield is forecast at 48.0 bushels per acre, down 0.4 bushel from last month and down 2.2 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre. The area expected to be harvested for grain totals 24.8 million acres, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 29, 2018, but down 2 percent from last year

United States oat production is forecast at 66.4 million bushels, up 34 percent from 2017. Growers expect to harvest 1.01 million acres for grain or seed, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 29, 2018, but up 26 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of July 1, the average yield for the United States is forecast at 65.8 bushels per acre, up 4.1 bushels from 2017.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2016 - 2018

| Commodity                   | Ohio   |        |        | United States |           |           |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
|                             | 2016   | 2017   | 2018   | 2016          | 2017      | 2018      |
| Oats                        |        |        |        |               |           |           |
| Planted ..... 1,000 acres   | 50     | 60     | 50     | 2,829         | 2,588     | 2,889     |
| Harvested ..... 1,000 acres | 25     | 20     | 20     | 981           | 801       | 1,009     |
| Yield .....Bushels          | 74.0   | 70.0   | 61.0   | 66.0          | 61.7      | 65.8      |
| Production .....1,000 bu    | 1,850  | 1,400  | 1,220  | 64,770        | 49,391    | 66,384    |
| Wheat, winter               |        |        |        |               |           |           |
| Planted ..... 1,000 acres   | 580    | 460    | 490    | 36,152        | 32,696    | 32,732    |
| Harvested ..... 1,000 acres | 560    | 435    | 450    | 30,237        | 25,291    | 24,831    |
| Yield .....Bushels          | 80.0   | 74.0   | 79.0   | 55.3          | 50.2      | 48.0      |
| Production ..... 1,000 bu   | 44,800 | 32,190 | 35,550 | 1,672,582     | 1,269,437 | 1,192,585 |

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