



News Release

Ohio August 1 Crop Forecast

Ohio growers are anticipating record breaking corn and soybean yields in 2018, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician, USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Highlights of the August 1 Crop Production report follow:

- Ohio's average corn yield is forecast at 180 bushels per acre, 3 bushels above last year. If realized, this will be a new record yield. Total production is forecast at 596 million bushels, up 8 percent from last year.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 56 bushels per acre, up 6.5 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be a new record yield. Total production is forecast at 277 million bushels, up 10 percent from last year.
- Winter Wheat yield is estimated at 75 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year.
- Ohio's oat yield is forecast at 65 bushels per acre, 5 bushels below last year. Total production is forecast at 1.30 million bushels.
- Hay producers expect to harvest 390,000 acres of alfalfa hay with an average yield of 3.1 tons per acre. Total production is forecast at 1.21 million tons. All other hay for harvest is expected at 720,000 acres with an average yield of 1.7 tons per acre. Total State production is forecast at 1.22 million tons.

The Ohio 2018 apple production forecast is 45.0 million pounds, down 2.0 million pounds from last year. U.S. apple production is forecast at 11.5 billion pounds, up less than 1 percent from the previous year. The Ohio grape production forecast is 5,000 tons, compared with 4,640 tons in 2017. The U.S. grape production forecast is 7.66 million tons, up 4 percent from last year. The Ohio peach production forecast is 3,680 tons, down from 4,200 tons from last year. The U.S. peach crop forecast is 732,050 million tons, up 5 percent 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
Corn, all						
Planted 1,000 acres	3,550	3,400	3,550	94,004	90,167	89,128
Corn, grain						
Harvested 1,000 acres	3,300	3,130	3,310	86,748	82,703	81,770
Yield Bushels	159.0	177.0	180.0	174.6	176.6	178.4
Production..... 1,000 bu	524,700	554,010	595,800	15,148,038	14,604,067	14,586,485
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested 1,000 acres	330	310	390	16,885	16,563	17,351
Yield Tons	3.40	3.20	3.10	3.45	3.32	3.33
Production..... 1,000 tons	1,122	992	1,209	58,263	55,068	57,778
Hay, other						
Harvested 1,000 acres	640	750	720	36,596	37,221	37,717
Yield Tons	2.10	2.10	1.70	2.10	2.05	1.88
Production..... 1,000 tons	1,344	1,575	1,224	76,732	76,387	70,726
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	70	65	66.0	61.7	65.1
Production..... 1,000 bu	1,850	1,400	1,300	64,770	49,391	65,668
Soybeans						
Planted 1,000 acres	4,850	5,100	4,950	83,433	90,142	89,557
Harvested 1,000 acres	4,840	5,090	4,940	82,696	89,522	88,862
Yield Bushels	54.5	49.5	56.0	52.0	49.1	51.6
Production..... 1,000 bu	263,780	251,955	276,640	4,296,086	4,391,553	4,585,916
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	24,816
Yield Bushels	80	74	75	55.3	50.2	47.9
Production..... 1,000 bu	44,800	32,190	33,750	1,672,582	1,269,437	1,189,199

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