



# News Release

## Ohio Winter Wheat Production and Hay Stocks

Ohio farmers anticipate a much improved wheat yield in 2020, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Ohio wheat growers expect to harvest 460,000 acres, up 75,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 34.0 million bushels. The yield forecast of 74 bushels would be 18 bushels higher than the previous year.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2019. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.7 bushels per acre, down 1.9 bushels from last year's average yield of 53.6 bushels per acre.

Hay stocks on Ohio farms on May 1, 2020 were 220,000 tons, up 22 percent from this time last year.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2020 totaled 20.4 million tons, up 37 percent from May 1, 2019, which were the second lowest since records began in 1950. Disappearance from December 1, 2019 - May 1, 2020 totaled 64.1 million tons, down less than 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Ohio and United States: 2019 - 2020

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Wheat, winter				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	500	510	31,159	30,775
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	385	460	24,327	24,275
Yield ..... Bushels	56.0	74.0	53.6	51.7
Production ..... 1,000 bu	21,560	34,040	1,304,003	1,254,600

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