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The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) estimates corn planted for all purposes in 2018 at 89.1 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Soybean planted area is estimated at 89.6 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. All cotton planted is estimated at 13.5 million acres, 7 percent above last year. All wheat planted area is estimated at 47.8 million acres, up 4 percent from 2017. This represents the second lowest all wheat planted area on record since records began in 1919.

Key findings for the Southern Region released in the Acreage report include:

Alabama: Corn planted for all purposes is estimated at 250,000 acres, unchanged from 2017. Cotton acreage, forecasted at 490,000 acres, is up 13 percent for 2018 while peanuts are down 18 percent at 160,000 acres. Soybeans planted is estimated up 3 percent from last year. Winter wheat planted is up 7 percent from 2017.

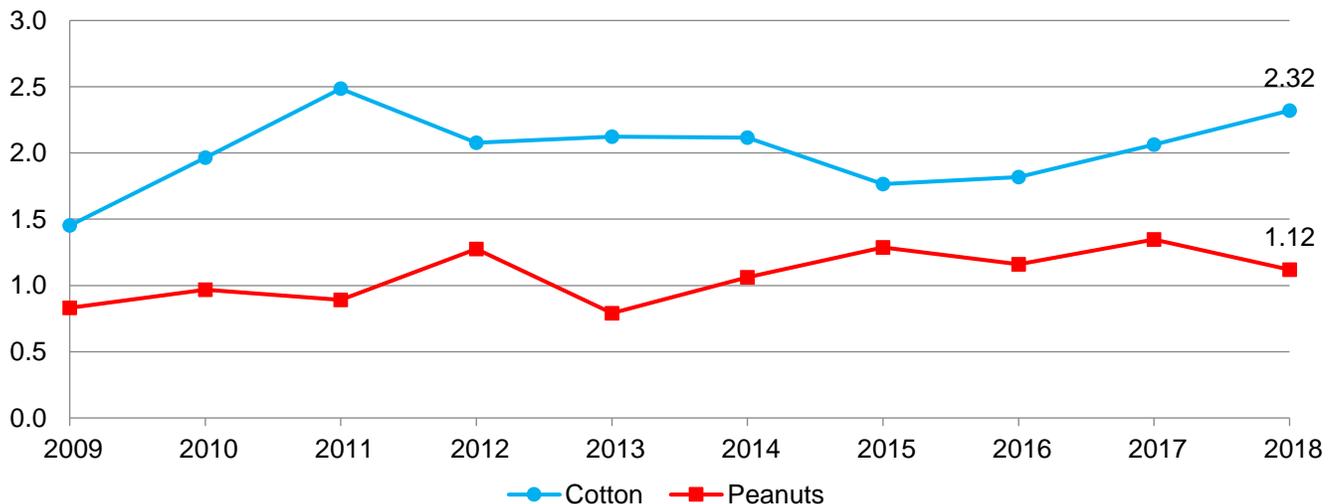
Florida: Corn planted for all purposes is estimated up 5,000 acres from 2017. Cotton acreage, forecasted at 115,000 acres, is up 16 percent for 2018 while peanuts are down 18 percent at 160,000 acres. Soybeans planted is estimated at 15,000 acres, unchanged from 2017. Winter wheat planted, at 15,000 acres, is down 25 percent from 2017.

Georgia: Corn planted for all purposes is estimated up 24 percent from 2017. Cotton acreage, forecasted at 1.45 million acres, is up 13 percent for 2018. Peanuts, forecasted at 700,000 acres, are down 16 percent from 2017’s record high planted acreage of 835,000 acres. Soybeans planted is estimated up 29 percent from last year. Tobacco harvested is forecasted at 12,500 acres, unchanged from the previous year. Winter wheat planted is up 13 percent from 2017.

South Carolina: Corn planted for all purposes is estimated down 6 percent from 2017. Cotton acreage, forecasted at 260,000 acres, is up 4 percent for 2018. Peanuts, forecasted at 100,000 acres, are down 18 percent from 2017’s record high planted acreage of 122,000 acres. Soybeans planted is estimated up 5 percent from last year. Tobacco harvested is forecasted at 12,000 acres, unchanged from the previous year. Winter wheat planted is down 11 percent from 2017.

Southern Region Cotton and Peanut Planted Acreage: 2009-2018

Million acres



Row Crop Area Planted and Harvested — States and United States: 2017 and 2018

Crop and State	Area planted		Area harvested	
	2017 (1,000 acres)	2018 (1,000 acres)	2017 (1,000 acres)	2018 ¹ (1,000 acres)
Corn²				
Alabama	250	250	235	235
Florida	75	80	37	50
Georgia	290	360	245	305
South Carolina.....	350	330	325	310
United States.....	90,167	89,128	82,703	81,770
Cotton, all³				
Alabama	435.0	490.0	430.0	
Florida	99.0	115.0	98.0	
Georgia	1,280.0	1,450.0	1,270.0	
South Carolina.....	250.0	260.0	248.0	
United States.....	12,612.5	13,518.0	11,100.4	
Peanuts				
Alabama	195.0	160.0	193.0	157.0
Florida	195.0	160.0	186.0	151.0
Georgia	835.0	700.0	825.0	690.0
South Carolina.....	122.0	100.0	118.0	96.0
United States.....	1,870.6	1,502.0	1,775.6	1,461.0
Sorghum²				
Georgia	20	25	10	15
United States.....	5,626	6,040	5,045	5,292
Soybeans				
Alabama	350	360	345	355
Florida	15	15	14	14
Georgia	155	200	150	190
South Carolina.....	400	420	390	410
United States.....	90,142	89,557	89,522	88,862

¹ Forecasted.

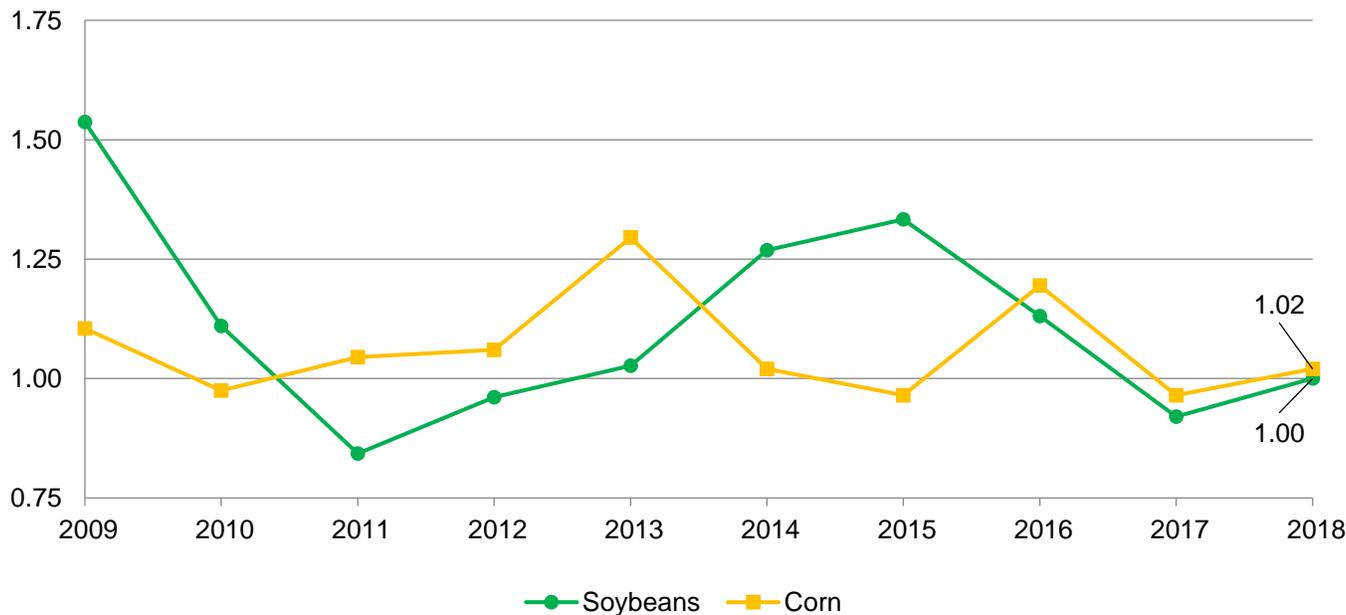
² Planted for all purposes, harvested for grain.

³ Harvest estimates to be released in August 2018 *Crop Production* report.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Acreage*, June 2018

Southern Region Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage: 2009-2018

Million acres



Small Grain Area Planted and Harvested — States and United States: 2017 and 2018

Crop and State	Area planted ¹		Area harvested	
	2017 (1,000 acres)	2018 (1,000 acres)	2017 (1,000 acres)	2018 ² (1,000 acres)
Oats				
Alabama.....	40	65	10	25
Georgia.....	50	70	15	25
South Carolina.....	20	22	8	8
United States.....	2,588	2,889	801	1,009
Rye				
Georgia.....	210	190	15	20
United States.....	1,961	1,972	286	353
Wheat, winter				
Alabama.....	150	160	100	120
Florida.....	20	15	14	10
Georgia.....	160	180	70	90
South Carolina.....	90	80	75	70
United States.....	32,696	32,732	25,291	24,831

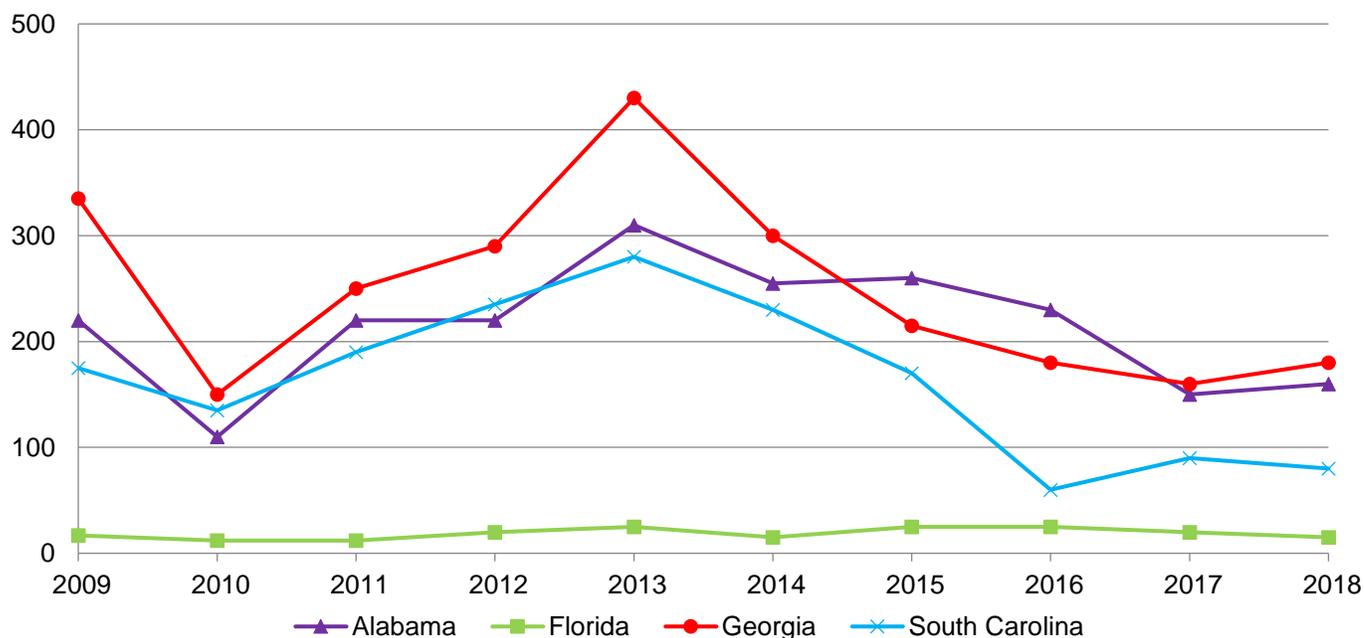
¹ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

² Forecasted.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Acreage*, June 2018

Winter Wheat Acres Planted — States: 2009-2018

1,000 acres



Other Crops Area Planted and Harvested — States and United States: 2017 and 2018

Crop and State	Area planted		Area harvested	
	2017	2018	2017	2018 ¹
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)
Hay, all				
Alabama	(NA)	(NA)	860	850
Florida	(NA)	(NA)	300	280
Georgia	(NA)	(NA)	620	600
South Carolina.....	(NA)	(NA)	260	260
United States	(NA)	(NA)	53,784	55,068
Sugarcane for sugar and seed				
Florida	(NA)	(NA)	412.7	415.2
United States	(NA)	(NA)	904.1	885.3
Sweet potatoes				
Florida	(D)	5.5	(D)	5.4
United States	161.6	159.5	159.3	157.2
Tobacco				
Georgia	NA	NA	12.5	12.5
South Carolina.....	NA	NA	12.0	12.0
United States	NA	NA	321.5	303.7

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

¹ Forecasted.

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