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US Winter Wheat Production Up 6 Percent from May

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.51 billion bushels, up 6 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 10 percent from 2015. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 50.5 bushels per acre, up 2.7 bushels from last month and up 8 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be the highest yield on record for the United States. State level data for Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina will be released in the September *Small Grains Summary*.

Key findings for the Southern Region from the June Crop Production

Sweet potato production for 2015 is up 25 percent in Alabama but down 6 percent in Florida. Sugarcane for sugar and seed in Florida is up 12 percent from last year. Yield, at 41.7 tons per acre, ties the 1957 yield for the highest on record. Production is also the second largest on record.

Sweet Potato Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production — States and United States: 2014 and 2015

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Alabama.....	2.1	2.6	2.0	2.5	220	220	440	550
Florida.....	6.0	5.6	5.9	5.4	200	205	1,180	1,107
United States...	137.3	156.9	135.2	153.1	219	203	29,584	31,016

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Crop Production*, June 2016

Sugarcane Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — States and United States: 2014 and 2015

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre ¹		Production ¹	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
For sugar and seed						
Florida.....	408.0	424.0	38.6	41.7	15,738	17,664
United States.....	868.5	887.3	35.0	36.4	30,424	32,275

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¹ Net tons.