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August Crop Production



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This report contains the results from the farmer reported **2022 August Agricultural Yield Survey**. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

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Corn production for grain in the United States is forecast at 14.4 billion bushels, down 5 percent from 2021. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 175.4 bushels per harvested acre. Soybean production for beans is forecast at a record high 4.53 billion bushels, up 2 percent from last year. All cotton production is forecast at 12.6 million 480-pound bales, down 28 percent from 2021.

Key findings for the Southern Region from the August Crop Production include:

Alabama: Corn for grain production is forecast at 38.9 million bushels, down 31 percent from 2021. The average corn yield is forecast at 134 bushels per harvested acre, down 29 bushels from the previous year. Cotton production, at 745,000 bales, is up 8 percent from last year. With yield forecast at a record high 4,000 pounds per harvested acre, peanut production is forecast at 748 million pounds, up 20 percent from 2021. Soybean production, at 14.5 million bushels, is up 3 percent from 2021. The average soybean yield is forecast at 42 bushels per harvested acre, down 4 bushels from last year.

Florida: Cotton production is forecast at 155,000 bales, up 29 percent from 2021. With yield forecast at a record high 4,300 pounds per harvested acre, peanut production is forecast at 645 million pounds, up 9 percent from 2021. Sugarcane for sugar and seed production is forecast at 17.5 million tons, up 2 percent from 2021.

Georgia: Corn for grain production is forecast at 64.7 million bushels, down 20 percent from 2021. The average corn yield is forecast at 166 bushels per harvested acre, down 16 bushels from the previous year. Cotton production, at 2.30 million bales, is up 4 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 3.26 billion pounds, down 2 percent from 2021. The average peanut yield is forecast at 4,500 pounds per harvested acre, up 50 pounds from 2021. Soybean production, at 5.50 million bushels, is down 11 percent from last year. The average soybean yield is forecast at 44 bushels per harvested acre, down 2 bushels from last year. Tobacco production is forecast at 13.3 million pounds, down 8 percent from last year. Peach production is forecast at 26,000 tons, down 26 percent from 2021.

South Carolina: Corn for grain production is forecast at 38.4 million bushels, down 27 percent from 2021. The average corn yield is forecast at 128 bushels per harvested acre, down 11 bushels from the previous year. Cotton production, at 475,000 bales, is up 12 percent from 2021. With yield forecast at a record high 4,200 pounds per harvested acre, peanut production is forecast at 260 million pounds, down 6 percent from 2021. Soybean production, at 13.5 million bushels, is down 8 percent from last year. The average soybean yield is forecast at 35 bushels per harvested acre, down 3 bushels from last year. Tobacco production, at 12.0 million pounds, is down 12 percent from 2021. Peach production is forecast at 76,000 tons, down 13 percent from 2021.

Peach Production – States and United States: 2021 and Forecasted August 1, 2022

[Current year estimates are for the full 2022 crop year]

State	Total production	
	2021	2022
	(tons)	(tons)
Georgia	35,300	26,000
South Carolina.....	87,400	76,000
United States	688,770	583,500

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Crop Production](#), August 2022

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2021 and Forecasted August 1, 2022

Crop and State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn ¹ (bushels)								
Alabama.....	355	300	345	290	163.0	134.0	56,235	38,860
Florida ²	95	80	66	45	176.0		11,616	
Georgia.....	480	430	445	390	182.0	166.0	80,990	64,740
South Carolina	400	320	380	300	139.0	128.0	52,820	38,400
United States	93,357	89,821	85,388	81,840	177.0	175.4	15,115,170	14,358,679
Cotton, all ³ (bales)								
Alabama.....	405.0	425.0	401.0	420.0	826	851	690.0	745.0
Florida.....	92.0	95.0	90.0	93.0	640	800	120.0	155.0
Georgia.....	1,170.0	1,200.0	1,160.0	1,190.0	914	928	2,210.0	2,300.0
South Carolina	210.0	260.0	207.0	255.0	986	894	425.0	475.0
United States	11,215.5	12,478.0	10,272.3	7,129.0	819	846	17,523.0	12,570.0
Hay, all other (tons)								
Alabama.....	(NA)	(NA)	700	700	3.10	2.70	2,170	1,890
Florida ²	(NA)	(NA)	300	310	2.50		750	
Georgia.....	(NA)	(NA)	540	560	3.20	2.30	1,728	1,288
South Carolina ²	(NA)	(NA)	270	270	2.40		648	
United States	(NA)	(NA)	35,490	36,042	2.00	1.88	70,951	67,659
Peanuts (pounds)								
Alabama.....	185.0	190.0	183.0	187.0	3,400	4,000	622,200	748,000
Florida.....	170.0	160.0	162.0	150.0	3,650	4,300	591,300	645,000
Georgia.....	755.0	730.0	750.0	725.0	4,450	4,500	3,337,500	3,262,500
South Carolina	69.0	65.0	66.0	62.0	4,200	4,200	277,200	260,400
United States	1,585.2	1,543.0	1,545.0	1,502.0	4,135	4,129	6,389,300	6,201,600
Soybeans..... (bushels)								
Alabama.....	310	350	305	345	46.0	42.0	14,030	14,490
Georgia.....	140	130	135	125	46.0	44.0	6,210	5,500
South Carolina	395	400	385	385	38.0	35.0	14,630	13,475
United States	87,195	88,025	86,332	87,211	51.4	51.9	4,435,232	4,530,561
Sugarcane ⁴ (tons)								
Florida.....	(NA)	(NA)	403.5	400.0	42.6	43.8	17,187	17,520
United States	(NA)	(NA)	935.2	919.3	35.1	36.6	32,838	33,661
Tobacco..... (pounds)								
Georgia.....	(NA)	(NA)	8.0	7.0	1,800	1,900	14,400	13,300
South Carolina	(NA)	(NA)	7.6	6.0	1,800	2,000	13,680	12,000
United States	(NA)	(NA)	218.9	220.7	2,183	2,058	477,973	454,169

(NA) Not available.

¹ Planted for all purposes, harvested for grain.

² Blank cells indicate that individual state level estimates will be published in the [Crop Production 2022 Summary](#), released January 2023.

³ Yield is in pounds. Production ginned and to be ginned. Production is in 480-lb. net weight bales.

⁴ For sugar and seed.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Crop Production](#), August 2022