

# Southern Region News Release October Crop Production



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This report contains the results from the farmer reported **2022 October Agricultural Yield and Cotton Objective Yield surveys**. Thanks to all who responded to these surveys, and to the cotton producers who allowed objective measurements to be taken in their fields.

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#### Special Note

Hurricane Ian made its landfall near Cayo Costa, Florida on Wednesday, September 28. It made a second landfall near Georgetown, South Carolina on Friday, September 30. Although survey work for this report extended beyond the initial landfall, the full impact of the storm may not be reflected until future reports.

### Key findings for the Southern Region from the October Crop Production report

**Alabama:** Corn for grain production is forecast at 37.4 million bushels for 2022, up 6 percent from the previous forecast but down 32 percent from 2021. Cotton production is forecast at 740,000 bales, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 7 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 636 million pounds, up 3 percent from the previous forecast and up 4 percent from 2021. Soybean production is forecast at 14.9 million bushels for 2022, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 6 percent from 2021.

**Florida:** Cotton production is forecast at 170,000 bales for 2022, down 3 percent from the previous forecast but up 42 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 573 million pounds for 2022, down 9 percent from the previous forecast and down 2 percent from 2021. Sugarcane for sugar and seed production is forecast at 17.4 million tons for 2022, up 1 percent from 2021.

**Georgia:** Corn for grain production is forecast at 65.8 million bushels for 2022, unchanged from the previous forecast but down 19 percent from 2021. Cotton production for 2022 is forecast at 2.40 million bales, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 9 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 2.99 billion pounds, down 2 percent from the previous forecast and down 10 percent from 2021. With yield forecast at 45 bushels per acre, soybean production is forecast at 7.20 million bushels, down 2 percent from the previous forecast but up 16 percent from 2021. Tobacco production, at 12.6 million pounds, is down 13 percent from last year. Pecan production is forecast at 145 million pounds, up 64 percent from last year.

**South Carolina:** With yield forecast at 125 bushels per acre, corn for grain production is forecast at 37.5 million bushels for 2022, down 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 29 percent from 2021. Cotton production is forecast at 490,000 bales, down 1 percent from the previous forecast but up 15 percent from 2021. With yield forecast at 4,200 pounds per acre, peanut production is forecast at 286 million pounds, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 3 percent from last year. Soybean production is forecast at 14.8 million bushels, up 6 percent from the previous forecast and up 1 percent from 2021. Tobacco production is forecast at 12.6 million pounds, down 8 percent from 2021.

	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production		
Crop and State	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022		2024	2022
						September 1	October 1	2021	2022
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)				(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn <sup>1</sup> (bushels)									
Alabama	350	300	340	290	163.0	122.0	129.0	55,420	37,410
Florida <sup>2</sup>	95	85	66	48	176.0			11,616	
Georgia	480	425	445	385	182.0	171.0	171.0	80,990	65,835
South Carolina	400	320	380	300	139.0	126.0	125.0	52,820	37,500
United States	93,252	88,608	85,318	80,844	176.7	172.5	171.9	15,073,820	13,895,176
Cotton, all <sup>3</sup> . (bales)									
Alabama	405.0	430.0	401.0	425.0	826	836	836	690.0	740.0
Florida	92.0	106.0	90.0	104.0	640	808	785	120.0	170.0
Georgia	1,170.0	1,290.0	1,160.0	1,280.0	914	900	900	2,210.0	2,400.0
South Carolina	210.0	270.0	207.0	265.0	986	897	888	425.0	490.0
United States	11,215.5	13,791.0	10,272.3	7,876.0	819	843	842	17,523.0	13,812.0
Hay, all other (tons)									
Alabama	(NA)	(NA)	700	700	3.10	(NA)	2.70	2,170	1,890
Florida <sup>2</sup>	(NA)	(NA)	300	310	2.50	(NA)		750	,
Georgia	(NA)	(NA)	540	560	3.20	(NA)	2.40	1,728	1,344
South Carolina <sup>2</sup> .	(NA)	(NA)	270	270	2.40	(NA)		648	.,
United States	(NA)	(NA)	35,490	36,042	2.00	(NA)	1.75	70,951	63,241
Peanuts (pounds)									
Alabama	185.0	165.0	182.0	163.0	3,350	3,800	3,900	609,700	635,700
Florida	165.0	155.0	158.0	147.0	3,700	4,300	3,900	584,600	573,300
Georgia	755.0	685.0	750.0	680.0	4,450	4,500	4,400	3,337,500	2,992,000
South Carolina	69.0	71.0	66.0	68.0	4,200	4,200	4,200	277,200	285,600
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United States	1,580.2	1,459.1	1,540.1	1,411.1	4,130	4,145	4,090	6,361,331	5,771,000
Soybeans(bushels)									
Alabama	310	360	305	355	46.0	42.0	42.0	14,030	14,910
Georgia	140	165	135	160	46.0	46.0	45.0	6,210	7,200
South Carolina	395	405	385	390	38.0	36.0	38.0	14,630	14,820
United States	87,195	87,455	86,312	86,631	51.7	50.5	49.8	4,465,382	4,312,949
Sugarcane <sup>4</sup> (tons)									
Florida	(NA)	(NA)	403.5	396.5	42.6	44.0	43.8	17,187	17,367
United States	(NA)	(NA)	935.2	920.5	35.1	36.9	37.1	32,838	34,157
Tobacco (pounds)									
Georgia	(NA)	(NA)	8.0	6.0	1,800	2,100	2,100	14,400	12,600
South Carolina	(NA) (NA)	(NA)	7.6	6.0	1,800	2,000	2,100	13,680	12,600
United States	(NA)	(NA)	218.9	205.6	2,183	2,100	2,116	477,973	434,965

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

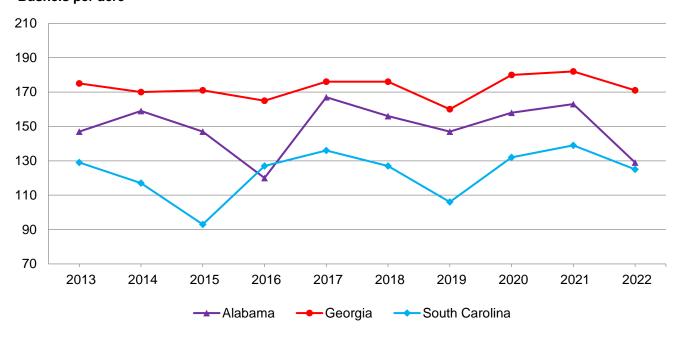
(NA) Not available. <sup>1</sup> Planted for all purposes, harvested for grain. <sup>2</sup> Blank cells indicate that individual state level estimates will be published in the *Crop Production 2022 Summary*, released January 2023.

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

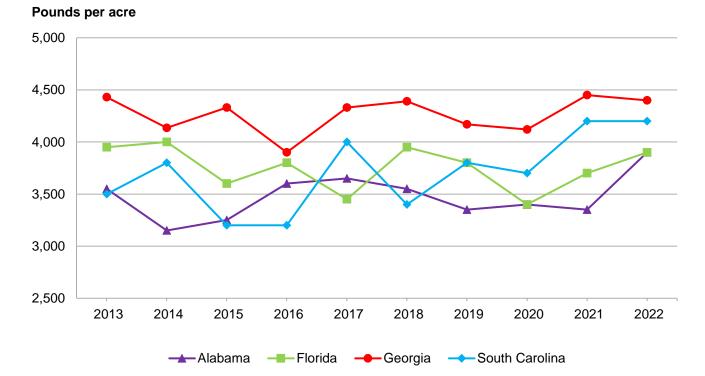
<sup>4</sup> For sugar and seed.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Crop Production, October 2022

## Corn Yield – States: 2013-2022 Bushels per acre



Peanut Yield – States: 2013-2022



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## Pecan Production – State and United States: 2021 and Forecasted October 1, 2022

Stoto	Utilized production (in-shell basis)				
State	2021	2022			
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)			
Georgia	88,600	145,000			
United States	255,300	290,500			

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Crop Production, October 2022

## Pecan Utilized Production – Georgia: 2013-2022

## Million pounds

