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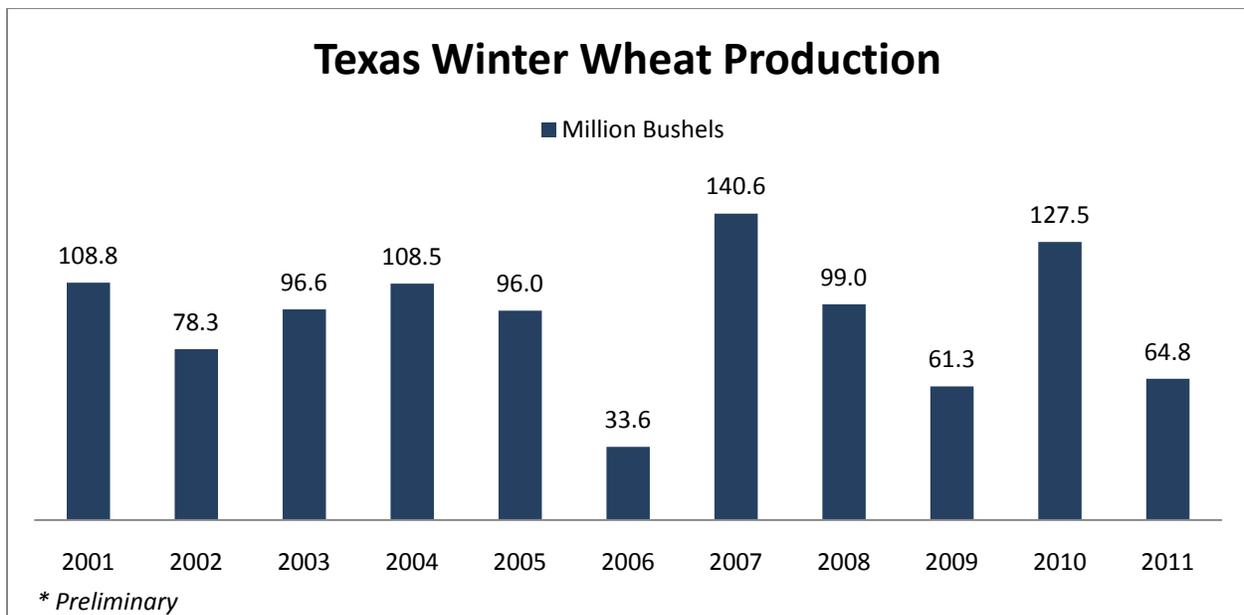
Texas Wheat Production Estimated 49 Percent Below Last Year

According to an April 1 survey conducted by the USDA-NASS, Texas Field Office, Texas wheat producers expect to harvest 64.8 million bushels this year, down 49 percent from 2010, and 6 percent more than the 2009 crop.

Planted acreage for the 2011 crop is estimated at 5.65 million acres, down 1 percent from 2010, and 12 percent less than 2009.

Production on the Northern High Plains is expected to total 29.6 million bushels, down 52 percent from a year ago. The Low Plains is expected to harvest 9.1 million bushels, down from 33.4 million bushels in 2010. Producers in the Blacklands expect to harvest 12.1 million bushels, up 40 percent from last year.

On April 4, 39 percent of the winter wheat acreage was rated fair to good, compared to 78 percent fair to good last year.



* Preliminary

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Texas Wheat District Estimates 2009, 2010 and 2011 ¹

District	Planted acres			Production		
	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000 bushels</i>		
1 – N	2,316.0	2,184.0	1,800.0	37,813.0	61,236.0	29,600.0
1 – S	688.0	595.0	560.0	4,697.0	9,054.0	5,100.0
2 – N	736.0	697.0	660.0	4,126.0	12,498.0	3,086.0
2 – S	1,112.0	1,069.5	1,000.0	3,319.0	20,883.0	6,050.0
3	470.0	432.2	530.0	995.0	5,210.0	3,500.0
4	593.6	319.3	600.0	7,386.0	8,635.0	12,100.0
5 – N	45.0	25.4	70.0	267.0	191.2	1,000.0
7	266.5	249.0	240.0	1,240.0	6,335.0	2,400.0
8 – N	65.0	55.9	80.0	301.0	1,677.0	620.0
Other Districts	107.9	72.7	110.0	1,106.0	1,780.8	1,344.0
State	6,400.0	5,700.0	5,650.0	61,250.0	127,500.0	64,800.0

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*Texas is the only State that makes an April 1 winter wheat production forecast. The first national wheat production forecast will be released on May 11, 2011. **The Texas April Wheat Survey is conducted in cooperation with the Texas Department of Agriculture.***

Link to USDA-NASS website: <http://www.nass.usda.gov/index.asp>