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Louisiana Seventh In Cotton Production

Louisiana cotton production for 2007 was 699,000 bales, down 44 percent from 2006. Yield per acre was 1,017 pounds, up 8 percent or 71 pounds. Area harvested totaled 330,000 acres, down 48 percent from 2006. Among the cotton producing states, Louisiana ranked seventh, behind Texas, Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina and Missouri. Louisiana ranks eighth in cottonseed production with 228,000 tons.

Cotton, Upland Acreage, Yield and Production

	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
State	2006	20071	2006	2007 ¹	2006	2007 ¹	2006	2007 ^{1,2}
	1,000 Acres		1,000 Acres		Pounds		1,000 Bales	
Alabama	575.0	400.0	560.0	385.0	579	519	675.0	416.0
Arizona	190.0	170.0	188.0	168.0	1,420	1,469	556.0	514.0
Arkansas	1,170.0	860.0	1,160.0	850.0	1,045	1,071	2,525.0	1,896.0
California	285.0	195.0	283.0	194.0	1,321	1,608	779.0	650.0
Florida	103.0	85.0	101.0	81.0	789	687	166.0	116.0
Georgia	1,400.0	1,030.0	1,370.0	995.0	818	801	2,334.0	1,660.0
Kansas	115.0	47.0	110.0	43.0	511	639	117.0	57.2
Louisiana	635.0	335.0	630.0	330.0	946	1,017	1,241.0	699.0
Mississippi	1,230.0	660.0	1,220.0	655.0	829	966	2,107.0	1,318.0
Missouri	500.0	380.0	496.0	379.0	953	968	985.0	764.0
New Mexico	50.0	43.0	48.0	39.0	930	1,095	93.0	89.0
North Carolina	870.0	500.0	865.0	490.0	713	767	1,285.0	783.0
Oklahoma	320.0	175.0	180.0	165.0	541	817	203.0	281.0
South Carolina	300.0	180.0	298.0	158.0	697	486	433.0	160.0
Tennessee	700.0	515.0	695.0	510.0	945	565	1,368.0	600.0
Texas	6,400.0	4,900.0	4,100.0	4,700.0	679	843	5,800.0	8,250.0
Virginia	105.0	60.0	104.0	59.0	717	829	155.4	101.9
United States	14,948.0	10,535.0	12,408.0	10,201.0	806	864	20,822.4	18,355.1

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Cottonseed: Production and Farm Disposition

				Seed for				
	Prod	uction	Sales to Oil Mills		Other ¹		Planting ²	
State	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006 ³	2007
	1,000 Tons		1,000 Tons		Tons		1,000 Tons	
Alabama	230.0	151.0	34.0	25.5	196.0	125.5	2.4	1.8
Arizona	214.2	182.8			214.2	182.8	1.3	1.1
Arkansas	861.0	671.0	580.0	508.0	281.0	163.0	5.6	4.2
California	532.0	546.0	71.0	105.0	461.0	441.0	4.1	2.5
Florida	49.3	32.9	39.8	28.2	9.5	4.7	0.9	0.3
Georgia	699.0	487.0	447.0	262.0	252.0	225.0	4.6	5.0
Kansas	45.0	20.0	1.0	4.0	44.0	16.0	0.2	0.2
Louisiana	400.0	228.0	256.0	129.0	144.0	99.0	2.0	1.7
Mississippi	731.0	467.0	552.0	408.0	179.0	59.0	4.3	2.8
Missouri	359.0	276.0	221.0	163.0	138.0	113.0	2.1	1.7
New Mexico	40.0	33.5			40.0	33.5	0.3	0.2
North Carolina	414.0	244.0	55.0	61.0	359.0	183.0	3.0	2.5
Oklahoma	71.6	106.5	52.0	92.4	19.6	14.1	1.1	1.1
South Carolina	136.8	47.5	67.5	33.9	69.3	13.6	0.7	0.5
Tennessee	441.0	203.0	325.0	156.0	116.0	47.0	3.3	3.7
Texas	2,065.9	2,860.7	907.0	1,659.1	1,158.9	1,201.6	34.5	33.1
Virginia	58.1	31.8			58.1	31.8	0.6	0.6
United States	7,347.9	6,588.7	3,608.3	3,635.1	3,739.6	2,953.1	71.0	63.0

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⁴⁸⁰⁻pound net weight bales.

Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, losses and other uses. Included in "other" farm disposition. Seed for planting is produced in crop year shown, but used in the following year.

United States Winter Wheat

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.78 billion bushels, up 17 percent from 2007. Based on May 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.3 bushels per acre, 2.1 bushels above last year. Expected grain area totals 40.2 million acres, up 12 percent from last year. Hard Red Winter (HRW) harvested acreage is up about 6 percent from the previous year. Soft Red Winter (SRW) harvested acreage is estimated to be up 35 percent from last year. The portion of the winter wheat crop rated good to excellent on April 27, at 46 percent, was 10 percentage points below a year ago.

United States Hay Stocks on Farms

All hay stored on farms May 1, 2008, totaled 21.6 million tons, up 44 percent from the previous year. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 2007-May 1, 2008, totaled 82.4 million tons, 1 percent more than the disappearance of 81.5 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

Lower 2007 hay production in most states east of the Mississippi River, except in the Southeast, held May 1, 2008, hay stocks below a year ago. The largest declines occurred in Kentucky, Minnesota, Tennessee and Wisconsin. In Kentucky and Tennessee, where stocks are less than half of the previous year, production was down due to the April 2007 freeze and dry summer weather, so some producers resorted to hauling hay in from other states. Wisconsin's May 1 hay stocks are at a record low level while Tennessee recorded the lowest May 1 hay stocks, level since 1962.

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Winter Wheat

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	Area H	arvested	Yi	eld	Production		
Selected States	2007	Ind. 2008	2007	Ind. 2008	2007	Ind. 2008	
	1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels		
Arkansas	700	840	41.0	53.0	28,700	44,520	
Colorado	2,350	2,100	40.0	32.0	94,000	67,200	
Kansas	8,600	9,400	33.0	38.0	283,800	357,200	
Louisiana	200	1/	54.0	1/	11,880	1/	
Mississippi	330	425	56.0	57.0	18,480	24,225	
Oklahoma	3,500	4,500	28.0	33.0	98,000	148,500	
Texas	3,800	3,400	37.0	29.0	140,600	98,600	
United States	35,952	40,162	42.2	44.3	1,515,989	1,777,532	

¹ Not available until September 2008.

Hay Stocks on Farms

Selected		December 1		May 1			
States	2005	2006	2007	2006	2007	2008	
		1,000 Tons		1,000 Tons			
Alabama	1,575	1,065	1,318	264	144	150	
Arkansas	2,000	2,140	2,700	210	160	530	
Louisiana	596	690	820	81	57	100	
Mississippi	1,567	1,186	1,459	210	78	196	
Oklahoma	3,900	3,275	6,100	550	400	1,600	
Texas	8,000	7,550	13,400	896	885	4,906	
United States	105,205	96,555	103,986	21,345	15,013	21,593	

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