



Press Release

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On: TEXAS WHEAT PRODUCTION
DOWN 3 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . The 2005 Texas winter wheat crop is forecast at 105 million bushels, down 3 percent from 2004, but 9 percent higher than 2003. This forecast is unchanged from the Texas April forecast.

According to a May 1 survey conducted by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, statewide yield is expected to average 30 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from last year, but up 2 bushels from two years ago. Harvested acreage for grain, at 3.5 million acres, is identical to 2004.

“The Upper Panhandle is producing a much larger percentage of this year’s crop. Conditions have been very good, however an emerging rust problem will have to be closely monitored”, reported State Director Robin Roark.

Production on the Northern High Plains is forecast at 57.0 million bushels, up 18 percent from last year. Winter wheat production on the Low Plains is forecast at 23.7 million bushels, down 7 percent from last year. The Blacklands’ production is estimated at 8.5 million bushels, down 45 percent from last year. Production on the Edwards Plateau is forecast at 6.4 million bushels, 40 percent higher than 2004.

United States winter wheat production for 2005 is forecast at 1.59 billion bushels, up 6 percent from 2004. Yield is expected to average 45.4 bushels per acre, 1.9 bushels more than a year ago. Acreage to be harvested for grain is expected to total 35.1 million acres, up 2 percent from last season.

TEXAS WHEAT: ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, 2004 AND 2005 ^{1/}

Districts	Planted acres		Harvested acres		Yield per acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>1,000 acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 bushels</i>	
1-N	2,391.0	2,300.0	1,505.0	1,675.0	32.2	34.0	48,400.0	57,000.0
1-S	497.5	400.0	177.0	115.0	30.5	24.3	5,390.0	2,800.0
2-N	661.0	690.0	363.5	380.0	27.6	24.5	10,050.0	9,300.0
2-S	1,098.0	1,050.0	594.0	600.0	26.0	24.0	15,420.0	14,400.0
3	531.0	480.0	195.0	190.0	27.5	24.2	5,370.0	4,600.0
4	621.0	400.0	370.5	220.0	41.5	38.6	15,365.0	8,500.0
7	284.0	360.0	158.0	250.0	29.0	25.6	4,580.0	6,400.0
8-N	100.0	65.0	75.1	50.0	28.8	30.0	2,160.0	1,500.0
Other districts ^{2/}	116.5	55.0	61.9	20.0	28.5	25.0	1,765.0	500.0
STATE	6,300.0	5,800.0	3,500.0	3,500.0	31.0	30.0	108,500.0	105,000.0

^{1/} Preliminary 2005. ^{2/} Districts with less than 50,000 acres planted are included in other districts.

