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This report contains the results from the **2023 October Ag Yield Survey**. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in a more detailed report at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to this survey.

Corn Yield and Production Unchanged from September
Cotton Yield and Production Up from September
Rice Yield and Production Unchanged from September
Soybean Yield and Production Down from September
Sugarcane Yield and Production Up from September

Louisiana **corn** for grain production is forecast at 119 million bushels, unchanged from September 1 forecast but up 61 percent from 2022. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is expected to average 175 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but up 5 bushels from last year. Harvested acreage for grain is estimated at 680,000 acres, up 245,000 acres from 2022.

Upland cotton production is forecast at 220,000 bales, up 15,000 bales from the September 1 forecast but 138,000 bales below last year. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is expected to average 918 pounds per harvested acre, up 62 pounds from last month and up 14 pounds from 2022. Harvested acreage is estimated at 115,000 acres, down 75,000 acres from 2022.

Hay production, excluding alfalfa, is forecast at 880,000 tons, down 6 percent from 2022. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is expected to average 2.20 tons per acre, up 0.20 ton from the August 1 forecast but down 0.20 ton from last year. Producers expect to harvest 400,000 acres of all hay, excluding alfalfa, up 10,000 acres from 2022.

All rice production for the state is forecast at 31.3 million hundredweight, unchanged from the September 1 forecast but up 13 percent from last year's production of 27.6 million hundredweight. Based on conditions as of October 1, the all rice yield for 2023 is forecast at 6,750 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month but up 90 pounds from last year. Producers expect to harvest 463,000 acres of rice, up 48,000 acres from 2022.

Soybean production in 2023 is forecast at 41.0 million bushels, down 5 percent from the September 1 forecast and down 28 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is expected to average 41 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from last month and down 6 bushels from last year. Harvested acreage estimated at 1.00 million acres, down 210,000 acres from 2022.

Sugarcane production is forecast at 14.1 million net tons, up 2 percent from the September 1 forecast but down 12 percent from a year ago. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is forecast at 27.7 net tons per acre, up 0.5 net ton from last month but down 4.6 net tons from last year. Area harvested for sugar and seed is estimated at 510,000 acres, up 12,900 acres from 2022.

Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - Louisiana and United States: 2022 and Forecasted October 1, 2023

Crop	Unit	Area harvested		Yield			Production	
		2022	2023	2022	2023		2022	2023
					September 1	October 1		
Louisiana		(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
Corn, for grain	bushels	435.0	680.0	170.00	175.00	175.00	73,950	119,000
Cotton, upland	1	190.0	115.0	904.00	856.00	918.00	358	220
Hay, excluding alfalfa	tons	390.0	400.0	2.40	(NA)	2.20	936	880
Rice, all	2	415.0	463.0	6,660.00	6,750.00	6,750.00	27,649	31,253
Soybeans, for beans	bushels	1,210.0	1,000.0	47.00	43.00	41.00	56,870	41,000
Sugarcane, for sugar and seed ..	net tons	497.1	510.0	32.30	27.20	27.70	16,035	14,127
United States		(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(per acre)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
Corn, for grain	bushels	79,115.0	87,096.0	173.40	173.80	173.00	13,714,676	15,064,420
Cotton, upland	1	7,131.5	7,879.8	942.00	778.00	759.00	13,998	12,461
Hay, excluding alfalfa	tons	34,633.0	36,318.0	1.87	(NA)	1.93	64,843	70,093
Rice, all	2	2,172.0	2,850.0	7,383.00	7,751.00	7,737.00	160,368	220,508
Soybeans, for beans	bushels	86,169.0	82,791.0	49.60	50.10	49.60	4,270,196	4,104,379
Sugarcane, for sugar and seed ..	net tons	930.2	928.0	37.30	34.90	35.20	34,671	32,691

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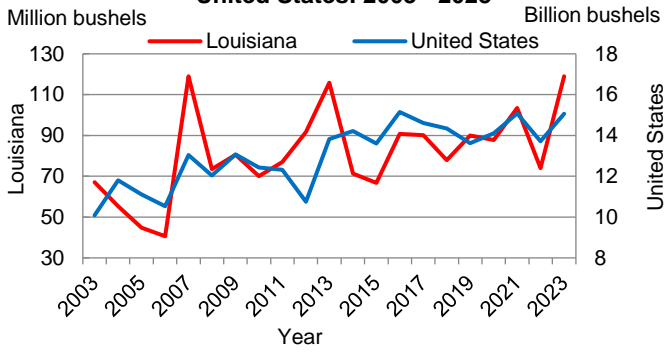
¹ Cotton yield in pounds per acre, production in 480 pound bales.

² Rice yield in pounds per acre, production in hundredweight (cwt).

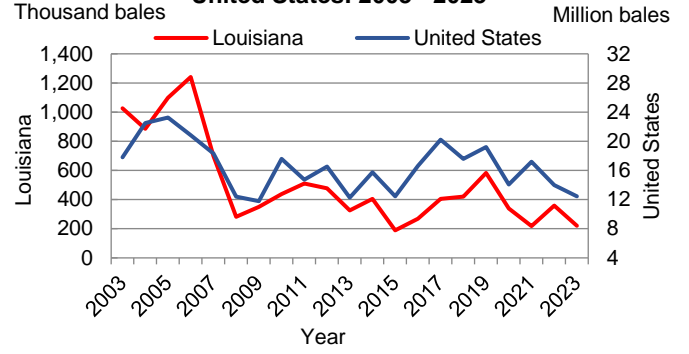


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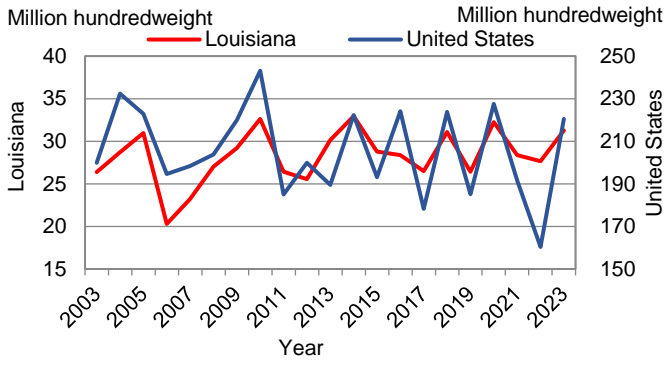
Corn: Production - Louisiana and United States: 2003 - 2023



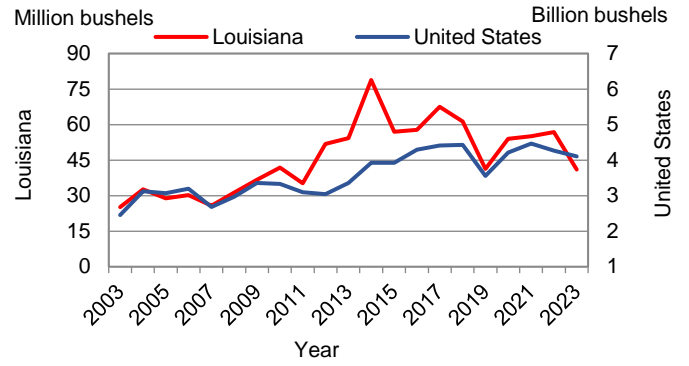
Upland Cotton: Production - Louisiana and United States: 2003 - 2023



All Rice: Production - Louisiana and United States: 2003 - 2023



Soybean: Production - Louisiana and United States: 2003 - 2023



Sugarcane: Production - Louisiana and United States: 2003 - 2023

