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This report contains the results from the **2024 May Ag Yield, 2023 Cotton Ginnings, and Objective Yield surveys**. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to these surveys and to those cotton producers who allowed objective measurements to be taken in their fields.

**Arkansas Winter Wheat Yield and Production Down from 2023  
Arkansas Hay Stocks Up from May 2023; Louisiana Hay Stocks Down from May 2023 and  
Mississippi Hay Stocks Unchanged from May 2023**

As of May 1, 2024, **Arkansas winter wheat** production is forecast at 3.75 million bushels, down 60 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, yield is forecast at 50 bushels per acre, 7 bushels per acre below last year's yield. Area for harvest, at 75,000 acres, is down 55 percent from 2023.

May 1, 2024, **Arkansas hay stocks**, at 260,000 tons, are up 60,000 tons from May 1, 2023 stocks. Farmers used 83 percent of their December 1, 2023 hay stocks. **Louisiana hay stocks**, at 85,000 tons, are down 5,000 tons from May 1, 2023 stocks. Farmers used 85 percent of their December 1, 2023 hay stocks. **Mississippi hay stocks**, at 110,000 tons, are unchanged from May 1, 2023 stocks. Farmers used 85 percent of their December 1, 2023 hay stocks.

**Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - Selected States and United States: 2023 and Forecasted May 1, 2024**

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Arkansas .....	165.0	75.0	57.0	50.0	9,405.0	3,750.0
Mississippi <sup>1</sup> .....	95.0	(NA)	52.0	(NA)	4,940.0	(NA)
Missouri .....	600.0	500.0	70.0	67.0	42,000.0	33,500.0
Oklahoma .....	2,450.0	2,600.0	28.0	37.0	68,600.0	96,200.0
Tennessee .....	390.0	310.0	80.0	80.0	31,200.0	24,800.0
Texas .....	2,100.0	2,100.0	37.0	34.0	77,700.0	71,400.0
United States .....	24,683.0	25,198.0	50.6	50.7	1,247,748.0	1,277,695.0

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Individual state level estimates will be published in the *Small Grains 2024 Summary* report.

**Hay Stocks on Farms - Selected States and United States: December 1 and May 1, 2022-2024**

State	December 1		May 1	
	2022	2023	2023	2024
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Alabama .....	1,300	1,100	160	135
Arkansas .....	1,440	1,550	200	260
Louisiana .....	610	560	90	85
Mississippi .....	800	710	110	110
Missouri .....	4,650	4,700	820	810
Oklahoma .....	3,000	5,900	400	1,800
Tennessee .....	2,650	2,750	400	410
Texas .....	5,000	5,500	940	1,500
United States .....	71,761	76,721	14,333	21,010

**Arkansas Final 2023 Cotton Yield Up but Production Down from 2022**  
**Louisiana Final 2023 Cotton Yield and Production Down from 2022**  
**Mississippi Final 2023 Cotton Yield and Production Down from 2022**

**Arkansas final cotton** production for 2023 was 1.36 million bales, 186,000 bales lower than 2022. The 2023 crop yielded 1,295 pounds per harvested acre, up 106 pounds from a year ago. Producers harvested 505,000 acres of cotton, down 19 percent from 2022. Cottonseed production was 411,000 tons for 2023, down 16 percent from 2022.

**Louisiana final cotton** production for 2023 was 209,000 bales, 149,000 bales lower than 2022. The 2023 crop yielded 872 pounds per harvested acre, down 32 pounds from a year ago. Producers harvested 115,000 acres of cotton, down 39 percent from 2022. Cottonseed production was 67,000 tons for 2023, down 39 percent from 2022.

**Mississippi final cotton** production for 2023 was 891,000 bales, 295,000 bales lower than 2022. The 2023 crop yielded 1,083 pounds per harvested acre, down 1 pound from a year ago. Producers harvested 395,000 acres of cotton, down 25 percent from 2022. Cottonseed production was 277,000 tons for 2023, down 26 percent from 2022.

**Upland Cotton Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production - Selected States and United States: 2022 and 2023**

State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production <sup>1</sup>	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 bales)	(1,000 bales)
Alabama .....	435.0	380.0	430.0	374.0	930.0	937.0	833.0	730.0
<b>Arkansas</b> .....	640.0	510.0	625.0	505.0	1,189.0	1,295.0	1,548.0	1,362.0
<b>Louisiana</b> .....	195.0	120.0	190.0	115.0	904.0	872.0	358.0	209.0
<b>Mississippi</b> .....	530.0	400.0	525.0	395.0	1,084.0	1,083.0	1,186.0	891.0
Missouri .....	360.0	335.0	340.0	330.0	1,240.0	1,361.0	878.0	936.0
Oklahoma .....	660.0	420.0	220.0	180.0	663.0	560.0	304.0	210.0
Tennessee .....	335.0	265.0	325.0	260.0	1,053.0	1,250.0	713.0	677.0
Texas .....	7,850.0	5,550.0	2,000.0	2,100.0	734.0	618.0	3,060.0	2,705.0
United States ..	13,567.0	10,083.0	7,113.5	6,301.8	945.0	895.0	13,998.0	11,750.0

<sup>1</sup> Equivalent 480-pound net weight bales.

**Cottonseed Production and Farm Disposition - Selected States and United States: 2022 and 2023**

State	Production		Farm disposition				Seed for planting <sup>2</sup>	
			Sales to oil mills		Other <sup>1</sup>			
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)	(1,000 tons)
Alabama .....	236.0	206.0	19.0	25.0	217.0	181.0	2.3	2.5
<b>Arkansas</b> .....	489.0	411.0	356.0	293.0	133.0	118.0	3.0	3.5
<b>Louisiana</b> .....	109.0	67.0	57.0	34.0	52.0	33.0	0.8	0.9
<b>Mississippi</b> .....	374.0	277.0	215.0	135.0	159.0	142.0	2.3	3.1
Missouri .....	317.0	322.0	136.0	133.0	181.0	189.0	2.0	2.1
Oklahoma .....	93.0	61.0	44.0	50.0	49.0	11.0	2.9	2.8
Tennessee .....	208.0	207.0	161.0	160.0	47.0	47.0	2.2	1.9
Texas .....	940.0	815.0	446.0	462.0	494.0	353.0	39.1	30.7
United States ..	4,415.0	3,644.0	1,923.0	1,621.0	2,492.0	2,023.0	67.4	60.3

<sup>1</sup> Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, losses, and other uses.

<sup>2</sup> Included in "other" farm disposition. Seed for planting is produced in crop year shown but used in the following year.

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