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## CROP PRODUCTION – MAY 2022

### NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

**Hay stocks** on New Mexico farms and ranches as of May 1, 2022 totaled 30,000 tons, down 25 percent from stocks of 40,000 tons on hand last year and the lowest New Mexico May 1 hay stocks since 21,000 tons in 1952, according to the May 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Hay production for 2021 was 815,000 tons, 1 percent lower than 2020 production. Disappearance from December 1, 2021 to May 1, 2022 was 210,000 tons, compared with 170,000 tons for the same period a year earlier.

Final **all cotton** production in New Mexico for 2021 totaled 76,000 480-lb bales, 6 percent above 2020. Area of all cotton harvested, at 38,000 acres, is up 1,500 acres from last year. The all cotton yield is 960 pounds per acre, up 20 pounds per acre from 2020. **Upland cotton** planted acres are estimated at 36,000 for 2021, with 26,000 acres harvested. Upland cotton production totaled 60,000 bales, up 5 percent from the 2020 crop. Yield is estimated at 1,108 pounds per acre, up 56 pounds per acre from last year. **American Pima** planted cotton acres are estimated at 12,500 for 2021, with 12,000 acres harvested. New Mexico's 2021 American Pima production is estimated at 16,000 bales with an average yield of 640 pounds per acre.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.17 billion bushels, down 8 percent from 2021. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 47.9 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed is forecast at 24.5 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Hard Red Winter production, at 590 million bushels, is down 21 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 354 million bushels, is down 2 percent from 2021. White Winter, at 230 million bushels, is up 38 percent from last year. Of the White Winter production, 15.7 million bushels are Hard White and 214 million bushels are Soft White.

**All hay stored** on United States farms as of May 1, 2022, totaled 16.8 million tons, down 7 percent from May 1, 2021. Disappearance from December 1, 2021 – May 1, 2022, totaled 62.2 million tons, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

**All cotton** 2021 final production is estimated at 17.5 million 480-pound bales, 20 percent higher than the 2020 crop. The United States yield for all cotton is estimated at 819 pounds per acre, down 34 pounds from the previous year. **Upland cotton** production is estimated at 17.2 million 480-pound bales, up 22 percent from the 2020 crop. The United States yield for upland cotton is estimated at 813 pounds per acre, down 28 pounds from 2020. **American Pima** production is estimated at 332,000 bales (480-pounds), down 39 percent from 2020. The United States yield is estimated at 1,287 pounds per acre, down 65 pounds from the previous season.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).