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Ohio Winter Wheat Production

Ohio wheat growers expect a lower wheat yield than they did a month ago due to dry weather, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Field Office.

Wheat production in the State is anticipated to be 41.0 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year on more harvested acres. The yield forecast of 76 bushels per acre is down 3 bushels per acre from last year and down 2 bushels from last month.

As of May 28, the 2023 Ohio winter wheat crop was 75 percent headed which was a 15 percentage point increase over both last year and the five-year average. The winter wheat crop condition was rated 72 percent good to excellent compared to 55 percent at the same time last year.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.14 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 3 percent from 2022. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 44.9 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushel from last month but down 2.1 bushels from last year's average yield of 47.0 bushels per acre. Dry conditions through the Central Plains have hampered yield potential. As of June 4, thirty-six percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, six percentage points higher than at the same time last year. Nationally, 82 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by June 4, one percentage point ahead of the 5-year average pace.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop - Ohio and United States: 2022 - 2023

Commodity		Oh	nio	United States	
		2022	2023	2022	2023
Wheat, winter					
Planted1,0	00 acres	510	650	33,271	37,505
Harvested1,0	00 acres	465	540	23,459	25,286
Yield	. Bushels	79.0	76.0	47.0	44.9
Production	1,000 bu	36,735	41,040	1,103,707	1,136,465