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## Upland Cotton, Running Bales Ginned — States and United States: October 1, 2023-2024 and October 15, 2023-2024

[Excluding linters]

State	October 1		October 15	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Alabama .....	2,300	7,550	37,450	74,100
Arizona .....	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas .....	21,600	67,500	246,450	350,700
California .....	--	--	--	(D)
Florida .....	(D)	--	(D)	(D)
Georgia .....	1,300	--	34,800	32,700
Kansas .....	--	(D)	(D)	(D)
Louisiana .....	36,900	27,050	114,000	106,800
Mississippi .....	28,000	85,050	196,200	314,850
Missouri .....	(D)	11,650	84,450	115,600
New Mexico .....	--	(D)	--	(D)
North Carolina .....	(D)	--	4,800	5,600
Oklahoma .....	--	(D)	(D)	(D)
South Carolina .....	--	--	2,050	6,750
Tennessee .....	--	4,900	39,450	97,350
Texas .....	855,900	932,750	940,150	(D)
Virginia .....	--	--	--	--
United States .....	952,650	(D)	1,724,500	2,293,750

(D)Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.  
-- Represents zero.

**Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2023 and Forecasted October 1, 2024**

State	Area harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>	2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>		2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>
				Sep 1	Oct 1		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(units)	(units)	(units)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
<b>Corn for grain <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>bushels</b>						
Kentucky .....	1,500	1,280	187.0	187.0	186.0	280,500	238,080
North Carolina .....	900	840	147.0	88.0	88.0	132,300	73,920
Tennessee .....	890	660	173.0	153.0	153.0	153,970	100,980
Virginia .....	370	350	157.0	100.0	103.0	58,090	36,050
West Virginia .....	30	31	145.0	--	--	4,350	--
United States .....	86,506	82,710	177.3	183.6	183.8	15,340,520	15,203,309
<b>Soybeans</b>	<b>bushels</b>						
Kentucky .....	1,820	2,040	55.0	52.0	51.0	100,100	104,040
North Carolina .....	1,620	1,620	38.5	36.0	37.0	62,370	59,940
Tennessee .....	1,570	1,800	51.0	46.0	47.0	80,070	84,600
Virginia .....	570	600	38.0	43.0	44.0	21,660	26,400
United States .....	82,271	86,271	50.6	53.2	53.1	4,162,057	4,581,984
<b>Cotton <sup>3</sup></b>	<b>bales</b>						
North Carolina .....	370	400	933	906	840	719	700
Tennessee .....	260	250	1,250	1,114	1,094	677	570
Virginia .....	80	90	1,122	960	1,013	187	190
United States .....	6,440	8,635	899	807	789	12,066	14,201
<b>Peanuts</b>	<b>pounds</b>						
North Carolina .....	123	129	4,200	4,100	4,200	516,600	541,800
Virginia .....	29	30	4,800	4,600	4,700	139,200	141,000
United States .....	1,557	1,749	3,775	3,836	3,683	5,877,560	6,441,400
<b>All hay</b>	<b>tons</b>						
Kentucky .....	2,070	2,110	2.14	--	2.53	4,428	5,339
North Carolina .....	657	646	2.11	--	--	1,383	--
Tennessee .....	1,716	1,692	2.21	--	--	3,790	--
Virginia .....	1,155	1,135	2.13	--	2.11	2,464	2,398
West Virginia .....	610	597	1.72	--	--	1,051	--
United States .....	52,821	51,531	2.25	--	2.46	118,769	126,846
<b>Alfalfa hay</b>	<b>tons</b>						
Kentucky .....	90	80	3.00	--	3.30	270	264
North Carolina .....	7	6	2.60	--	--	18	--
Tennessee .....	16	12	3.10	--	--	50	--
Virginia .....	35	35	3.20	--	2.50	112	88
West Virginia .....	10	7	3.10	--	--	31	--
United States .....	15,634	15,627	3.19	--	3.45	49,916	53,975
<b>Other hay</b>	<b>tons</b>						
Kentucky .....	1,980	2,030	2.10	--	2.50	4,158	5,075
North Carolina .....	650	640	2.10	--	1.90	1,365	1,216
Tennessee .....	1,700	1,680	2.20	--	2.00	3,740	3,360
Virginia .....	1,120	1,100	2.10	--	2.10	2,352	2,310
West Virginia .....	600	590	1.70	--	1.70	1,020	1,003
United States .....	37,187	35,904	1.85	--	2.03	68,853	72,871

**Field Crop Area Harvested, Yield, and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2023 and Forecasted October 1, 2024 (Continued)**

State	Area harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production	
	2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>	2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>		2023	2024 <sup>1</sup>
				Sep 1	Oct 1		
	(acres)	(acres)	(units)	(units)	(units)	(1,000 units)	(1,000 units)
All tobacco							
pounds							
Kentucky .....	36,800	32,800	2,327	2,205	2,195	85,645	72,000
North Carolina .....	113,120	117,000	2,299	2,000	1,900	260,098	222,300
Tennessee .....	9,300	8,300	2,495	2,176	2,145	23,205	17,800
Virginia .....	13,070	12,900	2,343	1,900	2,000	30,624	25,800
United States .....	187,630	171,000	2,305	2,040	1,976	432,452	337,900
Burley tobacco							
pounds							
Kentucky .....	27,000	25,000	2,100	2,000	2,000	56,700	50,000
Tennessee .....	3,000	3,600	1,550	1,500	1,400	4,650	5,040
United States .....	31,390	28,600	2,059	1,937	1,924	64,647	55,040
Flue-cured tobacco							
pounds							
North Carolina .....	113,000	117,000	2,300	2,000	1,900	259,900	222,300
Virginia .....	12,800	12,900	2,350	1,900	2,000	30,080	25,800
United States .....	138,000	129,900	2,283	1,990	1,910	315,030	248,100
Dark fire-cured tobacco							
pounds							
Kentucky .....	6,300	4,700	3,150	2,900	2,900	19,845	13,630
Tennessee .....	5,100	3,700	3,050	2,800	2,800	15,555	10,360
United States .....	11,500	8,400	3,095	2,856	2,856	35,595	23,990
Dark air-cured tobacco							
pounds							
Kentucky .....	3,500	3,100	2,600	2,800	2,700	9,100	8,370
Tennessee .....	1,200	1,000	2,500	2,300	2,400	3,000	2,400
United States .....	4,700	4,100	2,574	2,678	2,627	12,100	10,770

(--) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Forecasted.

<sup>2</sup> Area harvested represents grain.

<sup>3</sup> Production in 480-lb bales. U.S. estimates include American-Pima cotton.

**Milk Cows and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and United States:  
Revised April and June, 2023 and 2024**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	April - June Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		April - June Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky .....	45	43	244	225	-7.8
North Carolina .....	38	38	229	225	-1.7
Tennessee .....	25	24	119	115	-3.4
Virginia .....	67	67	362	357	-1.4
West Virginia .....	5	4	17	15	-11.8
United States .....	9,410	9,328	58,004	57,368	-1.1

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Milk Cows and Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and United States:  
Revised July and September, 2023 and 2024**

[May not add due to rounding]

State	July - September Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		July - September Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky .....	44	42	215	205	-4.7
North Carolina .....	38	37	213	208	-2.3
Tennessee .....	25	24	111	108	-2.7
Virginia .....	68	66	350	336	-4.0
West Virginia .....	5	4	16	15	-6.3
United States .....	9,366	9,325	55,994	56,009	--

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

**Prices Received for Commodities — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia:  
September 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	September 2023	August 2024	September 2024	September 2023	August 2024	September 2024
Corn, for grain .....dollars/bushel	5.21	4.04	4.00	5.73	5.06	4.69
Soybeans .....dollars/bushel	13.50	10.70	10.60	14.10	11.00	11.10
Wheat, winter .....dollars/bushel	--	--	--	5.96	5.35	5.23
Cotton, upland .....dollars/pound	--	--	--	(D)	(D)	(S)
Peanuts .....dollars/pound	--	--	--	0.276	0.272	0.270
Hay, all .....dollars/ton	186.00	196.00	186.00	--	--	--
Alfalfa .....dollars/ton	211.00	220.00	220.00	--	--	--
Other .....dollars/ton	175.00	185.00	175.00	--	--	--

  

Commodity	Tennessee			Virginia		
	September 2023	August 2024	September 2024	September 2023	August 2024	September 2024
Corn .....dollars/bushel	4.86	4.01	4.03	--	--	--
Soybeans .....dollars/bushel	13.00	10.40	10.30	--	--	--
Wheat, winter .....dollars/bushel	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cotton .....dollars/pound	(D)	(S)	(D)	--	--	--
Peanuts .....dollars/pound	--	--	--	0.284	0.279	0.281
Hay, all .....dollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alfalfa .....dollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other .....dollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(S) Insufficient number of reports to establish an estimate.

(--) Not available.

**Crop Average Prices Received - United States:  
September 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	United States		
	Sep 2023	Aug 2024	Sep 2024
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Corn, for grain .....(bu)	5.21	3.84	3.98
Soybeans .....(bu)	13.20	10.30	10.20
Wheat, winter .....(bu)	6.69	5.14	5.28
Cotton, upland .....(lb)	0.762	0.564	0.598
Peanuts .....(lb)	0.269	0.268	0.267
Hay, all .....(ton)	207.00	166.00	161.00
Alfalfa .....(ton)	225.00	175.00	172.00
Other .....(ton)	167.00	148.00	140.00

**Livestock Average Prices  
Received - United States: September 2024 with  
Comparisons <sup>1</sup>**

Commodity	United States		
	Sep 2023	Aug 2024	Sep 2024
	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)
All Hogs .....	64.90	67.80	64.30
Barrows & Gilts .....	65.60	67.90	64.00
Sows .....	50.20	66.80	70.20
All Beef Cattle <sup>2</sup> .....	181.00	190.00	183.00
Steers & Heifers <sup>3</sup> .....	184.00	192.00	185.00
Cows .....	114.00	142.00	136.00
Calves <sup>4</sup> .....	279.00	290.00	289.00

<sup>1</sup> U.S. prices based on data provided by USDA AMS. <sup>2</sup> "Steers & Heifers" and "Cows" combined. <sup>3</sup> 500 lbs. and over. <sup>4</sup> Under 500 lbs.

**Egg Production by Type — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: September 2023 and 2024**

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Kentucky .....	112.0	116.4	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina .....	345.6	350.6	183.4	192.1	162.2	158.5
Virginia .....	60.0	57.9	28.9	28.3	31.1	29.6
United States .....	9,117.9	8,919.9	7,852.7	7,649.8	1,265.2	1,270.1

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

**Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: During September 2023 and 2024**

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Kentucky .....	(D)	(D)	5,421	5,296	2,066	2,198
North Carolina .....	7,146	7,623	15,826	16,127	2,184	2,174
Virginia .....	948	844	2,756	2,506	2,177	2,310
United States .....	302,948	293,722	384,814	374,705	2,369	2,381

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