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Small Grains



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U.S. Wheat Production Up

United States: All wheat production in the United States totaled 1.97 billion bushels in 2024, up 9 percent from the 2023 total. Area harvested for grain totaled 38.5 million acres, up 4 percent from the previous year. The average yield in the United States was estimated at 51.2 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from the previous year. Winter wheat production for 2024 totaled 1.35 billion bushels, up 9 percent from the 2023 total of 1.24 billion bushels. Oat production was estimated at 67.8 million bushels, up 19 percent from 2023.

Key findings for the Southern Region

Alabama: Winter wheat production for 2024, at 4.26 million bushels, was down 61 percent from 2023. Winter wheat planted acreage at 110,000 acres was down 95,000 acres from 2023, while harvested acreage at 60,000 acres was down 85,000 acres from last year. The winter wheat yield for 2024 averaged 71 bushels per acre, down 4 bushels from the previous year.

Georgia: Winter wheat production for 2024, at 3.54 million bushels, was down 24 percent from 2023. Winter wheat planted acreage at 145,000 acres was down 50,000 acres from 2023, while harvested acreage at 60,000 acres was down 25,000 acres from the previous year. The winter wheat yield for 2024 averaged 59 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from the previous year. Oat production for 2024, at 1.30 million bushels, was up 42 percent from 2023. Planted acreage at 65,000 acres was up 10,000 acres from 2023 and harvested acreage at 21,000 acres was up 6,000 acres from the previous year. Oat yields for 2024 averaged 62 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year.

South Carolina: Winter wheat production for 2024, at 3.51 million bushels, was down 36 percent from 2023. Winter wheat planted acreage at 80,000 acres was down 30,000 acres from 2023, while harvested acreage at 65,000 acres was also down 30,000 acres from last year. The winter wheat yield for 2024 averaged 54 bushels per acre, down 4 bushels from the previous year.

Small Grains Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2023 and 2024

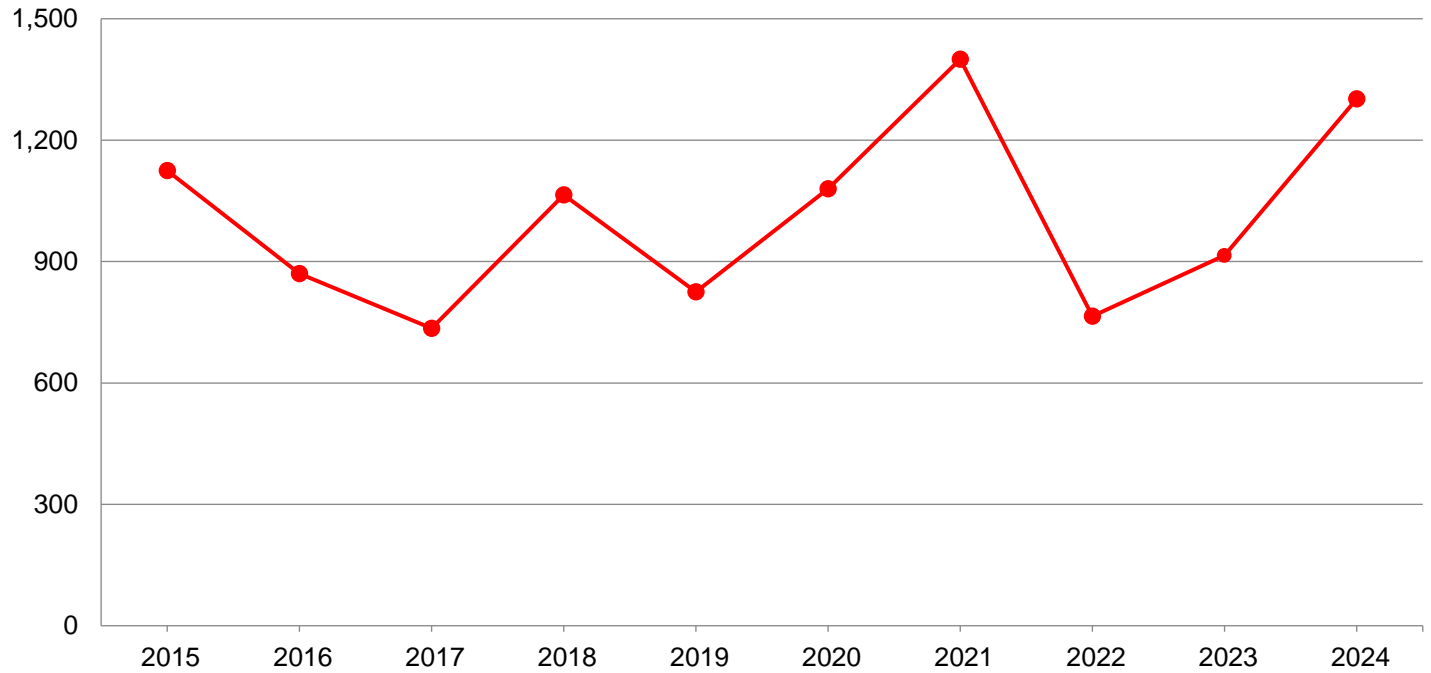
Commodity and State	Area planted ¹		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Oats								
Georgia.....	55	65	15	21	61.0	62.0	915	1,302
United States	2,555	2,213	831	886	68.6	76.5	57,045	67,793
Wheat, winter								
Alabama	205	110	145	60	75.0	71.0	10,875	4,260
Georgia.....	195	145	85	60	55.0	59.0	4,675	3,540
South Carolina	110	80	95	65	58.0	54.0	5,510	3,510
United States	36,699	33,390	24,558	26,103	50.6	51.7	1,242,368	1,348,930

¹ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Small Grains 2024 Summary](#), September 2024

Oat Production – Georgia: 2015-2024

Thousand bushels



Winter Wheat Production – States: 2015-2024

Thousand bushels

