

Crop Production

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California

USDA California winter wheat production is forecast at 1,080,000 tons, the same forecast as the June 30 Acreage report, but up 16% from 2010.

California estimated Durum production, at 378,000 tons, is down 5% from last month's estimate due to lower projected yields, but still estimated up 9% from last year.

U.S. Winter Wheat Production Up 3 Percent from June

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.49 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last month and up slightly from 2010. The United States yield is forecast at 46.2 bushels per acre, up 0.9 bushel from last month but down 0.6 bushel from last year. The area expected to be harvested for grain totals 32.3 million acres, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 30, 2011, but up 2 percent from last year.

Hard Red Winter, at 791 million bushels, is up 2 percent from a month ago. Soft Red Winter, at 458 million bushels, is up 6 percent from the previous forecast. White Winter is up 1 percent from last month and now totals 243 million bushels. Of this total, 11.6 million bushels are Hard White and 231 million bushels are Soft White.

Durum wheat production is forecast at 63.7 million bushels, down 41 percent from 2010. The United States yield is forecast at 38.7 bushels per acre, down 3.7 bushels from last year. Expected area to be harvested for grain totals 1.65 million acres, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 30, 2011 but down 35 percent from last year.

Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - California: 2010, and Forecasted July 1, 2011

State	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	-- 1,000 acres --		-- bushels --		----- 1,000 bushels -----	
California	360	420	80.0	80.0	28,800	33,600
Tons (1,000).....			2.4	2.4	864	1,008

Durum Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - California: 2010 and Forecasted July 1, 2011

State	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	1,000 acres		--- bushels --		----- 1,000 bushels -----	
California	105	120	110.0	105.0	11,550	12,600
Tons (1,000)...			3.3	3.15	346.5	378

USDA estimated total: California (tons)

1,386,000 tons