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November 1 Crop Forecast

The NASS Alabama Statistical Office conducted its final monthly agriculture yield survey for 2011 and would like to thank all the respondents who participated in the survey. Harvesting for row crops is over 50 percent complete thanks to the cool, dry conditions, and early frost over parts of the state. Crop yields were reported better than expected across the state.

CORN The planted and harvested acres for corn remain unchanged from June at 270,000 and 240,000 acres, respectively. Yield is forecast at 107 bushels per acre, which is unchanged from October. From these numbers, 2011 production is estimated at 25,680,000 bushels.

COTTON The crop condition was 7 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 31 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 5 percent excellent as of October 30, 2011. Planted and harvested acres remain unchanged from October at 460,000 and 440,000 acres, respectively. Cotton yield is forecast at 731 pounds per acre, which is also unchanged from October, but a 49 lint pound-per-acre increase from 2010; production remains unchanged at 670,000 bales.

PEANUTS Harvest is behind slightly from last year with 65 percent harvested, and ahead of the five-year average, with 55 percent; 76 percent of the crop is in fair to excellent condition. Peanut planted and harvested acreage is 170,000 and 167,000 acres, respectively, unchanged from October. Peanut yield is forecast at 2,900 pounds per acre, up from October; total peanut production is forecast at 484,300,000 pounds.

SOYBEANS As of October 31, soybean conditions were 83 percent fair to excellent, with 79 percent harvested compared with 39 percent at this time last year, and 61 percent for the five-year average. Planted and harvested acreage remain unchanged from October, at 300,000 and 290,000 acres, respectively. Yield is forecast at 33 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels per acre from October, giving a total production of 9,570,000 bushels.

Acreage, Yield, and Production of Principal Crops, November 1

Crop	Unit	Acres Planted		Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
ALABAMA		- Thousand -		- Thousand -		- Units -		- Thousand Units -	
Cotton 1/	Bales	340	460	338	440	682	731	480	670
Corn for grain	Bu.	270	270	250	240	116.0	107.0	29,000	25,680
Hay, All Other	Ton	----	----	780	800	2.40	2.00	1,872	1,600
Soybeans	Bu.	350	300	345	290	26	33	8,970	9,570
Peanuts	Lb.	190	170	185	167	2,600	2,900	481,000	484,300
UNITED STATES		- Thousand -		- Thousand -		- Units -		- Million Units -	
Cotton 1/	Bales	10,770.0	14,431.0	10,497.0	9,562.0	805	781	17.6	15.6
Corn for grain	Bu.	88,192	91,897	81,446	83,936	152.8	146.7	12,446.9	12,309.9
Hay, All	Ton	----	----	39,906.0	38,276.0	1.95	1.75	77.65	66.98
Soybeans	Bu.	77,404.0	74,966.0	76,610.0	73,676.0	43.5	41.3	3,329.2	3,045.6
Peanuts	Lb.	1,228.0	1,147.0	1,255.0	1,114.0	3,312	3,275	4,156.8	3,648.5

1/ Yield per acre in pounds.

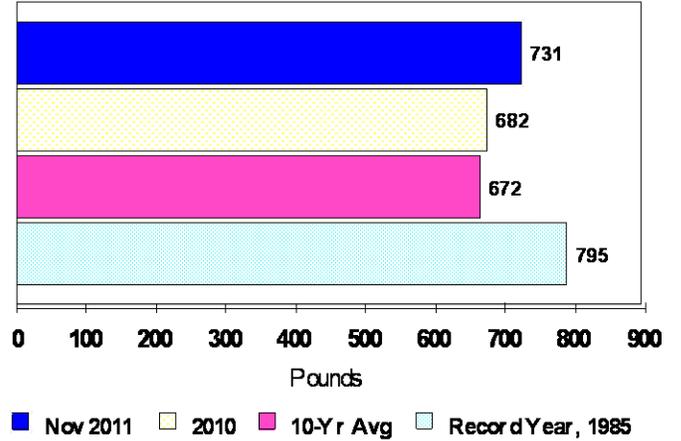
Note: Yield forecasts in this report are based on conditions around November 1 and do not reflect changes in condition since that time.

Alabama Crop Yield Statistics

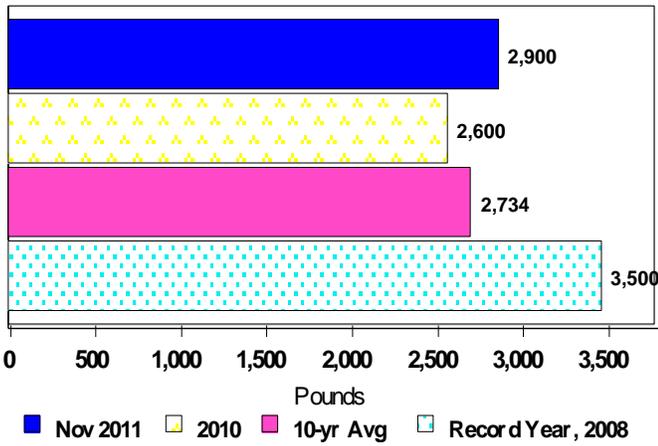
Corn Yield



Cotton Yield



Peanut Yield



Soybean Yield

