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Arizona's Cotton Production Forecast Unchanged from October

Arizona's all cotton production as of November 1 is forecast at 382,000 bales, unchanged from the October 1 forecast but 26 percent lower than the final 2007 production. Acres for harvest, at 129,000, are down 41,500 acres from 2007. All cotton yield, at 1,421 pounds per acre, is down 39 pounds from last year.

Arizona's 128,000 acres of upland cotton for harvest are expected to produce 380,000 bales, unchanged from last month, but 134,000 bales less than last year. The crop is expected to yield 1,425 pounds per acre, down 44 pounds from the previous season. California upland cotton is forecast at 380,000 bales, down 42 percent from a year earlier.

Arizona's 1,000 acres of American-Pima cotton for harvest are expected to produce 2,000 bales, unchanged from last month, but down 2,600 bales from the 2007 production. This year's crop is expected to yield 960 pounds per acre, up 77 pounds from last year. California American-Pima is forecast at 420,000 bales, down 47 percent from a year earlier.

U.S. all cotton production is forecast at 13.5 million 480-pound bales, down 1 percent from last month and down 30 percent from last year. Yield is expected to average 837 pounds per harvested acre, down 12 pounds from last month and down 42 pounds from the record high yield in 2007. Upland cotton production is forecast at 13.1 million 480-pound bales, down 1 percent from last month and 29 percent below 2007. Texas producers expect lower yields than last month, while producers in the Southeast are expecting increased yields. Upland growers in Alabama and New Mexico are expecting record high yields. American-Pima production is forecast at 459,000 bales, up 2 percent from last month but down 46 percent from last year.

Cotton: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by Type, State, and United States, 2007 and Forecasted November 1, 2008

Type and State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production 1/	
	2007	2008	2007	Oct 1, 2008	Nov 1, 2008	2007	2008
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>			<i>1,000 Bales 2/</i>	
Upland							
AL	385.0	285.0	519	733	842	416.0	500.0
AZ	168.0	128.0	1,469	1,425	1,425	514.0	380.0
AR	850.0	640.0	1,071	1,125	1,013	1,896.0	1,350.0
CA	194.0	117.0	1,608	1,559	1,559	650.0	380.0
FL	81.0	65.0	687	775	812	116.0	110.0
GA	995.0	940.0	801	812	843	1,660.0	1,650.0
KS	43.0	28.0	639	686	686	57.2	40.0
LA	330.0	260.0	1,017	591	517	699.0	280.0
MS	655.0	360.0	966	907	867	1,318.0	650.0
MO	379.0	307.0	968	1,048	1,048	764.0	670.0
NM	39.0	34.0	1,095	1,101	1,115	89.0	79.0
NC	490.0	438.0	767	778	800	783.0	730.0
OK	165.0	155.0	817	805	805	281.0	260.0
SC	158.0	134.0	486	795	860	160.0	240.0
TN	510.0	280.0	565	840	917	600.0	535.0
TX	4,700.0	3,350.0	843	759	731	8,250.0	5,100.0
VA	59.0	64.0	829	750	863	101.9	115.0
US	10,201.0	7,585.0	864	839	827	18,355.1	13,069.0
American-Pima							
AZ	2.5	1.0	883	960	960	4.6	2.0
CA	257.0	151.0	1,481	1,335	1,335	793.0	420.0
NM	4.6	3.0	856	800	800	8.2	5.0
TX	24.0	15.0	920	768	1,024	46.0	32.0
US	288.1	170.0	1,419	1,273	1,296	851.8	459.0
All							
US	10,489.1	7,755.0	879	849	837	19,206.9	13,528.0

1/ Production ginned and to be ginned.

2/ 480-lb. net weight bales.

Regional Cotton Information

U.S. Upland cotton harvested area, at 7.59 million acres, is unchanged from last month but down 26 percent from last year. American-Pima harvested acres are unchanged from last month but down 41 percent from last year.

In **California** and **Arizona**, upland cotton harvest was underway, slightly behind last year and normal. The crop was reported in mostly good to excellent condition.

U.S. American-Pima production is forecast at 459,000 bales, up 2 percent from October but down 46 percent from last year.

The U.S. yield is forecast at 1,296 pounds per acre, up 23 pounds from last month but down 123 pounds from 2007.

California producers are expecting 420,000 bales, unchanged from last month but down 47 percent from last year. By mid-October, harvesting was underway throughout the growing area.

U.S. All cotton ginned totaled 4,365,450 running bales prior to November 1, compared with 7,071,700 running bales ginned prior to the same date last year and 8,604,200 running bales ginned by November 1, 2006.

Cottonseed: Production, United States, 2006-2007 and Forecasted November 1, 2008

STATE	Production		
	2006	2007	2008 1/
	<i>1,000 Tons</i>	<i>1,000 Tons</i>	<i>1,000 Tons</i>
US	7,347.9	6,588.7	4,599.0

1/ Based on a 3-year average lint-seed ratio.

Cotton Ginnings: Running Bales Ginned (Excluding Linters) As of November 1, Crop Years 2005-2008 by Crop, State, and United States

Crop and State	Running Bales Ginned			
	2005	2006	2007	2008
All Cotton				
AL	321,500	323,800	203,950	203,150
AZ	137,550	108,900	121,500	69,650
AR	1,355,950	1,408,950	1,255,950	852,800
CA	347,900	239,850	343,150	127,250
FL	22,400	43,050	33,950	39,250
GA	560,100	705,850	314,300	428,800
LA	904,700	925,550	516,600	265,550
MS	1,509,350	1,720,000	967,900	393,050
MO	506,100	363,650	609,850	407,700
NM	11,200	8,000	8,700	3,000
NC	382,700	414,000	397,100	231,850
OK	52,400	37,900	73,500	44,050
SC	96,350	115,500	67,450	79,300
TN	545,600	560,750	511,650	359,600
TX	1,889,400	1,587,600	1,601,000	821,600
VA	47,750	40,850	45,150	38,850
US	8,690,950	8,604,200	7,071,700	4,365,450
American-Pima				
AZ 1/	-	1,450	-	-
CA	77,800	75,900	155,350	59,300
NM 1/	-	2,400	-	-
TX 1/	-	7,300	3,100	-
US	80,000	87,050	162,300	59,700

1/ Not published to avoid disclosing individual gins.

Corn Production Down Slightly from October

U.S. Corn production is forecast at 12.0 billion bushels, down slightly from the October forecast and 8 percent below 2007. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 153.8 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from October but 2.7 bushels above last year. If realized, this will be the second highest yield on record, behind 2004, and production

will be the second largest, behind last year. Forecasted yields are higher than last year across the northern half of the Great Plains and northern and central Corn Belt. Yield prospects are lower than last year in the southern half of the Great Plains and Delta.

**Corn for Grain: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by State and United States,
2007 and Forecasted November 1, 2008**

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production		
	2007	2008	2007	Oct 1, 2008	Nov 1, 2008	2007	2008	
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>			<i>Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
AL	280	240	79.0	92.0	92.0	22,120	22,080	
AR	590	440	168.0	160.0	157.0	99,120	69,080	
CA	200	215	180.0	180.0	180.0	36,000	38,700	
CO	1,060	1,120	142.0	140.0	140.0	150,520	156,800	
DE	185	152	97.0	124.0	122.0	17,945	18,544	
GA	450	320	130.0	130.0	125.0	58,500	40,000	
IL	13,050	11,700	175.0	177.0	179.0	2,283,750	2,094,300	
IN	6,370	5,450	155.0	160.0	160.0	987,350	872,000	
IA	13,850	12,500	171.0	172.0	172.0	2,368,350	2,150,000	
KS	3,700	3,600	140.0	137.0	137.0	518,000	493,200	
KY	1,360	1,110	129.0	133.0	133.0	175,440	147,630	
LA	730	510	165.0	145.0	145.0	120,450	73,950	
MD	455	390	103.0	121.0	121.0	46,865	47,190	
MI	2,350	2,070	124.0	140.0	137.0	291,400	283,590	
MN	7,800	7,250	146.0	167.0	168.0	1,138,800	1,218,000	
MS	940	700	150.0	143.0	143.0	141,000	100,100	
MO	3,250	2,600	142.0	140.0	140.0	461,500	364,000	
NE	9,200	8,550	160.0	161.0	161.0	1,472,000	1,376,550	
NJ	82	74	125.0	115.0	110.0	10,250	8,140	
NM	55	60	175.0	175.0	175.0	9,625	10,500	
NY	550	610	127.0	133.0	134.0	69,850	81,740	
NC	1,020	830	100.0	70.0	75.0	102,000	62,250	
ND	2,350	2,300	116.0	127.0	124.0	272,600	285,200	
OH	3,610	3,050	150.0	147.0	140.0	541,500	427,000	
OK	270	330	145.0	134.0	134.0	39,150	44,220	
PA	980	930	128.0	122.0	122.0	125,440	113,460	
SC	370	325	100.0	52.0	54.0	37,000	17,550	
SD	4,500	4,300	121.0	132.0	129.0	544,500	554,700	
TN	785	630	106.0	111.0	115.0	83,210	72,450	
TX	2,000	2,100	148.0	127.0	129.0	296,000	270,900	
VA	405	350	85.0	99.0	101.0	34,425	35,350	
WA	120	75	210.0	210.0	210.0	25,200	15,750	
WI	3,280	3,000	135.0	139.0	137.0	442,800	411,000	
Oth Sts 1/	345	296	148.5	148.5	148.5	51,233	43,970	
US	86,542	78,177	151.1	153.9	153.8	13,073,893	12,019,894	

1/ Other States include AZ, FL, ID, MT, OR, UT, WV, and WY. Individual State level estimates will be published in the "Crop Production 2008 Summary."

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October Farm Prices Received Index Declined 9 Points from Last Month

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 145 percent, based on 1990-92=100, decreased 9 points (5.8 percent) from September. The Crop Index is down 17 points (9.8 percent) and the Livestock Index decreased 5 points (3.8 percent). Producers received lower prices for corn, soybeans, wheat, and cattle and higher prices for sweet corn, broccoli, lettuce, and eggs. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix

of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of soybeans, corn, cottonseed, and cotton offset decreased marketings of milk, wheat, sweet corn, and grapes.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 4 points (2.8 percent) from October 2007. The Food Commodities Index, at 144, decreased 8 points (5.3 percent) from last month but was unchanged from October 2007.

Prices Paid Index Down 3 Points

The October Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 188 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is down 3 points (1.6 percent) from September but 25 points (15 percent) above October 2007. Lower

prices in October for diesel fuel, feed grains, feeder cattle, and LP gas more than offset higher prices for potash & phosphate materials, feed concentrates, mixed fertilizers, and other machinery.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, October 2007 and 2008 and September 2008

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		October 2007 Entire Month	September 2008 Entire Month	October 2008 Mid-Month	October 2007 Entire Month	September 2008 Entire Month	October 2008 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	¢ Lb	1/	1/	1/	55.50	61.10	60.80
Cottonseed 2/	\$ Ton	206.00	---	360.00	153.00	253.00	237.00
Durum Wheat 3/	\$ Ton	---	---	---	390.00	393.30	327.30
Alfalfa Hay Baled 4/	\$ Ton	143.00	185.00	190.00	136.00	176.00	172.00
Cows 5/	\$ Cwt	49.00	60.00	52.00	46.60	54.50	49.20
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	97.00	101.00	99.00	96.60	99.30	93.80
Beef Cattle 6/	\$ Cwt	75.40	76.40	70.80	90.90	94.40	88.60
Calves	\$ Cwt	115.00	112.00	100.00	123.00	113.00	108.00
All Milk 7/	\$ Cwt	21.90	17.70	17.00	20.60	17.60	16.90

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

2/ Marketing year August – February.

3/ Not available for Arizona.

4/ Mid-month.

5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

6/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

7/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2007		2008	
	September	October	September	October
Prices Received	140	141	154	145
Prices Paid	162	163	191	188
Ratio 1/	87	86	81	77

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.