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Arizona's Cotton Production Forecast Unchanged from November

Arizona's all cotton production as of December 1 is forecast at 605,000 bales, unchanged from the November 1 forecast but 35 percent above the final 2009 production. Acres for harvest, at 195,500, are up 49,900 acres from 2009. All cotton yield, at a record high 1,485 pounds per acre, is up 12 pounds from last year.

The **United States** all cotton production is forecast at 18.3 million 480-pound bales, down 1 percent from last month but up 50 percent from last year's 12.2 million bales. Yield is expected to average 814 pounds per harvested acre, up 37 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is forecast at 17.8 million 480-pound bales, down 1 percent from last month but 51 percent above 2009.

Arizona's dry bean growers are expected to harvest 12,900 acres of dry edible beans, 2,300 fewer acres than last year. An average yield of 1,880 pounds per acre is expected, 240 pounds less than in 2009. Production is expected to be down 25 percent from the previous year.

The **United States** dry edible bean production is forecast at 31.3 million cwt for 2010, up 23 percent from 2009. Planted area is forecast at 1.91 million acres, up 24 percent from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 1.83 million acres, 25 percent above the previous year. The average United States yield is forecast at 1,706 pounds per acre, a decrease of 31 pounds from 2009.