



# Arkansas Crop Values Report

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The following are the survey results from the 2012 crop year marketings and monthly prices. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar> and in more detailed reports at the Internet address above. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

## 2012 Arkansas Total Value of Production for Principal Field Crops up 23 Percent

The value of production for principal field crops in Arkansas during 2012 totaled \$5.22 billion, up 23 percent from \$4.25 billion in 2011. The top three crop commodities; rice, soybeans, and corn, accounted for 80 percent of the total value of production for principal field crops. All principal field crops in Arkansas, with the exception of cotton, cottonseed, oats and wheat, showed increases in value of production from 2011. Sweetpotatoes in Arkansas showed the largest percentage increase from 2011 at 141 percent, followed by grain sorghum at 90 percent and corn for grain at 86 percent. Rice showed a 30 percent increase in value of production from last year while cotton showed the largest decline at 28 percent in value of production from last year.

At the national level, the value of production for principal field crops was up 7 percent, at \$188 billion, from 2011. Corn, at \$77.3 billion, was the leading field crop followed by soybeans at \$43.2 billion and all hay at \$18.6 billion.

**Principal Field Crops: Marketing Year Average Prices and Value of Production, Arkansas and U.S., 2011-2012**

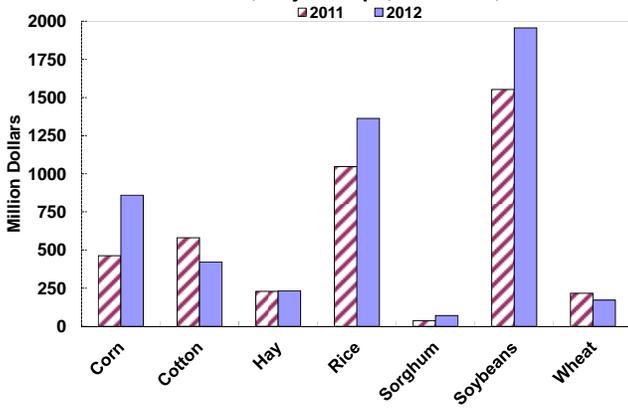
| Commodity                     | Unit | Arkansas       |                   |                     |           |          | United States  |                   |                     |               |          |
|-------------------------------|------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------|
|                               |      | Price per Unit |                   | Value of Production |           |          | Price per Unit |                   | Value of Production |               |          |
|                               |      | 2011           | 2012 <sup>1</sup> | 2011                | 2012      | % Change | 2011           | 2012 <sup>1</sup> | 2011                | 2012          | % Change |
|                               |      | Dollars        |                   | 1,000 Dollars       |           |          | from '11       | Dollars           |                     | 1,000 Dollars |          |
| Corn, Grain                   | Bu.  | 6.27           | 6.95              | 462,977             | 859,785   | + 86     | 6.22           | 7.20              | 76,939,603          | 77,351,937    | + 1      |
| Cotton, Upland <sup>2,3</sup> | Lb.  | 0.947          | 0.664             | 580,473             | 420,710   | - 28     | 0.935          | 0.731             | 6,985,976           | 5,970,419     | - 15     |
| Cottonseed                    | Ton  | 267.00         | 253.00            | 116,679             | 114,356   | - 2      | 260.00         | 256.00            | 1,413,343           | 1,487,862     | + 5      |
| Hay, All                      | Ton  | 104.00         | 133.00            | 228,879             | 232,416   | + 2      | 178.00         | 191.00            | 18,251,166          | 18,557,653    | + 2      |
| Alfalfa                       | Ton  | 185.00         | 216.00            | 4,255               | 4,320     | + 2      | 196.00         | 211.00            | 10,917,174          | 10,406,796    | - 5      |
| Other                         | Ton  | 101.00         | 132.00            | 224,624             | 228,096   | + 2      | 132.00         | 144.00            | 7,333,992           | 8,150,857     | + 11     |
| Oats                          | Bu.  | 3.00           | 3.60              | 2,700               | 2,016     | - 25     | 3.49           | 3.80              | 189,263             | 248,918       | + 32     |
| Rice                          | Cwt. | 13.40          | 14.20             | 1,046,540           | 1,363,086 | + 30     | 14.50          | 14.90             | 2,737,423           | 2,979,979     | + 9      |
| Sorghum, Grain                | Cwt. | 10.20          | 11.10             | 37,014              | 70,489    | + 90     | 10.70          | 12.80             | 1,268,524           | 1,633,621     | + 29     |
| Soybeans                      | Bu.  | 12.30          | 14.40             | 1,553,244           | 1,956,672 | + 26     | 12.50          | 14.30             | 38,497,710          | 43,194,345    | + 12     |
| Sweet Potatoes                | Cwt. | 15.90          | 31.00             | 10,017              | 24,180    | + 141    | 18.80          | 18.90             | 505,938             | 500,026       | - 1      |
| Wheat, All                    | Bu.  | 7.19           | 6.95              | 216,850             | 172,013   | - 21     | 7.24           | 7.90              | 14,322,909          | 17,943,343    | + 25     |

<sup>1</sup> 2012 marketing year average prices for field crops are preliminary and based on entire month price data through December 2012.

<sup>2</sup> Value based on a 480-pound net weight bale.

<sup>3</sup> Based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2012-December 31, 2012.

**Value of Production, Major Crops, Arkansas, 2011-2012**



**Value of Production by Crop and Percent of Total, Arkansas, 2012**

