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CROP PRODUCTION – SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Based on September 1 conditions, **all cotton** production in Arizona is expected to total 286,000 480-lb bales, according to the September 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is down 14 percent from the August 1 forecast, but up 20 percent from last year's 238,000 480-lb bale crop.

Planted area of **upland cotton** is estimated at 96,000 acres, up 1,000 acres from last month and up 20,000 acres from 2023. Harvested area, forecast at 95,000 acres, is up 1,000 from last month and up 20,000 acres from last year. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 260,000 480-lb bales of upland cotton, down 15 percent from the August 1 forecast but up 25 percent from a year ago. Upland yield is forecast at 1,314 pounds per acre, down 243 pounds from the August 1 forecast and down 17 pounds from last year. As of September 1, bolls were opened across 80 percent of the cotton crop, compared with 61 percent last year and a 5-year average of 71 percent. Overall, the cotton crop was rated 21 percent good and 79 percent excellent. **Pima cotton** planted area is estimated at 14,000 acres, unchanged from last month but down 2,000 acres from 2023. Harvested area, forecast at 14,000 acres, is unchanged from last month but down 2,000 acres from last year. As of September 1, producers expect to harvest 26,000 480-lb bales of American-Pima cotton, compared with 30,000 bales last year. American-Pima yield is forecast at 891 pounds per acre, unchanged from the August 1 forecast but 9 pounds below last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All cotton production is forecast at 14.5 million 480-pound bales, down 4 percent from the previous forecast but up 20 percent from 2023. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 807 pounds per harvested acre, down 33 pounds from the previous forecast and down 92 pounds from 2023. **Upland cotton** production is forecast at 14.0 million 480-pound bales, down 4 percent from the previous forecast but up 19 percent from 2023. **Pima cotton** production is forecast at 547,000 bales, down 1 percent from the previous forecast but up 73 percent from 2023. All cotton area harvested is forecast at 8.63 million acres, up slightly from the previous forecast and up 34 percent from 2023. All cotton planted area totaled 11.2 million acres, up slightly from the previous forecast and up 9 percent from 2023.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.