



# News Release

## Michigan Winter Wheat Production and Hay Stocks

Michigan wheat growers anticipate higher yields in 2024 than they had last year, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan wheat growers expect to harvest 380,000 acres, down 180,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 32.3 million bushels. The yield forecast of 85 bushels is up 2 bushels per acre from last year’s crop.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.28 billion bushels, up 2 percent from 2023. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 50.7 bushels per acre, up 0.1 bushel from last year’s average yield of 50.6 bushels per acre. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed totals 25.2 million acres, up 2 percent from last year.

Hay stocks on Michigan farms on May 1, 2024, were 290,000 tons, up 26 percent from this time last year.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2024, totaled 21.0 million tons, up 47 percent from May 1, 2023. Disappearance from December 1, 2023 - May 1, 2024, totaled 55.7 million tons, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Michigan and United States: 2023 - 2024

Commodity	Michigan		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Wheat, winter .....				
Planted .....1,000 acres	600	420	36,699	34,135
Harvested .....1,000 acres	560	380	24,683	25,198
Yield .....Bushels	83.0	85.0	50.6	50.7
Production .....1,000 bu	46,480	32,300	1,247,748	1,277,695