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Michigan Winter Wheat Production

Michigan wheat producers anticipate better yields in 2024 than they had last year, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of the USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office.

Winter Wheat production in the State is expected to total 33.1 million bushels, down 29 percent from 2023, on fewer acres harvested. The yield is forecast at 87 bushels per acre, 4 bushels above last year and 2 bushels higher than the May 1 forecast.

As of June 2, the 2024 crop was 77 percent headed which was a 27-percentage point increase from last year and 39 points higher than the five-year average. The winter wheat crop condition was 74 percent good to excellent while the crop was 53 percent good to excellent at the same time last year.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.29 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 4 percent from 2023. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.4 bushels per acre, up 0.7 bushel from last month and up 0.8 bushel from last year's average yield of 50.6 bushels per acre. Montana, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin are expecting record high yields. As of June 2, forty-nine percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, 13 percentage points higher than at the same time last year. Nationally, 83 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by June 2, five percentage points ahead of the 5-year average pace.

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				
Planted1,000 acres	600	420	36,699	34,135
Harvested1,000 acres	560	380	24,683	25,198
Yield Bushels	83.0	87.0	50.6	51.4
Production	46,480	33,060	1,247,748	1,294,885