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Michigan July 1 Small Grains Forecast

Michigan's 2023 winter wheat production is forecast at 41.9 million bushels, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Region. This report is based on conditions as of July 1, 2023. Some highlights of the Crop Production Report follow:

The Michigan winter wheat yield is forecast at 71 bushels per acre, down 5 bushels from the previous month and down 12 bushels from last year. As of July 2, twenty-two percent of the crop was mature, seven points below the 5-year average. The crop was in worse condition than last year with only 25 percent of the crop rated in good to excellent condition compared with 53 percent at the same time last year.

Oat yield in Michigan is forecast at 45 bushels per acre, down 16 bushels from last year. As of July 2, thirty-one percent of the crop was rated in good to excellent condition, compared with 72 percent last year. The crop was 38 percent headed on July 2, twenty-one points behind the 5-year average.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.21 billion bushels, up 6 percent from the June 1 forecast and up 9 percent from 2022. As of July 1, the United States yield is forecast at 46.9 bushels per acre, up 2.0 bushels from last month but down 0.1 bushel from last year's average yield of 47.0 bushels per acre. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed totals 25.7 million acres, unchanged from the Acreage report released on June 30, 2023, but up 10 percent from last year.

U.S. oat production is forecast at 49.9 million bushels, down 13 percent from 2022. Growers expect to harvest 794,000 acres for grain, unchanged from the previous forecast but down 11 percent from 2022. Based on conditions as of July 1, the United States yield is forecast at 62.8 bushels per acre, 2.0 bushels below the 2022 average yield.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop - Michigan and United States: 2022 - 2023

Commodity	Michigan		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Oats				
Planted1,000 acres	50	50	2,581	2,508
Harvested1,000 acres	30	20	890	794
Yield Bushels	61.0	45.0	64.8	62.8
Production1,000 bu	1,830	900	57,655	49,883
Wheat, winter				
Planted1,000 acres	460	630	33,271	37,005
Harvested1,000 acres	415	590	23,459	25,700
Yield Bushels	83.0	71.0	47.0	46.9
Production1,000 bu	34,445	41,890	1,103,707	1,206,435