



News Release

Michigan Small Grains Summary

Winter wheat in Michigan averaged 83 bushels per acre in 2023, the same average yield as the previous year, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director, USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office.

Wheat was planted on 600,000 acres, with 560,000 acres harvested for grain. Wheat production was 46.5 million bushels, up 35 percent from 2022. Michigan winter wheat harvest was off to a slow start throughout July but finished on schedule near the end of August, with excellent yields and crop quality throughout the State.

Oats in Michigan averaged 66 bushels per acre, up 5 bushels from last year. Twenty-five thousand acres of oats were harvested in 2023, down 17 percent from last year. Oat production, at 1.65 million bushels, was down 10 percent from a year ago.

Nationally, winter wheat production for 2023 totaled 1.25 billion bushels, up 13 percent from the 2022 total of 1.10 billion bushels. The United States yield, at 50.6 bushels per acre, was up 3.6 bushels from 2022. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 24.7 million acres, up 5 percent from 2022. Record low planted and harvested acres were estimated in Utah in 2023. Record high yields were estimated in Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia for 2023. The eastern third of the United States had better conditions than the rest of the country.

U.S. oat production in 2023 was estimated at 57.0 million bushels, down 1 percent from 2022. Yield was estimated at 68.6 bushels per acre, up 3.8 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 831 thousand acres, was 7 percent below 2022. Record low acres were planted in California, Minnesota, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin. Record low acres were harvested in Georgia and Ohio. Record high yields were estimated in Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma.

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

| Commodity | Michigan | | United States | |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|---------------|-----------|
| | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 |
| Barley | | | | |
| Planted1,000 acres | 9 | 7 | 2,959 | 3,101 |
| Harvested1,000 acres | 8 | 6 | 2,446 | 2,555 |
| YieldBushels | 50.0 | 60.0 | 71.6 | 72.4 |
| Production1,000 bu | 400 | 360 | 175,023 | 185,036 |
| Oats | | | | |
| Planted1,000 acres | 50 | 50 | 2,581 | 2,555 |
| Harvested1,000 acres | 30 | 25 | 890 | 831 |
| YieldBushels | 61.0 | 66.0 | 64.8 | 68.6 |
| Production1,000 bu | 1,830 | 1,650 | 57,655 | 57,045 |
| Wheat, winter | | | | |
| Planted1,000 acres | 460 | 600 | 33,281 | 36,699 |
| Harvested1,000 acres | 415 | 560 | 23,454 | 24,683 |
| YieldBushels | 83.0 | 83.0 | 47.0 | 50.6 |
| Production1,000 bu | 34,445 | 46,480 | 1,103,062 | 1,247,748 |