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USDA begins to survey farmers' yield estimates in 2024

SACRAMENTO, CA - April 22, 2024 – As the 2024 crop season moves forward, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact producers nationwide to determine acreage, yield, and production estimates throughout the growing season.

“Each year, the agriculture industry anticipates USDA's Crop Production reports, which provides monthly survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' yields throughout the year,” said Gary R. Keough, NASS Pacific Regional Director. “The May Agricultural Yield Survey provides the first indications of how farmers are doing.” NASS will mail the survey to producers in April, asking producers to provide information about the types of crops they planted in 2024, how many acres they planted, and the anticipated yields on their farms.

Producers are encouraged to respond online at agcounts.usda.gov. On NASS's Respondent Portal, they can complete their survey, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more. Those who do not respond by April 29 may be contacted for an interview.

“Farmers reporting acreage of at least one commodity of interest are included in the monthly data collection to forecast crop yields,” explained Keough.

USDA NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents. The information provided will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form.

The survey data will be published in the Crop Production report on May 10, 2024. This and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications. For more information, call the NASS Pacific Regional Field Office at 1-800-851-1127.

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