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Upland Cotton, Running Bales Ginned — States and United States: March 1, 2023-2024

[Excluding linters]

State	2022 Crop Year	2023 Crop Year
	March 1, 2023	March 1, 2024
	(number)	(number)
Alabama	782,900	782,900
Arizona	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	1,664,300	1,639,250
California	89,200	89,200
Florida	130,050	130,050
Georgia	2,616,900	2,614,750
Kansas	119,650	119,650
Louisiana	355,600	355,600
Mississippi	1,136,550	1,136,550
Missouri	760,950	760,950
New Mexico	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	1,030,150	1,030,150
Oklahoma	169,050	169,050
South Carolina	434,250	434,250
Tennessee	699,600	694,200
Texas	3,377,450	3,203,650
Virginia	202,050	202,050
United States	13,850,900	13,644,500

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Crop Area Planted — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2022-2024

Crop and State	Area planted			
	2022	2023	2024 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Corn				
Kentucky	1,420	1,600	1,550	97
North Carolina	820	950	890	94
Tennessee	830	940	930	99
Virginia	430	495	470	95
West Virginia	40	44	43	98
United States	88,162	94,641	90,036	95
Soybeans				
Kentucky	1,950	1,830	1,950	107
North Carolina	1,700	1,640	1,650	101
Tennessee	1,650	1,600	1,650	103
Virginia	620	580	630	109
United States	87,450	83,600	86,510	103
Wheat, winter				
Kentucky	530	610	560	92
North Carolina	480	480	410	85
Tennessee	410	470	380	81
Virginia	230	200	155	78
United States	33,281	36,699	34,135	93
Barley				
North Carolina	16	16	15	94
Virginia	29	30	25	83
United States	2,927	3,101	2,566	83
Cotton, upland				
North Carolina	470	380	390	103
Tennessee	335	265	300	113
Virginia	91	81	80	99
United States	13,567	10,083	10,470	104
Peanuts				
North Carolina	117	124	120	97
Virginia	29	29	24	83
United States	1,449	1,645	1,651	100

¹ Intended plantings in 2024 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Crop Area Harvested — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2022-2024

Crop and State	Area harvested			Percent of previous year
	2022	2023	2024	
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(percent)
Hay, all				
Kentucky	1,910,000	2,070,000	2,000,000	97
North Carolina	646,000	657,000	650,000	99
Tennessee	1,672,000	1,716,000	1,720,000	100
Virginia	1,000,000	1,155,000	1,120,000	97
West Virginia	565,000	610,000	630,000	103
United States	48,711,000	52,821,000	51,562,000	98
All tobacco				
Kentucky	43,000	36,800	31,500	86
North Carolina	115,160	113,120	114,000	101
Tennessee	12,500	9,300	6,800	73
Virginia	12,420	13,070	13,000	99
United States	198,280	187,630	165,300	88
Burley tobacco				
Kentucky	28,000	27,000	23,000	85
Tennessee	2,700	3,000	2,000	67
United States	32,360	31,390	25,000	80
Flue-cured tobacco				
North Carolina	115,000	113,000	114,000	101
Virginia	12,100	12,800	13,000	102
United States	138,900	138,000	127,000	92
Dark fire-cured tobacco				
Kentucky	9,500	6,300	5,000	79
Tennessee	6,300	5,100	3,800	75
United States	15,920	11,500	8,800	77
Dark air-cured tobacco				
Kentucky	5,500	3,500	3,500	100
Tennessee	3,500	1,200	1,000	83
United States	9,000	4,700	4,500	96

Grain Stocks by Position — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: March 1, 2023, December 1, 2023 and March 1, 2024

Date	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
March 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	8,176	650	4,246	4,896
December 1, 2023	(D)	17,069	(D)	1,350	6,638	7,988
March 1, 2024	(D)	10,126	(D)	1,000	5,756	6,756
Corn						
March 1, 2023	61,000	29,272	90,272	14,000	27,843	41,843
December 1, 2023	155,000	34,281	189,281	41,000	44,912	85,912
March 1, 2024	86,000	30,308	116,308	21,000	36,939	57,939
Soybeans						
March 1, 2023	(D)	10,298	(D)	(D)	15,780	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	13,719	(D)	(D)	19,370	(D)
March 1, 2024	(D)	8,265	(D)	(D)	14,304	(D)
	Tennessee			Virginia		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
March 1, 2023	(D)	4,260	(D)	(D)	4,871	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	8,694	(D)	(D)	8,516	(D)
March 1, 2024	(D)	4,440	(D)	(D)	6,557	(D)
Corn						
March 1, 2023	(D)	22,128	(D)	(D)	10,085	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	34,616	(D)	(D)	14,737	(D)
March 1, 2024	(D)	28,255	(D)	(D)	11,117	(D)
Soybeans						
March 1, 2023	(D)	3,421	(D)	(D)	3,515	(D)
December 1, 2023	(D)	9,162	(D)	(D)	5,019	(D)
March 1, 2024	(D)	3,281	(D)	(D)	1,933	(D)
	West Virginia			United States		
	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions	On farms	Off farms ¹	Total all positions
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
All Wheat						
March 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	227,485	713,733	941,218
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	401,060	1,020,019	1,421,079
March 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	271,930	815,519	1,087,449
Corn						
March 1, 2023	(D)	9	(D)	4,105,000	3,291,403	7,396,403
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	7,830,000	4,341,163	12,171,163
March 1, 2024	(D)	366	(D)	5,079,000	3,268,255	8,347,255
Soybeans						
March 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	749,500	937,132	1,686,632
December 1, 2023	(D)	(D)	(D)	1,453,000	1,547,719	3,000,719
March 1, 2024	(D)	(D)	(D)	933,000	912,079	1,845,079

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

**Prices Received for Commodities — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia:
February 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	Kentucky			North Carolina		
	February 2023	January 2024	February 2024	February 2023	January 2024	February 2024
Corn, for graindollars/bushel	7.05	5.03	4.51	7.62	5.44	5.20
Soybeansdollars/bushel	15.00	13.20	12.30	15.10	12.70	12.10
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	8.49	6.33	6.48
Cotton, uplanddollars/pound	--	--	--	0.923	0.812	0.809
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	0.289	0.279	0.276
Hay, alldollars/ton	178.00	194.00	199.00	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	220.00	221.00	226.00	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	166.00	186.00	191.00	--	--	--

Commodity	Tennessee			Virginia		
	February 2023	January 2024	February 2024	February 2023	January 2024	February 2024
Corndollars/bushel	7.20	4.99	4.52	--	--	--
Soybeansdollars/bushel	15.20	13.20	12.00	--	--	--
Wheat, winterdollars/bushel	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cottondollars/pound	0.812	0.742	0.637	--	--	--
Peanutsdollars/pound	--	--	--	0.271	0.282	0.284
Hay, alldollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Alfalfadollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--
Otherdollars/ton	--	--	--	--	--	--

-- Not available.

**Crop Average Prices Received - United States:
February 2024 with Comparisons**

Commodity	United States		
	Feb 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Corn, for grain(bu)	6.80	4.74	4.36
Soybeans(bu)	15.10	12.80	11.90
Wheat, winter(bu)	8.37	6.29	5.80
Cotton, upland(lb)	0.803	0.764	0.776
Peanuts(lb)	0.270	0.271	0.264
Hay, all(ton)	229.00	189.00	189.00
Alfalfa(ton)	264.00	202.00	200.00
Other(ton)	175.00	171.00	170.00

Livestock Average Prices Received - United States: February 2024 with Comparisons ¹

Commodity	United States		
	Feb 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024
	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)	(\$ / Cwt)
All Hogs	59.60	53.00	58.20
Barrows & Gilts	59.70	53.90	58.70
Sows	57.50	36.80	50.10
All Beef Cattle ²	158.00	172.00	178.00
Steers & Heifers ³	162.00	176.00	182.00
Cows	89.50	103.00	109.00
Calves ⁴	217.00	300.00	311.00

¹ U.S. prices based on data provided by USDA AMS. ² "Steers & Heifers" and "Cows" combined. ³ 500 lbs. and over. ⁴ Under 500 lbs.

Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Numbers by Class & Weight Groups March 1, 2023 and 2024, Selected States and United States

[Weight groups may not add to market inventory due to rounding.]

State	Total		Breeding		Market		Market Hogs by Weight Group			
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	< 50	50-119	120-179	> 180
	2024									
	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)	(1,000 hd)
Colorado	580	560	140	140	440	420	210	80	55	75
Illinois	5,450	5,600	650	670	4,800	4,930	1,460	1,560	1,150	760
Indiana	4,400	4,400	250	250	4,150	4,150	1,070	1,250	1,030	800
Iowa	23,800	25,200	900	890	22,900	24,310	5,820	7,620	6,160	4,710
Kansas	1,860	1,970	150	175	1,710	1,795	450	435	385	525
Michigan	1,240	1,220	115	115	1,125	1,105	330	295	240	240
Minnesota	9,200	9,100	500	490	8,700	8,610	2,630	2,680	2,010	1,290
Missouri	3,350	3,250	470	435	2,880	2,815	1,245	575	660	335
Nebraska	3,600	3,750	395	410	3,205	3,340	1,135	920	780	505
N. Carolina	8,100	7,400	790	770	7,310	6,630	2,600	1,450	1,350	1,230
Ohio	2,700	2,500	200	190	2,500	2,310	630	600	540	540
Oklahoma	2,140	2,000	480	390	1,660	1,610	780	300	200	330
Pennsylvania	1,320	1,460	135	150	1,185	1,310	360	395	300	255
S. Dakota	2,110	2,310	305	325	1,805	1,985	805	455	350	375
Texas	1,180	1,030	170	125	1,010	905	260	230	170	245
Utah	290	90	35	35	255	55	35	6	7	7
United States	74,135.5	74,571.3	6,145.5	6,015.7	67,990.0	68,555.6	20,749.0	19,332.7	15,804.1	12,669.8

Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and United States: 2022 and 2023

[Operations with 5 or more colonies that also qualify as a farm. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State]

	Honey producing colonies ¹	Yield per colony	Production	Stocks December 15 ²	Average price per pound ³	Value of production ⁴
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(Dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Kentucky						
2022	7	36.0	252	68	6.12	1,542
2023	10	30.0	300	84	6.21	1,863
North Carolina						
2022	13	39.0	507	198	6.93	3,514
2023	11	44.0	484	179	6.02	2,914
Tennessee						
2022	9	47.0	423	102	5.65	2,390
2023	12	40.0	480	77	6.00	2,880
Virginia						
2022	7	38.0	266	45	7.94	2,112
2023	5	39.0	195	82	8.58	1,673
West Virginia						
2022	7	39.0	273	98	5.91	1,613
2023	6	51.0	306	177	6.35	1,943
United States ⁵						
2022	2,667	47.0	125,331	23,181	3.01	377,246
2023	2,509	55.2	138,571	44,016	2.52	349,199

¹ Honey producing colonies are the maximum number of colonies from which honey was taken during the year. It is possible to take honey from colonies which did not survive the entire year.

² Stocks held by producers.

³ Average price per pound based on expanded sales.

⁴ Value of production is equal to production multiplied by average price per pound.

⁵ Due to rounding, total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.

Milk Production — Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and 24-State Total: January and February, 2023 and 2024

[Excludes milk sucked by calves]

State	Milk production					
	January			February		
	2023	2024	Change from 2023	2023	2024	Change from 2023
	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)	(percent)
Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--
North Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virginia	125	121	-3.2	112	115	2.7
24-State Total ¹	18,201	18,474	1.5	16,953	17,357	2.4

(--) Not published.

Egg Production by Type — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: February 2023 and 2024

State	Total production		Table eggs		Hatching eggs	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)	(million eggs)
Kentucky	111.2	110.1	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	319.7	341.6	170.3	181.8	149.4	159.8
Virginia	56.5	56.0	28.2	30.2	28.3	25.8
United States	8,209.8	8,616.4	7,044.8	7,394.7	1,165.0	1,221.7

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

Layers on Hand and Eggs Produced — Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and United States: During February 2023 and 2024

State	Table egg layers in flocks 30,000 and above		All layers		Eggs per 100 for all layers	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(1,000 layers)	(eggs)	(eggs)
Kentucky	(D)	(D)	5,543	5,276	2,006	2,087
North Carolina	7,084	7,346	15,829	16,294	2,020	2,096
Virginia	881	931	2,660	2,455	2,124	2,281
United States	296,533	294,596	378,859	376,570	2,167	2,288

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