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### U.S. Wheat Production Down

The United States all wheat production totaled 1.65 billion bushels in 2021, down 10 percent from the revised 2020 total of 1.83 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 37.2 million acres, up 1 percent from the previous year. The yield was estimated at 44.3 bushels per acre, down 5.4 bushels from the previous year. Winter wheat production for 2021 totaled 1.28 billion bushels, up 9 percent from the 2020 total of 1.17 billion bushels. Oat production was estimated at a record low 39.8 million bushels, down 39 percent from 2020.

### Key findings for the Southern Region

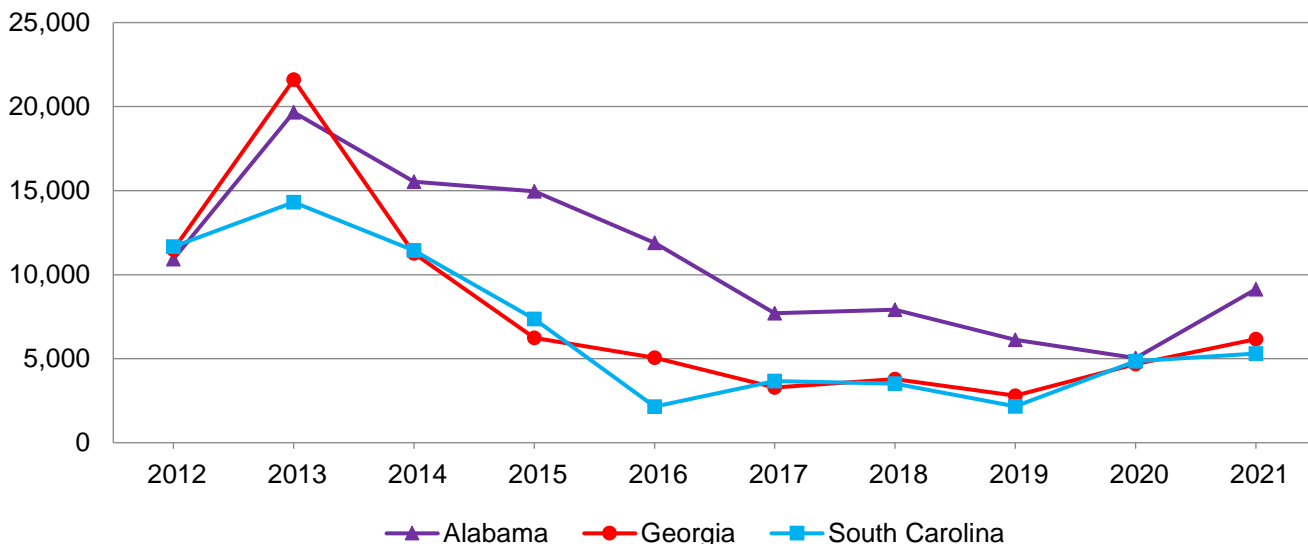
**Alabama:** Winter wheat production for 2021, at 9.13 million bushels, was up 81 percent from 2020. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 175,000 acres, and harvested acreage, at 110,000 acres, were both up 40,000 from the previous year. Yield averaged 83 bushels per acre, up 11 bushels from the previous year.

**Georgia:** Oat production for 2021, at 1.40 million bushels, was up 30 percent from 2020. Planted acreage, at 80,000 acres, and harvested acreage, at 20,000 acres were both unchanged from the previous year. Oat yield for 2021 averaged 70 bushels per acre, up 16 bushels from last year. Winter wheat production for 2021, at 6.16 million bushels, was up 32 percent from 2020. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 220,000 acres, was up 30,000 and harvested acreage, at 110,000 acres was up 25,000 from the previous year. Yield, at 56 bushels per acre, was up 1 bushel from the previous year.

**South Carolina:** Winter wheat production for 2021, at 5.30 million bushels, was up 9 percent from 2020. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 125,000 acres, was up 15,000 and harvested acreage at 100,000 acres, was up 5,000 from the previous year. Yield averaged 53 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from the previous year.

### Winter Wheat Production – States: 2012-2021

Thousand bushels



**Small Grains Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2020 and 2021**

Commodity and State	Area planted <sup>1</sup>		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
<b>Oats</b>								
Georgia.....	80	80	20	20	54.0	70.0	1,080	1,400
United States.....	3,009	2,550	1,009	650	65.1	61.3	65,694	39,836
<b>Wheat, winter</b>								
Alabama.....	135	175	70	110	72.0	83.0	5,040	9,130
Georgia.....	190	220	85	110	55.0	56.0	4,675	6,160
South Carolina.....	110	125	95	100	51.0	53.0	4,845	5,300
United States.....	30,450	33,648	23,029	25,464	50.9	50.2	1,171,397	1,277,365

<sup>1</sup> Includes area planted in preceding fall.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Small Grains 2021 Summary](#), September 2021

**Oat Production – Georgia: 2012-2021**

Thousand bushels

