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This report contains the results from the farmer reported **2020 November Agricultural Yield and Cotton Objective Yield surveys**. Thanks to all who responded to these surveys, and to the cotton producers who allowed objective measurements to be taken in their fields.

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U.S. Corn production for grain is forecast at 14.5 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the previous forecast but up 7 percent from 2019. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 175.8 bushels per harvested acre, down 2.6 bushels from the previous forecast but up 8.3 bushels from last year. Soybean production for beans is forecast at 4.17 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the previous forecast but up 17 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 50.7 bushels per harvested acre, down 1.2 bushels from the previous forecast but up 3.3 bushels from 2019. All cotton production is forecast at 17.1 million 480-pound bales, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but down 14 percent from 2019.

Key findings for the Southern Region from the November Crop Production report

Alabama: Corn for grain production is forecast at 54.0 million bushels, unchanged from last month but up 20 percent from 2019. Cotton production is forecast at 825,000 bales, down 7 percent from last month and down 20 percent from last year. With yield forecast at a record high 4,000 pounds per acre, peanut production is forecast at 728 million pounds, up 3 percent from last month and up 39 percent from 2019. Soybean production is forecast at 10.5 million bushels, down 7 percent from last month but up 12 percent from 2019.

Florida: After experiencing high winds and heavy rains from Hurricanes Sally and Zeta in the last several weeks, cotton production is forecast at 155,000 bales, down 9 percent from last month and down 24 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 611 million pounds, down 8 percent from last month but up 4 percent from 2019. Potato production is forecast at 5.45 million cwt, down 22 percent from 2019. Sugarcane for sugar and seed production is forecast at 18.1 million tons, unchanged from last month but up 3 percent from last year.

Georgia: With yield forecast at a record high 182 bushels per acre, corn for grain production is forecast at 69.2 million bushels, unchanged from last month but up 24 percent from last year. Cotton production is forecast at 2.40 million bales, unchanged from last month but down 12 percent from last year. Peanut production is forecast at 3.60 billion pounds, unchanged from last month but up 31 percent from 2019, primarily due to an increase in planted acreage this year. With yield forecast at a record high 43 bushels per acre, soybean production is forecast at 4.00 million bushels, up 10 percent from last month and up 60 percent from 2019.

South Carolina: With yield forecast at a record high 136 bushels per acre, corn for grain production is forecast at 50.3 million bushels, unchanged from last month but up 36 percent from last year. Cotton production is forecast at 325,000 bales, up 5 percent from last month but down 35 percent from 2019, primarily due to a decrease in planted acres this year. Peanut production is forecast at 312 million pounds, unchanged from last month but up 32 percent from 2019. Soybean production is forecast at 10.6 million bushels, up 13 percent from last month and up 30 percent from last year.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2019 and Forecasted November 1, 2020

Crop and State	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre			Production	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020		2019	2020
						October 1	November 1		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)				(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn¹ (bushels)									
Alabama	320	340	305	325	147.0	166.0	166.0	44,835	53,950
Florida ²	95	100	54	56	161.0			8,694	
Georgia.....	395	430	350	380	160.0	182.0	182.0	56,000	69,160
South Carolina	380	400	350	370	106.0	136.0	136.0	37,100	50,320
United States	89,745	90,978	81,337	82,527	167.5	178.4	175.8	13,619,928	14,506,795
Cotton, all³ ... (bales)									
Alabama	540.0	450.0	532.0	445.0	928	960	890	1,028.0	825.0
Florida	112.0	100.0	110.0	98.0	895	833	759	205.0	155.0
Georgia.....	1,400.0	1,200.0	1,380.0	1,190.0	953	968	968	2,740.0	2,400.0
South Carolina	300.0	190.0	295.0	185.0	809	804	843	497.0	325.0
United States	13,735.7	12,115.5	11,612.5	9,005.3	823	909	911	19,912.5	17,092.0
Peanuts (pounds)									
Alabama	160.0	185.0	156.0	182.0	3,350	3,900	4,000	522,600	728,000
Florida	165.0	175.0	155.0	165.0	3,800	4,000	3,700	589,000	610,500
Georgia.....	675.0	810.0	660.0	800.0	4,170	4,500	4,500	2,752,200	3,600,000
South Carolina	65.0	85.0	62.0	82.0	3,800	3,800	3,800	235,600	311,600
United States	1,432.7	1,665.2	1,389.7	1,623.2	3,934	4,125	4,093	5,466,487	6,643,320
Potatoes(cwt)									
Florida	26.0	22.0	25.3	21.8	275	(NA)	250	6,958	5,450
United States	963.3	923.0	937.3	915.7	453	(NA)	454	424,419	415,481
Soybeans . (bushels)									
Alabama	265	280	260	275	36.0	41.0	38.0	9,360	10,450
Georgia.....	100	100	86	93	29.0	39.0	43.0	2,494	3,999
South Carolina	335	310	315	295	26.0	32.0	36.0	8,190	10,620
United States	76,100	83,105	74,939	82,289	47.4	51.9	50.7	3,551,908	4,170,262
Sugarcane⁴ (tons)									
Florida	(NA)	(NA)	410.7	413.0	43.0	43.9	43.9	17,644	18,131
United States	(NA)	(NA)	913.2	932.6	35.0	36.6	36.2	31,937	33,782

(NA) Not available.

¹ Planted for all purposes, harvested for grain.

² Blank cells indicate that individual state level estimates will be published in the [Crop Production 2020 Summary](#), released January 2021.

³ Yield is in pounds. Production ginned and to be ginned. Production is in 480-lb. net weight bales.

⁴ For sugar and seed.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Crop Production](#), November 2020