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U.S. Wheat Production Up

United States: All wheat production in the United States totaled 1.81 billion bushels in 2023, up 10 percent from the 2022 total. Area harvested for grain totaled 37.3 million acres, up 5 percent from the previous year. The United States yield was estimated at 48.6 bushels per acre, up 2.1 bushels from the previous year. Winter wheat production for 2023 totaled 1.25 billion bushels, up 13 percent from the 2022 total of 1.10 billion bushels. Oat production was estimated at 57.0 million bushels, down 1 percent from 2022.

Key findings for the Southern Region

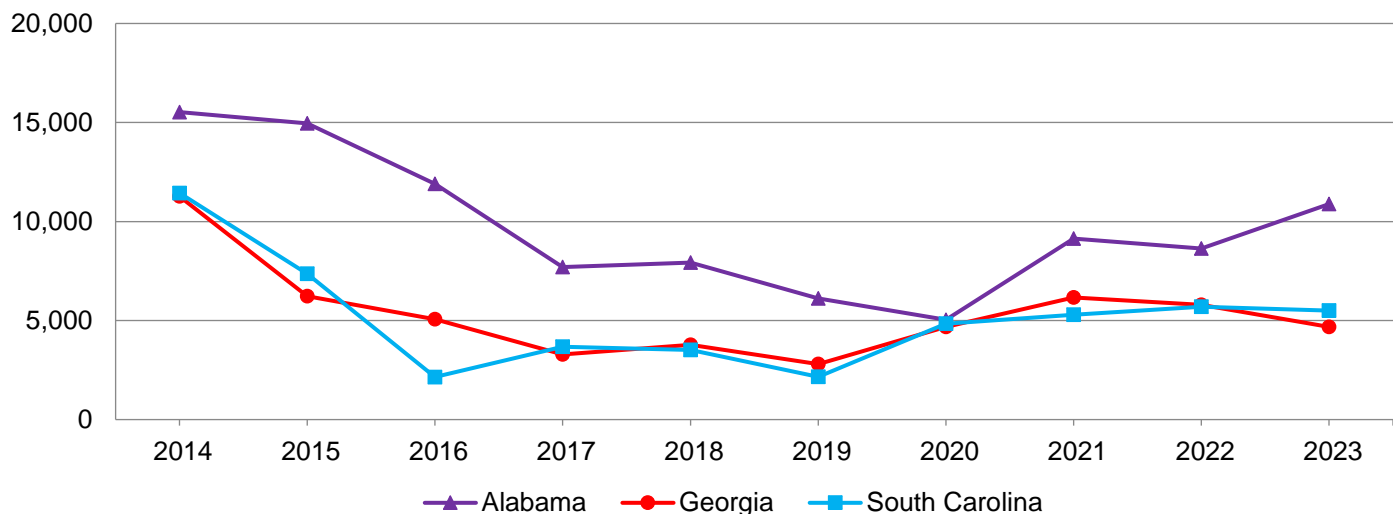
Alabama: Winter wheat production for 2023, at 10.9 million bushels, was up 26 percent from 2022. Winter wheat planted acreage at 205,000 acres was up 25,000 acres from 2022, while harvested acreage at 145,000 acres was also up 25,000 acres from last year. The winter wheat yield for 2023 averaged 75 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from the previous year.

Georgia: Winter wheat production for 2023, at 4.68 million bushels, was down 19 percent from 2022. Winter wheat planted acreage at 195,000 acres was down 5,000 acres from 2022 and harvested acreage at 85,000 acres was down 15,000 acres from the previous year. The winter wheat yield for 2023 averaged 55 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from the previous year. Oat production for 2023, at 915,000 bushels, was up 20 percent from 2022. Planted acreage at 55,000 acres was down 20,000 acres from 2022 and harvested acreage at 15,000 acres was unchanged from the previous year. Oat yields for 2023 averaged 61 bushels per acre, up 10 bushels from last year.

South Carolina: Winter wheat production for 2023, at 5.51 million bushels, was down 3 percent from 2022. Winter wheat planted acreage at 110,000 acres, was down 10,000 acres from 2022, while harvested acreage at 95,000 acres was down 5,000 acres from last year. The winter wheat yield for 2023 averaged 58 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from the previous year.

Winter Wheat Production – States: 2014-2023

Thousand bushels



Small Grains Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2022 and 2023

Commodity and State	Area planted ¹		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Oats								
Georgia	75	55	15	15	51.0	61.0	765	915
United States.....	2,581	2,555	890	831	64.8	68.6	57,655	57,045
Wheat, winter								
Alabama.....	180	205	120	145	72.0	75.0	8,640	10,875
Georgia.....	200	195	100	85	58.0	55.0	5,800	4,675
South Carolina	120	110	100	95	57.0	58.0	5,700	5,510
United States.....	33,281	36,699	23,454	24,683	47.0	50.6	1,103,062	1,247,748

¹ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - [Small Grains 2023 Summary](#), September 2023

Oat Production – Georgia: 2014-2023

Thousand bushels

