

# Crop Production

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## California

USDA's 2013 Winter wheat production forecast is 816 thousand tons, up three percent from last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 320,000, with a projected yield of 2.55 tons per acre.

The 2013 Durum wheat production forecast is 268 thousand tons, down 37 percent from last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 85 thousand, with a yield of 3.15 tons per acres. In California, good quality and few diseases issues were reported. Harvest is expected to begin in Southern California by mid-May.

## U.S. Winter Wheat Production Down 10 Percent from 2012

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.49 billion bushels, down 10 percent from 2012. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 32.7 million acres, down 6 percent from last year. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 45.4 bushels per acre, down 1.8 bushels from the previous year.

Hard Red Winter production, at 768 million bushels, is down 23 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 501 million bushels, is up 19 percent from 2012. White Winter, at 217 million bushels, is down 2 percent from a year ago. Of the White Winter production, 11.4 million bushels are Hard White and 205 million bushels are Soft White.

## Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - California: 2012, and Forecasted May 1, 2013

State	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	-- 1,000 acres --		-- bushels --		----- 1,000 bushels -----	
California .....	310	320	85.0	85.0	26,350	27,200
Tons (1,000).....			2.55	2.55	790	816

## Durum Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production - California: 2012, and Forecasted May 1, 2013

State	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013
	1,000 acres		--- bushels --		----- 1,000 bushels -----	
California .....	135	85	105.0	105.0	14,175	8,925
Tons (1,000)...			3.15	3.15	425	268

USDA estimated total: California (tons)

1,084,000 tons