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# Louisiana Crop Values

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The following are the survey results from the 2018 crop year marketings and monthly prices. These data are also posted on our web site at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/la> and in more detailed reports at <https://www.nass.usda.gov>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

## 2018 Louisiana Total Value of Production for Field Crops Down 3 Percent

The value of production for field crops in Louisiana during 2018 totaled \$1.90 billion, down 3 percent from 2017. The top three crop commodities (excluding sugarcane), soybeans, rice, and corn, accounted for 64 percent of the total value of production for field crops. Sorghum showed the largest percentage decrease from 2017 at 58 percent, followed by all hay at 14 percent and soybeans at 13 percent. Winter wheat showed the largest increase at 32 percent in value of production from last year, followed by sweet potatoes at 26 percent.

At the national level, the value of production for field crops was up slightly, at \$144 billion, from 2017. Corn, at \$51.5 billion, was the leading field crop followed by soybeans at \$39.1 billion and all hay at \$17.0 billion.

### Field Crops: Marketing Year Average Prices and Value of Production - Louisiana and United States: 2017 and 2018

Commodity	Unit	Louisiana					United States				
		Price per unit		Value of production			Price per unit		Value of production		
		2017	2018 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2018	Percent of previous year	2017	2018 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2018	Percent of previous year
		(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)
Corn, grain	bu	3.72	3.85	335,395	299,723	89	3.36	3.55	49,567,854	51,481,090	104
Cotton, upland <sup>2,3</sup>	lb	0.715	0.750	138,653	147,600	106	0.719	0.760	7,222,535	6,712,086	93
Cottonseed <sup>3</sup>	ton	160.00	146.00	20,320	19,126	94	142.00	152.00	911,925	896,048	98
Hay, all	ton	95.00	102.00	98,800	85,272	86	142.00	164.00	16,109,040	17,048,184	106
Rice, all	cwt	11.70	11.30	310,085	351,362	113	12.90	12.20	2,360,439	2,751,514	117
Sorghum, grain	cwt	6.19	6.15	4,101	1,736	42	5.75	5.90	1,168,526	1,212,237	104
Soybeans	bu	9.67	9.05	652,725	564,720	87	9.33	8.60	41,308,740	39,133,978	95
Sugarcane <sup>4,5,6</sup>	ton	23.90	(NA)	321,575	(NA)	(X)	31.00	(NA)	966,757	(NA)	(X)
Sweet potatoes	cwt	19.90	25.00	43,482	55,000	126	18.40	23.90	657,021	654,060	100
Wheat, winter	bu	4.20	5.10	2,512	3,315	132	4.32	5.05	5,522,949	5,981,865	108

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> 2018 marketing year average prices for field crops are preliminary and based on entire month price data through December 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Value based on a 480-pound net weight bale.

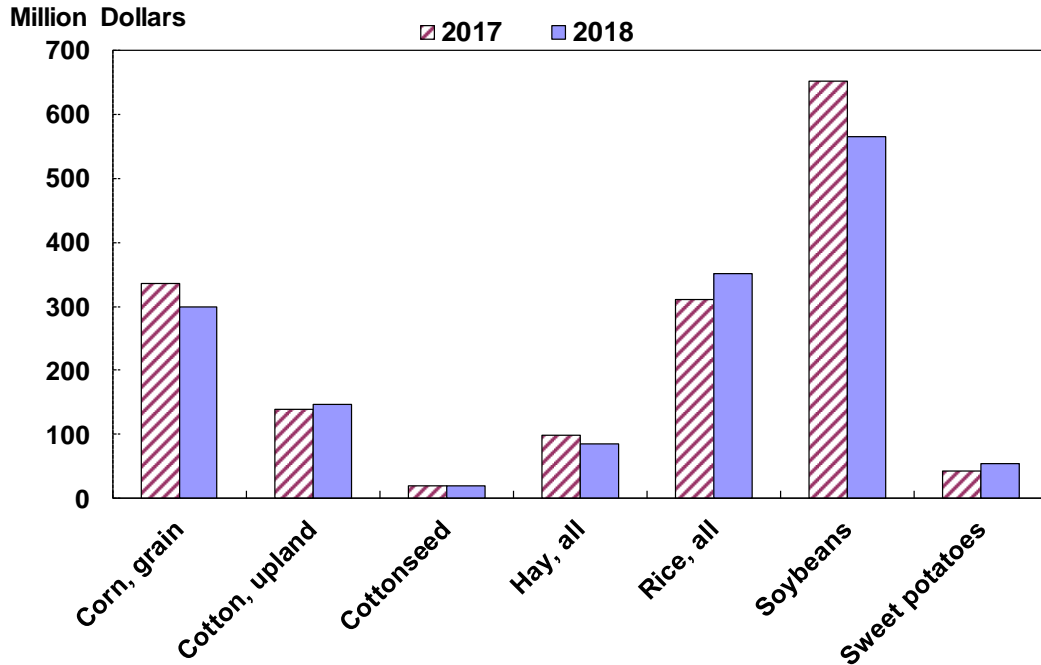
<sup>3</sup> 2018 price is based on marketings and monthly prices received from August 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018.

<sup>4</sup> Price and value of production is for sugar only.

<sup>5</sup> State prices and values for 2018 will be published in *Crop Values* released February 2020.

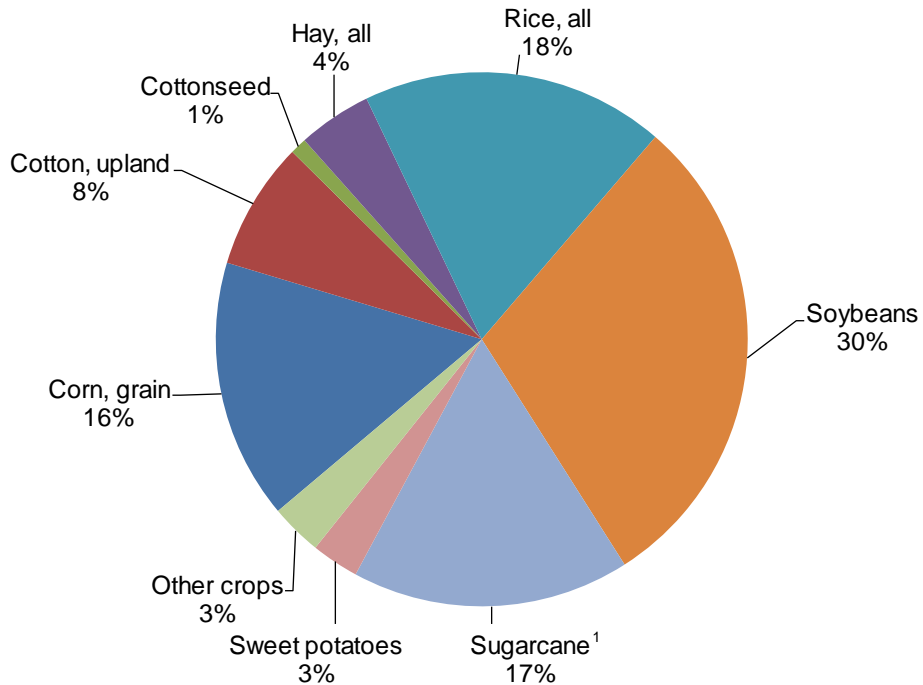
<sup>6</sup> The 2018 total value of production for field crops includes an estimated value of production for sugarcane, which is computed using 2017 prices.

## Field Crops: Value of Production - Louisiana: 2017 and 2018



## Field Crops: Total Value of Production and Crop Percent - Louisiana: 2018

Total Value: \$1.90 Billion



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