

RIO GRANDE VALLEY HISTORICAL YIELDS AND ACREAGE

The historical yield and acreage of the main field crops grown in the Rio Grande Valley¹ (RGV) of Texas is provided in Table 1 and Table 2, respectively.

Table 1. RGV Historical Yields, 2012-18

	Yield									
Year	Corn* (bu/ac)	Sorghum (lb/ac)		Sugarcane	Cotton (lb/ac)					
1 Cai		Irrigated	Dryland	(ton/ac)	Irrigated	Dryland				
2012	95.5	4,682	3,612	35.9	1,154	565				
2013	92.2	4,183	1,512	42.4	1,160	490				
2014	101.4	4,704	3,506	37.9	1,422	728				
2015	91.5	4,273	3,567	31.4	1,180	744				
2016	106.7	4,054	3,780	37.0	1,324	1,022				
2017	98.8	4,788	2,895	36.8	1,227	765				
2018	89.9	3,942	1,831	36.6	1,141	541				

^{*} Due to data availability, corn yield includes both irrigated and dryland.

Source: USDA-NASS

Table 2. RGV Historical Acreage, 2012-19

	Acreage								
Year	Corn		Sorghum		Sugarcane	Cotton			
	Irrigated	Dryland	Irrigated	Dryland	Sugarcane	Irrigated	Dryland		
2012	41,100	7,600	95,300	285,000	43,000	67,500	75,100		
2013	40,600	6,200	65,200	296,000	34,100	28,800	63,200		
2014	40,500	5,000	65,700	251,500	31,500	62,500	85,700		
2015	40,800	20,200	75,600	238,500	35,200	37,500	27,500		
2016	43,900	20,500	58,200	287,000	37,700	64,400	62,900		
2017	46,500	30,000	34,000	231,000	40,500	85,200	109,500		
2018	48,400	31,600	28,600	185,500	37,600	90,300	127,000		
2019e	62,500	40,400	22,500	161,000	33,200	90,000	114,400		

Source: USDA-NASS and USDA-FSA

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¹ RGV consists of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy counties.