

2022 SEED COST CALCULATOR

The 2022 PCG seed cost calculator is now available for download on the website: <https://plainscotton.org/seed-cost-calculators/>

The seed calculator is an interactive Microsoft Excel spreadsheet that allows producers to calculate an estimated cost per acre, for both seed and technology, based on published, suggested retail prices.

The 2022 version of the spreadsheet includes recently updated listings for conventional, Roundup Ready, FLEX, XtendFlex, GlyTol, Bollgard II, TwinLink, Enlist and Widestrike varieties. Also included are numerous stacked gene versions of these technologies that will be available for sale in West Texas this year.

Questions about the seed cost calculator can be directed to Shawn Wade at (806) 792-4904 or shawn@plainscotton.org.

ARC/PLC: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- ARC and PLC elections can impact eligibility for some crop insurance products.
- PLC enrollees have the option of purchasing supplemental coverage through their approved insurance provider.
- ARC election makes an entity ineligible for supplemental coverage.
- The enhanced coverage options are unaffected by ARC election.
- Upland cotton farmers who choose to enroll seed cotton base acres in ARC or PLC are ineligible for the stacked income protection plan on their planted cotton acres for that farm.
- The election period for the 2022 crop year opened Oct. 18, 2021, and ends March 15, 2022.

2021 High Plains Cotton Quality Summary

Week Ending: 01/28/2022

Office	Ave. Daily Receipts	Ave. Daily Classed	Carryover (Bales)	% Classed (estimated)
Lamesa	12,260	13,301	37,060	83.9%
Lubbock	11,156	44,109	123,721	90.0%

Office	Bales	Color	Leaf	Staple
Lamesa	93,128	21+ - 90.5% 31 - 8.1% 12 - 0.3%	1.87	35.02
Lubbock	308,763	21+ - 88.8% 31 - 8.5% 12 - 1.1%	2.13	35.53

	Mike	Strength	Uniformity	Bark
Lamesa	3.73	29.83	79.49	3.7%
Lubbock	3.78	30.05	79.85	4.2%

Season Totals To Date:

Office	Bales	Color	Leaf	Staple
Lamesa	1,384,686	21+ - 91.3% 31 - 3.6% 12 - 2.5%	1.87	35.50
Lubbock	3,158,048	21+ - 87.6% 31 - 4.0% 12 - 4.5%	2.23	36.04

	Mike	Strength	Uniformity	Bark
Lamesa	3.87	30.31	79.71	3.3%
Lubbock	3.74	30.52	80.12	4.6%

Source: USDA AMS

Don't Forget!

Plains Cotton Grower's
ARC/PLC/Crop Insurance
Update Meeting

Register here:

<https://plainscotton.org/crop-insurance>

2022 PRODUCTION HIGH PLAINS CONFERENCE / MEETING DATES

Date	Event	Information
Jan. 28	High Plains Cotton Conference, Spearman	Contact AgriLife Extension office Hansford County 806-659-4130
Feb. 8	Parmer County Cotton Conference, Bovina	Contact AgriLife Extension office Parmer County 806-481-3619
Feb. 8	Mid Plains Ag Retreat, Plainview	Contact AgriLife Extension office Hale County 806-291-5267
Feb. 8	Input/Impact Conference, Canyon	Contact AgriLife Extension office Randall County 806-468-5543
Feb. 9	Sandyland Ag Conference, Seminole	Contact AgriLife Extension office Gaines County 432-758-4006
Feb. 10	Llano Estacado Cotton Conference, Muleshoe	Contact AgriLife Extension Office Bailey County 806-272-4583

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NEW FORM FOR NRCS CUSTOMERS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

If you are a producer or landowner who participates in USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) programs, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) may reach out for additional form submissions.

Historically, participation in these programs required legal entities (not individuals) to file CCC-901 or CCC-902.

THIS HAS CHANGED

Starting this year, all producers and landowners participating or applying to participate in certain NRCS conservation programs must complete form CCC-902 Farm Operating Plan to ensure FSA and NRCS are properly determining payment eligibility and maximum payment limitations.

THESE CHANGES WILL NOT AFFECT

Participants who already have a filed CCC-902 with a "determined" status recorded with FSA will not be affected by these changes. Customers that do not have a CCC-902 on file will be sent a letter in the mail in the coming weeks with detailed information on what is needed. The form must be completed within 30 days of receiving the letter.

REMOTE OR IN-PERSON SUBMISSION

For added convenience, USDA is offering options for remote or in-person submission of the CCC-902.

Fiscal year 2021 is considered a transition year to ensure all NRCS program participants can meet this updated filing requirement. However, starting fiscal year 2022, your payments may be impacted if form CCC-902 is not on file.

NEED HELP?

NRCS and FSA staff are available at USDA Service Centers nationwide to provide information and assistance to walk you through meeting this filing requirement. For assistance, visit: <https://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov>

PROFITABILITY SPREADSHEET WORKSHOPS

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be holding free workshops to better help farmers understand and utilize profitability spreadsheets for their crop budgets.

"Texas farmers have been using this spreadsheet for 20 years to estimate the relative profitability of different crops using their own production history," said Will Keeling, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist.

For more information, visit: www.agrilifetoday.tamu.edu