How Many Acres will be Planted in 2005??
# Planted Acreage in VC

**Thousand Acres, 2000-2004**

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Peanut Acreage Change
2004 vs 2003

Acreage Change by County

-1,952
-1,951 - -1,000
-999 - -50
-49 - 50
51 - 500
501 - 1,500
1,501 - 3,000
3,001 - 4,598

Source: USDA/FSA (Preliminary)
Prepared by the National Center for Peanut Competitiveness
Peanut Acreage Change
2004 vs Avg ('98-'01)

Acreage Change by County
-16143 - -8000
-7999 - -3000
-2999 - -1500
-1499 - -50
51 - 1500
1501 - 3000
3001 - 6885

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Acres will probably be down in NC
Situation is very depressing in V-C
Low contract prices have created uncertainty relative to virginia market types
No optimism at all
Acreage could decrease by 35,000 acres in VA and NC
Most people think contracts will not go up high enough to induce a lot of growers to plant
Contracts in VA are not only low, but they are 40% less available at any price.

VA crop will drop from low 30,000 to low 20,000 acres.

Not a lot of optimism about peanuts in VA.

Some producers want to plant more acres, even at lower price but they are being told “they don’t need any more acres”.
Based on survey of buying points and some guess work, there could be 60,000 acres in SC.

Rough average of 40,000 acres of virginia-type and 20,000 acres of runner-type.

- Had about 80% of 33,000 acres in virginia-type in '04.

Most of new acreage is in dryland production.

Will need timely rain in July & August to make money (this is nothing new).
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Peanut Acreage Change 2004 vs. 2003

Acreage Change By County

- Purple: +4,001 - +6,757
- Blue: +2,501 - +4,000
- Green: +1,501 - +2,500
- Yellow: +501 - +1,500
- Light Green: 499 - +500
- Orange: -1,499 - -500
- Light Orange: -2,499 - -1,500
- Orange Red: -3,759 - -2,500
- Red: -3,760
- Black: NO PEANUTS

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The table above shows the planted acreage in thousand acres from 2000 to 2004 for the states of Alabama (AL), Florida (FL), and Georgia (GA). The percentage increase from 2004 to 2005 is noted for each state, with AL showing a 3-5% increase, FL showing a 5-10% increase, and GA showing significantly more acreage with 700+ acres planted.
GEORGIA

Dr. John Beasley – University of Georgia

- Acreage could top 700,000 if rumors are accurate
- Continued acreage increase in new areas
  - Appling Co. – 70 acres in ’02, 700 in ’03, 7,000 in ’04, could be 14,000+ in ’05
- Nitrogen and potash prices have steered producers away from corn, and possibly cotton
- Major concern of compromising rotation
- Expect majority of acres to be planted in Georgia Green
Although the lower prices will damper enthusiasm, FL should see an increase in acreage.

New growers in new production areas have been producing good yields of 3500 lbs/A +

There is still some “new” land available.

New buying points also favor increased acreage.

Expect a drop in acreage in areas with shortage of suitable land due to short rotations.

Acreage could increase by 5-10% statewide.
ALABAMA
Dallas Hartzog – Auburn University

Peanuts offer farmers in AL best hope of making a profit

Many farmers are thinking of expanding, but few will do it

Acreage expansion will probably be small

Houston County is still growing 40,000 acres and a reduction there could be significant

Some expansion in non-traditional counties

Recently had 11 peanut counties, last year had 25, could be 30 in 2005
## Planted Acreage in SW

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Peanut Acreage Change: 2004 vs. AVG '98-'01

Change by County

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- **NM**: New Mexico
- **OK**: Oklahoma
- **TX**: Texas
Situation in OK is grim
Shellers are not talking contracts
No seed contracts for Tamrun 96 or Tamrun OL 01
  - There is apparently a hard kernel problem with these cultivars
  - These two cultivars account for >80% of the acreage in OK
Acreage will drop yet again, probably less than 30,000 (hate to estimate how low it could go)
Acres in limbo – might go up, stay the same, or go down – depends on contract for runners

If strong price for runners, acres up and shift from Virginia and Spanish types

Increase in Valencia acres

Acres back up in central TX

Cotton prices will have final impact on acres
With current subsoil moisture, cotton is better option due to better crop on less irrigation water and total inputs.

Water quality and quantity will control some of the acre increase potential.

As you go further north to better water the growing season is limited and soil types are limiting.

Hedge on acres is even.
New Products or Labels on Peanut in 2005

• Optimize LIFT
  – New inoculant from Nitragin

• Dynasty PD
  – New seed treatment from Syngenta

• Cobra 2EC
  – New herbicide label from Valent
Runner Variety Trials

High Plains – Average 2 to 3 trials
AT127, ANorden, AT215, Flavorrunner 458
(Grade = 79 to 80 except AT127 – 74)

South Texas – Average 2 trials
Andru II, Tamrun OL01, C99-R, ANorden
(Grade = 75 or 76 except Andru II – 73)

Rolling Plains – Average of 3 test
Carver, Tamrun OL01, ANorden, Flavorrunner 458
(Grade = 76 to 78)
Runner Variety Trials

Carver – Ranked in top 1/3 in 10 of 11 trials
ANorden – 7 of 11 trials
Flavorrunner 458 – 4 of 11 trials
TAMRUN OL01 – 4 of 9 trials
Andru II – 4 of 11 trials
TAMRUN 96 – 5 of 7 trials

AT 127, Georgia 02C, Georgia 03L, GP-1, Nematam, and TAMRUN OL02 in at least 1 trial.
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