A Statistical Study of Trends of Wheat Production in Districts of Eastern Uttar Pradesh, India

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The paper analyses the trend in terms of production of wheat in Eastern Uttar Pradesh. The growth has been examined by Compound Growth rate and Simple Growth rate from 1997-98 to 2014-15. The top five districts of wheat production according to three years moving average (2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15) have also been analysed in this paper. Azamgarh, Barabanki, Siddharth Nagar, Jaunpur and Gorakhpur have been leading districts of Eastern Uttar Pradesh in terms of wheat production. There is increase in wheat production and area from 1997-98 to 2014-15 in districts. Siddharth Nagar is better in wheat production and growth rates in comparison to other districts.

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Introduction

Wheat (Triticum aestivum) the world’s largest cereal crop belongs to Gramineae (Poaceae) family of the genus Triticum. It has been described as the ‘King of cereals’ because of the acreage it occupies, high productivity and the prominent position in the international food grain trade. Wheat is consumed in a variety of ways such as bread, chapatti, porridge, flour, suji etc.

The term “Wheat” is derived from many different locations, specifically from English, German and Welsh language. Wheat has good nutrition profile with 12.1 per cent protein, 1.8 per cent lipids, 1.8 per cent ash, 2.0 per cent reducing sugars, 6.7 per cent pentosans, 59.2 per cent starch, 70 per cent total carbohydrates and provides 314Kcal/100g of food. It is also good source of minerals and vitamins.

For Wheat production target has been fixed in India for 2019 is 102.19 million tonnes against 100 million tonnes last year. Uttar Pradesh is the largest state with maximum contribution towards national production.
(35.03 per cent) from a large area (35.12 per cent), but with productivity on a lower side of 2.7 tonnes/ha. The wheat production is distributed in three agroclimatic zones, viz. western Uttar Pradesh (3.29 million ha), eastern UP (5.24 million ha) and central Uttar Pradesh (0.68 million ha). The area is 9.2 million ha, with a production of 24.5 million tons and productivity of 2.7 tonnes/ha. The trend during the last five years has shown a marginal decline in production and productivity from nearly stable area of cultivation. Per cent of gross cropped area in 2013-2014 was 40.55. Wheat crop needs clay loam or loam texture and moderate water holding capacity soil and these features are found in Eastern Uttar Pradesh so this region is suitable for wheat production.

The present investigation is proposed with the following objectives includes, to find out general profile of districts of Eastern Uttar Pradesh by way of tabular and graphical representation and to obtain the Growth rates of area, production and yield of Wheat in different districts of Eastern UP based on Time-series data.

Materials and Methods

This paper dealt with materials and statistical methodologies to carry out the investigation undertaken. In order to study the trends of production, area and productivity in wheat of eastern Uttar Pradesh.

The time series data pertaining to road length, canal length, number of tubewells, number of pumpsets, fertilizer consumption, electricity consumption in agriculture, irrigated area under rice and wheat has been procured from the website http://udpes.up.nic.in/spatrika/spatrika.htm by Economics and Statistics Division, Planning Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

Statistical methodologies

Effect of change in area and productivity on differential production

An attempt has been made to study the effect of change in area and productivity of crops on differential production between two points of time.

Let P, A and Y be the production, area and productivity of a particular crop at a given point of time. The P can be expressed as

\[ P = Y \times A \]

Let \( \Delta P \), \( \Delta A \) and \( \Delta Y \) be the change in production, area and productivity of the crop after specific period of time. So we have

\[ P + \Delta P = (A + \Delta A) (Y + \Delta Y) \]
\[ P + \Delta P = AY + \Delta AY + A\Delta Y + \Delta A\Delta Y \]

Therefore we have

\[ \Delta P = \Delta AY + A\Delta Y + \Delta A\Delta Y \]

Thus the total differential production consists of three components:

\( \Delta AY = \) Effect of change in area of crop
\( A\Delta Y = \) Effect of change in productivity of crop
\( \Delta A\Delta Y = \) Interaction effect due to change in area and productivity of crop.

An attempt has been made to study the effect of change in area and productivity of crops on its logarithmic differential of production between two points of time.

Let \( Y_t \), \( A_t \) and \( P_t \) be the production, area and productivity respectively, of rice and wheat at
a given point of time t. The \( Y_t \) can be expressed as

\[
Y_t = A_t P_t
\]

Similarly let \( Y_{t-1} \), \( A_{t-1} \) and \( P_{t-1} \) be the production, area and productivity, respectively under crops at time point t-1. Then we have

\[
Y_{t-1} = A_{t-1} P_{t-1}
\]

The ratio

\[
\frac{Y_t}{Y_{t-1}} = \frac{A_t}{A_{t-1}} \frac{P_t}{P_{t-1}}
\]

Taking log of both side, we get

\[
\log Y_t = \log A_t + \log P_t - \log A_{t-1} - \log P_{t-1}
\]

The above expression provided the contribution of logarithmic area and productivity towards logarithmic change in crop production between two points of time, i.e. between t-1 and t.

**Trend and growth rate**

**Linear function**

Linear fit has been given by the equation

\[
Y_t = a + bt
\]

Where,

\( Y_t \) is the characteristic (area, production or productivity of dependent variable)

\( t \) is the time in years, independent variable

\( a \) and \( b \) are constants or parameters

The above equation is fitted by using the Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) of estimation. The linear growth rate is calculated by the formula:

\[
\text{Linear growth rate (LGR \%)} = \frac{b}{b} \times 100
\]

**Compound function**

Compound fit has been given by the equation:

\[
Y_t = a b^t \quad \text{Or}
\]

\[
\log Y_t = \log a + t \log b
\]

Where,

\( Y_t \) is the characteristic (area, production or productivity of dependent variable)

\( t \) is the time in years, independent variable

\( a \) and \( b \) are parameters

The parameters ‘a’ and ‘b’ are calculated by applying the method of Ordinary Least Squares (OLS). The compound growth rate (CGR \%) is calculated by using the formula:

\[
\text{CGR (\%)} = \left( \text{antilog } b - 1 \right) \times 100
\]

All growth rates are expressed in percentage. The best fitted function is judged on the basis of \( R^2 \) (coefficient of determination).

**Results and Discussion**

**The first objective**

To find out general profile of districts of Eastern Uttar Pradesh by way of tabular and graphical representation (Fig. 1–3).

An attempt has been made in this section to capture the important features of Wheat production In Eastern Uttar Pradesh.
From table 1, 2 and 3

Highest production of Wheat has been observed in Azamgarh district followed by Jaunpur, Barabanki, Gorakhpur and Siddharth Nagar districts based on 3 years moving average.

Highest area under Wheat has been observed in Azamgarh district in respect to top 5 districts of wheat production.

Highest productivity of Wheat has been observed in Siddharth Nagar districts based on 3 years moving average.

Area and productivity contribution by direct and log method and Coefficient of Variation (CV) of districts at top 5 positions in production of Wheat

Area and productivity contribution by direct and log method and CV of top 5 districts in production are represented in table 4.

The second objective

To obtain the Growth rates of area, production and yield of Wheat in different districts of Eastern UP based on Time-series data.

The annual growth rates of production, area and productivity of Wheat has been worked out using two functions, viz. simple growth rates (SGR) and compound growth rates (CGR) for the districts of Eastern Uttar Pradesh. The results are presented and discussed in table 5.

Results of table 5

Highest area growth rate (i.e. 2.01 percent) has been observed in Baharaich district, which is followed by Mau, Barabanki and Siddharth Nagar districts.

Highest production growth rate (i.e. 3.67 percent) has been observed in SiddharthNagar district, which is followed by Sonbhadra and Barabanki.

Highest productivity growth rate (i.e. 3.81 percent) has been observed in Sonbhadra district, which is followed by Shravasti and Siddharth Nagar.

Table 1 Top 5 districts in Production of Wheat

| DISTRICT    | Area(in hectares) | Production(in metric tons) |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| AZAMGARH    | 233440.33         | 627833.00                  |
| JAUNPUR     | 210369.67         | 545443.33                  |
| BARABANKI   | 165901.33         | 532387.00                  |
| GORAKHPUR   | 190541.33         | 506551.67                  |
| SIDDHARTH NAGAR | 155775.00   | 506342.33                  |
**Table 2** Productivity of top 5 districts in wheat according to production based on 3 years moving average

| DISTRICT       | Productivity (q/ha) |
|----------------|---------------------|
| AZAMGARH       | 28.48               |
| JAUNPUR        | 25.95               |
| BARABANKI      | 32.13               |
| GORAKHPUR      | 26.61               |
| SIDDHARTH NAGAR| 32.50               |

**Table 3** Productivity of top districts in wheat based on 3 years moving average

| DISTRICT       | Productivity (q/ha) |
|----------------|---------------------|
| SIDDHARTH NAGAR| 32.42               |
| BARABANKI      | 32.13               |
| AMBEDKAR NAGAR | 29.97               |
| MAHARAGANJ     | 28.98               |
| SANT KABIR NAGAR| 28.55              |

**Table 4** Area and productivity contribution and CV of wheat

| Districts               | By Direct method | By log method | CV |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|----|
|                         | Area contribution| Productivity contribution | Area contribution | Productivity contribution | Productivity | Production | Area |
| AZAMGARH                | 47.16            | 52.89         | 44.62 | 50.34 | 11.06 | 14.04 | 3.90 |
| GORAKHPUR               | 35.42            | 65.22         | 33.13 | 62.86 | 14.34 | 15.69 | 2.59 |
| JAUNPUR                 | 52.67            | 47.70         | 49.83 | 44.82 | 12.60 | 16.12 | 5.04 |
| SIDDHARTH NAGAR         | 38.70            | 62.17         | 32.39 | 55.08 | 19.49 | 24.46 | 10.10 |
| BARABANKI               | 47.55            | 47.06         | 41.51 | 46.85 | 12.72 | 19.47 | 9.71 |
Table 5 Annual average simple growth rate and compound growth rate (in percentage) of production, area and productivity of Wheat

| DISTRICT    | SGR  | CGR  | SGR  | CGR  | SGR  | CGR  |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| CHANDAULI   | 2.15 | 1.98 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 1.35 | 1.18 |
| VARANASI    | 0.49 | 0.41 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.34 | 0.26 |
| JAUNPUR     | 2.04 | 1.97 | 0.93 | 0.94 | 1.12 | 1.02 |
| AZAMGARH    | 1.86 | 1.82 | 0.69 | 0.70 | 1.16 | 1.12 |
| GHAZIPUR    | 2.12 | 2.10 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 1.30 | 1.21 |
| AYODHYA     | 0.70 | 0.66 | 1.19 | 1.18 | -0.52 | -0.52 |
| SULTANPUR   | -2.54 | -2.86 | -3.03 | -3.28 | 0.47 | 0.40 |
| GORAKHPUR   | 1.63 | 1.50 | 0.43 | 0.43 | 1.21 | 1.05 |
| MAU         | 1.56 | 1.47 | 1.41 | 1.69 | -0.47 | -0.22 |
| BALIA       | 1.86 | 1.82 | 0.42 | 0.39 | 1.45 | 1.38 |
| PRAYAGRAJ   | 0.67 | 0.60 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.15 | -0.05 |
| BASTI       | 1.32 | 1.23 | 0.26 | 0.26 | 1.04 | 0.96 |
| GONDA       | 0.53 | 0.52 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.46 | 0.44 |
| City          | SGR  | CGR  | SGR  | CGR  | SGR  | CGR  |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| MIRZAPUR     | 0.46 | -0.43| 1.02 |      |      |      |
| BAHARAIC     | 1.31 | 1.92 | 1.50 |      |      |      |
| PRATAPGARH   | 1.06 | 0.34 | 0.85 |      |      |      |
| SIDDHARTH    | 3.66 | 1.44 | 2.06 |      |      |      |
| NAGAR        | 3.67 | 1.52 | 1.95 |      |      |      |
| MAHARGANJ    | 2.13 | 0.73 | 1.36 |      |      |      |
| SONBHADRA    | 3.72 | -0.15| 3.76 |      |      |      |
| KASAUMBI     | 1.79 | 1.27 | 0.58 |      |      |      |
| BHADOHI      | 0.64 | 0.35 | 0.31 |      |      |      |
| BALRAMPUR    | 1.33 | -0.59| 1.86 |      |      |      |
| DEORIA       | 1.60 | 0.99 | 0.71 |      |      |      |
| KUSHINAGAR   | 0.93 | 0.58 | 0.38 |      |      |      |
| SANT KABIR   | 1.93 | 0.56 | 1.40 |      |      |      |
| NAGAR        | 1.98 | 0.57 | 1.40 |      |      |      |
| SHRAWASTI    | 0.57 | -2.33| 2.32 |      |      |      |
| AMBEDKAR     | 1.23 | 0.38 | 0.88 |      |      |      |
| NAGAR        | 1.19 | 0.38 | 0.82 |      |      |      |
| BARABANKI    | 3.03 | 1.58 | 1.54 |      |      |      |
|              | 3.18 | 1.65 | 1.50 |      |      |      |
**Fig. 1** Production and area of wheat based on 3 years moving average for the top 5 districts

**Fig. 2** Productivity of top 5 districts in productivity according to production based on 3 years moving average

**Fig. 3** Productivity of top districts in wheat according to production based on 3 years moving average
Similarly, Elumalai Kannan also reported that during the period 2000-01 to 2007-08 the Compound growth rate of wheat for area 1.25 percent, production 1.38 percent with its productivity 0.13 percent in India.

Siddharth Nagar has been among the top districts in production (i.e. 506342 mt) based on 3 years moving average. Highest growth rate in production (i.e.3.67 percent) has been observed in Siddharth Nagar.

Siddharth Nagar has been among the top districts in growth rate of area (i.e. 1.52 percent). Siddharth Nagar has been among the top districts in growth rate of productivity (i.e. 1.95 percent).

Above results show that Siddharth Nagar has been leading from other districts of Eastern U.P. The reason behind its lead is Siddharth Nagar belongs to Tarai belt which has clayey loam and moderate water holding capacity making it suitable for wheat production.

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