

Prospective Plantings

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Corn Planted Acreage Up 4 Percent from 2018 Soybean Acreage Down 5 Percent All Wheat Acreage Down 4 Percent All Cotton Acreage Down 2 Percent

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2019 is estimated at 92.8 million acres, up 4 percent or 3.66 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 34 of the 48 estimating States.

Soybean planted area for 2019 is estimated at 84.6 million acres, down 5 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is down or unchanged in 26 of the 29 estimating States.

All wheat planted area for 2019 is estimated at 45.8 million acres, down 4 percent from 2018. This represents the lowest all wheat planted area on record since records began in 1919. The 2019 winter wheat planted area, at 31.5 million acres, is down 3 percent from last year but up 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 22.4 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.55 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.55 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2019 is estimated at 12.8 million acres, down 3 percent from 2018. Of this total, about 12.4 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2019 is estimated at 1.42 million acres, down 31 percent from the previous year.

All cotton planted area for 2019 is estimated at 13.8 million acres, 2 percent below last year. Upland area is estimated at 13.5 million acres, down 2 percent from 2018. American Pima area is estimated at 255,000 acres, up 2 percent from 2018.

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Principal Crops Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

[Crops included in area planted are corn, sorghum, oats, barley, rye, winter wheat, Durum wheat, other spring wheat, rice, soybeans, peanuts, sunflower, cotton, dry edible beans, chickpeas, potatoes, sugarbeets, canola, and proso millet. Harvested acreage is used for all hay, tobacco, and sugarcane in computing total area planted. Values for 2019 were carried forward from 2018 for potatoes, proso millet, rye, and sugarcane. Includes double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops]

State	2017	2018	2019 ¹
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)
Alabama	2,280	2,330	2,180
Alaska ²	(X)	28	27
Arizona	700	647	588
Arkansas	7,299	7,292	7,254
	3,096	2,940	2,795
Calarada		•	,
Colorado	6,245	6,148	6,039
Connecticut	72	70	61
Delaware	462	453	435
Florida	1,146	1,119	1,074
Georgia	3,634	3,653	3,622
Idaho	4,205	4,187	4,007
Illinois	22,851	22,936	22,853
Indiana	12,130	12,120	12,050
lowa	24,491	24,291	24,185
Kansas	23,633	23,465	23,272
Kentucky	5,956	5,753	5,688
Louisiana	3,275	3,287	3,209
Maine	226	229	252
Maryland	1,633	1,572	1,627
Massachusetts	93	93	99
Michigan	6,349	6,410	6,379
Minnesota	19,691	19,534	19,322
Mississippi	4,159	4,144	4,075
Missouri	13,533	13,782	13,387
Montana	9,079	9,835	9,393
Nebraska	19,566	19,792	19,603
Nevada	426	401	351
New Hampshire	59	52	62
New Jersey	310	311	306
New Mexico	906	870	768
New York	2,800	2,854	2,994
	,	•	4,381
North Carolina	4,428	4,593	
North Dakota	23,617	24,163 10,015	24,483
Ohio	10,010	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	9,905
Oklahoma	9,827	10,036	9,615
Oregon	2,080	2,003	1,981
Pennsylvania	3,728	3,493	3,558
Rhode Island	8	8	8
South Carolina	1,544	1,498	1,426
South Dakota	17,422	17,300	17,163
Tennessee	4,841	4,916	4,702
Texas	21,580	21,830	21,392
Utah	944	871	829
Vermont	267	255	273
Virginia	2,674	2,634	2,562
Washington	3,634	3,702	3,583
West Virginia	652	616	551
Wisconsin	7,781	7,997	7,980
Wyoming	1,510	1,473	1,424
United States ³	318,340	319,578	315,352
(Y) Not applicable	2.2,0.0	2.2,0.0	1 ,

⁽X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Alaska data included in United States total beginning in 2018.

³ States do not add to United States due to canola, potato, and rye unallocated acreage.

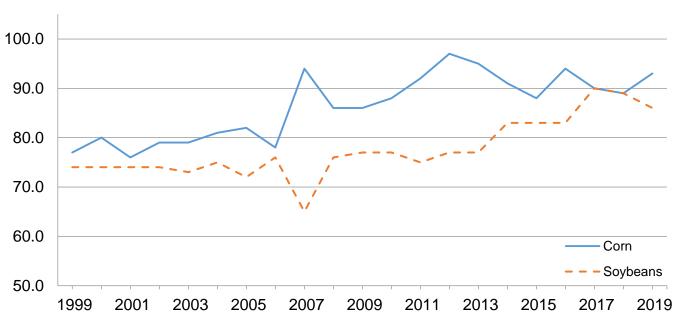
Corn Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area pla	anted	
State	2017	2018	2019 1	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	250	260	280	108
Arizona	65	70	75	107
Arkansas	620	660	830	126
California	430	430	430	100
Colorado	1,460	1,470	1,430	97
Connecticut	24	23	22	96
Delaware	180	170	170	100
Torida	75	100	80	80
Georgia	290	325	380	117
daho	340	360	310	86
Ilinois	11,200	11,000	11,200	102
ndiana	5,350	5,350	5,500	103
owa	13,300	13,200	13,600	103
Cansas	5,500	5,450	5,700	105
Centucky	1,320	1,340	1,430	107
ouisiana	500	460	550	120
Maine	31	31	30	97
Maryland	480	450	500	111
Aassachusetts	15	14	14	100
lichigan	2,250	2,300	2,350	102
linnesota	8,050	7,900	8,000	101
lississippi	520	480	600	125
lissouri	3,400	3,500	3,500	100
ontana	115	115	105	91
ebraska	9,550	9,600	9,700	101
evada	12	13	11	85
ew Hampshire	14	13	12	92
lew Jersey	77	72	72	100
ew Mexico	125	135	125	93
lew York	1,000	1,100	1,120	102
lorth Carolina	890	910	970	107
lorth Dakota	3,420	3,150	4,050	129
Ohio	3,400	3,500	3,500	100
oklahoma	350	320	300	94
Pregon	85	80	80	100
ennsylvania	1,350	1,350	1,370	101
hode Island	2	2	2	100
outh Carolina	350	340	400	118
outh Dakota	5,700	5,300	6,000	113
ennessee	750	740	850	115
exas	2,450	2,200	2,150	98
Jtah	80	70	60	86
/ermont	82	85	83	98
/irginia	500	485	490	101
Vashington	170	165	170	103
Vest Virginia	50	46	51	111
Visconsin	3,900	3,900	4,050	104
Vyoming	95	95	90	95
Jnited States	90,167	89,129	92,792	104

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage - United States





Sorghum Area Planted – States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area pl	lanted	
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Arkansas ²	9	12	(NA)	(X)
Colorado	410	355	375	106
Georgia ²	21	25	(NA)	(X)
Illinois ²	17	18	(NA)	(X)
Kansas	2,600	2,800	2,750	98
Louisiana 2	15	8	(NA)	(X)
Mississippi ²	5	4	(NA)	(X)
Missouri 2	30	30	(NA)	(X)
Nebraska	180	230	210	91
New Mexico ²	85	80	(NA)	(X)
North Carolina ²	22	18	(NA)	(X)
Oklahoma	315	300	`25Ó	`83
South Dakota	270	260	200	77
Texas	1,650	1,550	1,350	87
United States	5,629	5,690	5,135	90

(NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Oat Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area p	lanted	
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama ²	40	40	(NA)	(X)
Arkansas	11	10	8	80
California	110	110	85	77
Colorado ²	50	95	(NA)	(X)
Georgia	50	60	70	117
Idaho	50	40	55	138
Illinois	35	40	45	113
lowa	115	135	135	100
Kansas	100	120	135	113
Maine	22	21	20	95
Michigan	55	75	60	80
Minnesota	170	180	170	94
Missouri	30	35	30	86
Montana	70	70	65	93
Nebraska	110	125	115	92
New York	55	69	60	87
North Carolina	35	30	22	73
North Dakota	295	300	260	87
Ohio	60	55	45	82
Oklahoma	45	50	100	200
Oregon	25	20	25	125
Pennsylvania	70	65	70	108
South Carolina 2	20	19	(NA)	(X)
South Dakota	290	290	260	90
Texas	455	450	500	111
Washington ²	16	17	(NA)	(X)
Wisconsin	180	200	220	110
Wyoming ²	25	25	(NA)	(X)
United States	2,589	2,746	2,555	93

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Barley Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area p	planted	_
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alaska ²	(X)	5	5	100
Arizona	20	12	20	167
California	75	65	70	108
Colorado	70	58	57	98
Delaware	32	25	22	88
Idaho	530	550	465	85
Kansas	(NA)	17	25	147
Maine	(NA)	17	17	100
Maryland	50	45	40	89
Michigan	(NA)	20	12	60
Minnesota	80	80	80	100
Montana	770	790	810	103
New York	(NA)	10	9	90
North Carolina	(NA)	11	21	191
North Dakota	520	470	530	113
Oregon	47	43	40	93
Pennsylvania	60	45	40	89
South Dakota	(NA)	48	55	115
Utah	25	21	19	90
Virginia	30	30	20	67
Washington	95	85	85	100
Wisconsin	(NA)	25	23	92
Wyoming	82	71	85	120
United States	2,486	2,543	2,550	100

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Previously included in the Alaska table. For 2017 data refer to the Alaska table on page 23.

All Wheat Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

[includes area planted in preced	3 - 1	Area p	planted	
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	150	160	170	106
Arizona	115	91	40	44
Arkansas	200	175	90	51
California	420	420	375	89
Colorado	2,260	2,260	2,300	102
Delaware	75	75	60	80
Florida ²	20	15	(NA)	(X)
Georgia	160	200	210	105
Idaho	1,175	1,191	1,235	104
Illinois	500	600	600	100
Indiana	290	310	310	100
lowa ²	16	16	(NA)	(X)
Kansas	7,600	7,700	7,000	91
Kentucky	480	450	450	100
Louisiana ²	20	15	(NA)	(X)
Maryland	410	360	`35Ś	99
Michigan	480	510	590	116
Minnesota	1,170	1,621	1,530	94
Mississippi	45	55	35	64
Missouri	640	740	640	86
Montana	5,140	5,390	5,080	94
Nebraska	1,120	1,100	1,100	100
Nevada ²	29	23	(NA)	(X)
New Jersey	23	18	19	106
New Mexico	330	315	330	105
New York	140	110	110	100
North Carolina	450	460	300	65
North Dakota	6,680	7,735	7,540	97
Ohio	490	490	500	102
Oklahoma	4,500	4,400	4,300	98
Oregon	775	800	720	90
Pennsylvania	210	195	200	103
South Carolina	90	80	60	75
South Dakota	1,887	1,883	1,870	99
Tennessee	370	380	300	79
Texas	4,700	4,500	4,500	100
Utah	134	130	130	100
Virginia	210	230	180	78
Washington	2,195	2,220	2,180	98
West Virginia ²	8	7	(NA)	(X)
Wisconsin	210	240	215	90
Wyoming	135	130	130	100
United States	46,052	47,800	45,754	96

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings for 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Winter Wheat Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

	Area planted			
State	2017	2018	2019	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	150	160	170	106
Arizona ¹	25	20	(NA)	(X)
Arkansas	200	175	90	51
California	385	380	330	87
Colorado	2,250	2,250	2,300	102
Delaware	75	75	60	80
Florida ¹	20	15	(NA)	(X)
Georgia	160	200	210	105
Idaho	720	720	730	101
Illinois	500	600	600	100
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Indiana	290	310	310	100
lowa ¹	16	16	(NA)	(X)
Kansas	7,600	7,700	7,000	91
Kentucky	480	450	450	100
Louisiana ¹	20	15	(NA)	(X)
Maryland	410	360	355	99
Michigan	480	510	590	116
Minnesota 1	10	11	(NA)	(X)
Mississippi	45	55	35	64
Missouri	640	740	640	86
Montana	1,750	1,650	1,900	115
Nebraska	1,120	1,100	1,100	100
Nevada ¹	14	13	(NA)	(X)
New Jersey	23	18	19	106
New Mexico	330	315	330	105
New York	140	110	110	100
North Carolina	450	460	300	65
North Dakota	70	85	90	106
Ohio	490	490	500	102
Oklahoma	4,500	4,400	4,300	98
Oregon	700	720	720	100
Pennsylvania	210	195	200	103
South Carolina	90	80	60	75
South Dakota	910	830	850	102
Tennessee	370	380	300	79
Texas	4,700	4,500	4,500	100
Utah	120	120	130	108
Virginia	210	230	180	78
Washington	1,700	1,700	1,700	100
West Virginia ¹	8	7,700	(NA)	(X)
Wisconsin	210	240	215	90
Wyoming	135	130	130	100
United States	22 726	32,535	31,504	97
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⁽NA) Not available.
(X) Not applicable.

1 Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Durum Wheat Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

[Includes area planted in preceding fall in Arizona and California]

	Area planted			
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Arizona	90	71	40	56
California	35	40	45	113
Idaho	25	11	5	45
Montana	890	840	580	69
North Dakota	1,260	1,100	750	68
South Dakota ²	7	3	(NA)	(X)
United States	2,307	2,065	1,420	69

⁽NA) Not available.

Other Spring Wheat Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

State	Area planted				
	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)	
Colorado ²	10	10	(NA)	(X)	
Idaho	430	460	500	109	
Minnesota	1,160	1,610	1,530	95	
Montana	2,500	2,900	2,600	90	
Nevada ²	15	10	(NA)	(X)	
North Dakota	5,350	6,550	6,700	102	
Oregon ²	75	80	(NA)	(X)	
South Dakota	970	1,050	1,020	97	
Utah ²	14	10	(NA)	(X)	
Washington	495	520	480	92	
United States	11,019	13,200	12,830	97	

⁽NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

1 Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.
2 Estimate discontinued in 2019.

⁽X) Not applicable.

1 Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.
2 Estimates discontinued in 2019.

All Hay Area Harvested - States and United States: 2017-2019

<u> </u>	Area harvested				
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)	
Alabama	860	850	770	9	
Alaska ²	(X)	22	21	9:	
Arizona	325	300	290	9	
irkansas	1,293	1,203	1,220	10	
California	1,140	980	920	9	
Colorado	1,440	1,420	1,400	9	
Connecticut	48	47	39	8:	
Delaware	15	13	13	10	
				10	
Florida	300	280	300	-	
Georgia	620	600	610	103	
daho	1,430	1,340	1,330	9	
linois	490	470	500	10	
ndiana	540	510	540	10	
owa	1,060	940	1,050	11	
ansas	2,470	2,360	2,450	10	
entucky	2,125	1,895	2,000	10	
ouisiana	400	380	420	11	
Maine	125	110	135	12	
Maryland	190	195	220	11	
lassachusetts	78	79	85	10	
lichigan	870	810	770	9	
linnesota	1,360	1,220	1,500	12	
fississippi	610	590	590	10	
lissouri	3,000	3,070	3,100	10	
_	2,500	2,900	2,900	10	
Iontana	•				
lebraska	2,510	2,700	2,800	10	
levada	385	365	340	9	
lew Hampshire	45	39	50	12	
lew Jersey	108	114	116	10	
lew Mexico	285	250	230	9	
lew York	1,320	1,220	1,350	11	
lorth Carolina	657	816	810	9	
orth Dakota	2,580	2,670	2,600	ę	
Ohio	960	970	910	g	
Oklahoma	2,930	3,230	3,000	g	
Pregon	1,085	1,000	1,060	10	
ennsylvania	1,420	1,190	1,220	10	
hode Island	6	6	6	10	
outh Carolina	300	270	270	10	
outh Dakota	2,950	3,250	2,950	9	
ennessee	1,665	1,720	1,680	Ş	
	4,520	4,740	5,000	10	
exas			·		
tah	705	650	620	(
ermont	185	170	190	11	
irginia	1,195	1,140	1,135	10	
/ashington	740	760	770	10	
est Virginia	567	535	500	9	
/isconsin	1,270	1,360	1,250	Ç	
/yoming	1,100	1,090	1,060	9	
Inited States	52,777	52,839	53,090	10	

⁽X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended area harvested in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Previously included in the Alaska table. For 2017 data refer to the Alaska table on page 23.

Rice Area Planted by Class - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area pl	lanted	
Class and State	2017	2018 2019 1		Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Long grain				
Arkansas	995	1,250	1,200	96
California	7	11	11	100
Louisiana	370	395	370	94
Mississippi	115	140	150	107
Missouri	160	215	220	102
Texas	164	187	200	107
United States	1,811	2,198	2,151	98
Medium grain				
Arkansas	165	190	200	105
California	400	455	430	95
Louisiana	30	45	30	67
Missouri	9	9	9	100
Texas	9	8	5	63
United States	613	707	674	95
Short grain				
Arkansas	1	1	1	100
California ²	38	40	44	110
United States	39	41	45	110
All				
Arkansas	1,161	1,441	1,401	97
California	445	506	485	96
Louisiana	400	440	400	91
Mississippi	115	140	150	107
Missouri	169	224	229	102
Texas	173	195	205	105
United States	2,463	2,946	2,870	97

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers. ² Includes sweet rice.

Canola Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area planted				
State	2017	2018	2018 2019 ¹ F			
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
Idaho ²	23.0	43.0	(NA)	(X)		
Kansas	50.0	47.0	29.0	62		
Minnesota	36.0	46.0	55.0	120		
Montana	155.0	120.0	140.0	117		
North Dakota	1,590.0	1,590.0	1,570.0	99		
Oklahoma	160.0	70.0	35.0	50		
Oregon ²	8.0	4.7	(NA)	(X)		
Washington	55.0	70.0	75.0	107		
United States	2,077.0	1,990.7	1,904.0	96		

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Soybean Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area planted				
State	2017	2017 2018		Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
Alabama	350	345	280	81		
Arkansas	3,530	3,280	3,100	95		
Delaware	160	170	170	100		
Florida ²	15	18	(NA)	(X)		
Georgia	155	145	130	90		
Illinois	10,600	10,800	10,500	97		
Indiana	5,950	5,950	5,700	96		
lowa	10,000	10,000	9,400	94		
Kansas	5,150	4,750	4,950	104		
Kentucky	1,950	2,000	1,750	88		
Louisiana	1,270	1,340	1,130	84		
Maryland	500	520	510	98		
Michigan	2,280	2,300	2,200	96		
Minnesota	8,150	7,800	7,300	94		
Mississippi	2,190	2,230	2,000	90		
Missouri	5,950	5,850	5,500	94		
Nebraska	5,700	5,700	5,400	95		
New Jersey	100	105	97	92		
New York	270	330	330	100		
North Carolina	1,700	1,650	1,550	94		
North Dakota	7,100	6,900	6,500	94		
Ohio	5,100	5,000	4,950	99		
Oklahoma	655	630	650	103		
Pennsylvania	610	640	650	102		
South Carolina	400	390	330	85		
South Dakota	5,650	5,650	5,200	92		
Tennessee	1,690	1,700	1,500	88		
Texas	210	175	100	57		
Virginia	600	600	590	98		
West Virginia ²	27	28	(NA)	(X)		
Wisconsin	2,150	2,200	2,150	98		
United States	90,162	89,196	84,617	95		

⁽NA) Not available.

Peanut Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area planted				
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
Alabama	195.0	165.0	170.0	103		
Arkansas	30.0	26.0	25.0	96		
Florida	195.0	155.0	170.0	110		
Georgia	835.0	665.0	670.0	101		
Mississippi	44.0	25.0	20.0	80		
New Mexico	7.6	5.5	5.0	91		
North Carolina	119.0	102.0	100.0	98		
Oklahoma	22.0	16.0	20.0	125		
South Carolina	122.0	87.0	65.0	75		
Texas	275.0	155.0	180.0	116		
Virginia	27.0	24.0	24.0	100		
United States	1,871.6	1,425.5	1,449.0	102		

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

⁽X) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Sunflower Area Planted by Type - States and United States: 2017-2019

Varietal type	Area planted					
and State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
Oil						
California	54.0	58.0	56.0	97		
Colorado	80.0	58.0	50.0	86		
Kansas	52.0	43.0	38.0	88		
Minnesota	34.0	45.0	45.0	100		
Nebraska	30.0	25.0	15.0	60		
North Dakota	395.0	395.0	420.0	106		
South Dakota	540.0	520.0	540.0	104		
Texas	31.0	20.0	35.0	175		
United States	1,216.0	1,164.0	1,199.0	103		
Non-oil						
California	1.3	2.0	2.0	100		
Colorado	12.0	8.0	5.0	63		
Kansas	13.5	10.0	22.0	220		
Minnesota	4.7	7.5	6.0	80		
Nebraska	15.5	12.0	10.0	83		
North Dakota	43.0	41.0	60.0	146		
South Dakota	82.0	51.0	40.0	78		
Texas	15.0	5.5	5.0	91		
United States	187.0	137.0	150.0	109		
All						
California	55.3	60.0	58.0	97		
Colorado	92.0	66.0	55.0	83		
Kansas	65.5	53.0	60.0	113		
Minnesota	38.7	52.5	51.0	97		
Nebraska	45.5	37.0	25.0	68		
North Dakota	438.0	436.0	480.0	110		
South Dakota	622.0	571.0	580.0	102		
Texas	46.0	25.5	40.0	157		
United States	1,403.0	1,301.0	1,349.0	104		

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Flaxseed Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area r	Area planted				
State	2017	2017 2018 2019 ¹		Percent of previous year			
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)			
Montana North Dakota South Dakota ²	52 245 6	39 165 4	55 290 (NA)	141 176 (X)			
United States	303	208	345	166			

⁽NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

1 Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.
2 Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Cotton Area Planted by Type - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area p	Area planted				
Type and State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year			
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)			
Upland							
Alabama	435.0	510.0	510.0	100			
Arizona	160.0	160.0	155.0	97			
Arkansas	445.0	485.0	580.0	120			
California	88.0	48.0	40.0	83			
Florida	99.0	117.0	90.0	77			
Georgia	1,280.0	1,430.0	1,350.0	94			
Kansas	93.0	165.0	170.0	103			
Louisiana	220.0	195.0	260.0	133			
Mississippi	630.0	620.0	680.0	110			
Missouri	305.0	325.0	380.0	117			
New Mexico	66.0	77.0	70.0	91			
North Carolina	375.0	430.0	470.0	109			
Oklahoma	590.0	780.0	720.0	92			
South Carolina	250.0	300.0	290.0	97			
Tennessee	345.0	360.0	360.0	100			
Texas	7,000.0	7,750.0	7,300.0	94			
Virginia	84.0	98.0	100.0	102			
United States	12,465.0	13,850.0	13,525.0	98			
American Pima							
Arizona	15.0	14.0	8.0	57			
California	216.0	210.0	225.0	107			
New Mexico	7.5	7.0	8.0	114			
Texas	14.0	18.0	14.0	78			
United States	252.5	249.0	255.0	102			
All							
Alabama	435.0	510.0	510.0	100			
Arizona	175.0	174.0	163.0	94			
Arkansas	445.0	485.0	580.0	120			
California	304.0	258.0	265.0	103			
Florida	99.0	117.0	90.0	77			
Georgia	1,280.0	1,430.0	1,350.0	94			
Kansas	93.0	165.0	170.0	103			
Louisiana	220.0	195.0	260.0	133			
Mississippi	630.0 305.0	620.0 325.0	680.0 380.0	110 117			
Missouri				117			
New Mexico	73.5	84.0	78.0	93			
North Carolina	375.0	430.0	470.0	109			
Oklahoma	590.0	780.0	720.0	92			
South Carolina	250.0	300.0	290.0	97			
Tennessee	345.0	360.0	360.0	100			
Texas	7,014.0	7,768.0	7,314.0	94			
Virginia	84.0	98.0	100.0	102			
United States	12,717.5	14,099.0	13,780.0	98			

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sugarbeet Area Planted – States and United States: 2017-2019 [Relates to year of intended harvest in all States except California]

		Area planted				
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
California ²	25.0	24.6	24.5	100		
Colorado	29.4	26.3	26.5	101		
Idaho	167.0	163.0	167.0	102		
Michigan	144.0	150.0	147.0	98		
Minnesota	420.0	415.0	417.0	100		
Montana	42.9	43.5	46.8	108		
Nebraska	46.1	45.5	43.8	96		
North Dakota	214.0	202.0	203.0	100		
Oregon	9.1	9.3	9.7	104		
Washington	1.8	1.8	1.8	100		
Wyoming	32.1	32.1	33.1	103		
United States	1,131.4	1,113.1	1,120.2	101		

Tobacco Area Harvested - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area harvested				
State	2017	2018 2019 ¹		Percent of previous year		
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(percent)		
Georgia	12,500	12,500	12,000	96		
Kentucky	80,500	68,100	58,000	85		
North Carolina	163,900	152,750	125,400	82		
Pennsylvania	8,100	7,800	7,600	97		
South Carolina	12,000	12,300	11,000	89		
Tennessee	21,100	15,700	12,100	77		
Virginia	23,370	22,280	17,940	81		
United States	321,470	291,430	244,040	84		

¹ Intended area harvested in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from processors.
² Relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for overwintered beets in central and southern California.

Tobacco Area Harvested by Class and Type - States and United States: 2017-2019

		Area har	vested	
Class, type, and State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(percent)
Class 1, Flue-cured (11-14)				
Georgia	12,500	12,500	12,000	96
North Carolina	163,000	152,000	125,000	82
South Carolina	12,000	12,300	11,000	89
Virginia	22,000	21,000	17,000	81
United States	209,500	197,800	165,000	83
Class 2, Fire-cured (21-23)				
Kentucky	11,500	11,000	8,000	73
Tennessee	7,500	7,600	6,500	86
Virginia	270	280	240	86
United States	19,270	18,880	14,740	78
Class 3A, Light air-cured				
Type 31, Burley				
Kentucky	63,000	50,000	45,000	90
North Carolina	900	750	400	53
Pennsylvania	4,500	4,000	4,000	100
Tennessee	12,000	5,300	3,700	70
Virginia	1,100	1,000	700	70
United States	81,500	61,050	53,800	88
Type 32, Southern Maryland				
Pennsylvania	1,800	1,400	1,400	100
Total light air-cured (31-32)	83,300	62,450	55,200	88
Class 3B, Dark air-cured (35-37)				
Kentucky	6,000	7,100	5,000	70
Tennessee	1,600	2,800	1,900	68
United States	7,600	9,900	6,900	70
Class 4, Cigar filler				
Type 41, Pennsylvania Seedleaf				
Pennsylvania	1,800	2,400	2,200	92
United States	1,800	2,400	2,200	92
All tobacco				
United States	321,470	291,430	244,040	84

¹ Intended area harvested in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Dry Edible Bean Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

[Excludes beans grown for garden seed. Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded]

		Area planted				
State	2017	2018 2019 ¹		Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
California	50.0	48.0	29.0	60		
Colorado	58.0	42.0	40.0	95		
Idaho	180.0	185.0	46.0	25		
Michigan	220.0	195.0	200.0	103		
Minnesota	170.0	175.0	175.0	100		
Montana ²	275.0	395.0	(NA)	(X)		
Nebraska	180.0	140.0	95.0	68		
North Dakota	705.0	635.0	600.0	94		
Texas ²	22.0	18.0	(NA)	(X)		
Washington		218.0	26.0	12		
Wyoming		30.0	26.0	87		
United States	2,097.0	2,081.0	1,237.0	59		

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Chickpea Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

[Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded from dry edible beans]

	Area planted					
Size and State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)		
Small chickpeas ²						
California	-	-	-	(X)		
Colorado ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Idaho	46.0	62.0	40.ó	65		
Michigan ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Minnesota ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Montana	(D)	(D)	45.0	(D)		
Nebraska ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
North Dakota	13.2	18.4	10.0	54		
Texas ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Washington	52.0	70.0	42.0	60		
Wyoming ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Other States ⁴	68.3	72.3	-	(X)		
United States	179.5	222.7	137.0	62		
Large chickpeas ⁵						
California	15.4	15.1	15.0	99		
Colorado ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Idaho	71.0	72.0	44.0	61		
Michigan ³	71.0	72.0	(NA)	(X)		
Minnesota ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Montana	(D)	(D)	190.0	(D)		
Nebraska ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
North Dakota	30.6	96.0	65.0	68		
Texas ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Washington	120.0	120.0	68.ó	57		
Wyoming ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Other States ⁴	209.0	333.8	-	(X)		
United States	446.0	636.9	382.0	60		
All chickpeas						
California	15.4	15.1	15.0	99		
Colorado ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Idaho	117.0	134.0	84.0	63		
Michigan ³	-	-	(NA)	(X)		
Minnesota ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Montana	269.0	390.0	235.0	60		
Nebraska ³	(D)	12.5	(NA)	(X)		
North Dakota	43.8	114.4	75.0	66		
Texas ³		-	(NA)	(X)		
Washington	172.0	190.0	110.0	58		
Wyoming ³	(D)	(D)	(NA)	(X)		
Other States ⁴	8.3	3.6	-	(X)		
United States	625.5	859.6	519.0	60		

⁻ Represents zero.
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

⁽NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

1 Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

2 Chickpeas smaller than 20/64 inches.

³ Estimates discontinued in 2019.

⁴ Includes data withheld above. ⁵ Chickpeas larger than 20/64 inches.

Lentil Area Planted - States and United States: 2017-2019

	Area planted						
State	2017 2018 2019 ¹		2019 ¹	Percent of previous year			
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)			
Idaho Montana North Dakota	36.0 730.0 270.0	35.0 500.0 185.0	35.0 300.0 160.0	100 60 86			
Washington	68.0	60.0	60.0	100			
United States	1,104.0	780.0	555.0	71			

¹ Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Dry Edible Pea Area Planted – States and United States: 2017-2019

[Beginning in 2019, includes Austrian winter peas and wrinkled seed peas]

	Area planted						
State	2017	2018	2019 ¹	Percent of previous year			
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)			
Idaho	58.0 425.0 7.0 38.0	8.0 335.0 58.0 375.0 6.5 22.0 52.0	26.0 445.0 55.0 265.0 (NA) 35.0 55.0	325 133 95 71 (X) 159 106			
United States	1,128.0	856.5	881.0	103			

⁽NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

1 Intended plantings in 2019 as indicated by reports from farmers.
2 Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Alaska Area Planted by Crop - 2017-2019

	Area planted						
Crop	2017 2018 ¹ 2019		2018 ¹ 2019				
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)			
Barley Hay, all ² Oats ³ Potatoes ⁴	5,500 21,000 1,700 560	5,000 22,000 (NA) 500	5,000 21,000 (NA) (NA)	100 95 (X) (X)			

(NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

(X) Not applicable.

Beginning in 2018, estimates for Alaska barley, hay, and potatoes are included in the United States totals and therefore subject to the publication rules of the respective crop tables.

Area harvested.

 ³ Estimates discontinued in 2018.
 ⁴ Estimates discontinued in 2019.

Crop Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production in Domestic Units – United States: 2018 and 2019

[Data are the latest estimates available, either from the current report or from previous reports. Current year estimates are for the full 2019 crop year. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Cron	Area planted		Area harvested		
Crop	2018	2019	2018	2019	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	
Grains and hay					
Barley	2,543	2,550	1,978		
Corn for grain ¹	89,129	92,792	81,740		
Corn for silage	(NA)	32,732	6,113		
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Hay, all	(NA)	(NA)		53,090	
Alfalfa	(NA)		16,608		
All other	(NA)		36,231		
Oats	2,746	2,555	865		
Proso millet	443		403		
Rice	2,946	2,870	2,915		
Rye	2,011		273		
Sorghum for grain ¹	5,690	5,135	5,061		
Sorghum for silage	(NA)	·	264		
Wheat, all	47,800	45,754	39,605		
Winter	32,535	31,504	24,742		
Durum	2,065	1,420	1,967		
<u> </u>	13,200	12,830	12,896		
Other spring	13,200	12,030	12,090		
Oilseeds					
Canola	1,990.7	1,904.0	1,943.5		
Cottonseed	(X)		(X)		
Flaxseed	208	345	198		
Mustard seed	102.5		97.5		
Peanuts	1,425.5	1,449.0	1,368.5		
Rapeseed	5.7	·	5.4		
Safflower	167.5		156.4		
Soybeans for beans	89,196	84,617	88,110		
Sunflower	1,301.0	1,349.0	1,222.5		
Cotton tobacco and augar arona					
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops	44.000.0	40.700.0	40 500 5		
Cotton, all	14,099.0	13,780.0	10,530.5		
Upland	13,850.0	13,525.0	10,283.0		
American Pima	249.0	255.0	247.5		
Sugarbeets	1,113.1	1,120.2	1,095.4		
Sugarcane	(NA)		899.7		
Tobacco	(NA)	(NA)	291.4	244.0	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils					
Austrian winter peas ²	16.4	(NA)	10.9	(NA)	
Chickpeas ³	859.6	519.0	842.8	(14/1)	
Dry edible beans ³	2,081.0	1,237.0	2,016.0		
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Dry edible peas ²	856.5	881.0	807.9		
Lentils	780.0 (NA)	555.0 (NA)	718.0 (NA)	(NA)	
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Potatoes and miscellaneous Hops	(NA)		55.0		
Maple syrup	(NA)		(NA)		
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Mushrooms	(NA)		(NA)		
Peppermint oil	(NA)		58.5		
Potatoes	1,033.2		1,023.3		
Spearmint oil	(NA)		20.8		
Taro (Hawaii) ⁴	(NA)	(NA)	0.3	(NA)	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Crop Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production in Domestic Units - United States: 2018 and 2019 (continued)

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Cron	Yield per	r acre	Production	
Сгор	2018 2019		2018	2019
			(1,000)	(1,000)
Grains and hay				
Barley bushels	77.4		153,082	
Corn for grain bushels	176.4		14,420,101	
Corn for silagetons	19.9		121,361	
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Hay, alltons	2.34		123,600	
Alfalfatons	3.17		52,634	
All othertons	1.96		70,966	
Oats bushels	64.9		56,130	
Proso millet bushels	29.8		11,991	
Rice 5cwt	7,692		224,211	
Ryebushels	30.9		8,432	
Sorghum for grainbushels	72.1		364,986	
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Sorghum for silagetons	12.6		3,326	
Wheat, allbushels	47.6		1,884,458	
Winter bushels	47.9		1,183,939	
Durum bushels	39.3		77,287	
Other spring bushels	48.3		623,232	
Oilseeds				
Canolapounds	1,861		3,616,560	
Cottonseed tons	(X)		5,794.0	
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Flaxseed bushels	22.6		4,466	
Mustard seedpounds	750		73,078	
Peanutspounds	3,991		5,461,600	
Rapeseedpounds	1,524		8,230	
Safflowerpounds	1,511		236,380	
Soybeans for beansbushels	51.6		4,543,883	
Sunflowerpounds	1,731		2,116,410	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
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Cotton, all 5 bales	838		18,390.0	
Upland ⁵ bales	821		17,596.0	
American Pima ⁵ bales	1,540		794.0	
Sugarbeetstons	30.3		33,145	
Sugarcanetons	38.4		34,542	
Tobaccopounds	1,830		533,241	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				
Austrian winter peas ²⁵	1,138	(NA)	124	(NA
	,	(INA)		(IV)
Chickpeas ^{3 5}	1,512		12,742	
Dry edible beans 3 5cwt	1,860		37,494	
Dry edible peas ^{2 5} cwt	1,972		15,929	
Lentils 5cwt	1,171		8,408	
Wrinkled seed peas ² cwt	(NA)	(NA)	389	(NA
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Hopspounds	1,943		106,906.7	
Maple syrup gallons	(NA)		4,159	
Mushroomspounds	(NA)		917,235	
Peppermint oilpounds	92		5,377	
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Potatoes			· ·	
Spearmint oilpounds	124		2,571	
Taro (Hawaii) ⁴ pounds	9,630	(NA)	2,985	(N

(NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

Area planted for all purposes.

² Beginning in 2019, Austrian winter peas and wrinkled seed peas are included in dry edible peas.

³ Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded from dry edible beans.

⁴ Estimates discontinued in 2019.

⁵ Yield in pounds.

Crop Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production in Metric Units – United States: 2018 and 2019

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Cron	Area pl	anted	Area harvested		
Сгор	2018	2019	2018	2019	
	(hectares)	(hectares)	(hectares)	(hectares)	
Grains and hay					
Barley	1,029,130	1,031,960	800,480		
Corn for grain ¹	36,069,620	37,551,990	33,079,360		
Corn for silage	(NA)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	2,473,870		
Hay, all ²	(NA)	(NA)	21,383,410	21,484,990	
Alfalfa	(NA)	(10.1)	6,721,090	21, 101,000	
All other	(NA)		14,662,320		
Oats	` '	1,033,980	350,060		
	1,111,280	1,033,960	,		
Proso millet	179,280	4 404 400	163,090		
Rice	1,192,220	1,161,460	1,179,670		
Rye	813,830		110,480		
Sorghum for grain ¹	2,302,690	2,078,080	2,048,140		
Sorghum for silage	(NA)		106,840		
Wheat, all ²	19,344,180	18,516,190	16,027,750		
Winter	13,166,590	12,749,350	10,012,840		
Durum	835,680	574,660	796,030		
Other spring	5,341,910	5,192,170	5,218,880		
Oilseeds					
	905 630	770 F20	796 530		
Canola	805,620	770,530	786,520		
Cottonseed	(X)		(X)		
Flaxseed	84,180	139,620	80,130		
Mustard seed	41,480		39,460		
Peanuts	576,890	586,400	553,820		
Rapeseed	2,310		2,190		
Safflower	67,790		63,290		
Soybeans for beans	36,096,730	34,243,650	35,657,240		
Sunflower	526,500	545,930	494,730		
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops					
Cotton, all ²	5,705,720	5,576,630	4,261,590		
	· · ·	, ,	4,161,430		
Upland	5,604,960	5,473,430			
American Pima	100,770	103,200	100,160		
Sugarbeets	450,460	453,330	443,300		
Sugarcane	(NA)		364,100		
Tobacco	(NA)	(NA)	117,940	98,760	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils					
Austrian winter peas ³	6,640	(NA)	4,410	(NA)	
Chickpeas ⁴	347,870	210,030	341.070	(")	
Dry edible beans ⁴	842,160	500,600	815,860		
Dry edible peas ³	346,620	356,530	326,950		
Lentils	315,660	224,600	290,570		
Wrinkled seed peas ³	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
	, ,	, ,	, ,	, ,	
Potatoes and miscellaneous Hops	(NA)		22,270		
	(NA)		(NA)		
Maple syrup	` ,		` ,		
Mushrooms	(NA)		(NA)		
Peppermint oil	(NA)		23,670		
Potatoes	418,130		414,120		
Spearmint oil	(NA)		8,420	** * * *	
Taro (Hawaii) 5	(NA)	(NA)	130	(NA)	

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Crop Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production in Metric Units - United States: 2018 and 2019 (continued)

[Data are the latest estimates available, either from the current report or from previous reports. Current year estimates are for the full 2019 crop year. Blank data cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

0	Yield per hectare		Production	
Сгор	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)
Grains and hay				
Barley	4.16		3,332,970	
Corn for grain	11.07		366,287,440	
Corn for silage	44.50		110,096,850	
Hay, all ²	5.24		112,128,030	
Alfalfa	7.10		47,748,760	
All other	4.39		64,379,270	
Oats	2.33		814,720	
Proso millet	1.67		271,950	
Rice	8.62		10,170,040	
Rye	1.94		214,180	
Sorghum for grain	4.53		9,271,070	
Sorghum for silage	28.24		3,017,300	
Wheat, all ²	3.20		51,286,540	
	3.22		32,221,540	
Winter				
Durum	2.64		2,103,410	
Other spring	3.25		16,961,600	
Oilseeds				
Canola	2.09		1,640,440	
Cottonseed	(X)		5,256,230	
Flaxseed	1.42		113,440	
Mustard seed	0.84		33,150	
	4.47			
Peanuts			2,477,340	
Rapeseed	1.71		3,730	
Safflower	1.69		107,220	
Soybeans for beans	3.47		123,664,230	
Sunflower	1.94		959,990	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
Cotton, all ²	0.94		4,003,950	
Upland	0.92		3,831,080	
American Pima	1.73		172,870	
Sugarbeets	67.83		30,068,640	
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Sugarcane	86.06		31,335,980	
Tobacco	2.05		241,870	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				**
Austrian winter peas ³	1.28	(NA)	5,620	(NA)
Chickpeas ⁴	1.69		577,970	
Dry edible beans ⁴	2.08		1,700,700	
Dry edible peas ³	2.21		722,530	
Lentils	1.31		381,380	
Wrinkled seed peas ³	(NA)	(NA)	17,640	(NA)
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Hops	2.18		48,490	
Maple syrup	(NA)		20,800	
Mushrooms	(NA)		416,050	
Peppermint oil	0.10		2,440	
Potatoes	49.76		20,607,340	
Spearmint oil	0.14		1,170	
Taro (Hawaii) ⁵	10.80	(NA)	1,350	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

⁽X) Not applicable.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

² Total may not add due to rounding.

³ Beginning in 2019, Austrian winter peas and wrinkled seed peas are included in dry edible peas.

⁴ Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded from dry edible beans.

⁵ Estimates discontinued in 2018.

Winter Weather Summary

Highlights: Amid a developing El Niño, the Nation experienced its wettest winter during the 124-year period of record, according to the National Centers for Environmental Information. While the stormy regime extended into nearly every corner of the country, wetness was most acute in the central and eastern United States. For much of the winter, heavy precipitation was distributed well enough, spatially and temporally, to prevent major flooding. During February, however, severe flash flooding affected parts of California, while significant river flooding developed across portions of the mid-South and lower Midwest.

Near- or above-normal winter temperatures belied the fact that a severe cold outbreak engulfed the northern Plains and Midwest, starting in late January. The cold weather, accompanied by frequently heavy snow, persisted through the remainder of winter, helping to set the stage for major, mid- to late-March flooding in the western Corn Belt. The snowy, cold weather extended into the Northwest, especially during the first half of February, leading to an increase in livestock stress and mortality.

For the West as a whole, it was the second time in 3 years that widespread winter precipitation resulted in significant reductions in drought coverage. Across the eleven Western States, drought coverage, according to the United States Drought Monitor, decreased from 55 to 25 percent between mid-December and early March. National drought coverage fell from 23 to 12 percent during the same period. There was no drought at winter's end east of the Mississippi River.

Historical Perspective: The National Centers for Environmental Information reported that the meteorological winter of 2018-19 was generally mild and extremely wet, with a national average temperature of 33.4°F (1.2°F above the 20th century mean) and precipitation averaging 9.01 inches (133 percent of normal). In fact, it was the wettest winter on record, going back to 1895-96. Previously, the wettest December-February period had been observed during the strong El Niño of 1997-98, when precipitation averaged 8.99 inches. Meanwhile, the Nation experienced its 38th-warmest winter during the 124-year period of record.

State temperature rankings ranged from the 40th-coldest winter in South Dakota to the seventh-warmest winter in Florida. Top-ten rankings for winter warmth also occurred in Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee. Meanwhile, State precipitation rankings ranged from the 47th-driest December-February period in Washington to the wettest winter on record in Tennessee. In addition, top-ten rankings for winter wetness were observed in 18 States in the central and eastern United States, stretching from the Plains States of Nebraska, Oklahoma, and South Dakota to the Atlantic Coast States of Georgia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.

December: A parade of storms provided plenty of precipitation in most parts of the country. Precipitation surpluses were most apparent across the Plains and the Southeast; both areas contended with multiple major weather systems. In the latter region, a mid-month deluge followed an early-season snowfall. Additional Southeastern storms during the second half of December pushed annual precipitation totals into record-setting territory and led to several rounds of mostly minor to moderate flooding. Acute wetness—for December and most of 2018—extended as far north as the Ohio Valley and the mid-Atlantic.

Meanwhile, wintry conditions across the Nation's mid-section peaked amid the holiday season, particularly during a post-Christmas storm that delivered wind-driven snow from the southern High Plains into the upper Great Lakes region. Late-December precipitation eased short-term dryness on the southern Plains—one of the few regions east of the Rockies with drought-related concerns. The Great Lakes region and Deep South Texas were among a handful of areas east of the Rockies reporting pockets of below-normal monthly temperatures.

Warmth dominated the central and eastern United States, with December temperatures averaging at least 5°F above normal across large sections of the northern Plains and upper Midwest. In fact, warmth also extended across much of the West, excluding portions of the northern Intermountain region.

December precipitation was highly variable across the West. Relative to normal, monthly precipitation was greatest in the Northwest, northern Great Basin, and the southern Rockies. By early January, some of the lowest snowpack values, compared to typical amounts, were noted in southern Idaho.

January: Most of the country continued to receive ample precipitation, with occasional heavy snow occurring from the northern and central Plains into the Northeast and periods of heavy rain soaking the South. However, mild weather on the northern High Plains eroded winter wheat's protective snow cover, while a substantial snow cover developed across the upper Midwest and interior Northeast.

Late in the month, brutally cold weather engulfed the Midwest, setting all-time low temperature records in some locations and severely stressing livestock. High winds and periods of snow accompanied the Arctic blast, further disrupting the normal cycle of agricultural and municipal life. Although snow covered much of the Midwest late in the month, some soft red winter wheat fields from central Missouri into northwestern Ohio were exposed to potential winterkill and soil heaving.

Despite the late-month cold wave, significantly below-normal January temperatures were mostly limited to the upper Great Lake States. Meanwhile, monthly temperatures averaged at least 5°F above normal across parts of the West and the northern High Plains.

Western precipitation was highly variable, but generally above normal from California to the central Rockies, and below normal in the southern Rockies and the Northwest. Heavy January precipitation in the Sierra Nevada added 10 inches (from 7 to 17 inches) to the average water equivalency of the high-elevation snowpack—a boost from approximately 70 to 100 percent of normal. In contrast, end-of-January snowpack ranged from 50 to 75 percent of average in many basins in the Cascades and southern Idaho.

February: Stormy February weather dominated the country, bolstering Western snowpack; burying the northern Plains and upper Midwest under heavy snow; and triggering flooding in parts of California, as well as the mid-South and lower Midwest. Storms largely bypassed only a few areas, including the lower Southeast and southernmost sections of the Rockies and Plains.

By the end of February, average to much-above-average snowpack dominated the Western mountains, except in a few areas near the Canadian and Mexican borders. According to the California Department of Water Resources, the Sierra Nevada snowpack gained an average of 20 inches of water equivalency during the month to reach 37 inches for the season—more than 150 percent of the February 28 average.

In contrast, developing drought on the southern High Plains stressed some rangeland, pastures, and winter grains. By March 3, nearly one-quarter (24 percent) of Texas' winter wheat was rated in very poor to poor condition, while Statewide topsoil moisture was categorized as being 42 percent very short to short. Farther east, unseasonable Southeastern warmth accelerated crop development and spurred early-season planting activities.

Monthly temperatures averaged more than 10°F above normal in parts of the lower Southeast, but generally ranged from 10 to 30°F below normal across the northern Plains. Frigid, snowy conditions also gripped the central Plains and the upper Midwest. Very cold air bled across the northern Rockies into the Northwest, combining with wind and snow to adversely affect some cattle and dairy operations. Winter agricultural regions in California and the Desert Southwest experienced chronically cool weather but avoided major freezes.

Elsewhere, several rounds of heavy rain triggered widespread lowland flooding, starting in the Ohio Valley and later shifting into the Tennessee Valley and environs. At the same time, a barrage of winter storms struck the north-central United States, periodically resulting in blizzard conditions and hampering rural travel. By the end of February, floodwaters continued to drain from fields, creeks, and streams into larger rivers of the lower Mississippi Valley, while many February and all-time monthly snowfall records were broken across the northern Plains and upper Midwest.

Crop Comments

Corn: Growers intend to plant 92.8 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2019, up 4 percent from last year. If realized, this will be the highest planted acreage since 2016.

Planted acreage for 2019 is expected to be up or unchanged from 2018 in 34 of the 48 estimating States. Record high acreage is expected in North Dakota. Record low acreage is expected in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Rhode Island. Acreage increases of 400,000 acres or more are expected in Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota compared with last year.

Sorghum: Growers intend to plant 5.14 million acres of sorghum for all purposes in 2019, down 10 percent from last year. Area planted to sorghum in the United States will be the lowest planted acreage on record, if realized. As of March 24, Texas growers had planted 35 percent of their expected acreage, 4 percentage points ahead of last year and 12 percentage points ahead of the 5 year average.

Beginning in 2019, sorghum estimates were discontinued in Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, and North Carolina.

Oats: Area seeded to oats for the 2019 crop year is estimated at 2.56 million acres, down 7 percent from 2018. If realized, the United States planted area will be the second lowest on record. Record low planted acreage is estimated in Arkansas, California, Maine, Minnesota, and North Carolina.

Beginning in 2019, oat estimates were discontinued in Alabama, Colorado, South Carolina, Washington, and Wyoming.

Barley: Producers intend to seed 2.55 million acres of barley for the 2019 crop year, up slightly from the previous year. A record low planted acreage is estimated for New York and Utah, both down 10 percent from 2018. In Idaho, planted acreage is expected to decrease by 15 percent from last year.

Winter wheat: The 2019 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 31.5 million acres, down 3 percent from last year but up 1 percent from the previous estimate. This represents the second lowest planted acreage on record for the United States. Of the total acreage, about 22.4 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.55 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.55 million acres are White Winter. Record low planted acreage is estimated in Nebraska.

Beginning in 2019, winter wheat estimates were discontinued in Arizona, Florida, Iowa, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nevada, and West Virginia.

Durum wheat: Area seeded to Durum wheat for 2019 is estimated at 1.42 million acres, down 31 percent from 2018. Acreage decreases are expected in all Durum-producing States, except California. Record low planted acreages are estimated in Arizona, Idaho, and North Dakota. Durum wheat seedings in Arizona were nearly complete (98 percent) by March 10 compared with 93 percent complete at the same time last year.

Beginning in 2019, Durum wheat estimates were discontinued in South Dakota.

Other spring wheat: Growers intend to plant 12.8 million acres of spring wheat, down 3 percent from 2018. Of this total, about 12.4 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Compared with last year, acreage decreases are expected in all spring wheat-producing States except Idaho and North Dakota. Planted area in North Dakota, the largest spring wheat-producing State, is estimated at 6.70 million acres, up 2 percent from last year.

Beginning in 2019, spring wheat estimates were discontinued in Colorado, Nevada, Oregon, and Utah.

Hay: Producers intend to harvest 53.1 million acres of all hay in 2019, up less than 1 percent from 2018. If realized, this will represent the third lowest total hay harvested area since 1908, behind 2017 and 2018. Producers appear to be content carrying relatively low hay stocks as this minimal increase in harvested area will maintain hay stocks at similar levels. Modest decreases in most of the Rocky Mountain States are balanced by modest increases in most Corn Belt States.

Record lows for all hay harvested area are expected in California, Connecticut, Michigan, Ohio, Rhode Island, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Rice: Area planted to rice in 2019 is expected to total 2.87 million acres, down 3 percent from 2018. Arkansas, the largest long grain-producing State for the Nation, is expected to decrease in long grain acres by 4 percent from the previous year. Compared with the last year, medium grain acres are expected to decrease 5 percent but short grain acres are expected to increase 10 percent. California, the largest medium and short grain-producing State, is expected to decrease medium grain planted area by 5 percent in 2019.

Canola: Producers intend to plant 1.90 million acres in 2019, down 4 percent from last year's planted area. Despite the decline, planted area for the Nation will be the third highest on record, if realized. Compared with last year, planted area is expected to decrease in 3 of the 6 major canola-producing States, with acreage in Kansas and Oklahoma expected to decline by 38 percent and 50 percent, respectively. Acreage in Oklahoma, at 35,000 acres, will be the lowest since data for Oklahoma began to be published in 2009. Planted area in North Dakota, the leading canola-producing State, is down 1 percent from last year. If realized, planted area in Washington will be a record high.

Beginning in 2019, canola estimates were discontinued in Idaho and Oregon.

Soybeans: Growers intend to plant 84.6 million acres in 2019, down 5 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage intentions are down or unchanged in 26 of the 29 estimating States. Decreases of 300,000 acres or more are anticipated in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. If realized, the planted area in New York and Pennsylvania will be the largest on record.

Beginning in 2019, soybean estimates were discontinued in Florida and West Virginia.

Peanuts: Growers intend to plant 1.45 million acres in 2019, up 2 percent from 2018. The States expecting an increase in planted area are Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Oklahoma, and Texas. In Georgia, the largest peanut-producing State, expected planted area is up 1 percent from 2018.

Sunflower: Growers intend to plant 1.35 million acres in 2019, up 4 percent from 2018. Despite the increase from last year, this will be the second lowest planted area for the Nation since 1976, if realized. Compared with last year, growers in four of the eight major sunflower-producing States expect an increase in sunflower acreage this year. The State expecting the largest increase from last year is North Dakota, where planted area is expected to increase 44,000 acres compared with last year.

Area intended for oil type varieties, at 1.20 million acres, is up 3 percent from 2018, but will be the third lowest on record since 1976, if realized. In Kansas and Nebraska, planted area of oil type varieties will be the lowest on record, if realized.

Area intended for non-oil varieties, estimated at 150,000 acres, is up 9 percent from last year but will be the second lowest on record, if realized. Record low planted area for non-oil varieties is expected in Colorado.

Flaxseed: Growers intend to plant 345,000 acres of flaxseed, up 137,000 acres or 66 percent more than was planted in 2018. Acreage in North Dakota, the largest flaxseed-producing State, is up 76 percent, or 125,000 acres, from 2018.

Beginning in 2019, flaxseed estimates were discontinued in South Dakota.

Cotton: Growers intend to plant 13.8 million acres in 2019, down 2 percent from last year. Upland area is expected to total 13.5 million acres, down 2 percent from 2018. American Pima area is expected to total 255,000 acres, up 2 percent from 2018.

Compared with last year, 7 States are expecting an increase in planted area, with the largest increase in Arkansas. Upland cotton planted area in Kansas, at 170,000 acres, will be a record high if realized. Compared with the previous year, 8 States are expected to plant fewer Upland cotton acres in 2019, including California. If realized, Upland cotton planted area will be a record low in California.

Sugarbeets: Area expected to be planted to sugarbeets for the 2019 crop year is estimated at 1.12 million acres, up 1 percent from 2018. Intended plantings are above the previous year in 7 of the 11 estimating States.

Tobacco: United States all tobacco area for harvest in 2019 is expected to total 244,040 acres, down 16 percent from 2018. If realized, this would be the lowest tobacco acres harvested on record. Flue-cured tobacco, at 165,000 acres, is 17 percent below 2018 and accounts for 68 percent of this year's total expected tobacco acreage. Total light air-cured tobacco type area, at 55,200 acres, is down 12 percent from 2018. The burley portion of light-air cured tobacco, at 53,800 acres, is down 12 percent from last year.

Fire-cured tobacco, at 14,740 acres, is down 22 percent from 2018. Dark air-cured tobacco, at 6,900 acres, is down 30 percent from last year. Cigar filler tobacco, at 2,200 acres, is down 8 percent from the previous year.

Dry beans: Intended plantings to dry beans in 2019 is expected to be 1.24 million acres, up 1 percent from the previous season's 1.22 million acres of dry beans, excluding chickpeas, for comparability.

Beginning in 2019, dry bean estimates were discontinued in Montana and Texas. Also beginning in 2019, estimates no longer include chickpeas.

Chickpeas: Expected area planted for all chickpeas is 519,000 acres, down 40 percent from last season. Small chickpea intentions, at 137,000 acres, are 38 percent below 2018, while large chickpeas, at 382,000 acres, are expected to decrease 40 percent from the previous year. If realized, small, large, and all chickpea acreage will be at their lowest level since 2016.

Beginning in 2019, chickpea estimates were discontinued in Colorado, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Texas, and Wyoming.

Lentils: Area planted for the 2019 crop year is expected to total 555,000 acres, down 29 percent from 2018. Planted area is expected to be lower in Montana and North Dakota. Planting intentions in Idaho and Washington are unchanged from a year ago. If realized, this will be the lowest planted area since 2015.

Dry edible peas: Area planted for the 2019 crop year is expected to total 881,000 acres, up 3 percent from last year. Intended plantings are up from a year ago in Idaho, Montana, South Dakota, and Washington. Growers in Nebraska and North Dakota are expecting a decrease in planted area from last season.

Beginning in 2019, dry edible pea estimates were discontinued in Oregon. Also beginning in 2019, Austrian winter peas and wrinkled seed peas are included in the dry edible pea estimates.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The acreage estimates in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March. The March Agricultural Survey is a probability survey that includes a sample of approximately 82,400 farm operators selected from a list of producers that ensures all operations in the United States have a chance to be selected. Data from operators was collected by mail, internet, telephone, or personal interview to obtain information on crop acreage intentions for the 2019 crop year.

Estimating Procedures: National, Regional, State, and grower reported data were reviewed for reasonableness and consistency with historical estimates. Each Regional Field Office submits their analysis of the current situation to the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB). Survey data are compiled to the National level and are reviewed at this level independently of each State's review. Acreage estimates were based on survey data and the historical relationship of official estimates to the survey data.

Revision Policy: Acreage estimates in the *Prospective Plantings* report will not be revised. These estimates are intended to reflect grower intentions as of the survey period. New acreage estimates will be made based on surveys conducted in June when crop acreages have been established or planting intentions are firm. These new estimates will be published in the Acreage report scheduled for June 28, 2019. Winter wheat is an exception. Since winter wheat was seeded prior to the March survey, any changes in estimates in this report are considered revisions. The estimate of the harvested acreage of winter wheat will be published on May 10, 2019, along with the first production forecast of the crop year.

Reliability: The survey used to make acreage estimates is subject to sampling and non-sampling errors that are common to all surveys. Sampling errors represent the variability between estimates that would result if many different samples were surveyed at the same time. Sampling errors for major crops are generally between 1.0 and 3.0 percent, but they cannot be applied directly to the acreage published in this report to determine confidence intervals because the official estimates represent a composite of information from more than a single source.

Non-sampling errors cannot be measured directly. They may occur due to incorrect reporting and/or recording, data omissions or duplications, and errors in processing. To minimize non-sampling errors, vigorous quality controls are used in the data collection process and all data are carefully reviewed for consistency and reasonableness.

To assist users in evaluating the reliability of acreage estimates in this report, the "Root Mean Square Error," a statistical measure based on past performance, is computed. The deviations between the acreage estimates in this report and the final estimates are expressed as a percentage of the final estimates. The average of squared percentage deviations for the latest 20 year period is computed. The square root of the average becomes statistically the "Root Mean Square Error." Probability statements can be made concerning expected differences in the current estimates relative to the final end of season estimates, assuming that factors affecting this year's estimates are not different from those influencing recent years. For example, the "Root Mean Square Error" for the corn planted estimate is 1.4 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the current corn acreage estimate will not be above or below the final estimate by more than 1.4 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 (90 percent confidence level) that the difference will not exceed 2.4 percent.

Also, shown in the following table is a 20 year record for selected crops of the difference between the Prospective Plantings planted acreage estimates and the final estimates. Using corn again as an example, changes between the intentions estimates and the final estimates during the past 20 years have averaged 965,000 acres, ranging from 32,000 acres to 3.07 million acres. The prospective plantings estimates have been below the final estimate 10 times and above 10 times. This does not imply that the planted estimate this year is likely to understate or overstate the final estimate.

Reliability of Prospective Plantings Planted Acreage Estimates

[Based on data for the past twenty years]

	,	90 percent	Difference between forecast and final estimate						
Crop	Root mean square error	confidence interval		Thousand acres			Years		
	Square error		Average	Smallest	Largest	Below final	Above final		
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(number)	(number)		
Barley	7.3	12.6	209	31	401	6	14		
Corn	1.4	2.4	965	32	3,073	10	10		
Oats	6.2	10.7	143	21	490	5	15		
Sorghum	8.3	14.4	505	31	1,114	11	9		
Soybeans	2.0	3.5	1,249	203	3,296	10	10		
Upland cotton	6.5	11.2	633	6	2,115	14	6		
Wheat									
Winter wheat	1.7	2.9	547	21	1,242	7	13		
Durum wheat	21.0	36.3	260	45	1,028	13	7		
Other spring	5.5	9.6	537	12	2,083	10	10		

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For registration details or additional information about the Data Users' Meeting, see the meeting page on the NASS website (https://www.nass.usda.gov/Education_and_Outreach/Meeting/index.php). Contact Vernita Murray (NASS) at 202-690-8141 or vernita.murray@nass.usda.gov or Patricia Snipe (NASS) at 202-720-2248 or patricia.snipe@nass.usda.gov for information.

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