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Indiana Winter Wheat Production

Indiana farmers anticipate better wheat yields than they did a month ago, according to Nathanial Warenski, State Statistician of the USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office.

Indiana winter wheat production is anticipated to be 20.6 million bushels, down 33 percent from last year on fewer harvested acres and a lower anticipated yield. The yield is forecast at 86 bushels per acre, 6 bushels below last year but up 2 bushels from the May 1 forecast.

The 2024 winter wheat crop was 92 percent headed as of June 2, a 6-percentage point increase from last year and 13 points ahead of the five-year average. The crop condition was rated 79 percent good to excellent at the beginning of June, 3 points higher than the same time a year ago.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.29 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and up 4 percent from 2023. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.4 bushels per acre, up 0.7 bushel from last month and up 0.8 bushel from last year's average yield of 50.6 bushels per acre. Montana, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin are expecting record high yields. As of June 2, forty-nine percent of the winter wheat acreage in the 18 major producing States was rated in good to excellent condition, 13 percentage points higher than at the same time last year. Nationally, 83 percent of the winter wheat crop was headed by June 2, five percentage points ahead of the 5-year average pace.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2023 - 2024

Commodity	Indiana		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Wheat, winter				
Planted 1,000 acres	405	350	36,699	34,135
Harvested	335	240	24,683	25,198
Yield Bushels	00	86.0	50.6	51.4
Production1,000 bu	30,820	20,640	1,247,748	1,294,885

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