



Minnesota Ag News – Small Grain Summary



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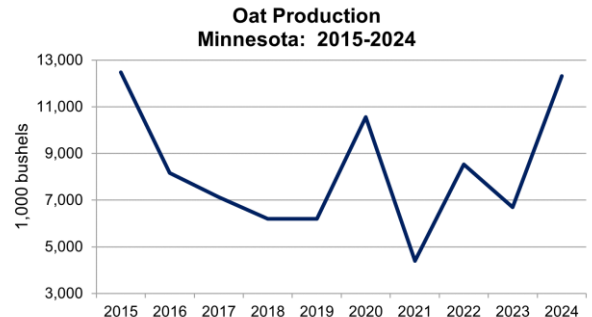
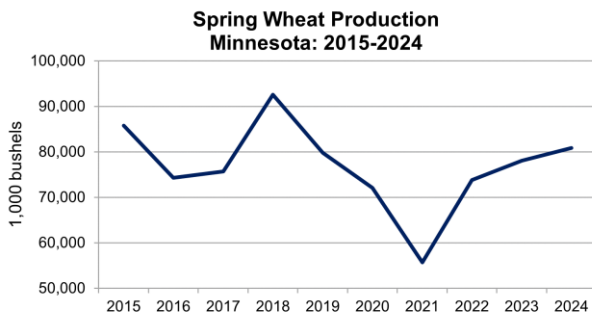
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Spring wheat production in Minnesota was estimated at 80.8 million bushels, up 3 percent from 2023 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Small Grains 2024 Summary*. Planted area, at 1.22 million acres, was down 6 percent from last year. Spring wheat harvested area for grain was 1.18 million acres, down 6 percent from last year. Spring wheat yield, at 68.5 bushels per acre, was up 6.5 bushels per acre from last year.

Oat production was estimated at 12.3 million bushels, up 84 percent from last year. Oats planted, at 205,000 acres, was up 24 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain was 140,000 acres, up 61 percent from the harvested acres in 2023. Oat yield, at 88.0 bushels per acre, was up 11.0 bushels per acre from last year.

Barley production, estimated at 1.75 million bushels, was down 56 percent from last year. Planted area, at 40,000 acres, was down 33 percent from 2023. Harvested area for grain, at 25,000 acres, was down 54 percent from last year. The Minnesota barley yield was 70.0 bushels per acre, down 4.0 bushels per acre from last year.

Rye production in Minnesota was estimated at 940,000 bushels, down 3 percent from last year. Planted area, at 80,000 acres, was up 7 percent from 2023. Harvested area for grain, at 20,000 acres, was down 9 percent from last year. The Minnesota rye yield was 47.0 bushels per acre, up 3.0 bushels per acre from last year.



Small Grains Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – Minnesota and United States: 2023-2024

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Minnesota								
Barley	60	40	54	25	74.0	70.0	3,996	1,750
Oats	165	205	87	140	77.0	88.0	6,699	12,320
Rye	75	80	22	20	44.0	47.0	968	940
Wheat, spring .	1,300	1,220	1,260	1,180	62.0	68.5	78,120	80,830
United States								
Barley	3,109	2,373	2,574	1,875	72.3	76.7	186,127	143,836
Oats	2,555	2,213	831	886	68.6	76.5	57,045	67,793
Rye	2,293	2,206	322	402	32.2	36.6	10,375	14,729
Wheat, spring .	11,200	10,625	10,915	10,330	46.0	52.5	502,245	542,320

United States Summary

All wheat production totaled 1.97 billion bushels in 2024, up 9 percent from the 2023 total of 1.80 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 38.5 million acres, up 4 percent from the previous year. The average yield in the United States was estimated at 51.2 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from the previous year. The levels of production and changes from 2023 by type were: winter wheat, 1.35 billion bushels, up 9 percent; other spring wheat, 542 million bushels, up 8 percent; and Durum wheat, 80.1 million bushels, up 35 percent.

Oat production was estimated at 67.8 million bushels, up 19 percent from 2023. Yield was estimated at a record high 76.5 bushels per acre, up 7.9 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 886 thousand acres, was 7 percent above last year.

Barley production was estimated at 144 million bushels, down 23 percent from the 2023 total of 186 million bushels. The United States average yield, at 76.7 bushels per acre, was up 4.4 bushels from the previous year. Producers seeded 2.37 million acres in 2024, down 24 percent from 2023. Harvested area, at 1.88 million acres, was down 27 percent from 2023.

Rye production for 2024 was estimated at 14.7 million bushels, up 42 percent from the 2023 total, and was the highest production since 1987. Harvested area totaled 402,000 acres, up 25 percent from last year. The United States yield was a record high at 36.6 bushels per acre and was up 4.4 bushels from 2023. Oklahoma yield was a record high. Planted area totaled 2.21 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Much of those acres were used as a cover crop.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.