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UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

Utah's **principal crop** planted area, which includes acreage planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is up 3 percent from 2023 to 882,000 acres, according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Producers in Utah planted 75,000 acres of **corn** this year of which, they intend to harvest 34,000 acres for grain, up from the 27,000 acres harvested in 2023. This is an increase of 26 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage, while acreage planted for all purposes is unchanged from last year.

Barley planted area, at 17,000 acres, is up 6 percent from last year's acreage. Expected harvested area, at 11,000 acres, is down 21 percent, or 3,000 acres from 2023.

Winter wheat producers planted 105,000 acres in the fall of 2023 for harvest in 2024, unchanged from the record low planted area realized during the previous crop season. Of this, 90,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain, an increase of 3,000 acres, or 3 percent, from last year.

The area expected to be harvested for **all dry hay** is forecast at 685,000 acres. **Alfalfa hay** is expected to be harvested from 515,000 acres, up 5 percent from 2023. **All other hay** harvested area is expected to total 170,000 acres, unchanged from last year's final estimate.

Producers in Utah planted 12,000 acres of **safflower** in 2024, down 5,500 acres from last year. At 11,000 acres, harvested area is down from the 16,500 acres harvested in 2023.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2024 is estimated at 91.5 million acres, down 3 percent or 3.17 million acres from last year. This represents the eighth highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 31 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 83.4 million acres, is down 4 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 2.56 million acres of **barley** for the 2024 crop year, down 18 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.01 million acres, is down 21 percent from 2023.

All wheat planted area for 2024 is estimated at 47.2 million acres, down 5 percent from 2023. The 2024 winter wheat planted area, at 33.8 million acres, is down 8 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 24.1 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.14 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.59 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2024 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, up 1 percent from 2023 estimate. Of this total, about 10.6 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2024 is expected to total 2.17 million acres, up 29 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 51.5 million acres of **all hay** in 2024, down 2 percent from 2023. **Alfalfa** harvested acreage is expected to be 15.6 million acres, down slightly from 2023 in comparable States. All **other hay** (excluding alfalfa) is expected to be down 3 percent from last year, at 35.9 million acres.

Area planted to **safflower** in 2024 is estimated at 127,000 acres, down 10 percent from 2023 in comparable States and represents the lowest planted area for the Nation since records began in 1991. Area for harvest is forecast at 117,000 acres, down 14 percent from last year in comparable States.

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