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WYOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Wyoming's **principal crop** planted area, which includes acreage planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is down 3 percent from 2023 to 1.37 million acres, according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Producers in Wyoming planted 75,000 acres of **corn**, the smallest area planted to corn since 1971. Of this, they intend to harvest 51,000 acres for grain, down from the 57,000 acres harvested in 2023. This is a decrease of 11 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage, and a 12 percent decrease in acreage planted for all purposes.

Barley planted area, at 80,000 acres, is down 3,000 acres, or 4 percent, from last year's final acreage. Expected harvested area, at 60,000 acres, is up 2,000 acres, or 3 percent, from 2023.

Winter wheat producers planted 105,000 acres in the fall of 2023 for harvest in 2024, down from 115,000 acres planted during the previous crop year. This represents the smallest planted area since 1927. Of this, 75,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain, a decrease of 15,000 acres, or 17 percent, from last year. If realized, this would represent the smallest harvested for grain area since 1938.

The area expected to be harvested for **all dry hay** is forecast at 1.08 million acres. **Alfalfa hay** is expected to be harvested from 555,000 acres, down 6 percent from 2023. **All other hay** harvested area is expected to total 520,000 acres, up 20,000 acres, or 4 percent, from last year's final estimate.

Sugarbeet plantings increased 3,00 acres from last year to 32,000 acres. The expected harvested area, at 31.500 acres, is 2,700 acres above 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 **sugarbeets** for the 2024 crop year is estimated at 1.11 million acres, down 2 percent from 2023. Area expected to be harvest at 1.09 million acres, down 3 percent from last year.

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