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*Dear Respondent:*

*This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the Alfalfa and Clover Seed Survey for the 2007 crop.*

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*Sincerely,*

*William R. Meyer  
Director*

### **Alfalfa Seed Acres Unchanged**

Producers in Idaho harvested 15,000 acres of alfalfa seed in 2007, unchanged from the 2006 crop. Average yield, on a clean basis, was 690 pounds per harvested acre in 2007, up 20 pounds from the previous year. Production for 2007 totaled 10.4 million pounds, 3 percent above the 2006 crop. The average price received by growers for the 2007 crop increased \$14 per hundredweight from the previous year to \$149 per hundredweight, resulting in a farm level value of production of \$15.4 million.

Harvested acreage of red clover seed in Idaho totaled 1,300 acres during 2007, down 500 acres from 2006. Average clean yield was 540 pounds per acre, down 30 pounds per acre from the previous year. Production for 2007 totaled 702 thousand pounds, down 32 percent from 2007. The average price received by growers for the 2007 crop was \$127 per hundredweight, up \$17 per hundredweight from 2006. This resulted in a farm level value of production of \$892 thousand. This survey was completed in cooperation with the Idaho Alfalfa and Clover Seed Commission.

### **Idaho Alfalfa Seed Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 1995 - 2007**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Harvested Acreage</b>	<b>Yield (Pounds)</b>	<b>Production (1,000 Pounds)</b>	<b>Average Price (\$/Cwt)</b>	<b>Value of Production (\$1,000)</b>
1995	35,000	680	23,800	\$117.40	\$27,941
1996	33,500	720	24,120	\$128.20	\$30,922
1997	39,000	660	25,740	\$131.00	\$33,719
1998	39,000	670	26,130	\$137.00	\$35,798
2000	46,000	800	36,800	\$129.00	\$47,472
2001	27,000	720	19,440	\$124.00	\$24,106
2002	18,000	790	14,220	\$119.00	\$16,922
2003	15,000	660	9,900	\$121.00	\$11,979
2004	22,000	670	14,740	\$117.00	\$17,246
2005	16,000	680	10,880	\$123.00	\$13,382
2006	15,000	670	10,050	\$135.00	\$13,568
2007	15,000	690	10,350	\$149.00	\$15,422

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## Alfalfa Seed Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, Selected States, 2007

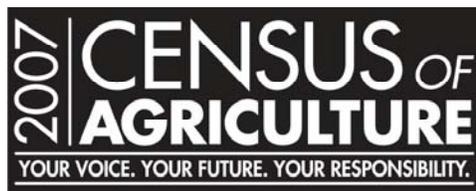
State	Harvested Acreage	Yield (Pounds)	Production (1,000 Lbs)	Average Price (\$/Cwt)	Value of Production (\$1,000)
<b>IDAHO</b>	15,000	690	10,350	\$149	\$15,422
Montana	12,200	360	4,390	\$134	\$5,883
Nevada	6,500	700	4,550	\$145	\$6,598
Washington	15,000	670	10,050	\$150	\$15,075

## Idaho Red Clover Seed Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 2000-2007

Year	Harvested Acreage	Yield (Pounds)	Production (1,000 Pounds)	Average Price (\$/Cwt)	Value of Production (\$1,000)
2000	3,500	520	1,820	\$104	\$1,893
2001	2,500	580	1,450	\$102	\$1,479
2002	1,200	580	696	\$100	\$696
2003	1,200	560	672	\$97	\$652
2004	1,600	410	656	\$102	\$669
2005	1,700	510	867	\$107	\$928
2006	1,800	570	1,026	\$110	\$1,129
2007	1,300	540	702	\$127	\$892

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