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Winter Wheat Forecast

National winter wheat production is forecast at 1.5 billion bushels, down 20 percent from 2008. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 34 million acres, down 14 percent from last year. Based on June 1 conditions, the national yield is forecast at 43.9 bushels per acre, down 3.3 bushels from the previous year.

In Oregon, Idaho, and Washington, growers expect to harvest less winter wheat acres in 2009. Production is forecasted to be down 15 percent in Oregon and down 3 percent in Idaho. Production is forecasted to be up 6 percent in Washington due to a 4 bushel per acre increase in expected yield.

Winter wheat: Acres harvested, yield and production for the Pacific Northwest¹ and United States, 2008 and forecasted June 1, 2009

State/area	Area harvested			Yield			Production		
	2008	Forecast 2009	2009/2008	2008	2009 Forecast		2008	Forecast 2009	2009/2008
					May 1	June 1			
	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 bushels</i>	<i>1,000 bushels</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Oregon	775	720	93	58	53	53	44,950	38,160	85
Idaho	800	700	88	75	82	83	60,000	58,100	97
Washington	1,720	1,700	99	56	60	60	96,320	102,000	106
Pacific Northwest	3,295	3,120	95	61	63	64	201,270	198,260	99
United States	39,614	33,995	86	47.2	44.2	43.9	1,867,903	1,491,769	80

¹ Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.

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