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WINTER WHEAT SEEDINGS DOWN

SIoux FALLS, January 11, 2008 – Winter wheat seedings for the 2008 crop totaled 1.9 million acres, down 200,000 acres (10 percent) from last year's record amount, according to the South Dakota Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This amount ties the 1986 total for the fourth largest amount of winter wheat acres ever planted in South Dakota, behind last year's record of 2.1 million acres and below 1996 and 1984 with 2.0 million each. Over the last 10 years South Dakota has averaged 1.56 million acres of winter wheat seedings.

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