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## Washington’s Winter Wheat Acreage for Harvest Up 2 Percent, Spring Wheat Acreage for Harvest Up 10 Percent From Last Year And Hay Acreage Down 7 Percent

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 30, 2011—The results of a State and National survey conducted in early June 2011 showed that Washington growers expect to harvest 1.75 million acres of winter wheat in 2011, up 40,000 acres from last year. Spring wheat harvested acreage is expected to be up 60,000 acres from 2010. David Knopf, Director of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Washington Field Office explained, “Above average rainfall this spring resulted in good soil moisture levels, but too much moisture in some areas delayed planting of spring crops.”

All dry hay for harvest is expected to reach 780,000 acres, 60,000 acres below last year’s crop. Harvested acreage of alfalfa hay is estimated at 390,000 acres, down 60,000 acres from last year and other hay harvested acres are estimated at 390,000 acres, unchanged from 2010.

Planted acres of field corn are estimated at 190,000 acres, 10,000 acres below last year. Acres to be harvested for grain are forecast at 115,000 acres, 10,000 acres less than a year ago.

Barley acreage increased this year with 110,000 acres for harvest, 29,000 acres above last year. Oats and dry beans acreage for harvest was also collected in the survey. Dry beans planted and harvested acres increased 4,000 acres, to 90,000 acres. Growers expect to harvest 3,000 acres of oats for grain from 10,000 planted acres for all purposes.

**Pacific Northwest** (Washington, Oregon, and Idaho) showed all wheat acres for 2011 harvest up 166,000 acres to 4.74 million acres. Growers expect to harvest 115,000 more acres of winter wheat than last year and 63,000 more spring wheat. Barley acreage for harvest in the three states is expected to increase 44,000 acres to 635,000 acres.

**Nationally**, the all wheat harvested area is estimated at 47.2 million acres, down 1 percent from 2010. The 2011 winter wheat harvested area, at 32.3 million acres, is 2 percent above last year. Other spring wheat for 2011 is estimated at 13.2 million acres to be harvested, down 1 percent from 2010.

The **next estimate for field crops** will be published July 12, 2011.

### JUNE ACREAGE SUMMARY, 2010-2011

CROP	WASHINGTON				ACREAGE FOR HARVEST			
	Planted		Harvested		Pacific NW 1/		United States	
	2010	2011	2010	2011 5/	2010	2011 5/	2010	2011 5/
	1,000 Acres							
All Wheat	2,330	2,410	2,285	2,385	4,577	4,743	47,637	47,174
Winter Wheat	1,750	1,770	1,710	1,750	3,230	3,345	31,749	32,307
Spring Wheat	580	640	575	635	1,327	1,390	13,359	13,220
Barley	90	115	81	110	591	635	2,465	2,480
Oats 2/	20	10	5	3	47	33	1,263	934
Corn 3/	200	190	125	115	273	285	81,446	84,888
Hay, All	-	-	840	780	3,355	3,160	59,862	57,605
Alfalfa	-	-	450	390	1,995	1,790	19,956	19,329
Hay, Other	-	-	390	390	1,360	1,370	39,906	38,276
Dry Edible Beans 4/	86.0	90.0	86.0	90.0	226.9	178.4	1,842.7	1,207.2

1/ Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.

2/ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

3/ Planted acreage includes planted for all purposes; harvested acres for grain only.

4/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

5/ Forecasted.

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