



# Immediate Release

Wyoming Field Office  
PO Box 1148 · Cheyenne, WY 82003  
307-432-5600 • FAX 307-432-5598 • www.nass.usda.gov/wy

May 10, 2012

## WYOMING HAY STOCKS UP 10 PERCENT

Hay stocks on Wyoming farms and ranches totaled 400,000 tons as of May 1, 2012, up 10 percent from the same time last year, but unchanged from 2 years earlier, according to Steve Gunn with the Wyoming Field Office of USDA NASS. Hay disappearance from December 1, 2011 - May 1, 2012, totaled 900,000 tons, down 33 percent from the same period last year.

**UNITED STATES:** All hay stored on farms May 1, 2012, totaled 21.4 million tons, down 4 percent from a year ago. Disappearance from December 1, 2011 - May 1, 2012 totaled 69.3 million tons, compared with 79.9 million tons for the same period a year ago. This is the smallest disappearance since 1985.

## U.S. WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST UP 13 PERCENT FROM 2011

**Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.69 billion bushels, up 13 percent from 2011. Based on May 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 47.6 bushels per acre, up 1.4 bushels from last year. Expected grain area totals 35.6 million acres, up 10 percent from last year.

Hard Red Winter, at 1.03 billion bushels, is up 32 percent from 2011. Soft Red Winter, at 428 million bushels, is down 6 percent from last year. White Winter is down 9 percent from last year and now totals 233 million bushels. Of this total, 14.1 million bushels are Hard White and 219 million bushels are Soft White.

### WINTER WHEAT, 2011 AND MAY 1, 2012 FORECAST, SELECTED STATES AND U.S. 1/

State	Acres Harvested		Yield per acre		Production		
	2011	Indicated 2012	2011	Indicated 2012	2011	Indicated 2012	2012/2011
	1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels		Percent
Colorado	2,000	2,250	39.0	41.0	78,000	92,250	118
Idaho	730	730	82.0	85.0	63,140	62,050	98
Kansas	7,900	9,000	35.0	43.0	276,500	387,000	140
Montana	2,190	2,120	41.0	40.0	89,790	84,800	94
Nebraska	1,450	1,270	45.0	47.0	65,250	59,690	91
Oklahoma	3,200	4,300	22.0	36.0	70,400	154,800	220
South Dakota	1,590	1,300	42.0	44.0	66,780	57,200	86
Texas	1,900	3,350	26.0	31.0	49,400	103,850	210
Washington	1,730	1,670	75.0	69.0	129,750	115,230	89
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>32,314</b>	<b>35,580</b>	<b>46.2</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>1,493,677</b>	<b>1,693,710</b>	<b>113</b>

1/ Wyoming May 1 wheat forecast is not published separately but is included in the U.S. total.