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New Jersey Barley and Wheat Summary

- ! **Barley** production for New Jersey totaled 135 thousand bushels, down 39 percent from 2002. The cool wet weather that lasted well into the summer had a negative impact on this year's crop. Barley planted and harvested acreage totaled 4,000 and 3,000 acres, respectively, unchanged from 2002. New Jersey's barley yield is 45 bushels per acre compared to 74 bushels in 2002. The state's record barley yield is 79 bushels per acre set in 1999.

- ! **All wheat** production for the Garden State totaled 1.09 million bushels, down 41 percent from the previous year. Again, the cool wet weather had a negative impact on wheat production. New Jersey acres seeded to all wheat totaled 31,000 acres compared to 38,000 in 2002. Wheat acres harvested for grain totaled 26,000 compared to 32,000 last year. Wheat yield per harvested acre is 42 bushels. This is 16 bushels less than the 2002 final wheat yield of 58 bushels per acre. New Jersey's record wheat yield is 60 bushels per acre set in 1997.

Barley and Wheat Acreage, Yield, and Production

Crop	Acres Planted		Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
NEW JERSEY	- Thousand -		- Bushels -		- Bushels -		- Thousand Bushels-	
Barley	4	4	3	3	74.0	45.0	222	135
All Wheat	38	31	32	26	58.0	42.0	1,856	1,092
UNITED STATES	- Thousand -		- Bushels -		- Bushels -		- Million Bushels-	
Barley	5,071	5,299	4,129	4,688	54.9	58.9	226.6	276.1
All Wheat	60,468	61,700	45,917	52,839	35.3	44.2	1,619.0	2,336.5

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