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# South Dakota JULY CROP REPORT

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## ***JULY 1 WHEAT YIELDS DOWN FROM LAST YEAR***

**SIoux FALLS, July 12, 2004** – The South Dakota July 1 **winter wheat** production is forecast at 43.75 million bushels, down 13 percent from the June 1 forecast. The yield, at 35 bushels, is unchanged from the June 1 forecast and down 8 bushels from last year. Harvested area, at 1,250,000 acres, is down 130,000 acres from last year, and lowered 190,000 acres from the June forecast.

**Other spring wheat** production is forecast at 57.0 million bushels, up 1 percent from 2003. The yield, forecast at 38 bushels per acre, is 4 bushels below last year. Acres intended for harvest, at 1.5 million, are up 12 percent from last year.

**Oat** production, at 14.4 million bushels, is down 8 percent from last year. The yield is forecast at 72 bushels, up 4 bushels from last year. Acres harvested for grain are forecast at 200,000, down 30,000 acres from 2003.

**Barley** production is forecast at 2.95 million bushels, up 1 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 59 bushels per acre, 6 bushels above last year. Acres intended for harvest, at 50,000, are down 5,000 acres from 2003.

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