



# WASHINGTON GRASS & LEGUME SEED CROPS

Dear Seed Grower or Handler:

The Washington Agricultural Statistics Service conducts surveys of grass and legume seed growers and handlers yearly. These annual surveys are conducted to document the quantity and value of these regionally important crops. Approximately three hundred fifty growers and handlers throughout Washington State were contacted in regard to these surveys. Your response was greatly appreciated, and helps to establish the significant role these crops play in our state's agricultural economy.

Sincerely,

Ray Garibay  
State Director

## GRASS & LEGUME SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, & VALUE

Crop & Year	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Average Price Per Cwt.	Value of Production
	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
<b>Alfalfa Seed</b>					
1999	19,000	720	136,000	135.00	18,360
2000	17,000	790	135,000	125.00	16,875
2001	14,500	790	115,000	120.00	13,800
2002	14,000	850	119,000	120.00	14,280
<b>2003</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>102,000</b>	<b>130.00</b>	<b>13,260</b>
<b>Kentucky Bluegrass</b>					
1999	46,000	490	227,000	80.00	18,160
2000	57,000	570	323,000	80.00	25,840
2001	50,000	610	305,000	75.00	22,875
2002	48,500	600	291,000	65.00	18,915
<b>2003</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>275,000</b>	<b>75.00</b>	<b>20,625</b>
<b>Other Grass 1/</b>					
1999	14,000	660	93,000	60.00	5,580
2000	9,000	670	60,000	70.00	4,200
2001	10,500	570	60,000	65.00	3,900
2002	15,000	790	118,000	50.00	5,900
<b>2003</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>115,000</b>	<b>60.00</b>	<b>6,900</b>
<b>State Total</b>					
1999	79,000	577	456,000	92.00	42,100
2000	83,000	624	518,000	91.00	46,915
2001	75,000	640	480,000	85.00	40,575
2002	77,500	681	528,000	74.00	39,095
<b>2003</b>	<b>70,500</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>492,000</b>	<b>83.00</b>	<b>40,785</b>

1/ Includes Red Clover.

## GRASS AND LEGUME SEEDS: BY COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, 2002-2003

Crop & County	2002			2003		
	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production
	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.
<b>Alfalfa Seed</b>						
Franklin	1,000	850	8,500	700	790	5,500
Grant	5,900	830	49,000	4,500	780	35,000
Walla Walla	6,100	920	56,000	6,000	890	53,500
Other	1,000	550	5,500	1,300	620	8,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>119,000</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>102,000</b>
<b>Kentucky Bluegrass</b>						
Adams	2,100	900	19,000	2,900	830	24,000
Franklin	3,800	870	33,000	6,100	1,000	61,000
Garfield	1,700	350	6,000	2,000	550	11,000
Spokane	24,700	450	111,000	19,500	460	90,000
Whitman	5,400	460	25,000	3,000	500	15,000
Other	10,800	900	97,000	8,500	871	74,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,500</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>291,000</b>	<b>42,000</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>275,000</b>
<b>Other Grass Seeds</b>						
Franklin	5,500	800	44,000	5,000	740	37,000
Spokane	800	560	4,500	1,000	500	5,000
Other	8,700	800	69,500	10,000	730	73,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>118,000</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>115,000</b>
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>77,500</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>528,000</b>	<b>70,500</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>492,000</b>