



# West Virginia Agricultural Statistics

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## WEST VIRGINIA CROP ACREAGE FOR 2004

**WEST VIRGINIA** -- Winter wheat planted in West Virginia for 2004 is estimated at 8,000 acres, down 33 percent, or 4,000 acres from 2003. The projected harvest for grain is 6,000 acres, down 14 percent, or 1,000 acres from 2003.

Corn planted is estimated at 48,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Growers expect to harvest 28,000 acres for grain, up 4 percent, or 1,000 acres from last year.

Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 16,000, unchanged from 2003. Harvested acreage is projected at 15,000, also the same as 2003.

Tobacco area for harvest is expected to total 1,300 acres, up 8 percent or 100 acres from the year 2003.

All hay harvested is forecast at 555,000 acres, up 2 percent or 10,000 acres from the year 2003. Other hay harvested is expected to be 520,000 acres, up 4 percent, or 20,000 acres from last year's harvest. Alfalfa hay harvested is expected to total 35,000 acres, down 22 percent, or 10,000 acres from last year

These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2004, Agricultural Survey.

## UNITED STATES WITH 2003 COMPARISONS

- Corn planted for all purposes - 81.0 million acres, up 3 percent from both 2002 and 2003.
  - Biotechnology varieties as a percent of corn planted:
    - Bt - 27% of 2004 crop, 25% of 2003 crop;
    - Herbicide Resistant - 13% of 2004 crop, 11% of 2003 crop;
    - Stacked Gene - 5% of 2004 crop, 4% of 2003 crop;
    - All Biotech varieties - 45% of 2004 crop, 40% of 2003 crop.
- Corn harvested for grain - 73.4 million acres, up 3 percent.
- Winter wheat planted - 43.5 million acres, down 3 percent.
- Winter wheat harvested for grain - 34.8 million acres, down 5 percent.
- Oats planted - 4.22 million acres, down 8 percent.
- Oats harvested for grain - 1.94 million acres, down 13 percent.
- All tobacco harvested - 413,550 acres, up 1 percent.
- Burley tobacco harvested - 156,300 acres, up 3 percent.
- All hay for harvest - 61.6 million acres, down 3 percent.
- Alfalfa hay for harvest - 22.2 million acres, down 6 percent.
- Other hay for harvest - 39.4 million acres, down 1 percent.
- Soybeans planted - 74.8 million acres, up 2 percent, largest on record.
  - Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:
    - Herbicide Resistant only - 85% of 2004 crop, 81% of 2003 crop
    - All Biotech varieties - 85% of 2004 crop, 81% of 2003.
- Soybeans for harvest - 73.7 million acres, up 2 percent.