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## CROP PRODUCTION – MAY 2016

### UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

**Hay stocks** on Utah farms and ranches as of May 1, 2016 totaled 410,000 tons, down five percent from stocks of 430,000 tons on hand last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Hay production for 2015 was 2.46 million tons, three percent higher than 2014 production. Disappearance from December 1, 2015 to May 1, 2016 was 740,000 tons, compared with 760,000 tons the same period a year earlier.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.43 billion bushels, up 4 percent from 2015. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 47.8 bushels per acre, up 5.3 bushels from last year. If realized, this will equal the record yield set in 1999.

Hard Red Winter production, at 863 million bushels, is up 4 percent from a year ago. Soft Red Winter, at 357 million bushels, is down nearly 1 percent from 2015. White Winter, at 208 million bushels, is up 13 percent from last year. Of the White Winter production, 17.4 million bushels are Hard White and 191 million bushels are Soft White.

**All hay** stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2016 totaled 25.1 million tons, up 3 percent from a year ago. Disappearance between December 1, 2015 and May 1, 2016 totaled 69.9 million tons, compared with 67.5 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

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