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ALASKA SMALL GRAIN REPORT

Barley planted for all purposes in Alaska is estimated at 4,600 acres in 2015, down from 5,400 acres planted in 2014. Growers harvested 4,300 acres for grain in 2015, down 800 acres from 2014. Production was 146,000 bushels with a yield of 34.0 bushels per acre. This compares to 217,000 bushels produced in 2014 with a yield of 42.5 bushels per acre.

Oats for all purposes were seeded on 1,800 acres in 2015, down 400 acres from 2014. Growers harvested 1,000 acres for grain, unchanged from 2014. A yield of 47.0 bushels per acres was realized with a production of 47,000 bushels. In 2014 yield was 57.0 bushels per acre with a production of 57,000 bushels.

Alaska Small Grains 2014 - 2015								
	Acres Planted		Acres Harvested for Grain		Yield (Bu/Acre)		Production (Bu)	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	BARLEY							
State Total	5,400	4,600	5,100	4,300	42.5	34.0	217,000	146,000
	OATS							
State Total	2,200	1,800	1,000	1,000	57.0	47.0	57,000	47,000

POTATO ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION November 1, 2015 Forecast

The November 1, 2015 forecast of potato acreage in Alaska is 560 acres planted and 540 acres harvested. Yield was forecast to be 250 cwt per acre with a total production of 135,000 cwt of potatoes. The next update to potato acres and production will be January 12, 2016.

Alaska Potato Acreage, Yield and Production				
	Acres Planted	Acres Harvested	Yield per Acre (cwt)	Production (cwt)
2015	560	540	250	135,000
2014	650	620	250	155,000
2013	650	620	210	130,000
2012	680	650	215	140,000
2011	750	720	186	134,000

Production of fall potatoes for the **United States** for 2015 is forecast at 409 million cwt, up 1 percent from last year. Area harvested, at 946,000 acres, is up 2 percent from the previous year. The average yield forecast, at 432 cwt per acre, is down 2 cwt from last year's yield.

Total **United States** potato production in 2015 from all seasons is forecast at 446 million cwt, 1 percent above 2014. Harvested area, at 1.06 million acres, is up 1 percent from last year. Average yield is forecast at 419 cwt per acre, down 2 cwt from the previous year.

The November Crop report, which contains more potato and other crop information, is available on line at: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd//2010s/2015/CropProd-11-10-2015.pdf>

The Potatoes 2014 Annual Summary is available on line at: <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/current/Pota/Pota-09-17-2015.pdf>

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