



NEWS RELEASE

United States Department of Agriculture
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
ARIZONA FIELD OFFICE
230 N 1st Ave, Suite 302A · Phoenix, AZ 85003-1723
Cooperating with the Arizona Department of Agriculture



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 29, 2018

Contact: Dave DeWalt
(800) 645-7286

ACREAGE – JUNE 2018

ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

Arizona principal crop planted acreage, which includes acres planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is down 5 percent from 2017 to 653,000 acres, according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Arizona **corn** producers planted 75,000 acres of corn this year of which they intend to harvest 31,000 acres for grain, down from 32,000 acres harvested in 2017. This is a decrease of 3 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage, but a 15 percent increase in planted acreage for all purposes.

Barley planted area, at 12,000 acres, is 40 percent less than last year's acreage. Expected harvested acres, at 10,000 acres are 41 percent below 2017. **Winter wheat** producers planted 17,000 acres for harvest in 2018, down from 25,000 acres planted for the previous year's crop. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain at 7,000 acres is down 11,000 acres from 2017. **Durum wheat** planted, at 80,000 acres, is down 10,000 acres compared with a year ago. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 79,000 acres, down from 89,000 acres harvested last year.

The area to be harvested for **hay** is expected to decrease 10,000 acres from a year ago to 305,000 acres. **Alfalfa hay** harvested acreage is expected to decrease 5,000 acres to 270,000 acres and **all other hay** harvested acreage is expected to decrease 5,000 acres to 35,000 acres.

Acreage planted to **upland cotton** is estimated at 150,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from last year. **American-Pima cotton** planted area, at 14,000 acres, is down 1,000 acres from 2017.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2018 is estimated at 89.1 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acres are down or unchanged in 31 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 81.8 million acres, is down 1 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 2.55 million acres of **barley** for the 2018 crop year, up 3 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.05 million acres, is up 5 percent from 2017. In Montana, producers seeded 730,000 acres of barley, down 5 percent from the previous year.

All wheat planted area for 2018 is estimated at 47.8 million acres, up 4 percent from 2017. This represents the second lowest all wheat planted area on record since records began in 1919. The 2018 **winter wheat** planted area, at 32.7 million acres, is up less than 1 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.89 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.62 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to **other spring wheat** for 2018 is estimated at 13.2 million acres, up 20 percent from 2017. Of this total, about 12.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2018 is estimated at 1.89 million acres, down 18 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 55.1 million acres of **all hay** in 2018, up 2 percent from 2017. If realized, this will represent the highest total hay harvested area since 2014. The increase in acreage is primarily due to a 5 percent increase in **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** acreage compared to 2017; however, **all other hay** (excluding alfalfa) is also up 1 percent. Producers in the Upper Midwest and Northern Plains are optimistic about harvesting more acres than last year to replenish hay stocks.

NASS provides accurate, timely, and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture. We invite you to provide occasional feedback on our products and services. Sign up at <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/subscriptions> and look for "NASS Data User Community."

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice), or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).

All cotton planted area for 2018 is estimated at 13.5 million acres, 7 percent above last year. Upland area is estimated at 13.3 million acres, up 7 percent from 2017. American Pima area is estimated at 243,000 acres, down 4 percent from 2017.

For a full copy of the *Acreage* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.