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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 up 8 percent from 2020 to 616,000 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 95,000 acres of corn this year of which they intend to harvest 34,000 acres for grain, up from 29,000 acres harvested in 2020. This is an increase of 17 percent from last year’s harvested grain acreage and a 27 percent increase in planted acreage for all purposes.

Barley planted area, at 18,000 acres, is 50 percent more than last year’s acreage. Expected harvested acres, at 14,000 acres, are 75 percent above 2020. Durum wheat acres planted, at 50,000 acres, are up 6,000 acres compared with a year ago. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 49,000 acres, up from 43,000 acres harvested last year.

The area to be harvested for hay is expected to increase 5,000 acres from a year ago to 315,000 acres. Alfalfa hay harvested acreage is expected to increase 15,000 acres to 275,000 acres and all other hay harvested acreage is expected to decrease 10,000 acres to 40,000 acres.

Acreage planted to upland cotton is estimated at 130,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from last year. American-Pima cotton planted area, at 8,000 acres, is up 1,500 acres from 2020.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2021 is estimated at 92.7 million acres, up 2 percent or 1.87 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 28 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 84.5 million acres, is up 2 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 2.60 million acres of barley for the 2021 crop year, down 1 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.04 million acres, is down 4 percent from 2020.

All wheat planted area for 2021 is estimated at 46.7 million acres, up 5 percent from 2020. This represents the fourth lowest all wheat planted area since records began in 1919. The 2021 winter wheat planted area, at 33.7 million acres, is up 11 percent from last year and up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.6 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.59 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.50 million acres are White Winter. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 25.4 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous forecast and up 11 percent from last year. Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2021 is estimated at 11.6 million acres, down 5 percent from 2020. Of this total, about 10.8 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Harvested area is expected to total 11.2 million acres, 7 percent below 2020. Durum planted area for 2021 is expected to total 1.48 million acres, down 12 percent from the previous year. Area harvested for grain is expected to total 1.44 million acres, down 13 percent from last year.

Producers intend to harvest 51.5 million acres of all hay in 2021, down 1 percent from 2020. If realized, this will represent the lowest total hay harvested area since 1907. The decrease in acreage is primarily due to dry growing conditions across the Great Plains. Alfalfa harvested acreage is expected to be 16.1 million acres, down 1 percent from 2020. All other hay (excluding alfalfa) is expected to be down 2 percent from last year, at 35.4 million acres.
All cotton planted area for 2021 is estimated at 11.7 million acres, down 3 percent from last year. Upland area is estimated at 11.6 million acres, down 3 percent from 2020. American Pima area is estimated at 142,000 acres, down 30 percent from 2020.

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