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## PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS – MARCH 1, 2021

### ARIZONA HIGHLIGHTS

As of March 1, Arizona growers intend to plant 85,000 acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2021, up 10,000 acres, or 13 percent from last year's plantings, according to the March 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Growers intend to plant 17,000 acres of **barley** in 2021, up 5,000 acres from last year's actual plantings. Growers are estimated to have seeded 45,000 acres of **Durum wheat** this year, up 1,000 acres from last year. **Hay** producers in the state intend to harvest 305,000 acres this year. This is down 5,000 acres from the acreage cut for hay in 2020.

Producers intend to plant 119,000 acres of **all cotton** in 2021, a decrease of 10 percent from last year. Of that, 115,000 acres are **upland** cotton, down 8 percent from last year, and 4,000 acres are **American Pima** cotton, down 38 percent from last year.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**Corn** planted area for all purposes in 2021 is estimated at 91.1 million acres, up less than 1 percent or an increase of 325,000 acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 24 of the 48 estimating States.

Producers intend to seed 2.59 million acres of **barley** for the 2021 crop year, down 1 percent from the previous year. If realized, this will represent the fourth lowest planted acreage on record.

**All wheat** planted area for 2021 is estimated at 46.4 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 33.1 million acres, is up 9 percent from last year and up 3 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.42 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.48 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2021 is estimated at 11.7 million acres, down 4 percent from 2020. Of this total, about 10.9 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2021 is expected to total 1.54 million acres, down 9 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 51.7 million acres of **all hay** in 2021, down 1 percent from 2020. If realized, this will represent the lowest total hay harvested area since 1908.

**All cotton** planted area for 2021 is estimated at 12.0 million acres, down less than 1 percent from last year. **Upland** area is estimated at 11.9 million acres, up slightly from 2020. **American Pima** area is estimated at 142,000 acres, down 30 percent from 2020.

For a full copy of the *Prospective Plantings* report, please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).