



# News Release

## Indiana Prospective Plantings

Indiana farmers intend to plant 5.80 million acres of corn for all purposes and 5.55 million acres of soybeans in 2016 according to the Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. If these intentions are realized, acreage planted to corn would be up 3 percent from the previous year, while soybean planted acreage remains the same as last year.

The 2016 winter wheat acreage seeded last fall is estimated at 350,000 acres, 21 percent above the 290,000 acres seeded the previous year. Hay acres intended for harvest, at 550,000 acres, is 2 percent below the 560,000 acres harvested the previous year.

Nationally, corn planted area for all purposes in 2016 is estimated at 93.6 million acres, up 6 percent from last year. If realized, this will represent the highest planted acreage in the United States since 2013, and will be the third highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944.

U.S. soybean planted area for 2016 is estimated at 82.2 million acres, down less than 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage intentions are down or unchanged in 23 of the 31 estimating States.

Nationally, all wheat planted area for 2016 is estimated at 49.6 million acres, down 9 percent from 2015. The 2016 winter wheat planted area, at 36.2 million acres, is down 8 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 26.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.60 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.37 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2016 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, down 14 percent from 2015. Of this total, about 10.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. The intended Durum planted area for 2016 is estimated at 2.00 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous year.

### Acres by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2014 - 2016

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Corn, all						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,900	5,650	5,800	90,597	87,999	93,601
Hay, all						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	600	560	550	57,062	54,437	54,305
Soybeans						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,450	5,550	5,550	83,276	82,650	82,236
Winter Wheat						
Planted .....1,000 acres	390	290	350	42,409	39,461	36,216

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