



# News Release

## Indiana Prospective Plantings

Indiana farmers intend to plant 6.1 million acres of soybeans this year, which, if realized, would be a new record, according to the Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. If these intentions are realized, acreage planted to soybeans would be up 3 percent from the previous year.

Acres intended for corn are 5.10 million acres, down 5 from last year. The 2018 winter wheat acreage seeded last fall is estimated at 300,000 acres, 3 percent above the 290,000 acres seeded the previous year. Hay acres intended for harvest, at 530,000 acres, is 9 percent below the 580,000 acres harvested the previous year.

Nationally, corn planted area for all purposes in 2018 is estimated at 88.0 million acres, down 2 percent or 2.14 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 33 of the 48 estimating States.

U.S. soybean planted area for 2018 is estimated at 89.0 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage intentions are down or unchanged in 20 of the 31 estimating States.

Nationally, all wheat planted area for 2018 is estimated at 47.3 million acres, up 3 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 slightly from both last year and the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.85 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.64 million acres are White Winter.

### Acres by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2016 - 2018

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Corn, all						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,600	5,350	5,100	94,004	90,167	88,026
Hay, all						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	500	580	530	53,481	53,784	53,726
Soybeans						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,650	5,950	6,100	83,433	90,142	88,982
Winter Wheat						
Planted .....1,000 acres	330	290	300	36,152	32,696	32,708

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