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Indiana Acreage Summary

Indiana farmers planted 5.1 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2018, a decrease of 250,000 acres from last year, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician, USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. Spring plantings started behind schedule in April due to cold temperatures, rain and snowfall. Higher temperatures and dry weather in May allowed for rapid planting progress. Crop progress, with the exception of winter wheat, was ahead of last year and the five year average as of June 4. Corn acreage, as of June 1, expected to be harvested for grain was 4.92 million acres, 270,000 acres below last year.

Soybean acreage planted or to be planted for all purposes in Indiana is estimated at 6.2 million acres, 4 percent above the 2017 planted acreage level and a record high for the State. Soybean acreage for harvest is expected to total 6.18 million acres, also up 4 percent from a year earlier.

Winter wheat planted acres of 310,000 in Indiana are up 7 percent from the previous year. Area expected to be harvested for grain, at 255,000 acres, is up 6 percent from a year ago. Wheat yield and production will be updated in the July 12 Crop Report. Producers expect to harvest 630,000 acres of dry hay in 2018. Alfalfa hay acreage, at 290,000 acres, is up 7 percent from last year, and all other dry hay acreage, at 340,000 acres, is up 10 percent from 2017.

Nationally, 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.

U.S. soybean planted area for 2018 is estimated at 89.6 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is down or unchanged in 14 of the 31 estimating States.

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.

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

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Corn, all						
Planted1,000 acres	5,600	5,350	5,100	94,004	90,167	89,128
Corn, grain						
Harvested1,000 acres	5,470	5,190	4,920	86,748	82,703	81,770
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested1,000 acres	210	270	290	16,885	16,563	17,351
Hay, other						
Harvested1,000 acres	290	310	340	36,596	37,221	37,717
Soybeans						
Planted1,000 acres	5,650	5,950	6,200	83,433	90,142	89,557
Harvested1,000 acres	5,630	5,940	6,180	82,696	89,522	88,862
Winter Wheat						
Planted1,000 acres	330	290	310	36,152	32,696	32,732
Harvested1,000 acres	280	240	255	30,237	25,291	24,831

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