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2016 KANSAS PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

TOPEKA, KS, March 31, 2016 - Kansas **corn** growers intend to plant 4.80 million acres this year, up 16 percent from 2015, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Soybean planted acreage is expected to be 3.85 million acres, down 1 percent from last year.

Winter wheat acres seeded in the fall of 2015 are estimated at 8.50 million, down 8 percent from last year.

Sorghum growers in Kansas intend to plant 3.15 million acres, down 7 percent from a year ago.

All hay acreage to be harvested is expected to total 2.40 million acres, down 2 percent from last year's acreage.

Sunflower producers expect to plant 58,000 acres, down 31 percent from 2015. **Oil** type varieties account for 45,000 acres, down 21 percent from a year ago. **Non-oil** varieties made up the balance of 13,000 acres, down 52 percent.

Oat intentions are estimated at 120,000 acres, up 26 percent from last year.

Canola planted acreage is expected to be 40,000 acres. The 2016 crop marks the first year that canola acreage and production estimates will be published for Kansas.

Cotton producers expect to plant 22,000 acres, up 38 percent from a year ago.

Estimates in this report are based on a survey conducted during the first two weeks of March.

Kansas Wheat Acreage Seeded 2012 – 2016, by District

Year	District Totals								
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE
	1,000 Acres								
2012	944.0	1,178.0	1,678.0	1,135.0	1,462.0	2,229.0	108.5	190.0	475.5
2013	947.0	1,109.5	1,585.0	1,208.6	1,495.0	2,221.0	125.7	261.8	546.4
2014	1,101.5	1,234.5	1,711.5	1,196.8	1,482.3	2,168.0	108.8	180.3	416.3
2015	1,064.0	1,193.2	1,643.0	1,115.8	1,372.7	2,100.5	97.2	161.9	451.7
2016 ^{1/}	1,000.0	1,100.0	1,450.0	1,050.0	1,300.0	1,950.0	80.0	140.0	430.0

^{1/} Preliminary

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