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2018 KANSAS ACREAGE

MANHATTAN, Kan. June 29, 2018 - Kansas producers planted 5.40 million acres of **corn** in 2018, down 2 percent from 2017, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Biotechnology varieties were used on 96 percent of the area planted, up 1 percentage point from 2017. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 5.10 million acres, down 2 percent from a year ago.

Soybean planted area is estimated at 4.85 million acres, down 6 percent from last year. Biotechnology varieties were used on 95 percent of the area planted, up 1 percentage point from 2017. Producers expect to harvest 4.81 million acres, down 6 percent from a year ago.

Sorghum acreage planted, at 2.85 million acres, is up 10 percent from a year ago. Area expected to be harvested for grain is 2.65 million acres, up 8 percent from last year.

Oil sunflower planted area is estimated at a record low 35,000 acres, down 33 percent from last year. A record low estimated 33,000 acres is expected to be harvested, down 34 percent from a year ago. **Non-oil sunflower** planted area is estimated at a record low 10,000 acres, down 26 percent from the previous year. Harvested area is estimated at a record low 9,000 acres, down 26 percent from the previous year.

Oats planted for all purposes is estimated at 135,000 acres, up 35 percent from last year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 50,000 acres, up 100 percent from last year.

Barley producers planted 18,000 acres. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 12,000 acres.

Alfalfa acreage to be harvested for dry hay is estimated at 490,000 acres, down 14 percent from last year. **Other hay** acreage to be cut for dry hay is estimated at 2.00 million acres, down 5 percent from a year ago.

Cotton acreage planted is estimated at a record high 120,000 acres, up 29 percent from last year.

Winter wheat seeded in the fall of 2017 totaled 7.80 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous year. Harvested area is expected to total 7.30 million acres, up 5 percent from last year.

Summer potato planted acreage, at 3,800 acres, is down 300 acres from 2017. Harvested acres is expected to total 3,700 acres, down 400 acres from a year ago.

Canola acres planted are 46,000, down 8 percent from last year. Area to be harvested is estimated at 39,000 acres, down 17 percent from the previous year.

Estimates in this report are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of June.

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