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## USDA To Measure Small Grain Production

**Jackson, MS** – As the 2019 crop production season continues, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will be contacting producers nationwide to determine the production and supply of small grains in the United States.

“Each year, the agriculture industry eagerly awaits USDA’s Small Grains Summary, which provides the final estimates for small grains to include wheat, oats, barley and rye,” said Esmerelda Dickson, Mississippi State Statistician. “The small grains industry is an important part of agriculture and it is crucial for all involved with the agriculture sector to have accurate data about this key sector of the economy.”

NASS will mail the survey questionnaire in August, asking producers to provide information on acreage, yield and production as well as quantities of grains stored on farm. The data collected from this survey will also help set estimates at the county level, to be published in December 2019. NASS encourages producers to respond online or by mail. Those producers who do not respond by mail or online by August 30 may be contacted for a telephone or personal interview.

“We recognize that this is a hectic time for farmers and ranchers,” added Dickson. “But the information they provide helps U.S. agriculture remain viable and capable. I urge them all to respond to these surveys and thank them for their time and cooperation.”

As with all NASS surveys, the results of this survey will be available in aggregate form only, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified. Survey results will be published in the Small Grains Summary and quarterly Grain Stocks report to be released on September 30, 2019.

These and all NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/). For more information call the NASS Delta Regional Field Office at (800) 327-2970.

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