

NEBRASKA BARLEY VARIETIES - 1957

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OVER ONE-FOURTH OF BARLEY ACREAGE IS SPARTAN VARIETY

Spartan barley was the leading variety of barley planted in 1957 by Nebraska farmers, according to the State-Federal Division of Agricultural Statistics. A recent survey of barley growers who reported on varieties planted on their own farms revealed that Spartan was planted on 27.4 percent of the total barley acreage, followed by Custer with 21.9 percent; Dicktoo, 8.3; Plains 8.0; Trebi, 6.8; Kearney, 4.8; Campana, 3.5; and Otis, 2.6 percent. Unknown varieties represented 7.9 percent and other miscellaneous varieties, including Velvon 11, Hiland, Ezond, Beccher, and Pueblo represented 8.8 percent of the total acreage.

SPARTAN LEADS IN NORTHWEST; PLAINS VARIETY POPULAR IN CENTRAL DISTRICT

Spartan barley was the leading variety in the Northwest (Panhandle) District with 32.9 percent of the total. Dicktoo occupied second place with 12.4 percent, followed by Custer, Trebi and Campana, all with about 10 percent of the acreage. Kearney, a winter barley variety, was planted on 6.3 percent of the acreage.

Plains was the leading barley variety in the Central District with 37.7 percent of the acreage devoted to this variety. Spartan barley was planted on 32.5 percent of the barley acreage while Custer represented 16.4 percent.

In the Southwest District, Dicktoo was the leader at 24.3 percent of the total, followed by Trebi with 18.2 percent and Kearney, 15.3 percent.

CUSTER AHEAD IN SOUTH CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST

Custer was top variety in the South Central District occupying 37.5 percent of the acreage with Spartan in second place with 19.2 percent and Dicktoo third at 9.9 percent.

Custer led in the Southeast with 41.9 percent and Spartan followed at 20.8 percent of the total. In the remaining 3 districts--North Central, Northeast, and East Central--Custer was out in front at 44.9 percent of the barley acreage. Spartan was runner-up at 31.0 percent.

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Percentage of Barley Acreage planted to Each Variety in 1957, by Crop Reporting Districts.

CROP REPORTING DISTRICTS	BARLEY VARIETY									
	SPARTAN	CUSTER	DICKTOO	TREBI	PLAINS	CAMPANA	KEARNEY	OTIS	UNKNOWN	OTHER
	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent	Per-cent
Northwest	32.9	10.7	12.4	10.4	.6	9.8	6.3	5.2	5.1	6.6
Central	32.5	16.4	.7	1.1	37.7	---	.6	2.1	6.2	2.7
Southwest	8.3	2.1	24.3	18.2	----	---	15.3	3.7	11.3	16.8
S. Central	19.2	37.5	9.9	2.4	4.3	---	7.8	----	9.9	9.0
Southeast	20.8	41.9	.7	8.5	----	---	----	---	13.7	14.4
Other/1	31.0	44.9	.7	----	2.7	.8	.2	---	9.2	10.5
STATE	27.4	21.9	8.3	6.8	8.0	3.5	4.8	2.6	7.9	8.8

/1 North Central, Northeast and East Central Districts combined because of small acreage.

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