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2016 NEBRASKA PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

LINCOLN, NE, March 31, 2016 - Nebraska **corn** growers intend to plant 9.70 million acres this year, up 3 percent from 2015, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Soybean planted acreage is expected to be 5.30 million acres, unchanged from last year.

All hay acreage to be harvested is expected to total 2.7 million acres, unchanged from a year ago.

Winter wheat acres seeded in the fall of 2015 are estimated at 1.35 million, down 9 percent from last year.

Sorghum growers in Nebraska intend to plant 270,000 acres, unchanged from a year ago.

Oat intentions are estimated at 145,000 acres, up 7 percent from last year.

Dry edible bean acreage intentions are estimated at 115,000 acres, down 18 percent from 2015.

Sugarbeet acres are expected to be 40,800 acres, down 14 percent from a year ago.

Sunflower producers expect to plant 44,000 acres, down 10 percent from 2015. **Oil** type varieties account for 27,000 acres, down 7 percent from a year ago. **Non-oil** varieties made up the balance of 17,000 acres, down 15 percent from last year.

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

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/ProsPlan//2010s/2016/ProsPlan-03-31-2016.pdf>

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