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SMALL GRAINS – SEPTEMBER 2021

NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production in New Mexico, estimated at 2.70 million bushels, is down 16 percent from 2020, according to the September 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Winter wheat producers seeded 370,000 acres in the fall of 2020 for harvest in 2021, up from 335,000 acres seeded for the previous year’s crop. Acreage harvested for grain was down 40,000 acres from last year to 75,000 acres in 2021 and is the lowest area harvested since 25,000 acres in 1927. Winter wheat yield, at 36.0 bushels per acre, is up 8.0 bushels per acre from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

All wheat production totaled 1.65 billion bushels in 2021, down 10 percent from the 2020 total of 1.83 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 37.2 million acres, up 1 percent from the previous year. The United States yield was estimated at 44.3 bushels per acre, down 5.4 bushels from the previous year. The levels of production and changes from 2020 by type were: winter wheat, 1.28 billion bushels, up 9 percent; other spring wheat, 331 million bushels, down 44 percent; and Durum wheat, 37.3 million bushels, down 46 percent.

Winter wheat production for 2021 totaled 1.28 billion bushels, up 9 percent from the revised 2020 total of 1.17 billion bushels. The United States yield, at 50.2 bushels per acre, was down 0.7 bushel from 2020. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 25.5 million acres, up 11 percent from the previous year. Hard Red Winter production totaled 749 million bushels, up 14 percent from 2020. Soft Red Winter production totaled 361 million bushels, up 35 percent from 2020, and White winter wheat production totaled 167 million bushels, down 32 percent from the previous year.

For a full copy of the Small Grains Summary report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.