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2014 NORTH DAKOTA PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

FARGO, ND, March 31, 2014 - North Dakota **spring wheat** producers intend to plant 5.90 million acres, up 16 percent from 2013, according to the USDA's, National Agricultural Statistics Service. Area planted to **Durum wheat** is expected to total 1.10 million acres, up 38 percent from last year. **Winter wheat** acres seeded last fall totaled 800,000 acres, up 264 percent from a year earlier and a record high.

Soybean growers intend to plant 5.65 million acres, up 22 percent from last year. If realized this will be a record high.

Corn growers in North Dakota intend to plant 2.95 million acres, down 23 percent from last year's record high.

All hay acreage to be harvested is estimated at 2.60 million acres, down 1 percent from 2013.

Canola planting intentions are 1.27 million acres, up 38 percent from 2013.

Sunflower planted acreage is expected to total 670,000 acres, up 34 percent from last year. **Oil sunflower** planting intentions are 570,000 acres, up 34 percent from last year. **Non-oil sunflower** area is expected to total 100,000 acres, up 35 percent from 2013.

Barley producers intend to plant 650,000 acres, down 14 percent from last year.

Dry edible bean acreage intentions are estimated at 620,000 acres, up 141 percent from 2013. **Dry edible peas** are estimated at 260,000 acres, down 12 percent from the previous year. **Lentil** intentions are estimated at 120,000 acres, down 7 percent from last year.

Flaxseed planted acreage is expected to total 300,000 acres, double last year's planted acreage.

Sugarbeet growers expect to plant 218,000 acres, down 4 percent from last year.

Oat intentions are estimated at 210,000 acres, down 7 percent from last year.

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

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