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North Dakota Cavalier County led all North Dakota counties in spring wheat production in 2008 for the third straight year with 18.2 million bushels. There were 367,000 acres harvested for grain in Cavalier County, which averaged 49.5 bushels per acre. Pembina County remained in second place with 13.5 million bushels produced. In third place, Walsh County moved up from fifth place with 12.6 million bushels produced.

Williams County topped all North Dakota counties in durum wheat production for the eighth consecutive year, with 8.58 million bushels. Acres harvested for grain totaled 397,000, with an average yield of 21.5 bushels. Divide County came in second, with 8.15 million bushels produced, followed by Mountrail County with 5.37 million bushels.

The largest barley producing county in North Dakota for the eighth consecutive year was Bottineau County, with 9.87 million bushels harvested from 180,700 acres. The average yield for Bottineau County

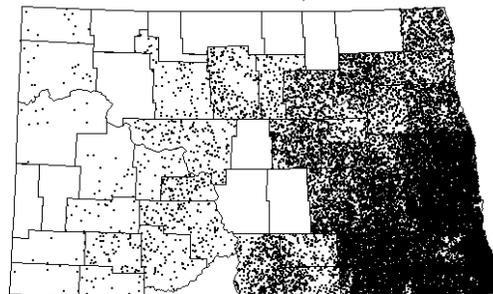
was 54.6 bushels. Renville County came in second again with 7.12 million bushels produced. In third place, Cavalier County produced 5.57 million bushels.

The top corn for grain producing county in 2008 was again Richland County, with 39.7 million bushels from 272,000 acres. The average yield in Richland County was 146.0 bushels per harvested acre. Cass County remained in second place with 38.9 million bushels harvested from 269,000 acres. In third place, LaMoure County produced 19.8 million bushels.

The largest soybean producing county in North Dakota was again Cass County with 14.8 million bushels harvested from 458,000 acres. Cass County was also the Nation's number one producing soybean county for 2008 in both acreage and total production. The average yield for Cass County was 32.5 bushels. Stutsman County was again in second place with 10.2 million bushels produced. It was followed by Richland County, with 9.78 million bushels.

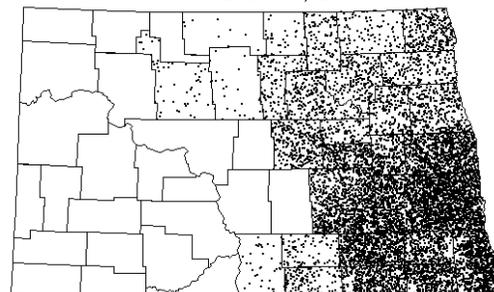
Cavalier County topped all North Dakota counties in canola production, with 346 million pounds, more than two and a half times the next highest county. Acres harvested totaled 197,000, with an average yield of 1,754 pounds. Towner County came in second, with 133 million pounds produced, followed by Ward County, with 111 million pounds.

Corn for Grain: Production North Dakota, 2008



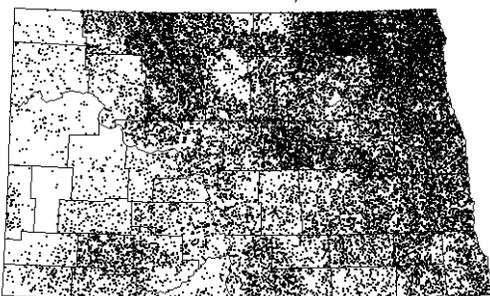
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Soybeans: Production North Dakota, 2008



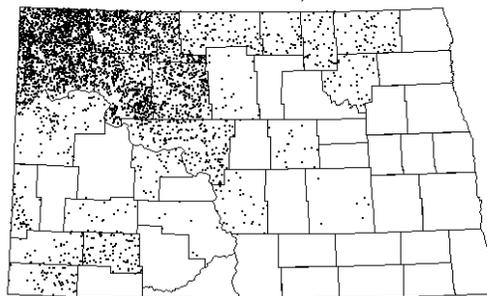
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Spring Wheat: Production North Dakota, 2008



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Durum Wheat: Production North Dakota, 2008



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Spring Wheat, Durum Wheat and Barley: Acreage, Yield and Production, North Dakota by County, 2008¹

District and County	Spring Wheat				Durum Wheat				Barley			
	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Bu</i>
Burke	115,000	113,000	33.0	3,740,000	125,000	124,500	31.5	3,932,000	31,000	28,200	50.6	1,426,000
Divide	15,000	14,900	26.0	385,000	275,000	274,000	29.5	8,147,000	9,000	8,800	47.3	416,000
Mountrail	100,000	99,000	24.5	2,420,000	225,000	222,500	24.0	5,374,000	54,500	48,600	44.0	2,140,000
Renville	175,000	174,000	42.0	7,350,000	50,000	49,500	41.0	2,025,000	113,000	112,000	63.6	7,120,000
Ward	310,000	306,000	41.0	12,540,000	110,000	109,500	37.0	4,037,000	75,000	73,600	61.5	4,527,000
Williams	65,000	59,100	18.5	1,105,000	410,000	397,000	21.5	8,575,000	45,500	43,800	41.8	1,831,000
Combined Counties												
Northwest	780,000	766,000	36.0	27,540,000	1,195,000	1,177,000	27.5	32,090,000	328,000	315,000	55.4	17,460,000
Benson	140,000	137,000	40.5	5,575,000					65,000	62,000	60.9	3,777,000
Bottineau	235,000	225,000	36.0	8,100,000	30,000	29,000	32.5	946,000	183,000	180,700	54.6	9,873,000
McHenry	165,000	162,000	34.0	5,515,000	7,300	5,900	35.0	206,000	58,000	56,900	56.0	3,184,000
Pierce	125,000	123,000	36.0	4,450,000					41,000	39,200	53.6	2,103,000
Rolette	95,000	93,000	42.0	3,890,000	9,600	9,300	43.0	400,000	46,000	45,200	56.7	2,563,000
Combined Counties					5,100	4,800	41.5	198,000				
North Central	760,000	740,000	37.0	27,530,000	52,000	49,000	35.5	1,750,000	393,000	384,000	56.0	21,500,000
Cavalier	370,000	367,000	49.5	18,230,000	13,000	12,800	44.5	567,000	77,500	76,100	73.2	5,574,000
Grand Forks	195,000	194,000	56.5	10,930,000								
Nelson	115,000	114,000	46.5	5,305,000					28,000	27,400	59.6	1,632,000
Pembina	240,000	235,000	57.5	13,470,000								
Ramsey	115,000	114,000	44.5	5,090,000	7,500	7,400	50.0	371,000	78,000	76,100	66.6	5,070,000
Towner	210,000	208,000	46.0	9,570,000	11,500	11,400	39.5	452,000	49,000	48,000	68.8	3,304,000
Walsh	235,000	233,000	54.0	12,565,000					23,000	22,600	71.5	1,615,000
Combined Counties					4,000	3,700	43.0	160,000	26,500	24,800	65.3	1,620,000
Northeast	1,480,000	1,465,000	51.5	75,160,000	36,000	35,300	44.0	1,550,000	282,000	275,000	68.4	18,815,000
Dunn	160,000	101,000	7.5	770,000					21,000	7,700	25.8	199,000
McKenzie	110,000	78,000	10.0	765,000	101,000	75,300	13.0	985,000	39,000	25,400	23.9	608,000
McLean	280,000	273,000	24.5	6,685,000	101,000	95,900	19.0	1,833,000	56,000	55,700	44.2	2,462,000
Mercer	68,000	52,000	21.5	1,125,000	21,000	16,300	19.0	313,000	31,000	22,000	32.9	724,000
Oliver	72,000	63,000	17.0	1,065,000					17,000	14,200	30.8	437,000
Combined Counties					12,000	9,500	10.5	99,000				
West Central	690,000	567,000	18.5	10,410,000	235,000	197,000	16.5	3,230,000	164,000	125,000	35.4	4,430,000
Eddy	48,000	47,500	50.0	2,380,000					26,000	25,400	80.6	2,048,000
Foster	75,000	74,500	51.0	3,800,000					35,500	34,800	73.0	2,542,000
Kidder	62,000	61,000	39.0	2,375,000								
Sheridan	100,000	98,000	34.0	3,335,000								
Stutsman	140,000	138,000	47.5	6,535,000	1,700	1,600	39.0	62,000	28,500	27,600	66.9	1,846,000
Wells	195,000	192,000	47.5	9,125,000	6,500	6,000	28.5	170,000	46,000	44,300	68.1	3,015,000
Combined Counties					7,800	7,400	40.5	298,000	57,000	54,900	50.9	2,794,000
Central	620,000	611,000	45.0	27,550,000	16,000	15,000	35.5	530,000	193,000	187,000	65.5	12,245,000
Barnes	125,000	124,000	59.0	7,330,000					11,000	10,500	78.4	823,000
Cass	160,000	159,000	61.5	9,785,000					6,000	5,700	72.1	411,000
Griggs	70,000	69,500	55.5	3,855,000					20,000	19,500	70.5	1,375,000
Steele	75,000	74,000	53.0	3,940,000					8,500	8,100	67.9	550,000
Traill	90,000	89,500	60.0	5,350,000					9,500	9,200	81.1	746,000
Combined Counties												
East Central	520,000	516,000	58.5	30,260,000					55,000	53,000	73.7	3,905,000
Adams	140,000	114,000	17.0	1,925,000								
Billings	22,000	5,000	10.0	50,000								
Bowman	88,000	81,000	16.5	1,350,000	38,000	35,800	14.5	526,000	26,000	22,900	31.2	714,000
Golden Valley	40,000	33,000	21.5	710,000	24,500	22,000	18.0	396,000				
Hettinger	250,000	230,000	18.0	4,135,000	62,000	55,200	15.5	844,000	13,500	11,300	35.2	398,000
Slope	90,000	69,000	10.0	695,000	41,000	35,300	9.0	309,000	15,000	10,500	25.3	266,000
Stark	230,000	153,000	9.0	1,385,000	49,000	24,300	8.5	210,000				
Combined Counties					25,500	19,400	11.5	225,000	40,500	26,300	25.2	662,000
Southwest	860,000	685,000	15.0	10,250,000	240,000	192,000	13.0	2,510,000	95,000	71,000	28.7	2,040,000
Burleigh	115,000	109,000	33.5	3,635,000	8,500	8,300	34.5	287,000	20,500	18,800	45.1	848,000
Emmons	150,000	146,000	31.0	4,540,000					22,000	21,100	42.2	891,000
Grant	150,000	145,000	22.5	3,255,000								
Morton	210,000	198,000	16.5	3,295,000	7,100	6,700	11.5	76,000	39,500	34,800	37.6	1,310,000
Sioux	35,000	32,000	26.0	835,000								
Combined Counties					6,400	6,200	14.0	87,000	20,000	18,800	41.5	781,000
South Central	660,000	630,000	24.5	15,560,000	22,000	21,200	21.0	450,000	102,000	93,500	41.0	3,830,000
Dickey	34,000	31,500	53.0	1,675,000					3,000	2,800	51.8	145,000
LaMoure	61,000	60,500	62.0	3,760,000					6,500	6,300	71.4	450,000
Logan	63,000	62,000	33.0	2,055,000					15,500	15,100	49.7	751,000
McIntosh	74,000	72,000	34.5	2,500,000					10,500	10,100	53.9	544,000
Ransom	56,000	55,000	67.0	3,690,000								
Richland	94,000	92,000	58.0	5,340,000								
Sargent	48,000	47,000	66.5	3,120,000								
Combined Counties									2,500	2,200	56.8	125,000
Southeast	430,000	420,000	52.5	22,140,000					38,000	36,500	55.2	2,015,000
Combined Districts					4,000	3,500	40.0	140,000				
State Total	6,800,000	6,400,000	38.5	246,400,000	1,800,000	1,690,000	25.0	42,250,000	1,650,000	1,540,000	56.0	86,240,000

¹ Data published in combined counties or districts to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

COUNTY ESTIMATES (Continued)

Canola, Corn and Soybeans: Acreage, Yield and Production, North Dakota by County, 2008 ¹

District and County	Canola				All Corn	Corn for Grain				Soybeans			
	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Area Planted	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Lbs</i>	<i>Lbs</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Bu</i>	<i>Bu</i>	
Burke	34,000	33,800	1,193	40,320,000									
Divide	6,400	6,400	1,011	6,470,000	2,000	1,400	86.0	120,000					
Mountrail	45,700	44,400	1,026	45,540,000									
Renville	56,000	56,000	1,476	82,660,000									
Ward	75,900	74,600	1,486	110,830,000	12,500	9,300	87.0	807,000	18,300	18,200	29.0	524,000	
Williams	5,000	4,600	1,076	4,950,000	2,600	1,600	97.0	155,000					
Combined Counties					4,900	2,700	70.0	188,000	2,500	2,300	28.5	66,000	
Northwest	223,000	219,800	1,323	290,770,000	22,000	15,000	85.0	1,270,000	20,800	20,500	29.0	590,000	
Benson	18,500	18,100	1,464	26,490,000	52,500	49,400	94.0	4,661,000	95,000	93,800	26.0	2,442,000	
Bottineau	47,100	46,000	1,367	62,890,000					4,000	3,900	21.0	81,000	
McHenry	30,500	30,200	1,384	41,800,000	34,200	24,800	91.0	2,268,000	10,500	10,400	24.0	248,000	
Pierce	23,300	23,100	1,516	35,030,000	19,100	13,500	86.0	1,164,000	47,500	47,100	24.5	1,158,000	
Rolette	46,600	46,400	1,788	82,980,000					14,000	13,900	24.5	341,000	
Combined Counties					8,200	4,300	81.0	347,000					
North Central	166,000	163,800	1,521	249,190,000	114,000	92,000	92.0	8,440,000	171,000	169,100	25.5	4,270,000	
Cavalier	200,000	197,000	1,754	345,590,000					44,000	40,100	25.0	995,000	
Grand Forks					88,000	84,700	123.0	10,460,000	125,000	124,100	26.0	3,244,000	
Nelson	19,500	19,400	1,471	28,530,000	29,500	27,700	100.0	2,778,000	86,000	84,600	22.0	1,850,000	
Pembina					39,600	38,000	124.0	4,728,000	101,000	97,900	29.0	2,857,000	
Ramsey	37,600	37,600	1,727	64,940,000	66,000	62,200	106.0	6,617,000	92,000	88,900	24.5	2,165,000	
Towner	77,500	77,400	1,718	132,940,000					42,000	41,700	26.0	1,086,000	
Walsh	11,100	11,100	1,700	18,870,000	44,500	40,700	107.0	4,347,000	70,000	68,200	28.0	1,913,000	
Combined Counties	6,300	6,200	1,842	11,420,000	12,400	11,700	113.0	1,320,000					
Northeast	352,000	348,700	1,727	602,290,000	280,000	265,000	114.0	30,250,000	560,000	545,500	26.0	14,110,000	
Dunn	2,700	2,600	846	2,200,000	13,300	4,200	38.0	161,000					
McKenzie	3,400	3,200	538	1,720,000	4,800	1,200	87.0	104,000					
McLean	63,500	61,500	945	58,130,000	21,500	16,400	89.0	1,452,000					
Mercer	7,000	6,800	681	4,630,000	8,200	2,900	84.0	243,000					
Oliver	1,400	1,400	1,221	1,710,000	15,200	9,000	91.0	820,000					
Combined Counties													
West Central	78,000	75,500	906	68,390,000	63,000	33,700	82.0	2,780,000					
Eddy	3,300	3,300	1,748	5,770,000	19,300	17,600	100.0	1,752,000	42,000	41,400	24.5	1,019,000	
Foster	4,300	4,200	1,557	6,540,000	41,000	38,800	104.0	4,044,000	110,000	108,900	24.5	2,650,000	
Kidder	3,300	3,100	1,287	3,990,000									
Sheridan	14,000	12,800	1,109	14,200,000									
Stutsman	4,700	4,400	1,150	5,060,000	158,000	143,600	116.0	16,695,000	372,000	369,500	27.5	10,156,000	
Wells	4,900	4,700	1,177	5,530,000	64,800	61,100	99.0	6,025,000	122,000	121,800	25.5	3,132,000	
Combined Counties					31,900	18,400	114.0	2,094,000	34,000	33,400	21.0	703,000	
Central	34,500	32,500	1,264	41,090,000	315,000	279,500	110.0	30,610,000	680,000	675,000	26.0	17,660,000	
Barnes					153,000	147,800	126.0	18,679,000	330,000	329,000	28.0	9,149,000	
Cass					272,000	269,000	145.0	38,944,000	462,000	458,000	32.5	14,812,000	
Griggs					35,000	32,600	122.0	3,975,000	103,000	102,800	24.0	2,485,000	
Steele					86,000	81,500	125.0	10,223,000	141,000	139,500	27.0	3,744,000	
Traill					134,000	130,100	135.0	17,549,000	194,000	193,700	29.0	5,660,000	
Combined Counties	4,500	4,500	1,513	6,810,000									
East Central	4,500	4,500	1,513	6,810,000	680,000	661,000	135.0	89,370,000	1,230,000	1,223,000	29.5	35,850,000	
Adams					10,600	3,000	51.0	154,000					
Billings													
Bowman					7,800	800	71.0	57,000					
Golden Valley													
Hettinger	33,500	33,000	956	31,550,000	12,800	10,900	59.0	641,000					
Slope	1,900	1,300	900	1,170,000	3,900	1,200	44.0	53,000					
Stark	3,000	2,700	404	1,090,000	16,100	6,200	37.0	228,000					
Combined Counties	4,600	4,300	974	4,190,000	6,800	5,200	17.0	87,000					
Southwest	43,000	41,300	920	38,000,000	58,000	27,300	45.0	1,220,000					
Burleigh					56,400	46,400	104.0	4,806,000	17,000	16,600	21.5	355,000	
Emmons					19,500	11,800	60.0	710,000					
Grant					38,800	20,300	61.0	1,241,000					
Morton													
Sioux													
Combined Counties					33,300	22,000	96.0	2,103,000	11,000	10,600	16.5	175,000	
South Central					148,000	100,500	88.0	8,860,000	28,000	27,200	19.5	530,000	
Dickey					145,000	136,300	140.0	19,115,000	161,000	160,500	32.0	5,170,000	
LaMoure					160,000	155,200	128.0	19,809,000	266,000	265,000	26.5	7,022,000	
Logan					32,000	24,200	90.0	2,185,000	40,000	39,800	21.5	856,000	
McIntosh					29,000	24,400	110.0	2,693,000	62,000	61,200	22.5	1,380,000	
Ransom					97,000	88,900	135.0	11,998,000	112,000	111,200	30.5	3,374,000	
Richland					280,000	272,000	146.0	39,659,000	305,000	298,500	33.0	9,778,000	
Sargent					127,000	125,000	136.0	16,941,000	159,000	158,800	29.0	4,600,000	
Combined Counties													
Southeast					870,000	826,000	136.0	112,400,000	1,105,000	1,095,000	29.5	32,180,000	
Combined Districts	9,000	8,900	1,142	10,160,000					5,200	4,700	19.0	90,000	
State Total	910,000	895,000	1,460	1,306,700,000	2,550,000	2,300,000	124.0	285,200,000	3,800,000	3,760,000	28.0	105,280,000	

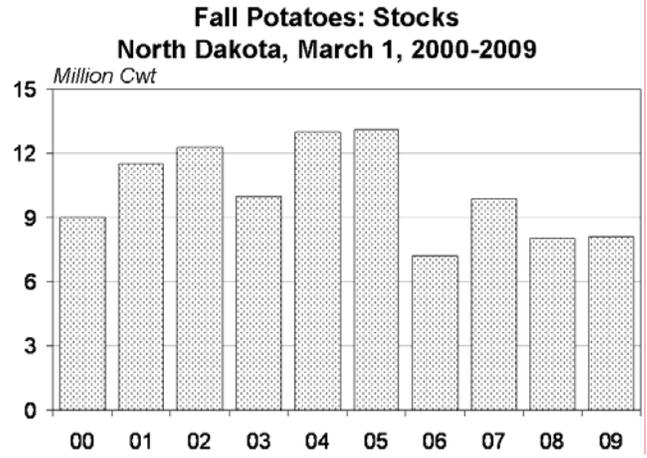
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POTATO STOCKS

North Dakota Growers, dealers and processors held 8.10 million hundredweight (cwt) of potatoes in storage March 1, 2009, up 1 percent from a year ago but down 18 percent from two years ago. Current stocks represent 36 percent of production, up from 34 percent last year but down from 39 percent two years ago. Total stocks are defined as all potatoes on hand, regardless of use, including those that will be lost through future shrinkage and dumping.

Disappearance from the start of harvest to March 1 totaled 14.6 million cwt, down from 15.7 million cwt a year ago and 15.6 million cwt two years ago. February disappearance totaled 2.30 million cwt, up from 2.00 million cwt a year ago and 2.10 million cwt two years ago. February 1, 2009 stocks were revised up from 10.3 million cwt to 10.4 million cwt.

United States The 13 major potato States held 151 million cwt of potatoes in storage March 1, 2009, down 8 percent from a year ago and 5 percent below March 1, 2007. Potatoes in storage accounted for 41 percent of the 2008 fall storage States' production, slightly below March 1, 2008. Potato disappearance, at 217 million cwt, was 8 percent below March 1, 2008 and down 6 percent from 2007. Processors in the 9 major States have used 117 million cwt of potatoes this season, down 8 percent from the same period last year and down 8 percent from 2 years ago. Dehydrating usage accounted for 21.5 million cwt of the total processing, down 15 percent from last year and 23 percent below the same period in 2007.



**Fall Potatoes: Production and Stocks
13 Major States and United States, March 1, 2008-2009**

State	Crop of 2007		Crop of 2008		
	Production 1,000 Cwt	Stocks March 1, 2008 1,000 Cwt	Production 1,000 Cwt	Stocks	
				February 1, 2009 1,000 Cwt	March 1, 2009 1,000 Cwt
North Dakota ¹	23,660	8,000	22,680	10,400	8,100
California	3,792	1,100	3,939	1,300	1,000
Colorado	20,981	9,500	21,338	12,500	10,900
Idaho	130,010	60,500	114,805	64,000	54,000
Maine	16,668	8,000	14,769	8,500	7,100
Michigan	14,700	3,700	14,875	5,000	3,500
Minnesota	21,560	8,200	20,400	10,600	8,700
Montana	3,696	3,100	3,465	3,200	3,000
Nebraska ¹	8,217	3,000	8,342	4,200	3,500
New York	5,216	1,200	5,696	1,200	800
Oregon	20,293	11,600	18,676	12,000	9,800
Washington	100,800	35,400	93,000	38,600	31,400
Wisconsin	28,160	10,100	25,730	12,000	9,200
13 State Total	397,753	163,400	367,715	183,500	151,000

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