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SY SOREN IS THE LEADING SPRING WHEAT VARIETY IN NORTH DAKOTA

FARGO, ND July 26, 2016 - SY Soren is the leading spring wheat variety in North Dakota for 2016. It takes over this position from Barlow which had been the leading variety planted the previous four years. SY Soren accounts for 15.4 percent of the 6.30 million acres of spring wheat planted in 2016. SY Ingmar ranks second with 11.5 percent of the spring wheat acreage. Elgin-ND represents 8.7 percent of the spring wheat planted and ranks third. Barlow now ranks fourth with 8.0 percent of the spring wheat acres planted. Glenn accounts for 7.9 percent of the spring wheat acreage and ranks fifth. These top five varieties account for 51.5 percent of the spring wheat planted in 2016. North Dakota continues to rank first in spring wheat acreage in the United States, with 51.9 percent of the nation's estimated 12.1 million acres planted.

Divide is the leading Durum wheat variety for the eighth consecutive year. Divide accounts for 21.5 percent of the 1.30 million acres planted compared with 29.5 in 2015 and 37.0 percent in 2014. Carpio and Alkabo rank second and third, respectively, with 17.0 and 11.2 percent of the Durum wheat acres planted. Joppa ranks fourth with 10.3 percent, and Tioga ranks fifth with 8.0 percent. These top five varieties account for 68.0 percent of the Durum wheat acreage in North Dakota. Once again, North Dakota ranks first in Durum wheat planted acreage in the United States with 60.6 percent of the nation's estimated 2.15 million acres planted.

Jerry accounts for 15.0 percent of the 2016 winter wheat planted acreage in North Dakota, marking the 13th consecutive year as the most popular winter wheat variety. Decade and WB Matlock rank second and third, respectively, with 13.2 and 8.7 percent of the winter wheat acres planted. SY Wolf ranks fourth with 7.9 percent of the winter wheat acreage planted in North Dakota. These top four varieties account for 44.8 percent of the 140,000 acres planted in North Dakota for 2016.

The data in this report are based on a survey of wheat producers conducted during June by the North Dakota Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. **Thank you to each person who supplied data and made this report possible!**

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