



News Release

Ohio Winter Wheat Seedings

Ohio winter wheat seeded area for 2017 is estimated at 490,000 acres, a decrease of 16 percent from last year, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Ohio winter wheat seeding began in mid-September; wet soil conditions, in addition to delayed harvest dates for corn and soybeans, slowed planting progress and reduced the number of acres of wheat which could be planted. Planting pace increased throughout the fall as soil conditions improved, and seeding was completed by mid-November, slightly behind schedule. By the end of November, the crop was nearly fully emerged, and 87 percent of the crop was rated good-to-excellent.

U.S. winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2017 is estimated at 32.4 million acres, down 10 percent from 2016 and 18 percent below 2015. This represents the second lowest United States acreage on record. Seeding began in early September and remained at or ahead the 5-year average seeding pace through the middle of November when seeding was mostly complete.

Winter wheat area seeded, 2015 - 2017

Item	Ohio			United States		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Planted..... 1,000 acres	520	580	490	39,681	36,137	32,383
Harvested..... 1,000 acres	480	560		32,346	30,222	
Yield..... Bushels	67	80		42.5	55.3	
Production..... 1,000 bu	32,160	44,800		1,374,690	1,671,532	

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