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Wheat Seedings in the Northwest down 2 percent from last year United States planted acres Up 5 Percent

Idaho growers seeded 740,000 acres of winter wheat for the 2021 crop, up 3 percent from 2020, and 1 percent above the 2019 crop. Oregon farmers planted 710,000 acres, down 4 percent from the 2020 crop and down 4 percent from 2019. Washington winter wheat growers seeded an estimated 1.75 million acres of winter wheat for harvest in 2021. This is down 3 percent from the area seeded in 2020 but unchanged from 2019.

Nationally: Planted area for harvest in 2021 is estimated at 32.0 million acres, up 5 percent from 2020 and up 2 percent from 2019. This represents the fourth lowest United States acreage on record. Seeding of the 2021 acreage was underway in early-September and was ahead of the 5-year average pace. Throughout the season, planting and emergence progress remained ahead of the 5-year average pace. Seeding was mostly complete by November 15, 2020.

Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat seeded area is expected to total 22.3 million acres, up 4 percent from 2020. Planted acreage is up from last year across most of the growing region. The largest increases in planted acreage are estimated in Kansas, Montana, and North Dakota, while the largest decreases are estimated in Nebraska and Texas. Record low acreage was seeded in Nebraska and Utah.

Soft Red Winter (SRW) wheat seeded area totals 6.23 million acres, up 12 percent from last year. Compared with last year, the largest acreage increases are expected in Indiana, Missouri, Tennessee, and Wisconsin, while the largest acreage decreases are expected in Georgia, Maryland, and Ohio.

White Winter wheat seeded area totals 3.48 million acres, down less than 1 percent from 2020. Planting throughout the Pacific Northwest was ahead of the 5-year average throughout most of the planting process. Seeding was virtually complete in the region by early November.

Winter Wheat Area Seeded — States and United States: 2019-2021

State	Crop year			2021 as a percent of 2020
	2019	2020	2021	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	130	135	170	126
Arkansas.....	110	145	180	124
California	390	355	330	93
Colorado	2,150	1,900	1,950	103
Delaware	60	75	60	80
Georgia.....	150	190	170	89
Idaho	730	720	740	103
Illinois.....	650	570	630	111
Indiana.....	330	300	400	133
Kansas.....	7,100	6,600	7,300	111
Kentucky.....	460	510	500	98
Maryland.....	345	355	330	93
Michigan	550	490	580	118
Mississippi	45	40	80	200
Missouri	550	480	660	138
Montana.....	2,000	1,550	1,700	110
Nebraska	1,070	900	810	90
New Jersey	19	25	26	104
New Mexico	365	330	350	106
New York.....	90	150	165	110
North Carolina.....	290	450	460	102
North Dakota.....	85	40	140	350
Ohio.....	500	530	500	94
Oklahoma	4,200	4,250	4,300	101
Oregon	740	740	710	96
Pennsylvania	180	235	240	102
South Carolina	70	110	110	100
South Dakota	860	630	710	113
Tennessee.....	280	300	400	133
Texas.....	4,600	4,900	4,800	98
Utah.....	125	110	110	100
Virginia.....	180	220	240	109
Washington	1,750	1,800	1,750	97
Wisconsin	195	160	275	172
Wyoming.....	125	120	115	96
United States	31,474	30,415	31,991	105

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