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2018 SOUTH DAKOTA ACREAGE

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. June 29, 2018 - South Dakota producers planted 5.20 million acres of **corn** for all purposes, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This is down 9 percent from last year. Of the total acres, 96 percent were planted with biotechnology varieties. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 4.85 million acres, down 5 percent from a year ago.

Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 5.70 million acres, up 1 percent from last year, and a record high. Of these, 97 percent were planted with genetically modified, herbicide resistant seed. Producers expect to harvest 5.66 million acres, up 1 percent from a year ago, and also a record high.

Winter wheat planted last fall is estimated at 830,000 acres, down 9 percent from a year ago. Harvested area is expected to total 730,000 acres, up 40 percent from last year. **Other spring wheat** planted area is estimated at 1.05 million acres, up 8 percent from a year earlier. Harvested acreage is expected to total 1.02 million acres, up 52 percent from a year ago. **Durum wheat** planted area is estimated at 9,000 acres, up 2,000 acres from a year ago. Harvested area is estimated at 9,000 acres, up 3,000 acres from last year.

Oil sunflower planted area is estimated at 640,000 acres, up 19 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 620,000 acres, up 19 percent from a year ago. **Non-oil sunflower** planted area is estimated at 50,000 acres, down 39 percent from the previous year. Harvested area is estimated at 47,000 acres, down 36 percent from the previous year.

Sorghum planted for all purposes is estimated at 300,000 acres, up 11 percent from the previous year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 215,000 acres, up 26 percent from last year.

Oats planted for all purposes is estimated at 305,000 acres, up 5 percent from last year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 100,000 acres, up 67 percent from last year.

Barley producers planted 55,000 acres. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 32,000 acres. South Dakota barley estimates have been reinstated to the NASS crop estimating program after being discontinued in 2016.

Safflower planted, at 30,000 acres is up 37 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 27,000 acres, up 46 percent from the previous year.

Proso millet planted, at 90,000 acres is up 70 percent from last year.

Dry edible peas planted area is estimated at 30,000 acres, down 21 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 28,000 acres, down 20 percent from the previous year.

Flaxseed planted acreage, at 7,000 acres, is up 1,000 acres from a year ago. Area to be harvested is estimated at 6,000 acres, up 1,000 acres from last year.

Alfalfa acreage to be harvested for dry hay is estimated at 1.70 million acres, up 13 percent from last year. **Other hay** acreage to be cut for dry hay is estimated at 1.30 million acres, down 19 percent from a year ago.

The estimates of planted and harvested acreages in this news release are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of June.

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/Acre//2010s/2018/Acre-06-29-2018.pdf>

Access the National Crop Production Executive Briefing at:

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