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## 2020 SOUTH DAKOTA ACREAGE

**SIoux FALLS, S.D. June 30, 2020** - South Dakota producers planted 5.40 million acres of **corn** for all purposes, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. This is up 24% from last year. Of the total acres, 95% were planted with biotechnology varieties, up 1 percentage point from 2019. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 4.92 million acres, up 27% from a year ago.

**Soybean** planted acreage is estimated at 5.20 million acres, up 49% from last year. Of these, 95% were planted with genetically modified, herbicide resistant seed, up 2 percentage points from 2019. Producers expect to harvest 5.15 million acres, up 50% from a year ago.

**Winter wheat** planted last fall is estimated at 650,000 acres, down 24% from a year ago. Harvested area is expected to total 580,000 acres, down 25% from last year. **Other spring wheat** planted area is estimated at 850,000 acres, up 33% from a year earlier. Harvested acreage is expected to total 815,000 acres, up 35% from a year ago.

**Oil sunflower** planted area is estimated at 580,000 acres, up 20% from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 555,000 acres, up 21% from a year ago. **Non-oil sunflower** planted area is estimated at 35,000 acres, down 27% from the previous year. Harvested area is estimated at 32,000 acres, up 3% from the previous year.

**Sorghum** planted for all purposes is estimated at 260,000 acres, up 4% from the previous year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 120,000 acres, down 31% from last year.

**Oats** planted for all purposes is estimated at 345,000 acres, up 41% from last year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 115,000 acres, up 53% from last year.

**Barley** producers planted 35,000 acres, down 5% from last year. Area to be harvested for grain is estimated at 10,000 acres, up 11% from last year.

**Safflower** planted, at 21,000 acres is up 52% from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 19,000 acres, up 65% from the previous year and a record high if realized.

**Proso millet** planted, at 46,000 acres, is down 10% from last year. Harvested acreage will be released in January 2021 in the Crop Production Summary.

**Dry edible pea** planted acreage is estimated at 12,000 acres, down 25% from last year and a record low if realized. Harvested area is estimated at 11,000 acres, down 27% from the previous year and a record low if realized.

**Alfalfa** acreage to be harvested for dry hay is estimated at 1.85 million acres, down 3% from last year. **Other hay** acreage to be cut for dry hay is estimated at 1.50 million acres, up 3% 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.

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