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Tennessee Winter Wheat Production down 4 percent from 2017

Tennessee farmers harvested 18.5 million bushels of **winter wheat** during the summer of 2018 according to the Tennessee Field Office of USDA'S National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was down 4 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 65.0 bushels per acre, down 5.0 bushels from 2017. Farmers seeded 380,000 acres last fall, up 10,000 acres from 2017. Area harvested for grain totaled 285,000 acres. Acres for other uses totaled 95,000 acres and were used as cover crop, cut as hay, chopped for silage or abandoned.

Production of **all wheat** for the **U.S.** totaled 1.88 billion bushels, up 8 percent from 2017. Grain area harvested totaled 39.6 million acres, up 5 percent from the previous year. The United States yield is estimated at 47.6 bushels per acre, up 1.3 bushels from last year. The levels of production and changes from 2017 by type are winter wheat, 1.18 billion bushels, down 7 percent; other spring wheat, 623 million bushels, up 50 percent, and durum wheat, 77.3 million bushels, up 41 percent.