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March 1 Planting Intentions

Farmers in Tennessee intend to plant 1,040,000 acres of corn, 70,000 higher than 2019. U.S. corn growers intend to plant 97.0 million acres for all purposes in 2020, up 8 percent from last year and 9 percent higher than 2018.

Soybean acreage in Tennessee was expected to total 1.50 million acres, up 100,000 acres from the previous year. U.S. soybean planted area for 2020 is estimated at 83.5 million acres, up 10 percent from last year.

Upland cotton acreage to be planted in Tennessee is forecast at 360,000, down 50,000 acres from 2019. The U.S. total upland cotton acreage is estimated at 13.5 million acres, down slightly from the previous year.

Burley tobacco growers in Tennessee intend to set 4,000 acres for harvest, unchanged acres from 2019. For the burley producing states, growers intend to set 44,500 acres, 8 percent below last year.

Producers intend to set 6,000 acres of dark-fired tobacco in Tennessee, down 300 acres from the previous year. Acreage set to dark-air tobacco was estimated at 2,900 acres, down 100 acres from 2019.

Winter wheat seeded by Tennessee farmers in the fall of 2019 totaled 310,000 acres, up 30,000 acres from previous year. Seeded acreage for the nation was 30.8 million acres, down 1 percent from 2018.

Farmers in the state intend to harvest 1.80 million acres of all hay, up 37,000.0 acres from 2019. U.S. farmers intend on harvesting 53.3 million acres of hay in 2020, up 2 percent from last year.