



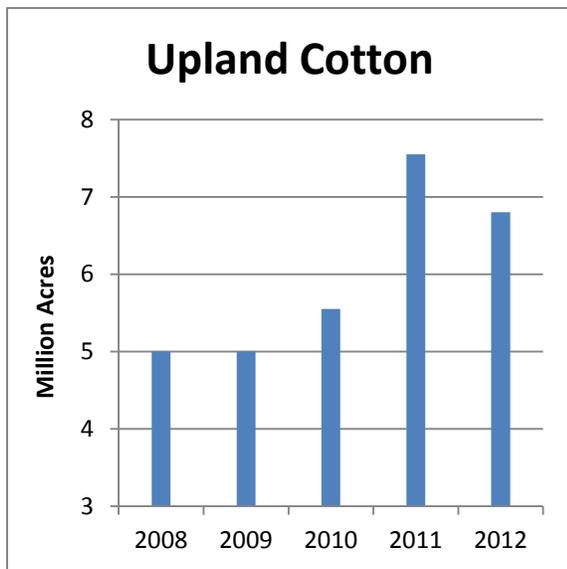
Texas Prospective Plantings

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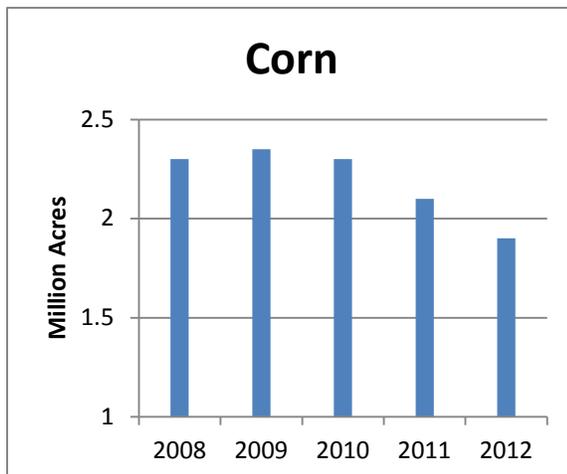
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Cotton Acres: Upland cotton is forecast at 6.8 million acres, down 10 percent from last year. Planting of Pima cotton is expected to total 13,000 acres, down 35 percent from 2011.

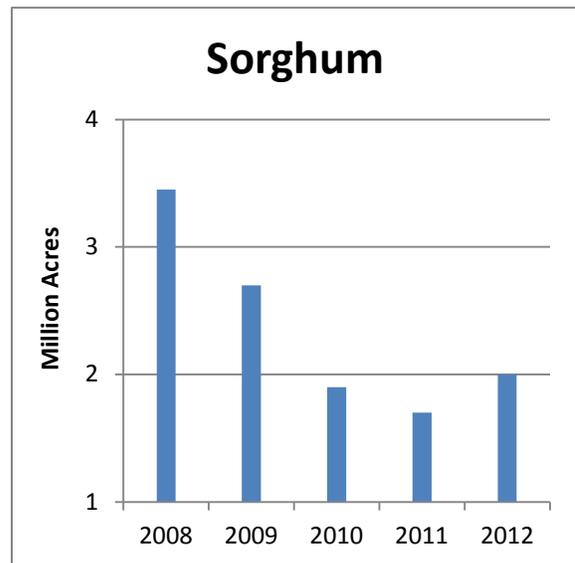


Corn Acres: Growers intend to plant 1.9 million acres of corn, down 7 percent from last year.



Wheat Acres: Texas winter wheat planted, at 5.8 million acres, up 9 percent from a year ago.

Sorghum Acres: Producers intend to plant 2.0 million acres of sorghum this year, up 29 percent from a year ago.



Other Crops: *Rice* acreage is expected to decrease 37 percent from last year to 115,000 acres. Prospective *soybean* acreage, at 125,000 acres, is down 24 percent from last year. An acreage intention for *sunflowers*, at 95,000 acres, is up 40 percent from last year. Planted acreage for *peanuts* is forecast at 140,000 acres, up 33 percent from 2011. An estimated 4.4 million acres will be harvested for *dry hay* this year, up 19 percent from last year.

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U.S Highlights: United States prospective **Upland cotton** producers intend to plant 12.9 million acres, down 11 percent from last year. **Corn** acreage, at 95.9 million acres, is up 4 percent from 2011. **Sorghum** acreage intentions at 5.95 million acres are up 9 percent from 2011. **Rice** acreage is forecast at 2.56 million acres, down 5 percent from last year. **Soybean** planting intentions are 73.9 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. **Winter wheat** planted for the nation is estimated at 41.7 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous year.

This report is an early indication of producers' intentions to plant. Actual planted acreage may change after March 1 depending on weather, production costs and anticipated prices at harvest. This report is based on results of a survey conducted the first two weeks of March by USDA-NASS, Texas Field Office. Another survey will be conducted in June to determine acreage actually planted.

2012 Prospective Plantings, Texas

Crop	2010	2011	Intentions 2012	2012 / 2011
-	<u>1,000 ac</u>	<u>1,000 ac</u>	<u>1,000 ac</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Dry Beans	21	9	12	133
Corn.....	2,300	2,050	1,900	93
Cotton, Pima	17	20	13	65
Cotton, Upland.....	5,550	7,550	6,800	90
Peanuts	165	105	140	133
Rice.....	189	182	115	63
Sorghum.....	1,900	1,550	2,000	129
Soybeans.....	205	165	125	76
Sunflowers	89	68	95	140
Sweet Potatoes	1.1	1.3	1.1	85
Total	10,437.1	11,700.3	11,201.1	96
Oats.....	550	550	630	115
Winter Wheat	5,700	5,300	5,800	109
Total	6,250	5,850	6,430	110
Hay (dry, harvested).....	5,220	3,700	4,400	119

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