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UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

Utah principal crop planted acreage, which includes acres planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is up 1 percent from 2021 to 874,000 acres, according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Utah **corn** producers planted 85,000 acres of corn this year of which they intend to harvest 26,000 acres for grain, up from 19,000 acres harvested in 2021. This is an increase of 37 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage and a 21 percent increase in planted acreage for all purposes. **Barley** planted area, at a record low 14,000 acres, is 18 percent less than last year's acreage. Expected harvested acres, at 9,000 acres, are unchanged from 2021.

Winter wheat producers planted 115,000 acres in the fall of 2021 for harvest in 2022, up from 110,000 acres planted for the previous year's crop. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain is down 3,000 acres from last year to 95,000 acres.

The area to be harvested for **hay** is expected to decrease 10,000 acres from a year ago to 660,000 acres. **Alfalfa hay** harvested acreage is expected to decrease 20,000 acres to 470,000 acres and **all other hay** harvested acreage is expected to increase 10,000 acres to 190,000 acres. If realized, this would be the lowest acreage of alfalfa hay harvested since 470,000 acres were harvested in 1989 but the highest other hay harvested acreage on record. **Safflower** growers planted an estimated record low 12,000 acres this year, down 10,000 acres from last year. Harvested acres are expected to total a record low 11,000 acres, down from 16,000 acres harvested in 2021.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2022 is estimated at 89.9 million acres, down 4 percent or 3.44 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 35 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 81.9 million acres, is down 4 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 3.05 million acres of **barley** for the 2022 crop year, up 15 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.40 million acres, is up 23 percent from 2021.

All wheat planted area for 2022 is estimated at 47.1 million acres, up 1 percent from 2021. If realized, this represents the fifth lowest all wheat planted area since records began in 1919. The 2022 **winter wheat** planted area, at 34.0 million acres, is up 1 percent from last year, but down 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.5 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.86 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.61 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2022 is estimated at 11.1 million acres, down 3 percent from 2021. Of this total, about 10.4 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2022 is expected to total 1.98 million acres, up 21 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 51.5 million acres of **all hay** in 2022, up 2 percent from 2021. **Alfalfa** harvested acreage is expected to be 15.5 million acres, up 1 percent from 2021. **All other hay (excluding alfalfa)** is expected to be up 2 percent from last year, at 36.0 million acres.

Area planted to **safflower** in 2022 is estimated at 154,000 acres, up 2,000 acres from 2021 but still represents the fourth lowest planted area for the Nation since records began in 1991. Area for harvest is forecast at 144,500 acres, up 9,500 acres from last year.

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