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UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

Utah's **principal crop** planted area, which includes acreage planted to all major crops and those expected to be cut for all hay, is up 5 percent from 2022 to 922,000 acres according to the June 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Producers in Utah planted 75,000 acres of **corn** this year of which, they intend to harvest 23,000 acres for grain, up from the 16,000 acres harvested in 2022. This is an increase of 44 percent from last year's harvested grain acreage, and a 7 percent increase in acreage planted for all purposes.

Barley planted area, at 22,000 acres, is up 2,000 acres, or 10 percent, from last year's final acreage. Expected harvested area, at 14,000 acres, is down 1,000 acres, or 7 percent, from 2022.

Winter wheat producers planted a record low 105,000 acres in the fall of 2022 for harvest in 2023, down from 110,000 acres planted during the previous crop season. Of this, 85,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain, a decrease of 3,000 acres, or 3 percent, from last year. If realized, this would establish a new record low winter wheat harvested area.

The area expected to be harvested for **all dry hay** is forecast at 720,000 acres. **Alfalfa hay** is expected to be harvested from 550,000 acres, up 12 percent from 2022. **All other hay** harvested area is expected to total 170,000 acres, down 20,000 acres, or 11 percent, from last year's final estimate.

Producers in Utah planted 20,000 acres of **safflower** in 2023, up 7,000 acres from last year. At 19,000 acres, harvested area is up from the 11,800 acres harvested in 2022.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2023 is estimated at 94.1 million acres, up 6 percent or 5.52 million acres from last year. This represents the third highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 43 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 86.3 million acres, is up 9 percent from last year.

Producers seeded 3.4 million acres of **barley** for the 2023 crop year, up 14 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 2.53 million acres, is up 4 percent from 2022.

All wheat planted area for 2023 is estimated at 49.6 million acres, up 9 percent from 2022. The 2023 winter wheat planted area, at 37.0 million acres, is up 11 percent from last year but down 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 25.7 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 7.66 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.68 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2023 is estimated at 11.1 million acres, up 3 percent from 2022. Of this total, about 10.5 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2023 is expected to total 1.48 million acres, down 9 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 52.0 million acres of **all hay** in 2023, up 5 percent from 2022. **Alfalfa** harvested acreage is expected to be 15.7 million acres, up 5 percent from 2022. **All other hay (excluding alfalfa)** is expected to be up 5 percent from last year, at 36.3 million acres.

Area planted to **safflower** in 2023 is estimated at 143,000 acres, down 7,200 acres from 2022 and represents the third lowest planted area for the Nation since records began in 1991. Area for harvest is forecast at 133,500 acres, down 1,800 acres from last year.

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