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## PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS - MARCH 1, 2023

#### **UTAH HIGHLIGHTS**

As of March 1, Utah growers intend to plant 75,000 acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2023, up 5,000 acres, or 7 percent from last year's plantings, according to the March 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Growers intend to plant 22,000 acres of **barley** in 2023, up 2,000 acres from last year's actual plantings.

**Winter wheat** seeded last fall for harvest in 2023 is estimated at 100,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from the 2022 crop. **Hay** producers in the state intend to harvest 700,000 acres this year. This is up 20,000 acres from the acreage cut for hay in 2022.

### **UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS**

**Corn** planted area for all purposes in 2023 is estimated at 92.0 million acres, up 4 percent or 3.42 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 40 of the 48 estimating States.

Producers intend to seed 2.92 million acres of barley for the 2023 crop year, down 1 percent from the previous year.

**All wheat** planted area for 2023 is estimated at 49.9 million acres, up 9 percent from 2022. The 2023 **winter wheat** planted area, at 37.5 million acres, is up 13 percent from last year and up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 26.0 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 7.80 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.71 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to **other spring wheat** for 2023 is estimated at 10.6 million acres, down 2 percent from 2022. Of this total, about 9.95 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. **Durum** planted area for 2023 is expected to total 1.78 million acres, up 9 percent from the previous year.

Producers intend to harvest 50.6 million acres of all hay in 2023, up 2 percent from 2022.

For a full copy of the *Prospective Plantings* report, please visit <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>