Virginia farmers harvested 7.80 million bushels of winter wheat during the summer of 2020 according to the Virginia Field Office of USDA’S National Agricultural Statistics Service. This was up 20% from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 60.0 bushels per acre, down 2.0 bushels from 2019. Farmers seeded 220,000 acres last fall, up 40,000 acres from 2019. Area harvested for grain totaled 130,000 acres. Acres for other uses totaled 90,000 acres.

Barley production for Virginia is estimated at 441,000 bushels, down 3% from the revised 2019 total. Average yield per acre, at 63.0 bushels, is down 2.0 bushels from the previous year. Producers seeded 31,000 acres in 2020, up 1,000 acres from last year. Harvested area, at 7,000 acres, is unchanged from 2019.

Production of all wheat for the U.S. totaled 1.83 billion bushels, down 5% from 2019. Grain area harvested totaled 36.7 million acres, down 2% from the previous year. The United States yield is estimated at 49.7 bushels per acre, down 2.0 bushels from last year. The levels of production and changes from 2019 by type are winter wheat, 1.17 billion bushels, down 11%; other spring wheat, 586 million bushels, up 4%, and durum wheat, 68.8 million bushels, up 28%.

Barley production for the United States is estimated at 165 million bushels, down 4% from the revised 2019 total. Average yield per acre, at 77.5 bushels, is down 0.2 bushels from the previous year. Producers seeded 2.62 million acres in 2020, down 5% from last year. Harvested area, at 2.13 million acres, is down 4% from 2019.