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## WEST VIRGINIA 2020 PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

**Charleston, West Virginia – Corn** plantings in West Virginia are expected to total 56,000 acres, up 8 percent, or 4,000 acres from 2019, and up 22 percent or 10,000 acres from 2018.

**All hay** acreage harvested is expected to total 540,000 acres, up 5 percent or 25,000 acres from 2019, and up 1 percent or 5,000 acres from 2018.

*Note:* These estimates were based on results from the March 1, 2020, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year continues and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered. Winter wheat and soybean estimates were discontinued in 2019.

## UNITED STATES WITH 2019 COMPARISONS

Corn plantings – 97.0 million acres, up 8%.  
Oat plantings – 3.01 million acres, up 7%.  
Winter wheat planted – 30.8 million acres, down 1%.  
All tobacco for harvest – 201,800 acres, down 11%.  
Burley tobacco for harvest – 44,500 acres, down 8%.  
Soybean plantings – 83.5 million acres, up 10%.  
Sorghum plantings – 5.82 million acres, up 11%.  
Barley plantings – 2.92 million acres, up 7%.  
All hay for harvest – 53.3 million acres, up 2%.