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WEST VIRGINIA CROP ACREAGE FOR 2023

Charleston, West Virginia - Corn planted is estimated at 57,000 acres, up 11,000 acres from 2022. Growers expect to harvest 43,000 acres for grain, up 8,000 acres from last year.

All hay harvested is forecast at 610,000 acres, up 45,000 acres from last year. **Alfalfa hay** harvested is expected to total 10,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from last year. **Other hay** harvested is expected to be 600,000 acres, up 50,000 acres from last year.

Note: These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2023, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered.

UNITED STATES WITH 2022 COMPARISONS

- Corn planted for all purposes – 94.1 million acres, up 6 percent.
 - Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all corn planted:
 - Insect resistant - 3% of 2023 crop, 3% of 2022 crop.
 - Herbicide resistant - 9% of 2023 crop, 9% of 2022 crop.
 - Stacked gene - 82% of 2023 crop, 81% of 2022 crop.
 - All Biotech varieties - 93% of 2023 crop, 93% of 2022 crop.
- Corn harvested for grain – 86.3 million acres, up 9 percent.
- Winter wheat planted – 37.0 million acres, up 11 percent.
- Winter wheat harvested for grain – 25.7 million acres, up 10 percent.
- Oats planted – 2.51 million acres, down 3 percent.
- Oats harvested – 794,000 acres, down 11 percent.
- All tobacco harvested – 193,280 acres, down 4 percent.
- Burley tobacco harvested – 33,420 acres, up 3 percent.
- All hay for harvest – 52.0 million acres, up 5 percent.
- Alfalfa hay for harvest – 15.7 million acres, up 5 percent.
- Other hay for harvest – 36.3 million acres, up 5 percent.
- Soybeans planted – 83.5 million acres, down 5 percent.
 - Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:
 - Herbicide resistant - 95% of 2023 crop, 95% of 2022 crop.
 - All Biotech varieties - 95% of 2023 crop, 95% of 2022 crop.
- Soybeans for harvest – 82.7 million acres, down 4 percent.