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WEST VIRGINIA 2019 PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

Charleston, West Virginia – Corn plantings in West Virginia are expected to total 51,000 acres, up 11 percent from acres planted in 2018, and up 2 percent or 1,000 acres from 2017.

All hay acreage harvested is expected to total 500,000 acres, down 7 percent or 35,000 acres from 2018, and down 12 percent or 67,000 acres from 2017.

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

UNITED STATES WITH 2018 COMPARISONS

Corn plantings – 92.8 million acres, up 4%.
Oat plantings – 2.56 million acres, down 7%.
Winter wheat planted – 31.5 million acres, down 3%.
All tobacco for harvest – 244,040 acres, down 16%.
Burley tobacco for harvest – 53,800 acres, down 12%.
Soybean plantings – 84.6 million acres, down 5%.
Sorghum plantings – 5.14 million acres, down 10%.
Barley plantings – 2.55 million acres, up slightly.
All hay for harvest – 53.1 million acres, up less than 1%.