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ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY – 2014

WYOMING HIGHLIGHTS

The 2014 **corn** for grain crop was estimated at 8.28 million bushels, 3 percent below last year's production of 8.51 million bushels, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average yield of 138.0 bushels per acre was 11.0 bushels per acre above the yield achieved last year. Area harvested for grain in 2014, at 60,000 acres, was 7,000 acres below last year. Acreage cut for corn silage was estimated at 27,000 acres, down 4,000 acres from last year, with production estimated at 648,000 tons compared with 744,000 tons produced last year.

Oat seedings in Wyoming totaled 30,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year. Producers harvested 7,000 acres for grain or seed, down 3,000 acres from 2013. Oat production totaled 413,000 bushels in 2014, down 28 percent from last year. Oat yield is 59.0 bushels per acre in 2014, up 2.0 bushels per acre from the previous year.

Wyoming's **barley** seeded area, at 80,000 acres, is down 5,000 acres from last year. Harvested area, at 63,000 acres, is down 5,000 acres from 2013. Barley yield, at 107.0 bushels per acre is up 18.0 bushels per acre from last year. Barley production in 2014 is estimated at 6.74 million bushels, up 11 percent from the previous year.

Winter wheat production in Wyoming, estimated at 4.75 million bushels, is up 65 percent from 2013. Winter wheat producers seeded 140,000 acres in the fall of 2013 for harvest in 2014, down from 150,000 acres seeded for the previous year's crop. Acreage harvested for grain increased 5,000 acres to 125,000 acres in 2014. Winter wheat yield, at 38.0 bushels per acre, is up 14.0 bushels per acre from last year.

All hay production for 2014 is estimated at 2.24 million tons, up 7 percent from the 2013 total. **Alfalfa hay** production was estimated at 1.27 million tons from 490,000 acres harvested, down 166,000 tons from 2013. Average yield for the 2014 crop was 2.60 tons per acre, 0.60 ton per acre below last year. **All other hay** production totaled 969,000 tons from 570,000 acres harvested, up 321,000 tons from 2013. The average yield of 1.70 tons per acre was up 0.50 ton per acre from last year. New **seedings of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** in Wyoming were estimated at 40,000 acres, up 60 percent from 2013. **Hay stocks** on farms on December 1st were 1.50 million tons, up 50 percent from last year at this time.

Dry edible bean production was set at 799,000 hundredweight, 18 percent below the 2013 crop of 970,000 hundredweight. Average yield was estimated at 2,130 pounds per acre, 490 pounds below last year. Harvested area, at 37,600 acres, was 600 acres more than last year. **Pinto bean** production in 2014 was 482,000 hundredweight, down 5 percent from last year. **Great northern bean** production was 263,000 hundredweight, and **navy bean** production totaled 8,000 hundredweight. There was also 46,000 hundredweight of **other dry bean** types produced.

The state's **sugarbeet** crop of 834,000 tons for 2014 was down 5 percent from the 876,000 tons produced in 2013. Producers harvested 30,000 thousand acres in 2014, up from 29,700 acres in 2013. Average yield was estimated at 27.8 tons per acre, 1.7 tons per acre below 2013.

Winter wheat seedings last fall for the 2015 crop year are estimated at 145,000 acres, up 4 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn for grain production is estimated at a record 14.2 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the November forecast but 3 percent above the revised 2013 estimate. The average yield in the United States is estimated at a record high of 171.0 bushels per acre. This is down 2.4 bushels from the November forecast but 12.9 bushels above the revised 2013 average yield of 158.1 bushels per acre. Area

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harvested for grain is estimated at 83.1 million acres, up slightly from the November forecast but down 5 percent from the revised 2013 acreage.

Corn silage production is estimated at 128 million tons for 2014, up 8 percent from 2013 and represents the highest production on record for the United States. The United States silage yield is estimated at 20.1 tons per acre, up 1.3 tons from 2013. Area harvested for silage is estimated at 6.37 million acres, up 1 percent from a year ago.

The 2014 **oat** production is estimated at 69.7 million bushels, up 8 percent from the 2013 total but represents the fourth lowest production on record. Yield is estimated at 67.7 bushels per acre, up 3.6 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 1.03 million acres, is 2 percent above the previous year. This is the fourth lowest acreage harvested for grain on record.

Barley production is estimated at 177 million bushels, down 18 percent from the 2013 total. Average yield per acre, at 72.4 bushels, is up 1.1 bushels from the previous year and represents the third highest yield on record for the United States. Producers seeded 2.98 million acres in 2014, down 16 percent from last year. Harvested area, at 2.44 million acres, is down 20 percent from 2013.

All wheat production totaled 2.03 billion bushels in 2014, down 5 percent from the 2013 total. Area harvested for grain totaled 46.4 million acres, up 2 percent from the previous year. The United States yield is estimated at 43.7 bushels per acre, down 3.4 bushels from the previous year. The levels of production and changes from 2013 by type are winter wheat, 1.38 billion bushels, down 11 percent; other spring wheat, 595 million bushels, up 11 percent; and Durum wheat, 53.1 million bushels, down 8 percent.

Winter wheat production for 2014 totaled 1.38 billion bushels, down 11 percent from the 2013 total. The United States yield, at 42.6 bushels per acre, is down 4.7 bushels from 2013. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 32.3 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous year.

Production of **all dry hay** for 2014 is estimated at 139.8 million tons, down 6 percent from the October 1 forecast but up 4 percent from the revised 2013 total. Area harvested is estimated at 57.1 million acres, down less than 1 percent from the October 1 forecast and down 1 percent from 2013. The average yield, at 2.45 tons per acre, is down 0.13 ton from the October forecast but up 0.12 ton from the previous year. Production of **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** in 2014 is estimated at 61.4 million tons, down 5 percent from the October forecast but up 7 percent from the revised 2013 total. Harvested area, at 18.4 million acres, is up 1 percent from the October forecast and 4 percent above the previous year. Average yield is estimated at 3.33 tons per acre, 0.22 ton below the October forecast but up 0.09 ton from 2013. **All other hay** production in 2014 totaled 78.4 million tons, down 7 percent from the October forecast but up less than 1 percent from the revised 2013 total. Harvested area, at 38.6 million acres, is down 2 percent from the October forecast and down 4 percent from last year. Average yield is estimated at 2.03 tons per acre, down 0.10 ton from the October forecast but up 0.10 ton from 2013. Growers seeded 2.55 million acres of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures during 2014, up 1 percent from 2013. This represents the third consecutive year of increased seeded area. The new seedings of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures will normally be harvested for the first time in the year following planting.

Sugarbeet production for 2014 is estimated at 31.4 million tons, down slightly from the November 1 forecast and down 4 percent from last year revised production. Growers in the 10 major sugarbeet-producing States planted 1.16 million acres, down 3 percent from last year revised area. Harvested area, at 1.15 million acres, is down 1 percent from the previous year. Estimated yield, at 27.4 tons per acre, is unchanged from the November forecast but 1.0 ton below last year.

Dry beans production of dry edible beans is estimated at 29.2 million cwt, up 19 percent from last year. Planted area is estimated at 1.72 million acres, up 26 percent from 2013. Harvested area is estimated at 1.67 million acres, 27 percent above the previous year. The average United States yield is estimated at 1,753 pounds per acre, a decrease of 114 pounds from last year's yield.

Winter wheat seeded area for 2015 is expected to total 40.5 million acres, down 5 percent from 2014. Approximate class acreage breakdowns are: Hard Red Winter, 29.5 million; Soft Red Winter, 7.50 million; and White Winter, 3.48 million.

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