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ANNUAL CROP SUMMARY - 2019

WYOMING HIGHLIGHTS

The 2019 **corn** for grain crop is estimated at 8.24 million bushels, 28 percent below last year's production of 11.48 million bushels, according to the December 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. The average yield of 123.0 bushels per acre is 41.0 bushels per acre below the yield achieved last year. Area harvested for grain in 2019, at 67,000 acres, is 3,000 acres below last year. Acreage cut for **corn silage** is estimated at 22,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year, with production estimated at 528,000 tons compared with 552,000 tons produced last year.

Wyoming's **barley** seeded area, at 81,000 acres, is up 9,000 acres from last year. Harvested area, at 66,000 acres, is up 15,000 acres from 2018. Barley yield, at 107.0 bushels per acre, is up 7.0 bushels per acre from last year and equals the record high yield set in 2014. Barley production in 2019 is estimated at 7.06 million bushels, up 38 percent from the previous year.

Winter wheat production in Wyoming, estimated at 4.73 million bushels, is up 21 percent from 2018. Winter wheat producers seeded 125,000 acres in the fall of 2018 for harvest in 2019, down from 130,000 acres seeded for the previous year's crop. Acreage harvested for grain decreased 5,000 acres from last year to 110,000 acres in 2019. Winter wheat yield, at a record 43.0 bushels per acre, is up 9.0 bushels per acre from last year, and 4.0 bushels above the previous record yield of 38.0 bushels per acre set in 2009 and 2014.

All hay production for 2019 is estimated at 2.50 million tons, up 4 percent from the 2018 total. **Alfalfa hay** production is estimated at 1.67 million tons from 620,000 acres harvested, up 81,000 tons from 2018. Average yield for the 2019 crop is 2.70 tons per acre, unchanged from last year. **All other hay** production totaled 822,000 tons from 530,000 acres harvested, up 22,000 tons from 2018. The average yield of 1.55 tons per acre is 0.05 ton per acre below last year. New **seedings of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** in Wyoming are estimated at 30,000 acres, down 14 percent from 2018.

As of December 1, producers in Wyoming were storing 1.44 million tons of **all hay**, down 1 percent from the 1.45 million tons stored last year.

The state's **sugarbeet** crop of 679,000 tons for 2019 is down 28 percent from the 946,000 tons produced in 2018. Producers harvested 24,000 acres in 2019, down from 30,700 acres in 2018. Average yield is estimated at 28.3 tons per acre, 2.5 tons per acre below 2018.

Dry edible bean production is set at 390,000 hundredweight, 36 percent below the 2018 crop of 605,000 hundredweight. Average yield is estimated at 2,250 pounds per acre, 130 pounds per acre above last year. Harvested area, at 17,300 acres, is 11,200 acres less than last year. **Pinto bean** production in 2019 is 289,000 hundredweight, down 40 percent from last year.

Winter wheat seedings last fall for the 2020 crop year are estimated at 130,000 acres, up 4 percent from 2019.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Corn for grain production in 2019 was estimated at 13.7 billion bushels, down 5 percent from the revised 2018 estimate. The average yield in the United States was estimated at 168.0 bushels per acre, 8.4 bushels below the 2018 yield of 176.4 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 81.5 million acres, up less than 1 percent from the revised 2018 estimate. **Corn silage** production was estimated at 133 million tons for 2019, up 9 percent from the revised 2018 estimate. The United States silage yield was estimated at 20.2 tons per acre, up 0.3 ton from 2018. Area harvested for silage was estimated at 6.59 million acres, up 8 percent from the revised 2018 estimate.

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Barley production was estimated at 170 million bushels, up 10 percent from the 2018 total of 154 million bushels. The average yield, at 77.7 bushels per acre, was up 0.2 bushel from the previous year. Producers seeded 2.72 million acres in 2019, up 7 percent from 2018. Harvested area, at 2.18 million acres, was up 10 percent from 2018.

All wheat production totaled 1.92 billion bushels in 2019, up 2 percent from the 2018 total of 1.89 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 37.2 million acres, down 6 percent from the previous year. The United States yield was estimated at 51.7 bushels per acre, up 4.1 bushels from the previous year. **Winter wheat** production for 2019 totaled 1.30 billion bushels, up 10 percent from the 2018 total of 1.18 billion bushels. The United States yield, at 53.6 bushels per acre, was up 5.7 bushels from 2018. Area harvested for grain was estimated at a record low 24.3 million acres, down 2 percent from the previous year.

Production of **all dry hay** for 2019 was estimated at 128.9 million tons, up 4 percent from the 2018 total. Area harvested was estimated at 52.4 million acres, down 1 percent from 2018. The average yield, at 2.46 tons per acre, was up 0.12 ton from the previous year. Production of **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** in 2019 was estimated at 54.9 million tons, up 4 percent from the 2018 total. Harvested area, at 16.7 million acres, was 1 percent above the previous year. Average yield was estimated at 3.28 tons per acre, up 0.11 ton from 2018. Production of **all other hay** in 2019 totaled 74.0 million tons, up 4 percent from the 2018 total. Harvested area, at 35.7 million acres, was down 2 percent from the previous year. Average yield was estimated at 2.07 tons per acre, up 0.11 ton from 2018. Growers seeded 2.47 million acres of **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** during 2019, up 11 percent from 2018. New seedings of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures are normally harvested for the first time in the year following planting.

All **hay stored** on United States farms as of December 1, 2019 totaled 84.5 million tons, up 7 percent from the previous December. Disappearance from May 1, 2019 - December 1, 2019 totaled 59.3 million tons, compared with 59.9 million tons for the same period a year earlier.

Sugarbeet production for 2019 was estimated at 28.6 million tons, down 14 percent from the previous year's revised production. Growers in the 11 major sugarbeet-producing States planted 1.13 million acres, up 2 percent from the 2018 revised area. Harvested area, at 979,300 acres, was down 11 percent from the previous year. Estimated yield, at 29.2 tons per acre, was down 1.2 tons from last year.

United States **dry edible bean** production was estimated at 20.8 million cwt for 2019, down 16 percent from the previous year for comparable States. Planted area was estimated at 1.29 million acres, up 7 percent from 2018 for comparable States. Harvested area was estimated at 1.18 million acres, up 1 percent from the previous year for comparable States. The average United States yield for dry edible beans for the 2019 season is 1,769 pounds per acre.

Winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2020 is estimated at 30.8 million acres, down 1 percent from 2019 and down 5 percent from 2018. This represents the second lowest United States acreage on record.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production 2019 Summary* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.