



Prospective Plantings

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Corn Planted Acreage Up 5 Percent from 2010 Soybean Acreage Down 1 Percent All Wheat Acreage Up 8 Percent All Cotton Acreage Up 15 Percent

Corn growers intend to plant 92.2 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2011, up 5 percent from last year and 7 percent higher than in 2009. If realized, this will be the second highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944, behind only the 93.5 million acres planted in 2007. Acreage increases of 250,000 or more are expected in Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, and South Dakota. The largest decrease is expected in Texas, down 150,000 acres.

Soybean planted area for 2011 is estimated at 76.6 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. If realized, the United States planted area will be the third largest on record. Compared with last year, planted acreage declines of 100,000 acres or more are expected in Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Nebraska, and Ohio. If realized, the planted area in New York and North Dakota will be the largest on record.

All wheat planted area is estimated at 58.0 million acres, up 8 percent from last year. The 2011 winter wheat planted area, at 41.2 million acres, is 10 percent above last year and up 1 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 29.4 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 8.2 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.7 million are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2011 is estimated at 14.4 million acres, up 5 percent from 2010. Of this total, about 13.6 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2011 is estimated at 2.37 million acres, down 8 percent from 2010.

All cotton plantings for 2011 are expected to total 12.6 million acres, 15 percent above last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 12.3 million acres, up 14 percent from 2010. American Pima acreage is expected to total 252,500 acres, up 24 percent from 2010. Cotton acreage increases are expected in every State. The largest increase, at 548,000 acres, is expected in Texas. Acreage increases of more than 100,000 acres are expected in North Carolina, Georgia, and Mississippi.

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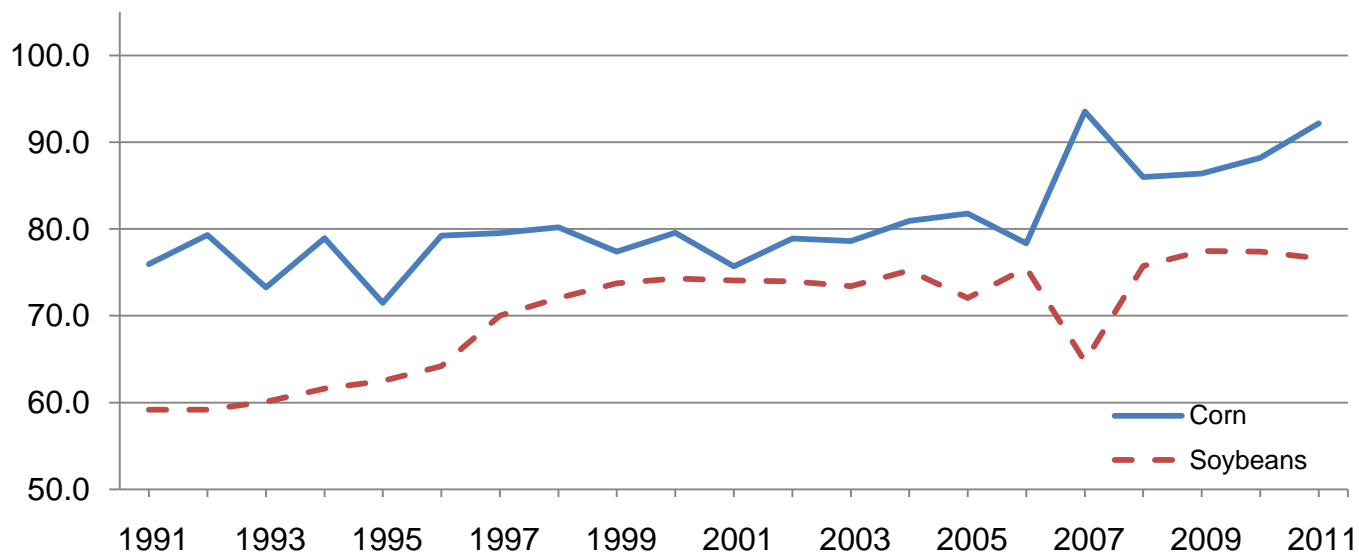
Corn Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	280	270	280	104
Arizona	50	45	45	100
Arkansas	430	390	480	123
California	550	610	640	105
Colorado	1,100	1,330	1,370	103
Connecticut	26	26	27	104
Delaware	170	180	190	106
Florida	70	60	65	108
Georgia	420	295	330	112
Idaho	300	320	390	122
Illinois	12,000	12,600	12,800	102
Indiana	5,600	5,900	5,900	100
Iowa	13,600	13,400	13,900	104
Kansas	4,100	4,850	5,100	105
Kentucky	1,220	1,340	1,400	104
Louisiana	630	510	520	102
Maine	28	28	28	100
Maryland	470	500	480	96
Massachusetts	17	17	18	106
Michigan	2,350	2,400	2,500	104
Minnesota	7,600	7,700	7,900	103
Mississippi	730	750	860	115
Missouri	3,000	3,150	3,300	105
Montana	72	80	70	88
Nebraska	9,150	9,150	9,500	104
Nevada	4	4	5	125
New Hampshire	15	15	15	100
New Jersey	80	80	85	106
New Mexico	130	140	145	104
New York	1,070	1,050	1,070	102
North Carolina	870	910	890	98
North Dakota	1,950	2,050	2,500	122
Ohio	3,350	3,450	3,700	107
Oklahoma	390	370	390	105
Oregon	60	70	70	100
Pennsylvania	1,350	1,350	1,400	104
Rhode Island	2	2	2	100
South Carolina	335	350	360	103
South Dakota	5,000	4,550	5,400	119
Tennessee	670	710	820	115
Texas	2,350	2,300	2,150	93
Utah	65	70	90	129
Vermont	91	92	90	98
Virginia	480	490	510	104
Washington	170	200	205	103
West Virginia	47	48	48	100
Wisconsin	3,850	3,900	4,050	104
Wyoming	90	90	90	100
United States	86,382	88,192	92,178	105

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage – United States

Million acres



Sorghum Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year (percent)
	2009 (1,000 acres)	2010 (1,000 acres)	2011 ¹ (1,000 acres)	
Arizona	35	25	20	80
Arkansas	40	40	100	250
Colorado	180	210	190	90
Georgia	55	45	45	100
Illinois	40	35	20	57
Kansas	2,700	2,350	2,500	106
Louisiana	70	82	160	195
Mississippi	13	12	75	625
Missouri	50	40	30	75
Nebraska	235	155	135	87
New Mexico	85	90	90	100
Oklahoma	250	280	330	118
South Dakota	180	140	150	107
Texas	2,700	1,900	1,800	95
United States	6,633	5,404	5,645	104

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Oat Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Includes area planted in preceding fall]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	50	35	30	86
Arkansas	10	10	15	150
California	250	220	210	95
Colorado	60	55	55	100
Georgia	60	50	50	100
Idaho	80	70	60	86
Illinois	40	45	30	67
Indiana	15	20	20	100
Iowa	200	180	150	83
Kansas	85	65	60	92
Maine	32	31	33	106
Michigan	70	75	50	67
Minnesota	250	260	225	87
Missouri	15	20	20	100
Montana	70	65	55	85
Nebraska	100	90	85	94
New York	90	80	80	100
North Carolina	50	40	40	100
North Dakota	350	280	240	86
Ohio	65	65	60	92
Oklahoma	50	45	40	89
Oregon	45	45	35	78
Pennsylvania	110	110	80	73
South Carolina	30	26	26	100
South Dakota	200	190	150	79
Texas	600	550	600	109
Utah	45	40	40	100
Virginia	12	12	11	92
Washington	20	20	15	75
Wisconsin	310	310	240	77
Wyoming	40	34	34	100
United States	3,404	3,138	2,839	90

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Barley Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Includes area planted in preceding fall]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Arizona	48	45	55	122
California	90	110	150	136
Colorado	78	64	68	106
Delaware	28	20	30	150
Idaho	530	490	500	102
Kansas	14	10	6	60
Maine	16	16	15	94
Maryland	55	45	55	122
Michigan	13	11	10	91
Minnesota	95	85	90	106
Montana	870	760	770	101
New York	12	12	13	108
North Carolina	23	20	24	120
North Dakota	1,210	720	690	96
Oregon	40	45	45	100
Pennsylvania	60	60	61	102
South Dakota	48	35	25	71
Utah	40	39	40	103
Virginia	67	75	100	133
Washington	105	90	95	106
Wisconsin	45	45	35	78
Wyoming	80	75	75	100
United States	3,567	2,872	2,952	103

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

All Wheat Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Includes area planted in preceding fall]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	220	150	190	127
Arizona	132	89	76	85
Arkansas	430	200	550	275
California	795	775	915	118
Colorado	2,630	2,478	2,540	103
Delaware	70	50	75	150
Florida	17	12	13	108
Georgia	340	170	250	147
Idaho	1,310	1,400	1,485	106
Illinois	850	330	760	230
Indiana	470	250	420	168
Iowa	28	15	25	167
Kansas	9,300	8,400	8,800	105
Kentucky	510	390	540	138
Louisiana	185	125	200	160
Maryland	230	180	300	167
Michigan	630	530	700	132
Minnesota	1,655	1,665	1,690	102
Mississippi	180	125	330	264
Missouri	780	370	830	224
Montana	5,520	5,440	5,610	103
Nebraska	1,700	1,600	1,500	94
Nevada	20	23	23	100
New Jersey	34	28	40	143
New Mexico	450	470	445	95
New York	115	110	120	109
North Carolina	700	500	700	140
North Dakota	8,680	8,530	9,040	106
Ohio	1,010	780	890	114
Oklahoma	5,700	5,300	5,200	98
Oregon	890	960	990	103
Pennsylvania	190	165	180	109
South Carolina	165	145	200	138
South Dakota	3,209	2,815	3,015	107
Tennessee	430	260	360	138
Texas	6,400	5,700	5,650	99
Utah	154	151	159	105
Virginia	250	180	290	161
Washington	2,290	2,330	2,450	105
West Virginia	9	7	10	143
Wisconsin	335	240	320	133
Wyoming	155	165	140	85
United States	59,168	53,603	58,021	108

¹ Intended plantings for 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Winter Wheat Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Includes area planted in preceding fall]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	220	150	190	127
Arizona	7	9	6	67
Arkansas	430	200	550	275
California	615	660	760	115
Colorado	2,600	2,450	2,500	102
Delaware	70	50	75	150
Florida	17	12	13	108
Georgia	340	170	250	147
Idaho	740	750	830	111
Illinois	850	330	760	230
Indiana	470	250	420	168
Iowa	28	15	25	167
Kansas	9,300	8,400	8,800	105
Kentucky	510	390	540	138
Louisiana	185	125	200	160
Maryland	230	180	300	167
Michigan	630	530	700	132
Minnesota	55	65	40	62
Mississippi	180	125	330	264
Missouri	780	370	830	224
Montana	2,550	2,050	2,300	112
Nebraska	1,700	1,600	1,500	94
Nevada	16	19	15	79
New Jersey	34	28	40	143
New Mexico	450	470	445	95
New York	115	110	120	109
North Carolina	700	500	700	140
North Dakota	580	330	340	103
Ohio	1,010	780	890	114
Oklahoma	5,700	5,300	5,200	98
Oregon	760	820	820	100
Pennsylvania	190	165	180	109
South Carolina	165	145	200	138
South Dakota	1,700	1,350	1,650	122
Tennessee	430	260	360	138
Texas	6,400	5,700	5,650	99
Utah	140	135	140	104
Virginia	250	180	290	161
Washington	1,700	1,750	1,800	103
West Virginia	9	7	10	143
Wisconsin	335	240	320	133
Wyoming	155	165	140	85
United States	43,346	37,335	41,229	110

Durum Wheat Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Includes area planted in preceding fall in Arizona and California]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Arizona	125	80	70	88
California	180	115	155	135
Idaho	20	20	15	75
Montana	570	540	510	94
North Dakota	1,650	1,800	1,600	89
South Dakota	9	15	15	100
United States	2,554	2,570	2,365	92

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Other Spring Wheat Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Colorado	30	28	40	143
Idaho	550	630	640	102
Minnesota	1,600	1,600	1,650	103
Montana	2,400	2,850	2,800	98
Nevada	4	4	8	200
North Dakota	6,450	6,400	7,100	111
Oregon	130	140	170	121
South Dakota	1,500	1,450	1,350	93
Utah	14	16	19	119
Washington	590	580	650	112
United States	13,268	13,698	14,427	105

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

All Hay Area Harvested – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area harvested			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	800	780	760	97
Arizona	310	320	270	84
Arkansas	1,415	1,480	1,480	100
California	1,540	1,470	1,400	95
Colorado	1,600	1,600	1,600	100
Connecticut	62	59	55	93
Delaware	17	15	15	100
Florida	300	320	350	109
Georgia	700	650	570	88
Idaho	1,510	1,470	1,370	93
Illinois	610	600	600	100
Indiana	620	670	640	96
Iowa	1,220	1,200	1,150	96
Kansas	2,550	2,550	2,600	102
Kentucky	2,520	2,530	2,450	97
Louisiana	380	450	400	89
Maine	149	137	140	102
Maryland	210	215	220	102
Massachusetts	81	77	80	104
Michigan	990	1,000	1,000	100
Minnesota	2,050	1,900	1,900	100
Mississippi	700	700	670	96
Missouri	3,880	3,840	3,800	99
Montana	2,500	2,850	2,900	102
Nebraska	2,700	2,690	2,600	97
Nevada	490	470	450	96
New Hampshire	57	56	55	98
New Jersey	110	105	110	105
New Mexico	320	310	290	94
New York	1,360	1,380	1,440	104
North Carolina	847	865	840	97
North Dakota	2,960	2,550	2,500	98
Ohio	1,040	1,110	1,170	105
Oklahoma	3,220	3,210	3,100	97
Oregon	1,030	1,045	1,000	96
Pennsylvania	1,550	1,500	1,600	107
Rhode Island	7	8	8	100
South Carolina	350	360	390	108
South Dakota	3,800	3,600	3,500	97
Tennessee	1,915	1,965	1,970	100
Texas	4,620	5,220	5,000	96
Utah	690	700	700	100
Vermont	190	195	200	103
Virginia	1,180	1,330	1,380	104
Washington	810	840	780	93
West Virginia	625	620	620	100
Wisconsin	1,920	1,660	1,700	102
Wyoming	1,270	1,190	1,150	97
United States	59,775	59,862	58,973	99

¹ Intended area harvested in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Rice Area Planted by Class – States and United States: 2009-2011

Class and State	Area planted			
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Long grain				
Arkansas	1,260	1,595	1,180	74
California	5	6	5	83
Louisiana	415	500	420	84
Mississippi	245	305	200	66
Missouri	199	250	195	78
Texas	166	185	165	89
United States	2,290	2,841	2,165	76
Medium grain				
Arkansas	225	195	220	113
California	505	510	530	104
Louisiana	55	40	50	125
Missouri	3	3	7	233
Texas	5	4	5	125
United States	793	752	812	108
Short grain				
Arkansas	1	1	1	100
California ²	51	42	40	95
United States	52	43	41	95
All				
Arkansas	1,486	1,791	1,401	78
California	561	558	575	103
Louisiana	470	540	470	87
Mississippi	245	305	200	66
Missouri	202	253	202	80
Texas	171	189	170	90
United States	3,135	3,636	3,018	83

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Includes sweet rice.

Canola Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Idaho	15.0	19.5	19.0	97
Minnesota	13.0	46.0	21.0	46
Montana	6.5	17.5	25.0	143
North Dakota	730.0	1,280.0	1,420.0	111
Oklahoma	42.0	60.0	100.0	167
Oregon	4.9	6.0	7.0	117
Other States ²	15.6	19.8	19.8	100
United States	827.0	1,448.8	1,611.8	111

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Other States include Colorado, Kansas, and Washington. The 2011 estimate carried forward from 2010. First 2011 estimate for Other States will be published in *Acreage* released June 30, 2011.

Soybean Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	440	350	310	89
Arkansas	3,420	3,190	3,250	102
Delaware	185	175	180	103
Florida	37	25	26	104
Georgia	470	270	210	78
Illinois	9,400	9,100	9,100	100
Indiana	5,450	5,350	5,350	100
Iowa	9,600	9,800	9,400	96
Kansas	3,700	4,300	4,000	93
Kentucky	1,430	1,400	1,480	106
Louisiana	1,020	1,030	1,050	102
Maryland	485	470	480	102
Michigan	2,000	2,050	2,000	98
Minnesota	7,200	7,400	7,400	100
Mississippi	2,160	2,000	1,850	93
Missouri	5,350	5,150	5,300	103
Nebraska	4,800	5,150	5,050	98
New Jersey	89	94	90	96
New York	255	280	305	109
North Carolina	1,800	1,580	1,490	94
North Dakota	3,900	4,100	4,350	106
Ohio	4,550	4,600	4,400	96
Oklahoma	405	500	480	96
Pennsylvania	450	500	495	99
South Carolina	590	465	510	110
South Dakota	4,250	4,200	4,300	102
Tennessee	1,570	1,450	1,360	94
Texas	215	205	185	90
Virginia	580	560	590	105
West Virginia	20	20	18	90
Wisconsin	1,630	1,640	1,600	98
United States	77,451	77,404	76,609	99

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Peanut Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	155.0	190.0	175.0	92
Florida	115.0	145.0	150.0	103
Georgia	510.0	565.0	540.0	96
Mississippi	21.0	19.0	16.0	84
New Mexico	7.0	10.0	10.0	100
North Carolina	67.0	87.0	81.0	93
Oklahoma	14.0	22.0	21.0	95
South Carolina	50.0	67.0	70.0	104
Texas	165.0	165.0	160.0	97
Virginia	12.0	18.0	14.0	78
United States	1,116.0	1,288.0	1,237.0	96

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sunflower Area Planted by Type – States and United States: 2009-2011

Varietal type and State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Oil				
California	34.0	27.0	17.0	63
Colorado	70.0	95.0	75.0	79
Kansas	150.0	110.0	110.0	100
Minnesota	45.0	55.0	45.0	82
Nebraska	27.0	25.0	30.0	120
North Dakota	770.0	700.0	600.0	86
Oklahoma	13.0	11.0	8.0	73
South Dakota	520.0	410.0	480.0	117
Texas	69.0	30.0	35.0	117
United States	1,698.0	1,463.0	1,400.0	96
Non-oil				
California	8.0	7.0	11.0	157
Colorado	21.0	37.0	25.0	68
Kansas	18.0	29.0	22.0	76
Minnesota	26.0	33.0	13.0	39
Nebraska	25.0	37.0	34.0	92
North Dakota	115.0	185.0	175.0	95
Oklahoma	3.0	1.5	3.0	200
South Dakota	50.0	100.0	70.0	70
Texas	66.0	59.0	52.0	88
United States	332.0	488.5	405.0	83
All				
California	42.0	34.0	28.0	82
Colorado	91.0	132.0	100.0	76
Kansas	168.0	139.0	132.0	95
Minnesota	71.0	88.0	58.0	66
Nebraska	52.0	62.0	64.0	103
North Dakota	885.0	885.0	775.0	88
Oklahoma	16.0	12.5	11.0	88
South Dakota	570.0	510.0	550.0	108
Texas	135.0	89.0	87.0	98
United States	2,030.0	1,951.5	1,805.0	92

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Flaxseed Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Minnesota	3	4	6	150
Montana	11	15	22	147
North Dakota	295	390	380	97
South Dakota	8	12	12	100
United States	317	421	420	100

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Cotton Area Planted by Type – States and United States: 2009-2011

Type and State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Upland				
Alabama	255.0	340.0	410.0	121
Arizona	145.0	195.0	225.0	115
Arkansas	520.0	545.0	630.0	116
California	71.0	124.0	160.0	129
Florida	82.0	92.0	100.0	109
Georgia	1,000.0	1,330.0	1,450.0	109
Kansas	38.0	51.0	68.0	133
Louisiana	230.0	255.0	290.0	114
Mississippi	305.0	420.0	530.0	126
Missouri	272.0	310.0	360.0	116
New Mexico	31.1	47.0	65.0	138
North Carolina	375.0	550.0	750.0	136
Oklahoma	205.0	285.0	320.0	112
South Carolina	115.0	202.0	260.0	129
Tennessee	300.0	390.0	470.0	121
Texas	5,000.0	5,550.0	6,100.0	110
Virginia	64.0	83.0	125.0	151
United States	9,008.1	10,769.0	12,313.0	114
American Pima				
Arizona	1.6	2.5	9.0	360
California	119.0	182.0	225.0	124
New Mexico	2.8	2.7	3.5	130
Texas	18.0	17.0	15.0	88
United States	141.4	204.2	252.5	124
All				
Alabama	255.0	340.0	410.0	121
Arizona	146.6	197.5	234.0	118
Arkansas	520.0	545.0	630.0	116
California	190.0	306.0	385.0	126
Florida	82.0	92.0	100.0	109
Georgia	1,000.0	1,330.0	1,450.0	109
Kansas	38.0	51.0	68.0	133
Louisiana	230.0	255.0	290.0	114
Mississippi	305.0	420.0	530.0	126
Missouri	272.0	310.0	360.0	116
New Mexico	33.9	49.7	68.5	138
North Carolina	375.0	550.0	750.0	136
Oklahoma	205.0	285.0	320.0	112
South Carolina	115.0	202.0	260.0	129
Tennessee	300.0	390.0	470.0	121
Texas	5,018.0	5,567.0	6,115.0	110
Virginia	64.0	83.0	125.0	151
United States	9,149.5	10,973.2	12,565.5	115

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sugarbeet Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Relates to year of intended harvest in all States except California. In California, relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for overwintered beets in central and southern California]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
California	25.3	25.1	25.0	100
Colorado	35.1	28.9	30.2	104
Idaho	164.0	171.0	177.0	104
Michigan	138.0	147.0	145.0	99
Minnesota	464.0	449.0	445.0	99
Montana	38.4	42.6	45.9	108
Nebraska	53.0	50.0	55.0	110
North Dakota	225.0	217.0	227.0	105
Oregon	10.6	10.3	10.0	97
Wyoming	32.4	30.5	27.0	89
United States	1,185.8	1,171.4	1,187.1	101

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from processors.

Tobacco Area Harvested – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area harvested			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(percent)
Connecticut	1,900	2,550	(D)	(X)
Georgia	13,800	11,400	12,000	105
Kentucky	88,700	85,200	80,700	95
Massachusetts	390	950	(D)	(X)
North Carolina	177,400	168,300	170,300	101
Ohio	3,400	2,500	1,800	72
Pennsylvania	8,200	8,500	9,700	114
South Carolina	18,500	16,000	14,500	91
Tennessee	21,600	22,300	24,100	108
Virginia	20,150	19,750	20,700	105
Other States ²	(X)	(X)	2,710	(X)
United States	354,040	337,450	336,510	100

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended area harvested in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² For 2011, Other States include Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Tobacco Area Harvested by Class and Type – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area harvested			
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(percent)
Class 1, Flue-cured (11-14)				
Georgia	13,800	11,400	12,000	105
North Carolina	174,000	166,000	168,000	101
South Carolina	18,500	16,000	14,500	91
Virginia	17,500	17,500	18,500	106
United States	223,800	210,900	213,000	101
Class 2, Fire-cured (21-23)				
Kentucky	9,100	8,800	9,500	108
Tennessee	6,400	6,200	6,200	100
Virginia	650	650	550	85
United States	16,150	15,650	16,250	104
Class 3A, Light air-cured				
Type 31, Burley				
Kentucky	75,000	72,000	67,000	93
North Carolina	3,400	2,300	2,300	100
Ohio	3,400	2,500	1,800	72
Pennsylvania	4,100	4,200	5,000	119
Tennessee	14,000	15,000	17,000	113
Virginia	2,000	1,600	1,650	103
United States	101,900	97,600	94,750	97
Type 32, Southern Maryland				
Pennsylvania	2,100	2,200	3,000	136
Total light air-cured (31-32)	104,000	99,800	97,750	98
Class 3B, Dark air-cured (35-37)				
Kentucky	4,600	4,400	4,200	95
Tennessee	1,200	1,100	900	82
United States	5,800	5,500	5,100	93
Class 4, Cigar filler				
Pennsylvania	2,000	2,100	1,700	81
Class 5, Cigar binder				
Type 51, Connecticut Valley Broadleaf				
Connecticut	1,100	1,900	1,600	84
Massachusetts	300	850	450	53
United States	1,400	2,750	2,050	75
Class 6, Cigar wrapper				
Type 61, Connecticut Valley Shade-grown				
Connecticut	800	650	(D)	(X)
Massachusetts	90	100	(D)	(X)
United States	890	750	660	88
Total cigar types (41-61)	4,290	5,600	4,410	79
All tobacco				
United States	354,040	337,450	336,510	100

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended area harvested in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Dry Edible Bean Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Excludes beans grown for garden seed]

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Arizona	15.5	13.0	10.0	77
California	71.0	63.5	50.0	79
Colorado	57.0	70.0	49.0	70
Idaho	100.0	135.0	90.0	67
Kansas	8.5	9.5	8.0	84
Michigan	200.0	236.0	180.0	76
Minnesota	150.0	185.0	140.0	76
Montana	11.9	18.8	27.0	144
Nebraska	130.0	170.0	125.0	74
New Mexico	12.5	13.8	12.0	87
New York	16.0	15.0	12.0	80
North Dakota	610.0	800.0	450.0	56
Oregon	6.4	7.1	4.5	63
South Dakota	10.3	12.5	14.0	112
Texas	37.0	21.0	20.0	95
Washington	60.0	86.0	70.0	81
Wisconsin	6.4	6.2	5.0	81
Wyoming	37.5	49.0	37.0	76
United States	1,540.0	1,911.4	1,303.5	68

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Chickpea (Garbanzo Bean) Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

[Chickpea acres included with dry bean acres]

Size and State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Small chickpeas (Garbanzo, smaller than 20/64 inches)				
Idaho	10.5	16.0	14.0	88
Montana	1.9	(D)	11.0	(X)
North Dakota	2.6	2.0	(D)	(X)
South Dakota	1.1	(D)	(D)	(X)
Washington	(NA)	3.7	4.0	108
Other States ²	-	3.4	6.9	203
United States	16.1	25.1	35.9	143
Large chickpeas (Garbanzo, larger than 20/64 inches)				
California	14.5	11.2	9.5	85
Idaho	22.0	37.0	34.0	92
Montana	0.4	(D)	7.0	(X)
North Dakota	10.6	14.0	(D)	(X)
Oregon	0.4	0.6	1.0	167
South Dakota	1.0	(D)	(D)	(X)
Washington	31.1	51.0	46.0	90
Other States ²	-	7.1	5.5	77
United States	80.0	120.9	103.0	85
All chickpeas (Garbanzo)				
California	14.5	11.2	9.5	85
Idaho	32.5	53.0	48.0	91
Montana	2.3	6.3	18.0	286
North Dakota	13.2	16.0	9.0	56
Oregon	0.4	0.6	1.0	167
South Dakota	2.1	4.2	3.4	81
Washington	31.1	54.7	50.0	91
United States	96.1	146.0	138.9	95

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Other States include data withheld above due to disclosure.

Lentil Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Idaho	53.0	55.0	45.0	82
Montana	122.0	260.0	320.0	123
North Dakota	165.0	265.0	275.0	104
Washington	75.0	78.0	70.0	90
United States	415.0	658.0	710.0	108

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Dry Edible Pea Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Idaho	42.0	31.0	25.0	81
Montana	240.0	220.0	215.0	98
North Dakota	490.0	430.0	275.0	64
Oregon	6.3	7.0	6.0	86
Washington	85.0	68.0	65.0	96
United States	863.3	756.0	586.0	78

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Austrian Winter Pea Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			Percent of previous year
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Idaho	8.0	11.0	6.0	55
Montana	10.0	16.0	12.0	75
Oregon	2.5	4.2	2.0	48
United States	20.5	31.2	20.0	64

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sweet Potato Area Planted – States and United States: 2009-2011

State	Area planted			
	2009	2010	2011 ¹	Percent of previous year
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Alabama	2.6	3.3	3.3	100
Arkansas	3.0	3.1	3.1	100
California	17.4	18.0	19.5	108
Florida	3.3	3.5	3.2	91
Louisiana	14.0	13.5	14.0	104
Mississippi	20.0	21.0	21.0	100
New Jersey	1.2	1.3	1.3	100
North Carolina	47.0	55.0	60.0	109
Texas	1.4	1.1	1.3	118
United States	109.9	119.8	126.7	106

¹ Intended plantings in 2011 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Crop Area Planted and Harvested – United States: 2010 and 2011 (Domestic Units)

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Crop	Area planted		Area harvested	
	2010 (1,000 acres)	2011 (1,000 acres)	2010 (1,000 acres)	2011 (1,000 acres)
Grains and hay				
Barley	2,872	2,952	2,465	
Corn for grain ¹	88,192	92,178	81,446	
Corn for silage	(NA)		5,567	
Hay, all	(NA)	(NA)	59,862	58,973
Alfalfa	(NA)		19,956	
All other	(NA)		39,906	
Oats	3,138	2,839	1,263	
Proso millet	390		363	
Rice	3,636	3,018	3,615	
Rye	1,211		265	
Sorghum for grain ¹	5,404	5,645	4,808	
Sorghum for silage	(NA)		273	
Wheat, all	53,603	58,021	47,637	
Winter	37,335	41,229	31,749	
Durum	2,570	2,365	2,529	
Other spring	13,698	14,427	13,359	
Oilseeds				
Canola	1,448.8	1,611.8	1,431.0	
Cottonseed	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Flaxseed	421	420	418	
Mustard seed	50.5		48.1	
Peanuts	1,288.0	1,237.0	1,255.0	
Rapeseed	2.3		2.2	
Safflower	175.0		167.7	
Soybeans for beans	77,404	76,609	76,616	
Sunflower	1,951.5	1,805.0	1,873.8	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
Cotton, all	10,973.2	12,565.5	10,706.7	
Upland	10,769.0	12,313.0	10,505.0	
American Pima	204.2	252.5	201.7	
Sugarbeets	1,171.4	1,187.1	1,155.7	
Sugarcane	(NA)		883.2	
Tobacco	(NA)	(NA)	337.5	336.5
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				
Austrian winter peas	31.2	20.0	17.9	
Dry edible beans	1,911.4	1,303.5	1,842.7	
Dry edible peas	756.0	586.0	711.4	
Lentils	658.0	710.0	634.0	
Wrinkled seed peas	(NA)		(NA)	
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Coffee (Hawaii)	(NA)		6.3	
Hops	(NA)		31.3	
Peppermint oil	(NA)		71.3	
Potatoes, all	1,020.6		1,004.3	
Spring	88.8		85.9	
Summer	38.1		37.1	
Fall	893.7		881.3	
Spearmint oil	(NA)		18.6	
Sweet potatoes	119.8	126.7	116.9	
Taro (Hawaii) ²	(NA)		0.5	

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

² Area is total acres in crop, not harvested acres.

Crop Yield and Production – United States: 2010 and 2011 (Domestic Units)

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Crop	Yield per acre		Production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
			(1,000)	(1,000)
Grains and hay				
Barley	bushels	73.1	180,268	
Corn for grain	bushels	152.8	12,446,865	
Corn for silage	tons	19.3	107,314	
Hay, all	tons	2.43	145,556	
Alfalfa	tons	3.40	67,903	
All other	tons	1.95	77,653	
Oats	bushels	64.3	81,190	
Proso millet	bushels	31.8	11,535	
Rice ¹	cwt	6,725	243,104	
Rye	bushels	28.0	7,431	
Sorghum for grain	bushels	71.8	345,395	
Sorghum for silage	tons	12.5	3,420	
Wheat, all	bushels	46.4	2,208,391	
Winter	bushels	46.8	1,485,236	
Durum	bushels	42.4	107,180	
Other spring	bushels	46.1	615,975	
Oilseeds				
Canola	pounds	1,713	2,450,947	
Cottonseed	tons	(X)	6,191.0	
Flaxseed	bushels	21.7	9,056	
Mustard seed	pounds	870	41,861	
Peanuts	pounds	3,311	4,155,600	
Rapeseed	pounds	1,891	4,160	
Safflower	pounds	1,320	221,335	
Soybeans for beans	bushels	43.5	3,329,341	
Sunflower	pounds	1,460	2,735,570	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
Cotton, all ¹	bales	821	18,314.5	
Upland ¹	bales	814	17,817.0	
American Pima ¹	bales	1,184	497.5	
Sugarbeets	tons	27.6	31,945	
Sugarcane	tons	31.8	28,111	
Tobacco	pounds	2,133	719,786	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				
Austrian winter peas ¹	cwt	1,666	237	
Dry edible beans ¹	cwt	1,726	31,801	
Dry edible peas ¹	cwt	1,999	14,221	
Lentils ¹	cwt	1,365	8,657	
Wrinkled seed peas	cwt	(NA)	580	
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Coffee (Hawaii)	pounds	1,250	7,900	
Hops	pounds	2,093	65,492.6	
Peppermint oil	pounds	89	6,363	
Potatoes, all	cwt	395	397,077	
Spring	cwt	289	24,820	
Summer	cwt	311	11,530	
Fall	cwt	409	360,727	
Spearmint oil	pounds	125	2,318	
Sweet potatoes	cwt	204	23,845	
Taro (Hawaii)	pounds	(NA)	3,900	

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Yield in pounds.

Crop Area Planted and Harvested – United States: 2010 and 2011 (Metric Units)

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Crop	Area planted		Area harvested	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
	(hectares)	(hectares)	(hectares)	(hectares)
Grains and hay				
Barley	1,162,270	1,194,640	997,560	
Corn for grain ¹	35,690,420	37,303,510	32,960,380	
Corn for silage	(NA)		2,252,910	
Hay, all ²	(NA)	(NA)	24,225,550	23,865,780
Alfalfa	(NA)		8,075,990	
All other	(NA)		16,149,560	
Oats	1,269,920	1,148,910	511,120	
Proso millet	157,830		146,900	
Rice	1,471,450	1,221,350	1,462,950	
Rye	490,080		107,240	
Sorghum for grain ¹	2,186,940	2,284,480	1,945,750	
Sorghum for silage	(NA)		110,480	
Wheat, all ²	21,692,600	23,480,520	19,278,220	
Winter	15,109,100	16,684,960	12,848,500	
Durum	1,040,050	957,090	1,023,460	
Other spring	5,543,440	5,838,460	5,406,250	
Oilseeds				
Canola	586,310	652,280	579,110	
Cottonseed	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Flaxseed	170,370	169,970	169,160	
Mustard seed	20,440		19,470	
Peanuts	521,240	500,600	507,890	
Rapeseed	930		890	
Safflower	70,820		67,870	
Soybeans for beans	31,324,620	31,002,900	31,005,730	
Sunflower	789,750	730,470	758,310	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
Cotton, all ²	4,440,740	5,085,130	4,332,890	
Upland	4,358,110	4,982,950	4,251,270	
American Pima	82,640	102,180	81,630	
Sugarbeets	474,050	480,410	467,700	
Sugarcane	(NA)		357,420	
Tobacco	(NA)	(NA)	136,560	136,180
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				
Austrian winter peas	12,630	8,090	7,240	
Dry edible beans	773,520	527,510	745,720	
Dry edible peas	305,950	237,150	287,900	
Lentils	266,290	287,330	256,570	
Wrinkled seed peas	(NA)		(NA)	
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Coffee (Hawaii)	(NA)		2,550	
Hops	(NA)		12,660	
Peppermint oil	(NA)		28,850	
Potatoes, all ²	413,030		406,430	
Spring	35,940		34,760	
Summer	15,420		15,010	
Fall	361,670		356,650	
Spearmint oil	(NA)		7,530	
Sweet potatoes	48,480	51,270	47,310	
Taro (Hawaii) ³	(NA)		190	

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

² Total may not add due to rounding.

³ Area is total hectares in crop, not harvested hectares.

Crop Yield and Production – United States: 2010 and 2011 (Metric Units)

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Crop	Yield per hectare		Production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011
	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)	(metric tons)
Grains and hay				
Barley	3.93		3,924,870	
Corn for grain	9.59		316,164,930	
Corn for silage	43.21		97,353,620	
Hay, all ¹	5.45		132,046,180	
Alfalfa	7.63		61,600,570	
All other	4.36		70,445,620	
Oats	2.31		1,178,470	
Proso millet	1.78		261,610	
Rice	7.54		11,027,010	
Rye	1.76		188,760	
Sorghum for grain	4.51		8,773,440	
Sorghum for silage	28.08		3,102,570	
Wheat, all ¹	3.12		60,102,550	
Winter	3.15		40,421,500	
Durum	2.85		2,916,960	
Other spring	3.10		16,764,090	
Oilseeds				
Canola	1.92		1,111,730	
Cottonseed	(X)		5,616,380	
Flaxseed	1.36		230,030	
Mustard seed	0.98		18,990	
Peanuts	3.71		1,884,950	
Rapeseed	2.12		1,890	
Safflower	1.48		100,400	
Soybeans for beans	2.92		90,609,810	
Sunflower	1.64		1,240,830	
Cotton, tobacco, and sugar crops				
Cotton, all ¹	0.92		3,987,510	
Upland	0.91		3,879,190	
American Pima	1.33		108,320	
Sugarbeets	61.96		28,980,020	
Sugarcane	71.35		25,501,870	
Tobacco	2.39		326,490	
Dry beans, peas, and lentils				
Austrian winter peas	1.48		10,750	
Dry edible beans	1.93		1,442,470	
Dry edible peas	2.24		645,050	
Lentils	1.53		392,670	
Wrinkled seed peas	(NA)		26,310	
Potatoes and miscellaneous				
Coffee (Hawaii)	1.41		3,580	
Hops	2.35		29,710	
Peppermint oil	0.10		2,890	
Potatoes, all ¹	44.32		18,011,110	
Spring	32.39		1,125,820	
Summer	34.83		522,990	
Fall	45.88		16,362,300	
Spearmint oil	0.14		1,050	
Sweet potatoes	22.86		1,081,590	
Taro (Hawaii)	(NA)		1,770	

(NA) Not available.

(X) Not applicable.

¹ Production may not add due to rounding.

Winter Weather Summary

Highlights: December freezes in Florida, expanding drought across the South, and an erratic Western winter wet season highlighted an unusual winter. December was not only cold in the Southeast, but also exceptionally stormy in the West. However, precipitation virtually ceased across much of the West for a 6-week period from early January to mid-February, only to return for the second half of February. The primary impact of Southern drought was deteriorating conditions of pastures and winter wheat. February featured numerous weather extremes. For example, bitter cold was replaced by mild weather across the central and southern Plains and the Mid-South.

Overall, the winter of 2010-11 was cool and dry. The Nation's winter average temperature of 32.3 degrees Fahrenheit was 0.7 degree below the twentieth century mean, and represented the 39th-lowest value during the 116-year period of record. State rankings ranged from the tenth-coldest winter in Florida to the 33rd-warmest December-February period in Nevada. Meanwhile, winter precipitation averaged 5.51 inches (85 percent of the long-term mean). It was the third-driest December-February period on record in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and North Carolina, but the fourth-wettest winter in South Dakota and the ninth-wettest winter in Montana. Other States reporting a top-ten winter ranking for dryness included Arkansas, Delaware, Tennessee, and Virginia. In South Dakota, it was the wettest winter since 1996-97, when massive spring flooding ensued.

December: Two large-scale atmospheric phenomena strongly influenced weather patterns across the United States: La Niña and a blocking high-pressure system over the northern Atlantic Ocean. The result was stormy weather in the western and north-central United States, along with drier-than-normal conditions from the central and southern Plains into the Southeast. In addition, the North Atlantic block displaced cold air southward, locking frigid air into place across the Southeast. In contrast, mild weather accompanied the Western storminess.

Western storms were most intense from central and southern California to the western slopes of the central Rockies. In those areas, heavy precipitation bolstered high-elevation snow packs and improved water-supply prospects, but also caused flash flooding and mudslides.

Meanwhile, little precipitation fell from southern sections of Arizona and New Mexico to the central and southern Plains. Between November 28 and January 2, the portion of the winter wheat crop rated in very poor to poor condition climbed from 25 to 33 percent in Kansas and 8 to 19 percent in Oklahoma. On the northern Plains, however, a well-established snow cover helped to protect winter wheat from periodic weather extremes.

Farther east, record-setting snowfall accumulated in the upper Midwest, while cold but relatively benign weather covered the central and eastern Corn Belt. The upper Midwestern snow and cold maintained stress on livestock and hampered rural travel. The Northeast also experienced several episodes of bad weather, with a post-holiday storm causing major travel disruptions.

Elsewhere, multiple freezes struck Florida's winter agricultural region, causing extensive damage to vegetables and requiring growers to employ a variety measures in an effort to protect citrus, sugarcane, strawberries, ornamentals, and nursery crops. December temperatures were the lowest on record in dozens of communities in Florida and elsewhere in the Southeast, eclipsing standards that had been mostly set in 1935, 1963, or 1989.

January: In a dramatic change from December, little or no precipitation fell in California during January. The water content of the Sierra Nevada snow pack, which rose about 16 inches in December, increased only an inch during January. The dry regime also stretched eastward into the Four Corners States. Farther north, warmth and melting snow accompanied a period of heavy precipitation from the Pacific Northwest to the northern Rockies, leading to some flooding.

Farther east, frequent snowfall blanketed the northern Plains and the upper Midwest, insulating winter grains but hampering rural travel and stressing livestock. In contrast, drought continued to expand and intensify across the southern half of the Plains. From November 28 to January 30, the portion of the winter wheat crop rated in very poor to poor condition increased from 26 to 52 percent in Texas, 8 to 40 percent in Oklahoma, and 25 to 37 percent in Kansas.

Elsewhere, January precipitation was generally below average across the South and East. Exceptions included Florida's peninsula and southern and eastern Texas, which received drought-easing rainfall, and the northern Atlantic region, which experienced record-setting snowfall. Despite frequent January showers across the South, long-term drought remained a concern in many areas.

February: Many parts of the country experienced opposite weather regimes during the first and second halves of the month. For example, the West turned cool and wet in mid-February, following a 6-week period of generally mild, dry weather.

Variable weather conditions also affected the Plains, where two severe cold outbreaks were followed by record-breaking warmth. Of particular concern was winter wheat on the central and southern High Plains, which - in addition to the February temperature swings - has been adversely affected by drought. From November 28 to February 27, the portion of the winter wheat crop rated in very poor to poor condition increased from 26 to 56 percent in Texas, 8 to 42 percent in Oklahoma, and 25 to 40 percent in Kansas.

In contrast, snow continued to accumulate across the northern Plains and upper Midwest, increasing the likelihood of spring flooding. Flooding was a more immediate concern in the central and eastern Corn Belt, where melting snow and late-February downpours pushed many creeks and rivers out of their banks.

Elsewhere, parts of the Mid-South and Southeast experienced some February drought relief, but drought continued to expand and intensify in southern Florida and the western and central Gulf Coast States.

Crop Comments

Corn: Growers intend to plant 92.2 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2011, up 5 percent from last year and 7 percent higher than in 2009. If realized, this will be the second highest planted acreage in the United States since 1944, behind only the 93.5 million acres planted in 2007. Planted acreage is expected to be up in most States compared to last year due to higher prices and grower expectations of better net returns with corn versus other commodities.

The largest increase in planted acreage in 2011 is expected in South Dakota, where growers intend to plant an additional 850,000 acres compared to last year when wet field conditions during planting prevented many from getting all of their intended acreage seeded. Iowa acreage is expected to increase 500,000 acres in 2011, while North Dakota acreage is expected to increase 450,000. The largest decrease in planted acreage is expected in Texas, down 150,000 acres, due to an increase in cotton acreage.

Sorghum: Growers intend to plant 5.65 million acres of sorghum for all purposes in 2011, up 4 percent from 2010. Producers in Kansas expect to plant 2.50 million acres this year, up 6 percent from 2010. Texas growers expect to plant 1.80 million acres, down 5 percent from the previous season. Kansas and Texas account for 76 percent of the expected United States acreage. As of March 27, Texas had planted 46 percent of their sorghum crop.

Oats: Area seeded to oats for the 2011 crop year is expected to total 2.84 million acres, down 10 percent from the 3.14 million acres planted last year. If realized, this will be the lowest United States total on record. Planted acreage is expected to decrease or remain unchanged in all but three of the 31 estimating States, with 20 of the States expecting record lows. The largest decrease in seeded acreage is expected in Wisconsin, where growers intend to plant 70,000 acres less than last year. Other States with notable acreage decreases include Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Increases in seeded acreage are expected in Arkansas, Maine, and Texas.

Barley: Producers intend to seed 2.95 million acres of barley for the 2011 crop year, up 3 percent from the 2.87 million acres seeded in 2010. If realized, this will be the second lowest seeded acreage on record. Area seeded to barley is expected to increase by 10,000 acres in Idaho and Montana, two of the three largest barley-producing States. The largest decrease in acreage is expected in North Dakota, where producers intend to seed 690,000 acres, a reduction of 30,000 acres from last year's record low. The expected decrease is largely driven by a decline in barley prices from recent years and the increased profitability of other crops such as corn and soybeans. Seeded area is also anticipated to decline to record low levels in Kansas, Michigan, and South Dakota.

Winter wheat: The 2011 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 41.2 million acres, up 10 percent from 2010 and up 1 percent from the *Winter Wheat Seedings* report. Of the 2011 total acreage, about 29.4 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 8.2 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.7 million acres are White Winter. Acres are up across all of the Soft Red winter area from 2010 due to the early row crop harvest and higher prices. The largest increases in the Soft Red Winter growing area are in Arkansas, Illinois, and Missouri, each up more than 300,000 acres. With concerns of a lack of moisture reported throughout much of the Great Plains, Hard Red Winter acres are down in Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Durum wheat: Area seeded to Durum wheat is estimated at 2.37 million acres, down 8 percent from 2010. Planted acreage is expected to be down in all producing States except California and South Dakota. Growers in California are expected to plant 40,000 more acres than last year. Durum acres in South Dakota are expected to remain unchanged from 2010.

Other spring wheat: Growers intend to plant 14.4 million acres this year, up 5 percent from 2010. Of the total, about 13.6 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Planted acreage is expected to be up in all producing States except Montana and South Dakota. Growers in North Dakota, the leading other spring wheat growing State, intend to plant 700,000 more acres than last year.

Rice: Area planted to rice in 2011 is expected to total 3.02 million acres, down 17 percent from 2010. Acreage in all rice-producing States except California is expected to decrease from the previous year. Growers in Arkansas, the largest rice-producing State, intend to plant 1.40 million acres, down 22 percent from last year's record high planted acreage. California growers intend to plant 575,000 acres to rice, an increase of 3 percent from last year, and planted area in Louisiana is expected to total 470,000 acres, 13 percent lower than last season.

Long grain planted acreage, representing 72 percent of the total, is expected to be down 24 percent from last year. Significant decreases in long grain acreage from last year are expected in all rice-producing States. Medium grain planted acreage, representing 27 percent of the total, is expected to increase 8 percent from 2010 due to anticipated increases in all States. Area to be planted to short grain varieties, which accounts for 1 percent of total acres, is down 5 percent from 2010.

Hay: Producers expect to harvest 59.0 million acres of all hay in 2011, down 1 percent from 2010. If realized, this will be the fourth lowest harvested acreage on record. Harvested area is expected to decrease from last year throughout most of the western two-thirds of the Nation, primarily due to lower livestock inventories, an increase in acreage being planted to other crops with higher prices, and drought conditions in the Southern Great Plains. The largest decreases in acreage harvested are expected in Idaho, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas. Compared with last year, producers in Oklahoma and Texas intend to harvest 110,000 and 220,000 less acres, respectively, while growers in Pennsylvania expect to harvest 100,000 more acres.

Soybeans: Growers intend to plant an estimated 76.6 million acres in 2011, down 1 percent from last year. If realized, the United States planted area will be the third largest on record. Compared with last year, planted acreage is down or unchanged across most of the Corn Belt, the central and southern Great Plains, and most of the Southeast. Declines of 100,000 acres or more are expected in Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Nebraska, and Ohio. Meanwhile, the States expecting the largest increases compared with last year are North Dakota, up 250,000 acres, and Missouri, up 150,000 acres. If realized, the planted area in New York and North Dakota will be the largest on record.

Peanuts: Growers intend to plant 1.24 million acres of peanuts in 2011, down 4 percent from the previous year. An increase in planted area is expected in Florida and South Carolina and acreage is expected to remain unchanged from last year in New Mexico. Growers in all other States intend to plant fewer acres to peanuts than last year.

Southeast growers (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina) intend to plant 951,000 acres of peanuts, a decrease of 4 percent from 2010. In Georgia, the largest peanut-producing State, planted area is expected to decrease 4 percent from last season. Plantings in the Virginia-North Carolina region are expected to total 95,000 acres, down 10 percent from 2010. Growers in the Southwest (New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas) intend to plant 191,000 acres,

down 3 percent from the previous year. Peanut growers in most States are expecting to plant more acres to cotton this year, due to increased demand and higher prices.

Sunflower: Growers intend to plant a total of 1.81 million acres in 2011, down 8 percent from last year. Area intended for oil type varieties, at 1.40 million acres, is down 4 percent from 2010. The area intended for non-oil varieties, estimated at 405,000 acres, is down 17 percent from last year, but will still be the second highest planted area since 2005, if realized.

North Dakota sunflower growers intend to plant 775,000 acres in 2011, down 110,000 acres from 2010. Compared with last year, seven of the nine major sunflower-producing States are expecting a decrease in planted area in 2011, with only Nebraska and South Dakota showing increases in expected acreage.

Canola: Producers intend to plant a record high 1.61 million acres in 2011, up 11 percent from 2010. Compared with last year, planted area is expected to increase in four of the six major canola-producing States, with acreage in Oklahoma expected to increase 67 percent from the previous year's area. Producers in North Dakota, the leading canola State, intend to plant a record high 1.42 million acres, up 140,000 acres from last year.

Flaxseed: Producers intend to plant 420,000 acres of flaxseed in 2011, down 1,000 acres from last year. Planted area is expected to increase or remain unchanged from last year in all estimating States except North Dakota, where growers intend to plant 380,000 acres, 10,000 acres less than were planted in 2010.

Cotton: Growers intend to plant 12.6 million acres, up 15 percent from last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 12.3 million acres, up 14 percent from 2010. American Pima acreage is expected to total 252,500 acres, up 24 percent from 2010.

Upland growers in the Southeastern States (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia) intend to plant 3.10 million acres, up 19 percent from last year. Acreage increases in North Carolina and Georgia are expected to total 200,000 and 120,000, respectively.

In the Delta States (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee), producers expect to plant 2.28 million acres, up 19 percent from last year. The largest acreage increase in the Delta region is expected to be in Mississippi, where growers intend to plant 110,000 acres more than in 2010.

Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas Upland acreage is expected to total 6.55 million acres, up 10 percent from last year. Texas, which accounts for 6.10 million acres of this area, is expecting an acreage increase of 550,000 acres from last year. Planting in Texas is underway.

American Pima growers intend to plant 252,500 acres, up 24 percent from last year. California accounts for 225,000 of these acres and is expecting to increase by 43,000 acres.

Sugarbeets: Area planted to sugarbeets for the 2011 crop year is expected to total 1.19 million acres, up 1 percent from the 1.17 million acres planted in 2010. Planting intentions increased in half of the estimating States. The largest increase in planted area is expected in North Dakota, where producers intend to plant 227,000 acres, 10,000 acres more than last year.

Intended plantings decreased in California, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, and Wyoming. In Minnesota, the largest sugarbeet-producing State, a 4,000 acre decrease is anticipated. Planted area in California is expected to total 25,000 acres. If realized, this will establish a new record low for the seventh consecutive year for California.

Tobacco: United States all tobacco area for harvest in 2011 is expected to total 336,510 acres, slightly below 2010. Expected increases in flue-cured, fire-cured, and Southern Maryland tobacco offset expected decreases in light-air cured, dark-air cured, and cigar types.

Flue-cured tobacco intentions, at 213,000 acres, are 1 percent above 2010. Flue-cured tobacco accounts for 63 percent of this year's expected total tobacco acreage. Acreage in North Carolina, the leading flue-cured State, is up 1 percent from

last year. Growers in Georgia and Virginia also expect acreage to increase from a year ago by 5 percent and 6 percent, respectively. Acreage in South Carolina is expected to decrease by 9 percent from last year.

Total light air-cured tobacco type acreage is expected to be down 2 percent from a year ago. Burley tobacco, at 94,750 acres, is 3 percent below last year. If realized, this will be the lowest burley acreage on record surpassing the low record established in 2008 at 97,500 acres. Acreage in Kentucky, the leading burley tobacco State, is expected to decrease by 7 percent from a year ago. Growers in Ohio expect acreage to decrease from 2010 by 28 percent. Pennsylvania's Southern Maryland type tobacco acres are estimated at 3,000, up 36 percent from 2010.

Fire-cured tobacco intentions, at 16,250 acres, are up 4 percent from 2010. Acreage in Kentucky is expected to increase from last year by 8 percent. Acreage in Virginia is expected to decrease by 15 percent from a year ago. Growers in Tennessee expect acreage to remain unchanged from last year.

Dark air-cured tobacco intentions, at 5,100 acres, are down 7 percent from last year. Fewer acres are being contracted for the dark tobacco types. Growers in Kentucky are expecting acreage to decrease from a year ago by 5 percent. Acreage in Tennessee is expected to decrease 18 percent from the previous year.

All cigar type tobacco intentions, at 4,410 acres, are 21 percent below last year. Every cigar type variety is showing a decrease in expected acreage from last year: cigar filler is down 19 percent, cigar binder is down 25 percent, and cigar wrapper is down 12 percent.

Sweet potatoes: Planted area of sweet potatoes is expected to total 126,700 acres for the 2011 season, up 6 percent from last year. Large increases are expected in North Carolina and California, up 9 and 8 percent from 2010, respectively.

Strong demand has led to an increase in expected planted acres. In California, planting is underway. Many Louisiana producers will begin planting in early May, where a new processing plant supports an increase in expected planted acres. Favorable temperatures and increasing demand led to increased acreage expectations in North Carolina.

Dry Beans: Growers intend to plant 1.30 million acres in 2011, down 32 percent from last year. The decrease in planted acres can be mainly attributed to increased acreage intentions for competing crops, including corn and wheat. Expected area planted for all chickpeas is 138,900 acres, down 5 percent from last year. Small chickpea area, at 35,900 acres, is 43 percent higher than 2010. Large chickpea acreage is expected to be 15 percent less than last year. Small chickpeas are defined as peas that will pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

Acreage declines are expected in 16 of the 18 dry bean estimating States. In North Dakota, the largest producing State, growers intend to plant 350,000 fewer acres, which is the largest decrease from last year. Both Michigan and Minnesota are showing acreage decreases of 24 percent, while Nebraska growers reported a 26 percent decline.

Lentils: Area planted for the 2011 crop year is expected to total 710,000 acres, up 8 percent from 2010. If realized, this will be a record high since estimates began in 1986. Montana and North Dakota, whose combined acreage accounts for 84 percent of this season's lentil prospective plantings, show a 23 percent and 4 percent increase in expected planted area, respectively, from last year. Idaho and Washington growers report a decrease in anticipated planted acreage from a year ago.

Dry Edible Peas: Growers intend to plant 586,000 acres, down 22 percent from 2010. All estimating States (Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, and Washington) anticipate lower planted acreages this season. If realized, this season will be the third consecutive year of declining United States planted acreage.

Farmers in North Dakota, the largest producing State, intend to plant 275,000 acres this year, a decrease of 36 percent from a year ago. Montana growers plan to plant 215,000 acres, 2 percent below last year. Growers in Idaho and Oregon are expected to reduce their planted acreage from last year by 19 percent and 14 percent, respectively. Washington growers anticipate a 4 percent decrease from a year ago.

Austrian Winter Peas: Area planted for the 2011 crop year is expected to total 20,000 acres, down 36 percent from a year ago. Growers in Idaho, Montana, and Oregon anticipate lower planted acreages this season.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: The acreage estimates in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March. The March Agricultural Survey is a probability survey that includes a sample of over 85,000 farm operators selected from a list of producers that ensures all operations in the United States have a chance to be selected. These operators were contacted by mail, internet, telephone, or personal interview to obtain information on crop acreage planned for the 2011 crop year.

Estimating Procedures: National, Regional, State, and grower reported data were reviewed for reasonableness and consistency with historical estimates. Each State Field Office submits their analysis of the current situation to the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB). Survey data are compiled to the National level and are reviewed at this level independently of each State's review. Acreage estimates were based on survey data and the historical relationship of official estimates to the survey data.

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Reliability: The survey used to make acreage estimates is subject to sampling and non-sampling errors that are common to all surveys. Sampling errors represent the variability between estimates that would result if many different samples were surveyed at the same time. Sampling errors for major crops are generally between 1.0 and 3.0 percent, but they cannot be applied directly to the acreage published in this report to determine confidence intervals because the official estimates represent a composite of information from more than a single source.

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To assist users in evaluating the reliability of acreage estimates in this report, the "Root Mean Square Error," a statistical measure based on past performance, is computed. The deviations between the acreage estimates in this report and the final estimates are expressed as a percentage of the final estimates. The average of squared percentage deviations for the latest 20-year period is computed. The square root of the average becomes statistically the "Root Mean Square Error." Probability statements can be made concerning expected differences in the current estimates relative to the final end-of-season estimates, assuming that factors affecting this year's estimates are not different from those influencing recent years. For example, the "Root Mean Square Error" for the corn planted estimate is 2.0 percent. This means that chances are 2 out of 3 that the current corn acreage estimate will not be above or below the final estimate by more than 2.0 percent. Chances are 9 out of 10 (90 percent confidence level) that the difference will not exceed 3.5 percent.

Also, shown in the following table is a 20-year record for selected crops of the difference between the *Prospective Plantings* planted acreage estimates and the final estimates. Using corn again as an example, changes between the intentions estimates and the final estimates during the past 20 years have averaged 1.14 million acres, ranging from 32,000 acres to 3.84 million acres. The prospective plantings estimates have been below the final estimate 8 times and above 12 times. This does not imply that the planted estimate this year is likely to understate or overstate the final estimate.

Reliability Prospective Plantings Planted Acreage Estimates

[Based on data for the past twenty years]

Crop	Root mean square error	90 percent confidence interval	Difference between forecast and final estimate				
			Thousand acres			Years	
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Below final	Above final
	(percent)	(percent)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(number)	(number)
Barley	6.0	10.4	255	31	548	5	15
Corn for grain	2.0	3.5	1,141	32	3,844	8	12
Oats	5.9	10.1	251	4	865	2	18
Sorghum for grain	9.5	16.4	695	31	2,471	11	9
Soybeans for beans	2.0	3.5	1,152	25	2,582	13	7
Upland cotton	4.6	7.9	463	6	1,320	11	9
Wheat							
Winter wheat	1.5	2.5	525	6	1,415	8	12
Durum wheat	7.2	12.5	168	12	552	15	5
Other spring	5.2	9.0	692	12	2,543	10	10

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