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Corn Planted Acreage Up 3 Percent from 2009
Soybean Acreage Up Less Than 1 Percent
All Wheat Acreage Down 9 Percent
All Cotton Acreage Up 15 Percent

Corn growers intend to plant 88.8 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2010, up 3 percent from both last year and 2008. Expected acreage is up in many States due to reduced winter wheat acreage and expectations of improved net returns. Acreage increases of 300,000 or more are expected in Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, and Ohio. The largest decreases are expected in Iowa, down 200,000 acres, and Texas, down 150,000 acres.

Soybean producers intend to plant 78.1 million acres in 2010, up less than 1 percent from last year. If realized, the U.S. planted area will be the largest on record. Acreage increases of 100,000 or more are expected in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. The largest decreases are expected in Georgia and North Carolina, both 150,000 acres less than 2009. If intentions are realized, the planted acreage in Kansas, North Dakota, and Pennsylvania will be the largest on record.

All wheat planted area is estimated at 53.8 million acres, down 9 percent from 2009. The 2010 winter wheat planted area, at 37.7 million acres, is 13 percent below last year but up 2 percent from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 28.3 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.0 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.4 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2010 is estimated at 13.9 million acres, up 5 percent from 2009. Of this total, about 13.3 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2010 is estimated at 2.22 million acres, down 13 percent from the previous year.

All cotton plantings for 2010 are expected to total 10.5 million acres, 15 percent above last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 10.3 million acres, up 15 percent. Growers intend to increase planted area in all States except Arkansas, Kansas, and Louisiana. The largest acreage increase is in Texas where producers intend to plant 600,000 acres more acres of upland cotton than in 2009. American-Pima cotton growers intend to increase their plantings by 34 percent from 2009 to 190,000 acres. California producers intend to plant 165,000 acres, up 39 percent from last year.

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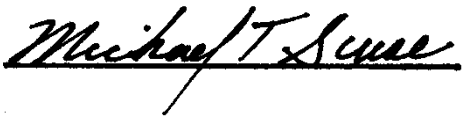

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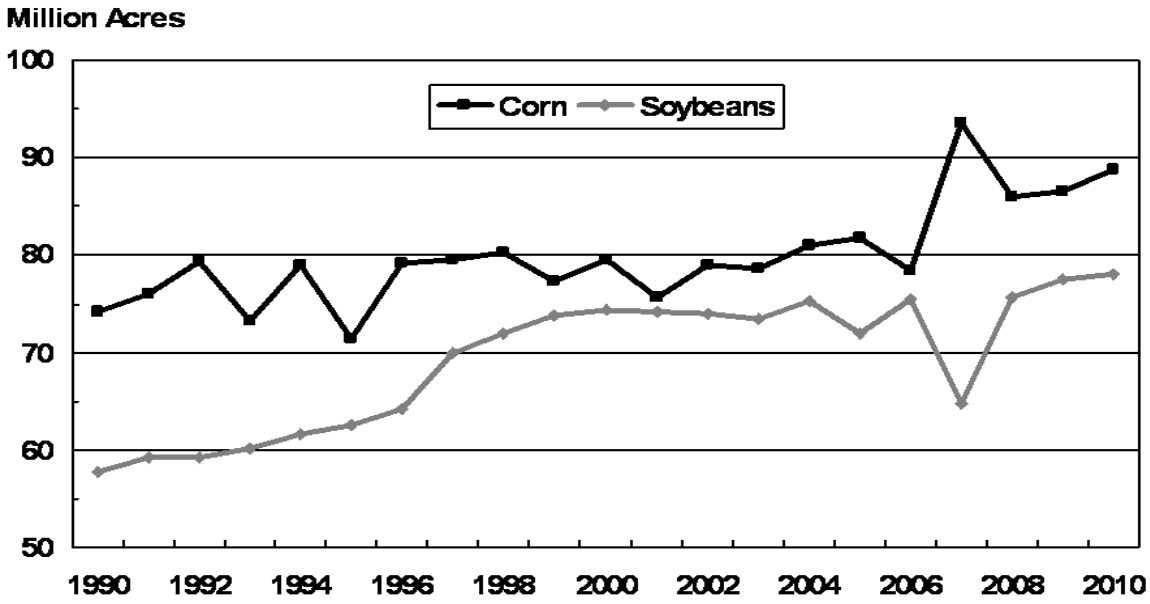
State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	260	280	250	89
AZ	50	50	55	110
AR	440	430	410	95
CA	670	550	650	118
CO	1,250	1,100	1,350	123
CT	27	26	27	104
DE	160	170	185	109
FL	70	70	65	93
GA	370	420	380	90
ID	300	300	300	100
IL	12,100	12,000	12,600	105
IN	5,700	5,600	5,700	102
IA	13,300	13,700	13,500	99
KS	3,850	4,100	4,700	115
KY	1,210	1,220	1,320	108
LA	520	630	530	84
ME	29	28	30	107
MD	460	470	490	104
MA	19	17	19	112
MI	2,400	2,350	2,400	102
MN	7,700	7,600	7,600	100
MS	720	730	800	110
MO	2,800	3,000	3,300	110
MT	78	72	80	111
NE	8,800	9,150	9,200	101
NV	5	4	4	100
NH	15	15	15	100
NJ	85	80	80	100
NM	140	130	120	92
NY	1,090	1,070	1,080	101
NC	900	870	870	100
ND	2,550	1,950	2,100	108
OH	3,300	3,350	3,700	110
OK	370	390	330	85
OR	60	60	65	108
PA	1,350	1,350	1,350	100
RI	2	2	2	100
SC	355	335	340	101
SD	4,750	5,000	5,000	100
TN	690	670	710	106
TX	2,300	2,350	2,200	94
UT	70	65	65	100
VT	94	91	97	107
VA	470	480	480	100
WA	165	170	205	121
WV	43	47	49	104
WI	3,800	3,850	3,900	101
WY	95	90	95	106
US	85,982	86,482	88,798	103

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

U.S. Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage



Sorghum: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL [2]	12			
AZ	57	35	30	86
AR	125	40	40	100
CA [2]	47			
CO	230	180	200	111
GA	60	55	50	91
IL	80	40	40	100
KS	2,900	2,700	2,700	100
KY [2]	13			
LA	120	70	100	143
MS	85	13	15	115
MO	90	50	40	80
NE	300	235	210	89
NM	130	85	85	100
NC [2]	16			
OK	350	250	250	100
PA [2]	11			
SC [2]	12			
SD	170	180	200	111
TN [2]	26			
TX	3,450	2,700	2,400	89
US	8,284	6,633	6,360	96

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

Oats: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	50	50	35	70
AR [3]		10	10	100
CA	260	250	240	96
CO	45	60	45	75
GA	65	60	45	75
ID	70	80	70	88
IL	45	40	40	100
IN	15	15	20	133
IA	150	200	195	98
KS	60	85	90	106
ME	32	32	33	103
MI	75	70	65	93
MN	250	250	275	110
MO	15	15	20	133
MT	60	70	60	86
NE	95	100	100	100
NY	80	90	80	89
NC	60	50	40	80
ND	320	350	320	91
OH	75	65	60	92
OK	50	50	50	100
OR	45	45	35	78
PA	105	110	115	105
SC	33	30	25	83
SD	220	200	210	105
TX	600	600	650	108
UT	40	45	45	100
VA	12	12	16	133
WA	20	20	15	75
WI	270	310	320	103
WY	30	40	40	100
US	3,247	3,404	3,364	99

[1] Includes area planted in preceding fall.
[2] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[3] Estimates began in 2009

Barley: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AZ	42	48	45	94
CA	95	90	100	111
CO	80	78	73	94
DE	25	28	20	71
ID	600	530	530	100
KS	17	14	12	86
KY [3]	8			
ME	20	16	16	100
MD	45	55	45	82
MI	12	13	14	108
MN	125	95	115	121
MT	860	870	790	91
NV [3]	3			
NJ [3]	3			
NY	13	12	13	108
NC	21	23	23	100
ND	1,650	1,210	980	81
OH [3]	6			
OR	57	40	45	113
PA	60	60	60	100
SD	63	48	35	73
UT	40	40	37	93
VA	63	67	105	157
WA	205	105	95	90
WI	43	45	50	111
WY	90	80	70	88
US	4,246	3,567	3,273	92

[1] Includes area planted in preceding fall.
[2] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[3] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

All Wheat: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	240	220	210	95
AZ	159	132	87	66
AR	1,070	430	210	49
CA	840	770	715	93
CO	2,190	2,630	2,485	94
DE	80	70	55	79
FL	25	17	16	94
GA	480	340	200	59
ID	1,400	1,310	1,380	105
IL	1,200	850	350	41
IN	580	470	300	64
IA	40	28	15	54
KS	9,600	9,300	8,600	92
KY	580	510	450	88
LA	400	185	150	81
MD	255	230	210	91
MI	730	620	500	81
MN	1,925	1,655	1,570	95
MS	520	180	150	83
MO	1,250	780	390	50
MT	5,740	5,520	5,350	97
NE	1,750	1,700	1,600	94
NV	21	20	22	110
NJ	35	34	32	94
NM	430	450	480	107
NY	130	115	110	96
NC	820	700	550	79
ND	9,230	8,680	8,540	98
OH	1,120	1,010	800	79
OK	5,600	5,700	5,200	91
OR	960	890	965	108
PA	195	190	170	89
SC	220	165	140	85
SD	3,661	3,209	2,858	89
TN	620	430	290	67
TX	5,800	6,400	5,600	88
UT	150	154	150	97
VA	310	250	220	88
WA	2,290	2,290	2,290	100
WV	11	9	7	78
WI	373	335	250	75
WY	163	155	160	103
US	63,193	59,133	53,827	91

[1] Includes area planted in preceding fall.
[2] Intended plantings for 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Winter Wheat: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	240	220	210	95
AZ	9	7	7	100
AR	1,070	430	210	49
CA	680	590	600	102
CO	2,150	2,600	2,450	94
DE	80	70	55	79
FL	25	17	16	94
GA	480	340	200	59
ID	850	740	780	105
IL	1,200	850	350	41
IN	580	470	300	64
IA	40	28	15	54
KS	9,600	9,300	8,600	92
KY	580	510	450	88
LA	400	185	150	81
MD	255	230	210	91
MI	730	620	500	81
MN	75	55	70	127
MS	520	180	150	83
MO	1,250	780	390	50
MT	2,600	2,550	2,050	80
NE	1,750	1,700	1,600	94
NV	12	16	16	100
NJ	35	34	32	94
NM	430	450	480	107
NY	130	115	110	96
NC	820	700	550	79
ND	630	580	340	59
OH	1,120	1,010	800	79
OK	5,600	5,700	5,200	91
OR	780	760	840	111
PA	195	190	170	89
SC	220	165	140	85
SD	2,050	1,700	1,250	74
TN	620	430	290	67
TX	5,800	6,400	5,600	88
UT	130	140	130	93
VA	310	250	220	88
WA	1,750	1,700	1,750	103
WV	11	9	7	78
WI	350	335	250	75
WY	150	155	160	103
US	46,307	43,311	37,698	87

[1] Includes area planted in preceding fall.

Durum Wheat: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AZ	150	125	80	64
CA	160	180	115	64
ID	10	20	20	100
MT	590	570	500	88
ND	1,800	1,650	1,500	91
SD	11	9	8	89
US	2,721	2,554	2,223	87

[1] Includes area planted in preceding fall in AZ and CA.
[2] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Other Spring Wheat: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
CO	40	30	35	117
ID	540	550	580	105
MN	1,850	1,600	1,500	94
MT	2,550	2,400	2,800	117
NV	9	4	6	150
ND	6,800	6,450	6,700	104
OR	180	130	125	96
SD	1,600	1,500	1,600	107
UT	20	14	20	143
WA	540	590	540	92
WI [2]	23			
WY [2]	13			
US	14,165	13,268	13,906	105

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

All Hay: Area Harvested by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Harvested			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	900	800	800	100
AZ	295	310	320	103
AR	1,405	1,415	1,450	102
CA	1,610	1,520	1,500	99
CO	1,570	1,600	1,630	102
CT	55	62	65	105
DE	18	17	18	106
FL	300	300	300	100
GA	720	700	780	111
ID	1,410	1,510	1,480	98
IL	620	610	610	100
IN	590	620	610	98
IA	1,550	1,220	1,250	102
KS	2,750	2,550	2,700	106
KY	2,640	2,520	2,450	97
LA	430	380	440	116
ME	138	149	150	101
MD	205	210	215	102
MA	73	81	80	99
MI	1,020	990	1,000	101
MN	1,950	2,050	2,000	98
MS	720	700	700	100
MO	4,200	3,880	4,100	106
MT	2,400	2,500	2,400	96
NE	2,570	2,700	2,650	98
NV	455	490	500	102
NH	53	57	60	105
NJ	115	110	110	100
NM	340	320	340	106
NY	1,320	1,360	1,350	99
NC	808	847	860	102
ND	3,220	2,960	2,950	100
OH	1,140	1,040	1,150	111
OK	2,910	3,220	3,250	101
OR	1,025	1,030	1,000	97
PA	1,750	1,550	1,500	97
RI	7	7	7	100
SC	330	350	360	103
SD	3,850	3,800	3,800	100
TN	1,870	1,915	1,900	99
TX	4,430	4,620	4,800	104
UT	695	690	700	101
VT	180	190	200	105
VA	1,270	1,180	1,170	99
WA	710	810	800	99
WV	605	625	635	102
WI	1,900	1,920	2,050	107
WY	1,030	1,270	1,270	100
US	60,152	59,755	60,460	101

[1] Intended area harvested in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Rice: Area Planted by Class, State, and United States, 2008-2010

Class and State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
Long Grain				
AR	1,300.0	1,260.0	1,430.0	113
CA	9.0	5.0	10.0	200
LA	455.0	415.0	470.0	113
MS	230.0	245.0	270.0	110
MO	198.0	199.0	215.0	108
TX	173.0	166.0	180.0	108
US	2,365.0	2,290.0	2,575.0	112
Medium Grain				
AR	100.0	225.0	200.0	89
CA	460.0	505.0	540.0	107
LA	15.0	55.0	40.0	73
MO	2.0	3.0	2.0	67
TX	2.0	5.0	3.0	60
US	579.0	793.0	785.0	99
Short Grain				
AR	1.0	1.0	1.0	100
CA [2]	50.0	51.0	50.0	98
US	51.0	52.0	51.0	98
All				
AR	1,401.0	1,486.0	1,631.0	110
CA	519.0	561.0	600.0	107
LA	470.0	470.0	510.0	109
MS	230.0	245.0	270.0	110
MO	200.0	202.0	217.0	107
TX	175.0	171.0	183.0	107
US	2,995.0	3,135.0	3,411.0	109

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Includes sweet rice.

Canola: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
ID [2]		15.0	18.0	120
MN	23.0	13.0	31.0	238
MT	7.5	6.5	18.0	277
ND	910.0	730.0	1,060.0	145
OK [2]		42.0	80.0	190
OR [2]		4.9	5.5	112
Oth Sts [3]	70.5	15.6	15.6	100
US	1,011.0	827.0	1,228.1	149

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Beginning in 2009, ID, OK, and OR are published individually.
[3] For 2008, Other States include CO, ID, KS, MI, OK, OR, and WA. For 2009 and 2010, Other States include CO, KS, and WA. 2010 estimates carried forward from 2009. First 2010 estimate will be published in "Acreage" on June 30, 2010.

Soybeans: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	360	440	350	80
AR	3,300	3,420	3,300	96
DE	195	185	185	100
FL	32	37	35	95
GA	430	470	320	68
IL	9,200	9,400	9,500	101
IN	5,450	5,450	5,500	101
IA	9,750	9,600	9,900	103
KS	3,300	3,700	4,100	111
KY	1,390	1,430	1,370	96
LA	1,050	1,020	1,010	99
MD	495	485	495	102
MI	1,900	2,000	2,050	103
MN	7,050	7,200	7,200	100
MS	2,000	2,160	2,160	100
MO	5,200	5,350	5,400	101
NE	4,900	4,800	4,900	102
NJ	92	89	90	101
NY	230	255	250	98
NC	1,690	1,800	1,650	92
ND	3,800	3,900	4,000	103
OH	4,500	4,550	4,600	101
OK	400	405	460	114
PA	435	450	465	103
SC	540	590	560	95
SD	4,100	4,250	4,400	104
TN	1,490	1,570	1,430	91
TX	230	215	250	116
VA	580	580	600	103
WV	19	20	18	90
WI	1,610	1,630	1,550	95
US	75,718	77,451	78,098	101

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Peanuts: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	195.0	155.0	170.0	110
FL	150.0	115.0	120.0	104
GA	690.0	510.0	540.0	106
MS	22.0	21.0	25.0	119
NM	8.0	7.0	8.0	114
NC	98.0	67.0	80.0	119
OK	19.0	14.0	13.0	93
SC	71.0	50.0	70.0	140
TX	257.0	165.0	155.0	94
VA	24.0	12.0	20.0	167
US	1,534.0	1,116.0	1,201.0	108

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sunflower: Area Planted by Type, State, and United States, 2008-2010

Varietal Type and State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
Oil				
CA [2]		34.0	30.0	88
CO	170.0	70.0	110.0	157
KS	220.0	150.0	130.0	87
MN	75.0	45.0	46.0	102
NE	45.0	27.0	30.0	111
ND	960.0	770.0	800.0	104
OK [2]		13.0	13.0	100
SD	550.0	520.0	510.0	98
TX	65.0	69.0	45.0	65
Oth Sts [3]	78.0			
US	2,163.0	1,698.0	1,714.0	101
Non-Oil				
CA [2]		8.0	13.0	163
CO	24.0	21.0	35.0	167
KS	21.0	18.0	25.0	139
MN	40.0	26.0	28.0	108
NE	19.0	25.0	40.0	160
ND	155.0	115.0	175.0	152
OK [2]		3.0	1.0	33
SD	50.0	50.0	95.0	190
TX	36.0	66.0	55.0	83
Oth Sts [3]	8.5			
US	353.5	332.0	467.0	141
All				
CA [2]		42.0	43.0	102
CO	194.0	91.0	145.0	159
KS	241.0	168.0	155.0	92
MN	115.0	71.0	74.0	104
NE	64.0	52.0	70.0	135
ND	1,115.0	885.0	975.0	110
OK [2]		16.0	14.0	88
SD	600.0	570.0	605.0	106
TX	101.0	135.0	100.0	74
Oth Sts [3]	86.5			
US	2,516.5	2,030.0	2,181.0	107

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Beginning in 2009, CA and OK are published individually.
[3] For 2008, Other States include CA, IL, MI, MO, MT, OK, WI, and WY. Beginning in 2009, Other States is discontinued.

Flaxseed: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
MN	3	3	4	133
MT	9	11	13	118
ND	335	295	395	134
SD	7	8	8	100
US	354	317	420	132

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Cotton: Area Planted by Type, State, and United States, 2008-2010

Type and State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
Upland				
AL	290.0	255.0	360.0	141
AZ	135.0	145.0	185.0	128
AR	620.0	520.0	520.0	100
CA	120.0	71.0	100.0	141
FL	67.0	82.0	90.0	110
GA	940.0	1,000.0	1,150.0	115
KS	35.0	38.0	35.0	92
LA	300.0	230.0	200.0	87
MS	365.0	305.0	340.0	111
MO	306.0	272.0	290.0	107
NM	38.0	30.5	35.0	115
NC	430.0	375.0	540.0	144
OK	170.0	205.0	240.0	117
SC	135.0	115.0	175.0	152
TN	285.0	300.0	380.0	127
TX	5,000.0	5,000.0	5,600.0	112
VA	61.0	64.0	75.0	117
US	9,297.0	9,007.5	10,315.0	115
Amer-Pima				
AZ	0.8	1.7	3.0	176
CA	155.0	119.0	165.0	139
NM	2.6	3.0	4.0	133
TX	15.6	18.0	18.0	100
US	174.0	141.7	190.0	134
All				
AL	290.0	255.0	360.0	141
AZ	135.8	146.7	188.0	128
AR	620.0	520.0	520.0	100
CA	275.0	190.0	265.0	139
FL	67.0	82.0	90.0	110
GA	940.0	1,000.0	1,150.0	115
KS	35.0	38.0	35.0	92
LA	300.0	230.0	200.0	87
MS	365.0	305.0	340.0	111
MO	306.0	272.0	290.0	107
NM	40.6	33.5	39.0	116
NC	430.0	375.0	540.0	144
OK	170.0	205.0	240.0	117
SC	135.0	115.0	175.0	152
TN	285.0	300.0	380.0	127
TX	5,015.6	5,018.0	5,618.0	112
VA	61.0	64.0	75.0	117
US	9,471.0	9,149.2	10,505.0	115

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sugarbeets: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
CA	26.0	25.1	25.0	100
CO	33.8	35.1	29.8	85
ID	131.0	164.0	169.0	103
MI	137.0	138.0	147.0	107
MN	440.0	463.0	445.0	96
MT	31.7	38.4	42.4	110
NE	45.2	53.0	46.0	87
ND	208.0	225.0	227.0	101
OR	6.7	10.6	11.0	104
WA [3]	1.6			
WY	29.7	31.0	32.0	103
US	1,090.7	1,183.2	1,174.2	99

[1] Relates to year of intended harvest in all States except CA. In CA, relates to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central CA and to year of planting for overwintered beets in central and southern CA.
[2] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from processors.
[3] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

Tobacco: Area Harvested by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Harvested			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	Acres	*Acres*	*Acres*	*Percent*
CT [2]	2,600	1,800		
GA	16,000	14,000	10,000	71
KY	87,800	88,700	83,500	94
MA [2]	690	390		
MO [3]	1,500			
NC	174,300	177,400	167,600	94
OH	3,400	3,400	2,900	85
PA	7,900	8,200	8,500	104
SC	19,000	18,500	17,000	92
TN	21,800	21,600	22,300	103
VA	19,500	20,150	18,750	93
Other States [4]			3,470	
US	354,490	354,140	334,020	94

[1] Intended area harvested in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.
[3] Estimates discontinued in 2009.
[4] 2010- Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Tobacco: Area Harvested by Class, Type, State, and United States, 2008-2010

Class and Type	Area Harvested			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	Acres	*Acres*	*Acres*	*Percent*
Class 1, Flue-cured				
GA	16,000	14,000	10,000	71
NC	171,000	174,000	164,000	94
SC	19,000	18,500	17,000	92
VA	17,000	17,500	16,000	91
US	223,000	224,000	207,000	92
Class 2, Fire-cured				
KY	10,900	9,100	9,000	99
TN	7,200	6,400	6,000	94
VA	500	650	650	100
US	18,600	16,150	15,650	97
Class 3, Air-cured				
Class 3A, Light Air-cured				
Burley				
KY	70,000	75,000	70,000	93
MO [2]	1,500			
NC	3,300	3,400	3,600	106
OH	3,400	3,400	2,900	85
PA	4,300	4,100	4,200	102
TN	13,000	14,000	15,000	107
VA	2,000	2,000	2,100	105
US	97,500	101,900	97,800	96
Southern MD Belt				
PA	1,800	2,100	2,200	105
Total Light Air-cured	99,300	104,000	100,000	96
Class 3B, Dark Air-cured				
KY	6,900	4,600	4,500	98
TN	1,600	1,200	1,300	108
US	8,500	5,800	5,800	100
Class 4, Cigar Filler				
PA Seedleaf				
PA	1,800	2,000	2,100	105
Class 5, Cigar Binder				
CT Valley Binder				
CT	1,700	1,000	1,900	190
MA	500	300	850	283
US	2,200	1,300	2,750	212
Class 6, Cigar Wrapper				
CT Valley Shade-grown				
CT [3]	900	800		
MA [3]	190	90		
US	1,090	890	720	81
All Cigar Types	5,090	4,190	5,570	133
All Tobacco	354,490	354,140	334,020	94

[1] Intended area harvested in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Estimates discontinued in 2009.
[3] Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Dry Edible Beans: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010 [1]

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [2]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AZ [3]		15.5	13.0	84
CA	52.0	68.5	63.5	93
CO	48.0	57.0	58.0	102
ID	80.0	100.0	125.0	125
KS	6.0	8.5	7.0	82
MI	200.0	200.0	240.0	120
MN	150.0	150.0	200.0	133
MT	11.2	11.9	10.6	89
NE	135.0	130.0	160.0	123
NM	9.3	12.5	12.5	100
NY	17.0	16.0	19.0	119
ND	660.0	610.0	680.0	111
OR	4.8	6.4	7.0	109
SD	8.5	10.3	12.0	117
TX	24.0	37.0	35.0	95
UT [4]	1.2			
WA	50.0	60.0	75.0	125
WI	6.5	6.4	6.0	94
WY	31.5	37.5	43.0	115
US	1,495.0	1,537.5	1,766.6	115

[1] Excludes beans grown for garden seed.
[2] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[3] Estimates begin 2009.
[4] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

Chickpeas (Garbanzo Beans): Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

Size & State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
Small Chickpeas [2]				
ID	4.3	10.5	18.0	171
MT	0.9	1.9	1.6	84
ND	4.0	9.0	7.0	78
SD	0.9	1.1	1.0	91
WA	1.6		4.0	
US	11.7	22.5	31.6	140
Large Chickpeas [3]				
CA	6.4	14.4	11.5	80
ID	26.7	22.0	25.0	114
MT	1.7	0.4		
ND	5.3	4.2	10.0	238
OR	0.7	0.4	1.5	375
SD	1.5	1.0	1.0	100
WA	29.5	31.1	50.0	161
US	71.8	73.5	99.0	135
All Chickpeas				
CA	6.4	14.4	11.5	80
ID	31.0	32.5	43.0	132
MT	2.6	2.3	1.6	70
ND	9.3	13.2	17.0	129
OR	0.7	0.4	1.5	375
SD	2.4	2.1	2.0	95
WA	31.1	31.1	54.0	174
US	83.5	96.0	130.6	136

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers. Chickpea acres included with dry bean acres.
[2] Garbanzo beans smaller than 20/64 inch.
[3] Garbanzo beans larger than 20/64 inch.

Lentils: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
ID	38.0	53.0	50.0	94
MT	83.0	122.0	195.0	160
ND	95.0	165.0	200.0	121
WA	55.0	75.0	65.0	87
US	271.0	415.0	510.0	123

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Dry Edible Peas: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
ID	37.0	42.0	30.0	71
MT	245.0	240.0	240.0	100
ND	520.0	490.0	490.0	100
OR	5.5	6.3	7.0	111
WA	75.0	85.0	70.0	82
US	882.5	863.3	837.0	97

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Austrian Winter Peas: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
ID	5.0	8.0	13.0	163
MT	10.0	10.0	13.0	130
OR	2.5	2.5	3.5	140
US	17.5	20.5	29.5	144

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.

Sweet Potatoes: Area Planted by State and United States, 2008-2010

State	Area Planted			
	2008	2009	2010 [1]	2010/2009
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Percent*
AL	2.6	2.6	3.0	115
AR [2]		3.0	3.3	110
CA	14.8	17.4	18.5	106
FL [2]		3.0	3.8	127
LA	15.0	14.0	16.0	114
MS	20.0	20.0	20.0	100
NJ	1.2	1.2	1.2	100
NC	47.0	47.0	50.0	106
SC [3]	0.6			
TX	1.7	1.4	1.3	93
VA [3]	0.3			
US	103.2	109.6	117.1	107

[1] Intended plantings in 2010 as indicated by reports from farmers.
[2] Estimates began in 2009.
[3] Estimates discontinued in 2009.

Crop Summary: Area Planted and Harvested, United States, 2009-2010
(Domestic Units) [1]

Crop	Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
	1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*
Grains & Hay				
Barley	3,567.0	3,273.0	3,113.0	
Corn for Grain [2]	86,482.0	88,798.0	79,620.0	
Corn for Silage			5,605.0	
Hay, All			59,755.0	60,460.0
Alfalfa			21,227.0	
All Other			38,528.0	
Oats	3,404.0	3,364.0	1,379.0	
Proso Millet	350.0		293.0	
Rice	3,135.0	3,411.0	3,103.0	
Rye	1,241.0		252.0	
Sorghum for Grain [2]	6,633.0	6,360.0	5,520.0	
Sorghum for Silage			254.0	
Wheat, All	59,133.0	53,827.0	49,868.0	
Winter	43,311.0	37,698.0	34,485.0	
Durum	2,554.0	2,223.0	2,428.0	
Other Spring	13,268.0	13,906.0	12,955.0	
Oilseeds				
Canola	827.0	1,228.1	814.0	
Cottonseed				
Flaxseed	317.0	420.0	314.0	
Mustard Seed	51.5		49.8	
Peanuts	1,116.0	1,201.0	1,081.0	
Rapeseed	1.0		0.9	
Safflower	175.0		165.5	
Soybeans for Beans	77,451.0	78,098.0	76,372.0	
Sunflower	2,030.0	2,181.0	1,953.5	
Cotton, Tobacco & Sugar Crops				
Cotton, All	9,149.2	10,505.0	7,690.5	
Upland	9,007.5	10,315.0	7,552.0	
Amer-Pima	141.7	190.0	138.5	
Sugarbeets	1,183.2	1,174.2	1,145.3	
Sugarcane			877.7	
Tobacco			354.1	334.0
Dry Beans, Peas & Lentils				
Austrian Winter Peas	20.5	29.5	13.7	
Dry Edible Beans	1,537.5	1,766.6	1,463.0	
Dry Edible Peas	863.3	837.0	837.9	
Lentils	415.0	510.0	407.0	
Wrinkled Seed Peas				
Potatoes & Misc.				
Coffee (HI)			6.3	
Hops			39.7	
Peppermint Oil			69.8	
Potatoes, All	1,069.8		1,045.0	
Winter	9.0		8.7	
Spring	79.2		73.7	
Summer	44.5		43.0	
Fall	937.1		919.6	
Spearmint Oil			20.5	
Sweet Potatoes	109.6	117.1	97.7	
Taro (HI) [3]			0.4	

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[2] Area planted for all purposes.
[3] Area is total acres in crop, not harvested acreage.

Crop Summary: Yield and Production, United States, 2009-2010
(Domestic Units) [1]

Crop	Unit	Yield		Production	
		2009	2010	2009	2010
				1,000	*1,000*
Grains & Hay					
Barley	Bu	73.0		227,323	
Corn for Grain	"	164.9		13,130,632	
Corn for Silage	Ton	19.3		108,209	
Hay, All	"	2.47		147,442	
Alfalfa	"	3.35		71,030	
All Other	"	1.98		76,412	
Oats	Bu	67.5		93,081	
Proso Millet	"	33.7		9,865	
Rice [2]	Cwt	7,085		219,850	
Rye	Bu	27.8		6,993	
Sorghum for Grain	"	69.4		382,983	
Sorghum for Silage	Ton	14.5		3,680	
Wheat, All	Bu	44.4		2,216,171	
Winter	"	44.2		1,522,718	
Durum	"	44.9		109,042	
Other Spring	"	45.1		584,411	
Oilseeds					
Canola	Lb	1,811		1,474,130	
Cottonseed [3]	Ton			4,178.0	
Flaxseed	Bu	23.6		7,423	
Mustard Seed	Lb	991		49,364	
Peanuts	"	3,412		3,688,350	
Rapeseed	"	1,700		1,530	
Safflower	"	1,462		241,970	
Soybeans for Beans	Bu	44.0		3,359,011	
Sunflower	Lb	1,554		3,036,460	
Cotton, Tobacco & Sugar Crops					
Cotton, All [2]	Bale	774		12,401.3	
Upland [2]	"	763		12,011.0	
Amer-Pima [2]	"	1,353		390.3	
Sugarbeets	Ton	25.8		29,519	
Sugarcane	"	34.4		30,151	
Tobacco	Lb	2,325		823,290	
Dry Beans, Peas & Lentils					
Austrian Winter Peas [2]	Cwt	1,328		182	
Dry Edible Beans [2]	"	1,733		25,360	
Dry Edible Peas [2]	"	2,045		17,137	
Lentils [2]	"	1,440		5,859	
Wrinkled Seed Peas [3]	"			874	
Potatoes & Misc.					
Coffee (HI)	Lb	1,270		8,000	
Hops	"	2,383		94,677.9	
Peppermint Oil	"	91		6,379	
Potatoes, All	Cwt	413		431,425	
Winter	"	245		2,132	
Spring	"	289		21,321	
Summer	"	336		14,469	
Fall	"	428		393,503	
Spearmint Oil	Lb	132		2,698	
Sweet Potatoes	Cwt	201		19,647	
Taro (HI) [3]	Lb			4,000	

[1] Data are the latest estimates available, either from the current report or from previous reports. Current year estimates are for the full 2010 crop year.
[2] Yield in pounds.
[3] Yield is not estimated.

Crop Summary: Area Planted and Harvested, United States, 2009-2010
(Metric Units) [1]

Crop	Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
	Hectares	*Hectares*	*Hectares*	*Hectares*
Grains & Hay				
Barley	1,443,530	1,324,550	1,259,800	
Corn for Grain [2]	34,998,400	35,935,660	32,221,420	
Corn for Silage			2,268,290	
Hay, All [3]			24,182,250	24,467,560
Alfalfa			8,590,350	
All Other			15,591,900	
Oats	1,377,560	1,361,380	558,070	
Proso Millet	141,640		118,570	
Rice	1,268,700	1,380,400	1,255,750	
Rye	502,220		101,980	
Sorghum for Grain [2]	2,684,310	2,573,830	2,233,890	
Sorghum for Silage			102,790	
Wheat, All [3]	23,930,530	21,783,250	20,181,080	
Winter	17,527,530	15,256,000	13,955,730	
Durum	1,033,580	899,630	982,590	
Other Spring	5,369,430	5,627,620	5,242,760	
Oilseeds				
Canola	334,680	497,000	329,420	
Cottonseed				
Flaxseed	128,290	169,970	127,070	
Mustard Seed	20,840		20,150	
Peanuts	451,630	486,030	437,470	
Rapeseed	400		360	
Safflower	70,820		66,980	
Soybeans for Beans	31,343,650	31,605,480	30,906,980	
Sunflower	821,520	882,630	790,560	
Cotton, Tobacco & Sugar Crops				
Cotton, All [3]	3,702,590	4,251,270	3,112,270	
Upland	3,645,250	4,174,380	3,056,220	
Amer-Pima	57,340	76,890	56,050	
Sugarbeets	478,830	475,190	463,490	
Sugarcane			355,200	
Tobacco			143,320	135,170
Dry Beans, Peas & Lentils				
Austrian Winter Peas	8,300	11,940	5,540	
Dry Edible Beans	622,210	714,930	592,060	
Dry Edible Peas	349,370	338,730	339,090	
Lentils	167,950	206,390	164,710	
Wrinkled Seed Peas				
Potatoes & Misc.				
Coffee (HI)			2,550	
Hops			16,080	
Peppermint Oil			28,250	
Potatoes, All [3]	432,940		422,900	
Winter	3,640		3,520	
Spring	32,050		29,830	
Summer	18,010		17,400	
Fall	379,230		372,150	
Spearmint Oil			8,300	
Sweet Potatoes	44,350	47,390	39,540	
Taro (HI) [4]			180	

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[2] Area planted for all purposes.
[3] Total may not add due to rounding.
[4] Area is total hectares in crop, not harvested hectares.

Crop Summary: Yield and Production, United States, 2009-2010
(Metric Units) [1]

Crop	Yield		Production	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
	Metric Tons	*Metric Tons*	*Metric Tons*	*Metric Tons*
Grains & Hay				
Barley	3.93		4,949,370	
Corn for Grain	10.35		333,533,420	
Corn for Silage	43.28		98,165,550	
Hay, All [2]	5.53		133,757,130	
Alfalfa	7.50		64,437,330	
All Other	4.45		69,319,800	
Oats	2.42		1,351,070	
Proso Millet	1.89		223,730	
Rice	7.94		9,972,230	
Rye	1.74		177,630	
Sorghum for Grain	4.35		9,728,220	
Sorghum for Silage	32.48		3,338,440	
Wheat, All [2]	2.99		60,314,290	
Winter	2.97		41,441,590	
Durum	3.02		2,967,640	
Other Spring	3.03		15,905,060	
Oilseeds				
Canola	2.03		668,650	
Cottonseed [3]			3,790,220	
Flaxseed	1.48		188,550	
Mustard Seed	1.11		22,390	
Peanuts	3.82		1,673,010	
Rapeseed	1.91		690	
Safflower	1.64		109,760	
Soybeans for Beans	2.96		91,417,300	
Sunflower	1.74		1,377,320	
Cotton, Tobacco & Sugar Crops				
Cotton, All [2]	0.87		2,700,070	
Upland	0.86		2,615,090	
Amer-Pima	1.52		84,980	
Sugarbeets	57.78		26,779,190	
Sugarcane	77.01		27,352,530	
Tobacco	2.61		373,440	
Dry Beans, Peas & Lentils				
Austrian Winter Peas	1.49		8,260	
Dry Edible Beans	1.94		1,150,310	
Dry Edible Peas	2.29		777,320	
Lentils	1.61		265,760	
Wrinkled Seed Peas [3]			39,640	
Potatoes & Misc.				
Coffee (HI)	1.42		3,630	
Hops	2.67		42,950	
Peppermint Oil	0.10		2,890	
Potatoes, All [2]	46.27		19,569,110	
Winter	27.47		96,710	
Spring	32.43		967,100	
Summer	37.71		656,300	
Fall	47.96		17,849,000	
Spearmint Oil	0.15		1,220	
Sweet Potatoes	22.54		891,170	
Taro (HI) [3]			1,810	

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[2] Production may not add due to rounding.
[3] Yield is not estimated.

Winter Weather Summary

Highlights: With weather patterns governed by El Niño and a persistent high-pressure system over eastern Canada and the northern Atlantic Ocean, cold, stormy conditions dominated the United States. El Niño supplied the energy for an active storm track across the central and southern United States, while the high-pressure system acted as an atmospheric block that repeatedly forced cold air southeastward across the Plains, Midwest, and Southeast.

According to preliminary information provided by the National Climatic Data Center, the Nation experienced its 18th-coldest and 19th wettest winter on record. The United States winter average temperature of 31.2 degrees Fahrenheit was 1.8 degrees Fahrenheit below the 1901-2000 mean, resulting in the coldest December-February period since 1984-85. It was among the ten coldest winters in nine southern States from Oklahoma and Texas eastward to South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Meanwhile, Maine posted its third-warmest winter since 1895-96.

Winter precipitation averaged 7.20 inches (111 percent of the long-term mean) across the contiguous United States. It was among the ten driest winters on record in Wyoming and Idaho, while top-ten wetness affected South Dakota, Alabama, and seven Atlantic Coast States from Florida to New Jersey.

Individual monthly highlights included a pair of December blizzards across parts of the Plains and upper Midwest, a severe, early-January freeze in Florida, and record-setting February snowfall in the Mid-Atlantic States and adjoining areas. The winter of 2009-10 will also be remembered for snow accumulations across the Deep South. Following a 3-year drought, California's key watershed areas received near-normal winter snowfall.

December: Cold, stormy December weather in the wake of a mild November stressed livestock but buried winter grains beneath a protective blanket of snow. Monthly temperatures generally averaged 4 to 12 degrees Fahrenheit below normal across the Plains, with early- to mid-month readings falling to -40 degrees Fahrenheit in parts of Montana and below 0 degrees Fahrenheit as far south as the central Plains.

Major storms struck the Nation's midsection on December 7-9 and 23-26, leaving late-month snow depths of 1 to 2 feet across the north-central United States. The snow hampered rural travel in the Plains and Midwest, and necessitated supplemental feeding for livestock. By December 20, the United States corn harvest was 95 percent complete, although nearly one in three fields (32 percent) remained unharvested in North Dakota.

Meanwhile, heavy rain soaked areas from southern Texas to the southern and middle Atlantic States. Monthly rainfall topped 20 inches in parts of the central Gulf Coast region, slowing late-season sugarcane harvesting. In addition, the Nation's cotton harvest was just 94 percent complete by December 20, with Georgia and Alabama reporting 82 and 84 percent harvested, respectively. From December 18-20, major snow accumulations (1 to 2 feet) were reported from the southern Appalachians into southern New England.

Elsewhere, beneficial precipitation fell during December from central and southern California into the Intermountain West, while drier-than-normal conditions prevailed in the Northwest.

January: A protracted and severe cold outbreak struck Florida's peninsula during the first half of the month, causing varying degrees of damage to citrus, sugarcane, vegetables, and specialty crops. Much of the significant damage occurred on January 6-7 and 10-12, when temperatures dipped below 20 degrees Fahrenheit in some northwestern citrus areas and fell to 32 degrees Fahrenheit or below as far south as the winter vegetable production area near Homestead, south of Miami.

Monthly temperatures averaged at least 5 degrees Fahrenheit below normal across much of Florida's peninsula, and were also below normal across the remainder of the Southeast. Below-normal temperatures were also noted in much of the western Corn Belt, where a very deep snow cover was established during December and persisted through January. In contrast, above-normal January temperatures dominated the Nation's northern tier and much of the West. Monthly readings averaged at least 5 degrees Fahrenheit above normal in northern New England and portions of the Northwest. At some Northwestern locations, it was the warmest January on record.

Relatively dry conditions accompanied the Northwestern warmth, consistent with the maturation of a strong El Niño. Meanwhile, a barrage of mid- to late-month storms struck areas from California to the southern Plains, more than doubling the water content of the Sierra Nevada snow pack and improving water-supply prospects throughout the Nation's southwestern quadrant.

Across the Nation's midsection, short-term dryness on the central Plains contrasted with wetter-than-normal conditions on the northern and southern Plains. On the northern Plains, snow helped to protect winter wheat from a variety of weather extremes. On the southern Plains, several episodes of wintry precipitation caused travel disruptions but aided pastures and winter grains.

Farther north and east, wintry weather added to already impressive snow depths in the western Corn Belt. In contrast, relatively dry conditions prevailed in the eastern Corn Belt, another signal consistent with a strong, mature El Niño. Elsewhere, frequent precipitation maintained unfavorably soggy conditions from Alabama, Georgia, and northern Florida into the southern Mid-Atlantic States. The Southeastern wetness hampered fieldwork, including final summer crop harvest efforts, and left standing water in some winter wheat fields.

February: A weather regime driven by El Niño and a high-pressure block over eastern Canada and the northern Atlantic Ocean persisted through the end of February. El Niño contributed to an active sub-tropical jet stream, resulting in generally wet conditions from California into the Southeast. However, storm systems carried by the jet stream were prevented by the high-pressure block from quickly exiting the eastern United States, resulting in numerous slow-moving storms near the Atlantic Seaboard. The block also helped to drive cold air southward across the Plains, Midwest, and Southeast. Monthly temperatures generally ranged from 5 to 10 degrees Fahrenheit below normal from the Plains into the Southeast, while above-average values were noted in the Northwest and from the Great Lakes region into New England.

Historic snowfall totals were noted during February in the Mid-Atlantic States and neighboring areas. On February 12, snow briefly covered at least a portion of all 48 contiguous States. In the Southeast, excessive moisture remained a concern with respect to the soft red winter wheat crop, which in some cases was already suffering due to late planting and poor establishment.

Farther north, much of the Midwest experienced another cold, snowy month. At times during February, snow covered the entire Midwest, although coverage was deepest and most persistent in the western Corn Belt. Upper Midwestern livestock continued to endure a very difficult winter, which had begun in earnest with a pair of December blizzards.

Meanwhile on the Plains, snow helped to insulate much of the hard red winter wheat crop, which continued to overwinter with no major concerns. On the southern Plains, February precipitation aided wheat which had been previously stressed by drier-than-normal conditions.

Elsewhere, California received another burst of beneficial precipitation toward month's end, following a brief lull in storminess in early to mid-February. The Southwest also continued to receive drought-easing rain and snow. In contrast, unfavorably dry conditions and sub-par snow packs in much of the Northwest increased the likelihood of drought development and below-average spring and summer runoff.

Crop Comments

Corn: Growers intend to plant 88.8 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2010, up 3 percent from both last year and 2008. Planted acreage is expected to be up in many States due to reduced winter wheat acreage and expectations of improved net returns.

The largest increases are expected in Illinois and Kansas, both up 600,000 acres from last year. Ohio and Missouri corn acreage is expected to be up 350,000 and 300,000 acres, respectively. The largest declines are expected in Iowa, down 200,000 acres, Texas, down 150,000 acres, and Louisiana, down 100,000 acres.

Sorghum: The 2010 sorghum area intended to be planted for all purposes is estimated at 6.36 million acres, down 4 percent from 2009. Producers in Kansas intend to plant 2.70 million acres, unchanged from last year. The largest decline is expected in Texas, where farmers intend to plant 300,000 acres less than 2009. Planting was underway in early March in the Coastal Bend region of Texas, as 24 percent of the State's crop was planted by March 21, five percentage points behind the 5-year average.

Oats: Growers intend to plant an estimated 3.36 million acres, down 1 percent from the 3.40 million acres planted in 2009. If realized, this will be the second lowest planted acreage on record. Most of the decrease in acreage is expected to be in the Pacific Northwest, Rocky Mountain States, and the Southeast. The largest decrease is expected to occur in North Dakota, where growers intend to plant 320,000 acres, 30,000 less than last year. The largest increase is in Texas, where 650,000 acres are expected, an increase of 50,000 acres from 2009.

Barley: Producers intend to plant 3.27 million acres for the 2010 crop year, down 8 percent from the previous year. If realized, this will be the lowest barley planted acreage on record, well below the previous record low of 3.45 million acres established in 2006. Planted area is expected to total 980,000 acres in North Dakota, the largest barley-producing State, down 230,000 acres or 19 percent from 2009. If realized, this will establish a new record low for the State. Planted acreage is also anticipated to decline to record low levels in South Dakota and Utah.

Winter Wheat: The 2010 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 37.7 million acres, down 13 percent from 2009 but up 2 percent from the *Winter Wheat Seedings* report. This is the lowest United States total since 1970 and record lows are estimated in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Nebraska, and Ohio. States with notable acreage increases from the previous estimate were Nebraska and Texas, up 100,000 and 200,000 acres, respectively. Of the 2010 total acreage, about 28.3 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.0 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.4 million acres are White Winter. Winter wheat conditions declined over the winter in several States. Adequate moisture levels were reported throughout much of the Great Plains.

Durum Wheat: Area seeded to Durum wheat is estimated at 2.22 million acres, down 13 percent from 2009. Planted acreage is expected to be down in all producing States except Idaho. Growers in North Dakota and Montana intend to reduce acreage from last year by 150,000 and 70,000 acres, respectively.

Other Spring Wheat: Growers intend to plant 13.9 million acres this year, up 5 percent from 2009. Of the total, about 13.3 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. The largest expected acreage increases are in Montana and North Dakota, up 400,000 and 250,000, respectively. Growers in Minnesota intend to plant 100,000 fewer acres than last year.

Rice: Area planted to rice in 2010 is expected to total 3.41 million acres, up 9 percent from 2009. Acreage in all rice-producing States is expected to increase from the previous year, mainly due to the higher price of rice compared to other commodities such as corn and soybeans. Growers in Arkansas, the largest rice-producing State, intend to plant 1.63 million acres, up 10 percent from last year. California growers intend to plant 600,000 acres to rice, an increase of 7 percent from last year, and planted area in Louisiana is expected to total 510,000 acres, 9 percent higher than last season.

Long grain planted acreage, representing 75 percent of the total, is expected to be up 12 percent from last year. Medium grain planted acreage, representing 23 percent of the total, is expected to decrease 1 percent from 2009 due to anticipated decreases in all States except California. Area to be planted to short grain varieties, which accounts for 2 percent of total acres, is down 1,000 acres from 2009.

Hay: Producers expect to harvest 60.5 million acres of all hay in 2010, up 1 percent from 2009. Harvested area is expected to increase from last year throughout most of the Southern Great Plains, Southwest, and Coastal Plains. The largest increases in acreage harvested are expected in Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin. Compared with last year, producers in Missouri and Texas intend to harvest 220,000 and 180,000 more acres, respectively, while growers in Montana and Kentucky expect to harvest 100,000 and 70,000 less acres, respectively.

Soybeans: Growers intend to plant an estimated 78.1 million acres in 2010, up less than 1 percent from the acreage planted in 2009 and the largest on record, if realized. Compared with last year, increases in planted area are expected across the Great Plains and most of the Corn Belt. The largest increases are expected in Iowa and Kansas, up 300,000 and 400,000 acres from last year, respectively. Meanwhile, planted area is expected to decline from last year or remain the same across the Delta and Southeastern States with decreases of more than 100,000 acres expected in Arkansas, Georgia, North Carolina, and Tennessee. If intentions are realized, the planted acreage in Kansas, North Dakota, and Pennsylvania will be the largest on record.

Peanuts: Growers intend to plant 1.20 million acres of peanuts in 2010, up 8 percent from the previous year. An increase in planted area is expected in the Southeast and Virginia-Carolina regions while peanut acreage is expected to decrease in the Southwest region.

Southeast growers (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina) intend to plant 925,000 acres of peanuts, an increase of 9 percent from 2009. In Georgia, the largest peanut-producing State, planted area is expected to increase 6 percent from last season to 540,000 acres. Plantings in the Virginia-North Carolina region are expected to total 100,000 acres, up 27 percent from 2009. The increase in planted area in these two regions is due to the expectation of higher contract prices and the anticipated decrease of corn and soybean acres.

Growers in the Southwest (New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas) intend to plant 176,000 acres, down 5 percent from the previous year. Growers in this region expect to plant more acres to cotton this year.

Sunflower: Growers intend to plant a total of 2.18 million acres in 2010, up 7 percent from last year but down 13 percent from 2008. Area intended for oil type varieties, at 1.71 million acres, is up less than 1 percent from 2009. The area intended for non-oil varieties, estimated at 467,000 acres, is up 41 percent from last year.

North Dakota sunflower growers intend to plant 975,000 acres in 2010, up 90,000 acres from 2009. Compared with last year, six of the nine major sunflower-producing States are expecting an increase in planted area in 2010, with only Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas showing decreases in expected acreage.

Canola: Producers intend to plant 1.23 million acres in 2010, up 49 percent from 2009. Compared with last year, planted area is expected to increase in the six major canola-producing States, with acreage in Minnesota and Montana expected to more than double the previous year's area. Producers in North Dakota, the leading canola State, intend to plant 1.06 million acres, up 330,000 acres from last year.

Flaxseed: Producers intend to plant 420,000 acres of flaxseed in 2010, up 32 percent from last year. Planted area is expected to increase or remain unchanged from last year in all estimating States. In North Dakota, the largest flaxseed-producing State, growers intend to plant 395,000 acres, 100,000 acres more than was planted in 2009.

Cotton: Area planted to cotton for 2010 is expected to total 10.5 million acres, up 15 percent from last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 10.3 million acres, 15 percent above last year. American-Pima cotton growers intend to plant 190,000 acres, up 34 percent from last year. Producers intend to plant more acres of cotton due to higher cotton prices over the last few months.

Upland growers in the Delta States (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee) intend to plant 1.73 million acres, a 6 percent increase from the previous year. Farmers in Mississippi expect to plant 340,000 acres, 11 percent more than last year. Louisiana producers intend to plant 200,000 acres, down 13 percent from last year and the lowest on record. In Arkansas, producers intend to plant 520,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Tennessee producers, at 380,000 acres, intend to plant 27 percent more than last year.

In the Southeastern States (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia) growers intend to plant 2.39 million acres, an increase of 26 percent from last year. Georgia producers intend to plant 1,150,000 acres, up 15 percent from last year. North Carolina, at 540,000 acres, is 44 percent more than 2009. Alabama producers intend to plant 360,000 acres, up 41 percent from last year. In South Carolina, producers intend to plant 175,000 acres, up 52 percent from 2009.

Upland cotton producers in Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas intend to plant 5.91 million acres, a 12 percent increase from last year. Texas producers intend to plant 5.60 million acres, up 600,000 acres from last year. In Southern Texas, planting is underway. Oklahoma producers intend to plant 240,000 acres, up 17 percent from last year.

Upland planted acreage in Arizona and California is expected to total 285,000 acres, up 32 percent from last year. California farmers are expected to plant 100,000 acres, an increase of 41 percent and the first increase since 2004. The significant increase stems from an improved water outlook and decreased demand for competitive crops. Arizona producers intend to plant 185,000 acres, up 28 percent from last year.

American-Pima acreage intentions are 190,000 acres, an increase of 34 percent from 2009. California producers intend to plant 165,000 acres of American-Pima, up 46,000 acres from last year. Expected area is unchanged in Texas, where producers intend to plant 18,000 acres.

Sugarbeets: Area planted to sugarbeets for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 1.17 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous year. Planting intentions decreased from the previous year in California, Colorado, Minnesota, and Nebraska. In Minnesota, the largest sugarbeet-producing State, an 18,000 acre or 4 percent 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 sixth consecutive year for California.

Intended plantings increased in 6 of the 10 estimating States. The largest increase in acreage is expected in Michigan, where producers intend to plant 9,000 more acres than in 2009.

Tobacco: U.S. all tobacco area for harvest in 2010 is expected to be 334,020 acres, down 6 percent from 2009 and 2008. Expected decreases in flue-cured, burley, and fire-cured tobacco will offset increases in cigar type tobacco.

Flue-cured tobacco intentions, at 207,000 acres, are 8 percent below 2009 and 7 percent lower than 2008. Flue-cured tobacco accounts for 62 percent of this year's expected total tobacco acreage. Acreage in North Carolina, the leading flue-cured State, is down 6 percent from last year and 4 percent below 2008. Growers in Georgia, South Carolina, and Virginia expect acreage to decrease from a year ago by 29 percent, 8 percent, and 9 percent, respectively.

Light air-cured tobacco type acreage is expected to be down 4 percent from a year ago but 1 percent above 2008. Burley tobacco, at 97,800 acres, is 4 percent below last year but slightly above 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 2009 by 15 percent. Pennsylvania's southern Maryland type tobacco acres are estimated at 2,200, up 5 percent from 2009 and 22 percent above 2008.

Fire-cured tobacco intentions, at 15,650 acres, are down 3 percent from 2009 and 16 percent below 2008. Acreage in Kentucky and Tennessee is expected to decrease from last year by 1 percent and 6 percent, respectively. Acreage in Virginia is expected to remain unchanged from a year ago.

Dark air-cured tobacco intentions, at 5,800 acres, are unchanged from last year but down 32 percent from 2008. Fewer acres are being contracted for the dark tobacco types. Growers in Kentucky are expecting acreage to decrease from a year ago by 2 percent. Acreage in Tennessee is expected to increase 8 percent from the previous year.

All cigar type tobacco intentions, at 5,570 acres, are 33 percent above last year and 9 percent higher than 2008. Increases in cigar binder and cigar filler are expected to more than offset decreases in shade-grown tobacco. Connecticut Valley Broadleaf area for harvest, at 2,750 acres, is 112 percent above the previous hail affected crop year and 25 percent higher than 2008. Pennsylvania Seedleaf, at 2,100 acres, is expected to be up 5 percent from a year ago. Expected acres of Connecticut Valley Shade-grown tobacco are 720, down 19 percent from a year ago.

Sweet Potatoes: Planted area of sweet potatoes is expected to total 117,100 acres for the 2010 season, up 7 percent from last year and 13 percent above 2008. The largest increases are expected in California, Louisiana, and North Carolina.

Strong demand has led to an increase in expected acres in six of the nine estimating States. In Louisiana, a new processing facility is lending additional support to higher acreage intentions. Planted acreage in Mississippi and New Jersey is expected to be unchanged from last year, while growers in Texas intend to plant fewer acres than last season.

Dry Beans: Growers intend to plant 1.77 million acres in 2010, up 15 percent from last year. Expected area planted for all chickpeas is 130,600 acres, up 36 percent from last year and 56 percent higher than 2008. Small chickpea area, at 31,600 acres, is 40 percent higher than 2009, while large chickpea acreage is expected to increase 35 percent. Small chickpeas are defined as peas that will pass through a 20/64 inch round hole screen.

Acreage increases are expected in 11 of the 18 dry bean estimating States. In North Dakota, the largest producing State, growers intend to plant 680,000 acres, up 11 percent from last season. The top five States all show anticipated acreage increases between 11 and 33 percent.

Lentils: Area planted for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 510,000 acres, up 23 percent from 2009 and 88 percent above two years ago. If realized, this will be the highest planted acreage since records began in 1986. Montana and North Dakota anticipate higher planted acreages this season, while Idaho and Washington expect lower plantings from a year ago.

Farmers in North Dakota, the largest producing State, intend to plant 200,000 acres of lentils this year, up 21 percent from 2009. Acreage in Montana is expected to increase from last year by 60 percent to an anticipated 195,000 acres.

Dry Edible Peas: Growers intend to plant 837,000 acres, down 3 percent from 2009. Idaho and Washington anticipate lower planted acreages this season, while no acreage change is expected in Montana and North Dakota.

Farmers in North Dakota, the largest producing State, intend to plant 490,000 acres this year, while Montana growers plan to plant 240,000 acres. Growers in Idaho and Washington are expected to reduce their planted acreage from last year by 29 percent and 18 percent, respectively. Oregon growers anticipate an 11 percent increase from a year ago.

Austrian Winter Peas: Area planted for the 2010 crop year is expected to total 29,500 acres, up 44 percent from a year ago. Idaho, Montana, and Oregon anticipate higher planted acreages this season.

Reliability of Acreage Data in this Report

Survey Procedures: The acreage estimates in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first 2 weeks of March. The March Agricultural Survey is a probability survey that includes a sample of approximately 86,000 farm operators selected from a list of producers that ensures all operations in the U.S. 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 2010 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.

Revision Policy: Acreage estimates in the "**Prospective Plantings**" report will not be revised. These estimates are intended to reflect grower intentions as of the survey period. New acreage estimates will be made based on surveys conducted in June when crop acreages have been established or planting intentions are firm. These new estimates will be published in the "**Acreage**" report scheduled for June 30, 2010. Winter wheat is an exception. Since winter wheat was seeded prior to the March survey, any changes in estimates in this report are considered revisions. The estimate of the harvested acreage of winter wheat will be published on May 11, 2010, along with the first production forecast of the crop year.

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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 1.15 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 of Prospective Plantings Planted Acreage Estimates

Crop	Root Mean Square Error Percent	90 Percent Confidence Interval	20-Year Record of Differences Between Forecast and Final Estimate				
			Thousand Acres Quantity			Number of Years	
			Average	Smallest	Largest	Below Final	Above Final
			1,000 Acres	*1,000 Acres*	*1,000 Acres*	*Number*	*Number*
Corn	2.0	3.5	1,147	32	3,844	8	12
Sorghum	8.9	15.3	693	31	2,471	11	9
Oats	5.8	10.0	269	4	865	2	18
Barley	5.5	9.5	268	31	667	5	15
Winter Wheat	1.5	2.5	516	6	1,415	8	12
Durum Wheat	6.7	11.6	162	12	552	15	5
Other Spring Wheat	5.2	9.0	695	12	2,543	10	10
Soybeans	2.1	3.6	1,199	25	2,582	13	7
Upland Cotton	4.5	7.7	440	6	1,320	11	9

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