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Indiana Winter Wheat Production and Hay Stocks

Indiana wheat growers anticipate lower yields in 2022 than they had last year, according to Nathanial Warenski, State Statistician of USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. Indiana wheat growers expect to harvest 240,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from last year. Wheat production in the State is expected to be 18.2 million bushels. The yield forecast of 76 bushels is down 9 bushels per acre from last year's crop.

U.S. winter wheat production is forecast at 1.17 billion bushels, down 8 percent from 2021. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 47.9 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre. Area expected to be harvested for grain or seed is forecast at 24.5 million acres, down 4 percent from last year.

Hay stocks on Indiana farms on May 1, 2022 were 240,000 tons, up 60 percent from this time last year.

All hay stored on United States farms as of May 1, 2022, totaled 16.8 million tons, down 7 percent from May 1, 2021. Disappearance from December 1, 2021 – May 1, 2022, totaled 62.2 million tons, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2021 - 2022

Commodity	Indiana		United States	
	2021	2022	2021	2022
Wheat, winter				
Planted 1,000 acres	340	310	33,648	34,236
Harvested 1,000 acres	270	240	25,464	24,499
Yield Bushels	85.0	76.0	50.2	47.9
Production1,000 bu	22,950	18,240	1,277,365	1,173,547

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