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## USDA reports increase in Maryland corn and hay acreage

**ANNAPOLIS, MD** – The U.S Department of Agriculture’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) estimated 480 thousand acres of corn planted in Maryland for 2022, up 3% from last year. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 410 thousand acres, down 4% from last year.

Following up to the Prospective Plantings report released in late spring, NASS surveyed approximately 9,100 segments of land and 64,200 farm operators during the first two weeks of June to gather information on what farmers planted.

Key findings released in the Acreage report include:

### Soybean

- Soybean planted area for 2022 is estimated at 490 thousand acres, unchanged from 2021.
- Soybean area harvested for grain for 2022 is estimated at 485 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.

### Winter Wheat

- Winter Wheat planted area for 2022 is estimated at 345 thousand acres, unchanged from a year ago.
- Winter Wheat harvested area for 2022 is estimated at 175 thousand acres, up 9% from last year.

### All Hay

- Growers expect to harvest 210 thousand acres of hay, up 6% from last year.
- Other hay is estimated at 175 thousand acres, up 6% from 2021.
- Alfalfa hay is estimated at 35 thousand acres, up 3% from last year.

### Barley

- Barley planted area for 2022 is 28 thousand acres, down 15% from 2021.
- Barley harvested area is estimated at 16 thousand acres, down 11% from 2021.

For the complete “Acreage” report, go to:  
<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/j098zb09z>

The “Acreage” report and all other NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

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