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## Maryland farmers expect to plant less corn acreage

**ANNAPOLIS, MD** --- The Prospective Plantings report provides the first official, survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' 2022 planting intentions, according to Shareefah Williams, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Maryland Field Office. NASS acreage estimates are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March from a sample of approximately 73,000 farm operators across the United States.

Maryland's 2022 key findings in the report are:

- Corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 460 thousand acres, down 2% from last year.
- Soybean planted area is estimated at 490 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Barley** planted area is estimated at 28 thousand acres, down 15% from last year.
- Winter Wheat area planted is estimated at 305 thousand acres, down 12% from last year.
- Hay area harvested is estimated at 210 thousand acres, up 6% from last year.

For the complete "Prospective Plantings" report, go to: <u>https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/x633f100h</u>

The "Prospective Plantings" report and all other NASS reports are available online at <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>.

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