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CROP PRODUCTION – JUNE 2022

MONTANA HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production in Montana, based on conditions as of June 1, 2022, is forecast at 62.70 million bushels, according to the June 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is down 15 percent from the May 1 forecast but 17 percent above the 53.63 million bushel crop produced last year. Estimated acreage for harvest, at 1.90 million acres, is unchanged from May 1 and 170,000 acres more than the 1.73 million acres harvested in 2021. As of June 1, the average yield is forecast at 33.0 bushels per acre, 6.0 bushels per acre below the May 1 forecast but 2.0 bushels per acre above last year's final yield.

As of May 29, Montana's winter wheat crop condition was rated 16 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 60 percent fair, and 14 percent good, compared with 4 percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 36 percent good, and 10 percent excellent last year.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.18 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but down 7 percent from 2021. As of June 1, the United States yield is forecast at 48.2 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushel from last month but down 2.0 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre. Hard Red Winter production, at 582 million bushels, is down 1 percent from last month. Soft Red Winter, at 358 million bushels, is up 1 percent from the May forecast. White Winter, at 242 million bushels, is up 5 percent from last month. Of the White Winter production, 15.6 million bushels are Hard White and 226 million bushels are Soft White.

Production of **Durum wheat** in Arizona and California is forecast at a collective 8.79 million bushels, down 3 percent from last month but up 28 percent from last year.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov.