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## USDA to survey farmers' planting intentions for 2024

**ATHENS, GA, February 9, 2024** – As the 2024 crop production season begins, the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will contact producers nationwide to determine their plans for the upcoming growing season.

"Each year, the agriculture industry anticipates USDA's *Prospective Plantings* report, which provides the first survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' planting intentions for the year," said NASS's Southern Regional Director, Anthony Prillaman. "The March Agricultural Survey provides the factual data that underpins these projections, making it one of the most important surveys we conduct each year."

NASS will mail the survey questionnaire in mid-February, asking producers to provide information about the crops they intend to plant in 2024, how many acres they intend to plant, and the amounts of grain and oilseed they have stored on their farms. NASS encourages producers to respond online at [agcounts.usda.gov](https://agcounts.usda.gov) or by mail. Those producers who do not respond online or mail by February 28, 2024, may be emailed a reminder or contacted for an interview.

In accordance with federal law, NASS keeps responses confidential and publishes data in aggregate form only, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified. Survey results will be published in the *Prospective Plantings* and *quarterly Grain Stocks* reports on March 28, 2024. These and all NASS reports are available online at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](https://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications). For more information, call the NASS Southern Regional Field Office at 800-253-4419.

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