



Wisconsin Ag News – Prospective Plantings

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Wisconsin farmers intend to plant 3.80 million acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2024 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Prospective Plantings* report. This is down 200,000 acres from 2023.

Producers intend to plant 2.20 million acres of **soybeans** in Wisconsin this year. This is 90,000 acres higher than 2023.

Farmers in Wisconsin expect to harvest 1.08 million acres of **all dry hay** for the 2024 crop year. This is 50,000 acres above last year.

Wisconsin farmers intend to plant 195,000 acres of **oats** for all purposes. This is up 60,000 acres from last year.

Winter wheat producers planted area is estimated at 265,000 acres, down 15,000 acres from last year.

Wisconsin farmers intend to plant 15,000 acres of **barley**, up 3,000 acres from last year.

The Prospective Plantings report provides the first official, survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' 2024 planting intentions. NASS's acreage estimates are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March from a sample of approximately 71,800 farm operators across the United States with more than 2,000 from Wisconsin. Actual plantings will depend upon weather, economic conditions and the availability of production inputs at the time producers make their final planting decisions.

Area Planted – Wisconsin and United States: 2022-2024

Crop	Wisconsin				United States			
	2022	2023	2024 ¹	'24 as % of '23	2022	2023	2024 ¹	'24 as % of '23
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Barley	13	12	15	125	2,927	3,101	2,566	83
Corn, all	3,900	4,000	3,800	95	88,162	94,641	90,036	95
Hay, all ²	1,100	1,030	1,080	105	48,711	52,821	51,562	98
Oats ³	140	135	195	144	2,582	2,555	2,318	91
Soybeans	2,160	2,110	2,200	104	87,450	83,600	86,510	103
Wheat, winter ³	300	280	265	95	33,281	36,699	34,135	93

¹ Intended plantings in 2024 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Intended area harvested.

³ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

UNITED STATES PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2024 is estimated at 90.0 million acres, down 5 percent or 4.61 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 38 of the 48 estimating States.

Soybean planted area for 2024 is estimated at 86.5 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 24 of the 29 estimating States.

All wheat planted area for 2024 is estimated at 47.5 million acres, down 4 percent from 2023 for comparable States. The 2024 winter wheat planted area, at 34.1 million acres, is down 7 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous estimate for comparable States. Of this total, about 24.3 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.26 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.59 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2024 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, up 1 percent from 2023. Of this total, about 10.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2024 is expected to total 2.03 million acres, up 22 percent from the previous year for comparable States.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage - United States

