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Soybean Acres Up and Corn Acres Down from Last Year

Soybeans planted in Kentucky were estimated at 2.05 million acres, up 200,000 acres from 2021. Acres harvested for grain, at 2.04 million acres, was 200,000 acres above acres a year ago. U.S. soybean planted area for 2022 was estimated at 88.3 million acres, up 1% from last year. Area for harvest, at 87.5 million acres, is up 1% from 2021.

Acreage planted to corn in Kentucky was estimated at 1.50 million acres, down 50,000 acres from 2021. Acres harvested for grain is estimated at 1.39 million acres, down 50,000 acres from last year. The U.S. corn planted for all purposes in 2022 was estimated at 89.9 million acres, down 4% from last year. Growers expect to harvest 81.9 million acres for grain, down 4% from last year.

Farmers in Kentucky intend to set an estimated 34.0 thousand acres of burley tobacco for harvest. This was down 1,000 from the 2021 level. Dark fire-cured tobacco acreage set was estimated at 9.90 thousand acres, up 1,200 acres from the previous year. Dark air-cured tobacco acreage was estimated at 6.10 thousand acres, unchanged from a year ago. Burley producing states acreage for harvest was estimated at 38,900 acres, 5% below last year.

Winter wheat seeded acreage in Kentucky was estimated at 530 thousand acres, 20,000 acres above the previous year. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 400 thousand acres, 50,000 acres above 2021. The U.S. Winter wheat planted area was estimated at 34.0 million acres, up 1% from 2021. Area harvested for grain was forecast at 25.0 million acres, down 2% from last year.

Alfalfa hay acreage in Kentucky was estimated at 100 thousand acres, unchanged from the 2021 crop. All other hay was estimated at 1.97 million acres, down 50,000 from a year ago. The U.S. All hay acreage was estimated at 51.5 million acres, up 2% from 2021.

Planted and Harvested Acres, June 2022 - Kentucky and United States

	Kentucky				United States			
	Planted ¹		Harvested		Planted ¹		Harvested	
	2021 <i>1,000</i>	2022 <i>1,000</i>	2021 <i>1,000</i>	2022 ² <i>1,000</i>	2021 <i>1,000</i>	2022 <i>1,000</i>	2021 <i>1,000</i>	2022 ² <i>1,000</i>
Corn	1,550	1,500	1,440	1,390	93,357	89,921	85,388	81,940
Soybeans	1,850	2,050	1,840	2,040	87,195	88,325	86,332	87,511
Wheat, Winter ³	510	530	350	400	33,648	34,006	25,464	25,002
Hay:								
All	--	--	2,120	2,070	--	--	50,736	51,507
Alfalfa	--	--	100	100	--	--	15,246	15,465
Other, All	--	--	2,020	1,970	--	--	35,490	36,042
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>
Tobacco:								
All	--	--	49,800	50,000	--	--	218,930	221,530
Burley	--	--	35,000	34,000	--	--	41,010	38,900
Dark Fire-Cured	--	--	8,700	9,900	--	--	14,870	16,230
Dark Air-Cured	--	--	6,100	6,100	--	--	10,100	10,500

¹ Commodities with planted estimates not available are (*denoted by "--*"). ² Forecasted. ³ Includes area planted in preceding fall.