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## PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS – MARCH 1, 2024

### NEW MEXICO HIGHLIGHTS

As of March 1, New Mexico growers intend to plant 100,000 acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2024, down 25,000 acres, or 20 percent, from last year's plantings, according to the March 1 Agricultural Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. **Winter wheat** seeded last fall for harvest in 2024 is estimated at 385,000 acres, down 20,000 acres from the 2023 crop. **Hay** producers in the State intend to harvest 260,000 acres this year. This is down 5,000 acres from the acreage cut for dry hay in 2023.

Producers intend to plant 48,000 acres of **all cotton** in 2024, unchanged from last year. Of that, 35,000 acres are expected to be **upland** cotton, up 9 percent from last year, and 13,000 acres are expected to be **American Pima** cotton, down 19 percent from last year.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**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.

**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.

Producers intend to harvest 51.6 million acres of **all hay** in 2024, down 2 percent from 2023.

**All cotton** planted area for 2024 is estimated at 10.7 million acres, up 4 percent from last year. **Upland** area is estimated at 10.5 million acres, up 4 percent from 2023. **American Pima** area is estimated at 203,000 acres, up 38 percent from 2023.

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