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## WEST VIRGINIA 2024 PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

**Charleston, West Virginia – Corn** area planted in West Virginia is expected to total 43,000 acres, down 2 percent, or 1,000 acres from 2023, but up 8 percent, or 3,000 acres from 2022.

**All hay** area harvested is expected to total 630,000 acres, up 3 percent or 20,000 acres from 2023, and up 12 percent, or 65,000 acres from 2022.

*Note:* These estimates were based on results from the March 1, 2024, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year continues and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered.

## UNITED STATES INTENTIONS WITH 2023 COMPARISONS

Corn plantings – 90.0 million acres, down 5%.

Oat plantings – 2.32 million acres, down 9%.

Winter wheat planted – 34.1 million acres, down 7%.

All tobacco for harvest – 165,300 acres, down 12%.

Burley tobacco for harvest – 25,000 acres, down 20%.

Soybean plantings – 86.5 million acres, up 3%.

Sorghum plantings – 6.40 million acres, down 11%.

Barley plantings – 2.57 million acres, down 17%.

All hay for harvest – 51.6 million acres, down 2%.