

Pre-survey Letters (click link below to view)				
CPAMS - Crop Practices	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
CPAMS - Confined Livestock	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Sept. Crops APS	Kansas	Nebraska	South Dakota	North Dakota
Sept. Ag Yield	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Oct. Ag Yield	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Nov. Ag Yield	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Chickpeas Survey				<i>Not Available</i>
CAPS - Small Grains	Kansas	Nebraska	South Dakota	North Dakota
CAPS - Row Crops	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
Sept. Hogs Report	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
Turkeys Raised	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
SOY	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Cattle on Feed Inquiry		Nebraska		
Oct. Milk Production	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
Oct. Colony Loss	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
Oct. Ag Labor	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
Cost of Pollination	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
ARMS 2	<i>Not Available yet</i>			



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May 30, 2022

Why am I getting this letter?

You have been selected to participate in the Conservation Practice Adoption Motivations Survey (CPAMS) of crop practices. This survey is a joint project between USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) aimed at better understanding conservation practice adoption and the role of technical and financial assistance. **The survey results will be used to guide the implementation of NRCS programs in the future.**

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Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Parsons
Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board

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Sincerely,

Doug Bounds
State Statistician, Kansas Field Office
U.S. Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service

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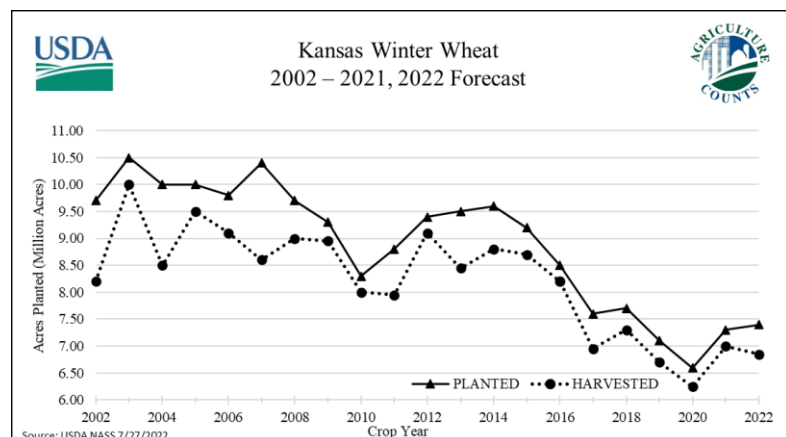
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Sincerely,

Nicholas Streff, Regional Director
Northern Plains Regional Office
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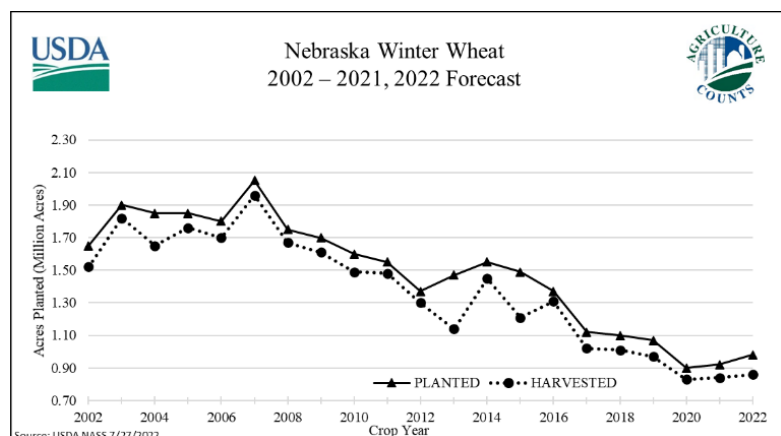
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Erik Gerlach
State Statistician, South Dakota Field Office
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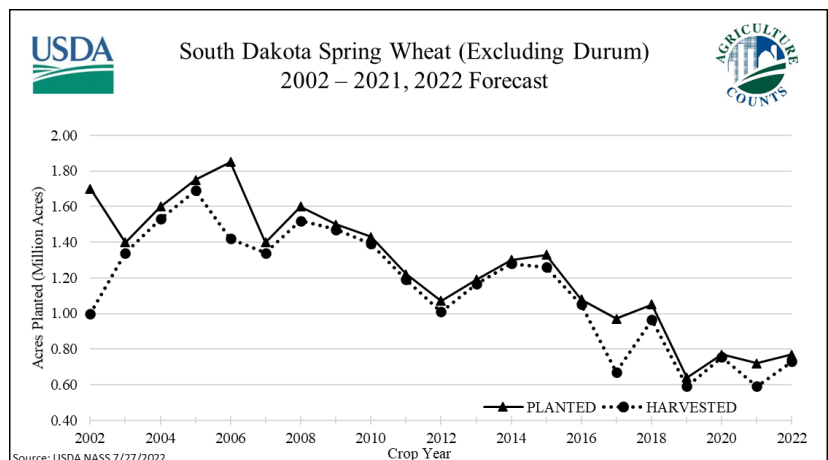
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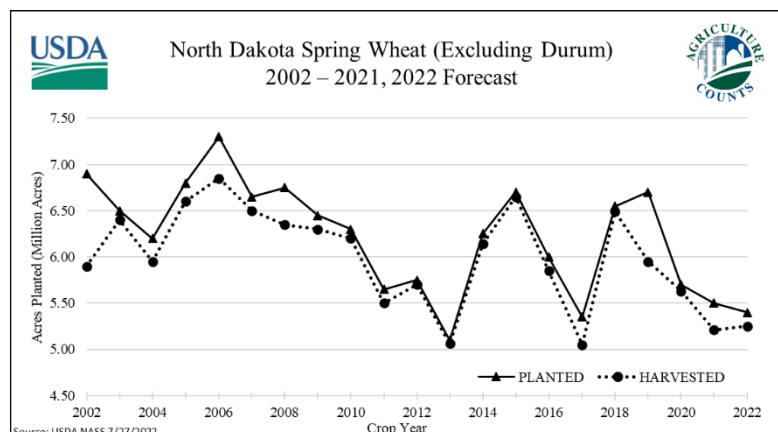
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August 24, 2022

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How will the data be used?

Producers, processors, buyers, commodity markets, state and Federal agencies, and others use the data to understand the market, plan ahead, and conduct research.

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September 23, 2022

Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2022 October Agricultural Yield Survey. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience, via the Internet if possible, to avoid receiving follow-up contacts. Your information is important because it provides data regarding yields throughout the growing season and relays any changes related to the current growing conditions.

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October 24, 2022

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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2022 Turkeys Raised Survey. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience. Your information is important as it will help provide vital information to the turkey industry.

If we do not hear from you by Wednesday, August 31, 2022, we may attempt to contact you to arrange an interview.

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form. We will publish the survey findings in the *Turkeys Raised* report, to be released Friday, September 23, 2022.

Thank you for participating and for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (800) 582-6443.

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July 22, 2022

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Approval Expires: 3/31/2023

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The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. Your response will be kept confidential and any person who willfully discloses ANY identifiable information about you or your operation is subject to a jail term, a fine, or both. This survey is conducted in accordance with the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2018, Title III of Pub. L. No. 115-435, codified in 44 U.S.C. Ch. 35 and other applicable Federal laws. For more information on how we protect your information please visit:
<https://www.nass.usda.gov/confidentiality>.
Response is voluntary.

Dear Producer:

The Objective Yield Survey plays an important part in estimating U.S. crop production forecasts. USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) combines field measurements from Objective Yield plots with farmer-reported survey data and satellite-based vegetative information measurements to prepare monthly crop production estimates. Your cooperation is key to accurate crop production estimates.

Why am I getting this letter?

The Objective Yield Survey for corn and soybeans will begin this month. A NASS representative will call you and other selected producers to verify crop acreage reported on previous NASS surveys. The initial call will take 15 to 25 minutes of your time.

An aerial photo and county section map are enclosed.

- Please keep the map as a reference for your phone interview.
- The survey includes questions about the corn or soybean acreage you reported within the red boundaries on the map.

With your permission, we will then enter your field(s) at the end of each month during the growing season to collect plant and crop measurements. Monthly follow-up visits, if needed, will not require your time or personal contact.

How will the data be used?

NASS publishes the findings for these crops each month, September through December, in the monthly *Crop Production* report. All sectors of the agricultural industry rely on NASS yield and production estimates to help make sound business decisions. Thank you in advance for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

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United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service
Northern Plains Regional Field Office



August 26, 2022

Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2022 September Cattle on Feed Survey. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience, via the Internet if possible, to avoid receiving follow-up contacts. Your information is important because your cattle information provides monthly data regarding state level cattle on feed inventories, placements, and marketings throughout the entire year.

The September 1 Cattle on Feed survey is now available on our **secure** web site and your unique survey code to complete the survey is on the labeled questionnaire.

The September 1 Cattle on Feed report will be released on September 23, 2022 at 2 PM CST. The results will be available at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Thank you for participating and for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (800) 582-6443.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Streff
Director, Northern Plains Regional Field Office

Enclosure

What should I do next?

Complete your survey in one of the following ways:



Online at agcounts.usda.gov beginning on Wednesday, August 31, 2022.

Online reporting is fast, convenient, and secure. All you need is the 12-digit survey code on the enclosed form to begin.



By **mail or fax**. Complete the survey questionnaire and mail it back in the return envelope provided or fax it to (855) 270-2720.

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September 21, 2022

Why am I getting this letter?

You have been selected for the 2022 October Quarterly Colony Loss survey. **As one of only 3,500 beekeepers receiving this survey, your response is vital to ensure accurate data about your industry are available.** Please take a few minutes to respond by following the directions to the right.

If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by September 29, we may attempt to contact you for an interview.

We recommend you respond online using the new Respondent Portal. On the portal, you can complete your surveys, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more.

How will the data be used?

Data from this survey will:

- Allow beekeepers, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and other interested parties to analyze data on a state-by-state basis and compare specific quarterly losses, additions, and movements.
- Provide a statistical benchmark on honey bee colony numbers and death loss for comparison on an annual and quarterly basis.

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form. The *Honey Bee Colonies* report will be published on the NASS website in August 2023.

Thank you for your participation and support of agricultural statistics and U.S. agriculture. **If you have any questions or need assistance completing your questionnaire, please call 888-424-7828.** For more information on this survey, visit [www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide to NASS Surveys/Bee and Honey/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide%20to%20NASS%20Surveys/Bee%20and%20Honey/).

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Parsons
Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board
USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

Enclosure

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Online at agcounts.usda.gov. **Online reporting is fast, convenient, and secure.** All you need is your unique survey code on the enclosed form to begin. Some answers in your online questionnaire may be pre-filled with information from previous NASS surveys of your operation.



By **mail or fax**. Complete the questionnaire and mail it back in the prepaid envelope provided or fax it to 855-415-3687.