

2022 September Chickpeas Survey

Overview

- Project Code: **191 - DRY BEANS PEAS LENTILS SURVEY**
- Questionnaires:
 - Mailed out August 23
 - Web reporting option available
- Release: *Crop Production* September 12, 2022, 12PM EST
- Reference Period: 2022 Chickpea Crop
- Purpose: Its purpose is to collect acreage and expected yield for the 2022 chickpea crop. Collecting this data provides the industry with a reliable source of information, and growers can use this data to help make informed decisions for their own operations.

Screening:

Did this operation grow any chickpeas in 2022?

This is all the screening there is, so if they didn't grow chickpeas, you will need to leave plenty of notes to explain what the status of the operation is.

If the operation is completely out of business, please leave notes as to what happened to the operation, along with new operator contact information, etc. if applicable. This information is needed to update our records.

Survey Questions:

- Survey questions broken out by size of chickpea:
 - Small: can pass through 20/64 inch screen
 - Large: larger than 20/64 inch screen
- How many acres of chickpeas were planted for all purposes in 2022?
- How many acres were or will be harvested?
- What is the expected yield?
 - Average yield for both sizes is around 1,500 pounds per acre (However, the 2021 yield was much lower at 815 pounds)
 - If bushels: provide number of bushels and pounds/bushel

About Chickpeas:

Chickpeas, also known as garbanzo beans, are a member of the legume family along with other notable crops such as soybeans and peanuts. They are native to the Mediterranean and are a major ingredient in many Middle Eastern and Indian dishes. In North America, most chickpeas are marketed as canned chickpeas for salads at home or in restaurant salad bars. They are also marketed as dry chickpeas and flour for baking purposes. Cool season food pulses, including dry peas, lentils, and chickpeas, are an important feature of the dry farmlands of the western U.S. The two principal growing regions include the Northern Plains, comprised of Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota, and the Palouse, which includes eastern Washington, northern Idaho, and northeastern Oregon.

Some things to keep in mind:

- Looking for acres and expected production for the 2022 crop year
- There could be a wide range of yields across your area - be sure to ask producer about any very high or low yields and leave a comment.
- Please leave plenty of notes explaining anything you think the statisticians may need to know.
- If units other than pounds per acre are reported make a note.
- Confirm any large acreages; ensure they aren't including other types of dry beans or peas.
- Producers have had concerns about tariffs placed on chickpeas – be prepared to address this concern, emphasizing how this makes this survey information all the more important.