

Crop Production

Most state crops' acres cut except corn

MICHIGAN'S planting proceeded ahead of normal with some delays caused by wet field conditions in late April and early May, according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, Michigan Field Office.

These acreage estimates were based primarily on surveys conducted the first two weeks of June.

Highlights of the 2007 Acreage Report are as follows:

■ Michigan corn farmers planted 2.50 million acres, up 300,000 acres from last year, but unchanged from the March Intentions report. Growers expect to harvest 2.23 million acres for grain.

■ Soybeans in Michigan were estimated at 1.80 million planted acres, down 200,000 from 2006. Harvested acres are expected to total 1.79 million acres.

■ Sugarbeet producers in Michigan

planted 150,000 acres, down 5,000 from last year. Harvested acres were set at 148,000 acres.

■ Winter wheat in Michigan was estimated at 660,000 planted acres with harvested acres at 630,000.

■ Michigan dry bean acres were estimated at 200,000 acres, which is down 25,000 from last year. Expected harvested acres were estimated at 195,000 acres.

■ Michigan all-hay harvested acres

are expected to total 1.06 million acres, down 80,000 acres from 2006.

■ The national corn planted acreage estimate was 92.9 million acres, up 19% from last year. Growers expect to harvest 85.4 million acres for grain, up 21% from 2006.

■ U.S. soybean planted area was estimated at 64.1 million acres, down 15% from last year. Area for harvest was estimated at 63.3 million acres, also down 15% from 2006.



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