

Non-substantive Change Request

(0535-0213) Agricultural Survey – September 1, 2018

NASS is currently approved to conduct quarterly Agricultural Surveys. In September the focus of the questionnaire is on small grains (wheat, rye, barley, and oats) production. Currently the questions related to the Winter Wheat and Spring Wheat crops, focus on three primary sub-groups (Hard Red, Soft Red and White). NASS would like to expand this out to separate the White Wheat into Hard White and Soft White.

There will be no changes to the target population or the sample size.

If harvest is not complete, make your best estimate of acres and total production.

1. Winter Wheat

Current (Sept 2017) for Winter Wheat

- i. Of the total acres of Winter Wheat **harvested** and to be harvested, how much was **White** Winter Wheat?
- j. Of the total **production** of Winter Wheat, how much was **White** Winter Wheat?
- or**
- k. **Yield** per acre of **White** Winter Wheat harvested?

Winter Wheat Irrigated	Winter Wheat Non-Irrigated
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Acres	252	230
Bushels	410	231
Bu/Ac	171	232

New (Sept 2018) for Winter Wheat

Hard White Winter Wheat

- a. Of the total acres of Winter Wheat **harvested** and to be harvested for grain or seed (item 2), how many acres were **Hard White** Winter Wheat?
- b. Of the total production of Winter Wheat (item 3), how much was **Hard White** Winter Wheat for grain or seed?
- or**
- Yield** per acre of **Hard White** Winter Wheat harvested for grain and seed.

Acres		
Bushels		
Bu/Ac		

Soft White Winter Wheat

- c. Of the total acres of Winter Wheat **harvested** and to be harvested for grain or seed (item 2), how many acres were **Soft White** Winter Wheat?
- d. Of the total production of Winter Wheat (item 3), how much was **Soft White** Winter Wheat for grain or seed?
- or**
- Yield** per acre of **Soft White** Winter Wheat harvested for grain and seed.

Acres		
Bushels		
Bu/Ac		

Current (Sept 2017) for Spring Wheat

		Spring Wheat
2. Spring Wheat , Other than Durum		
a. Acres planted for all purposes? (Including acres planted as a cover crop, grazed off, cut for hay/haylage/silage, or abandoned.)	Acres	550
b. Acres harvested and to be harvested for either grain or seed ?	Acres	768
c. Total grain and seed production ? (Include landlord's share.)	Bushels	773
or		
d. Yield per acre of grain and seed harvested?	Bu/Ac	452
e. Acres of Spring Wheat for all other purposes? (Include hay, silage, pasture, cover crop, abandoned, or any other purpose than grain or seed.)	Acres	777
f. Of the total acres of other spring wheat harvested , how much was Hard Red Spring Wheat?	Acres	375
g. Of the total production of other spring wheat, how much was Hard Red Spring Wheat?	Bushels	376
Or		
h. Yield per acre of Hard Red Spring wheat harvested?	Bu/Ac	377
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i. Of the total acres of other spring wheat harvested , how much was White Spring Wheat?	Acres	420
j. Of the total production of other spring wheat, how much was White Spring Wheat? .	Bushels	421
Or		
k. Yield per acre of White Spring wheat harvested?	Bu/Ac	422

New (Sept 2018) for Spring Wheat

		Spring Wheat
3. Spring Wheat , Other than Durum		
a. Acres planted for all purposes? (Including acres planted as a cover crop, grazed off, cut for hay/haylage/silage, or abandoned.)	Acres	550
b. Acres harvested and to be harvested for either grain or seed ?	Acres	768
c. Total grain and seed production ? (Include landlord's share.)	Bushels	773
Or		
d. Yield per acre of grain and seed harvested?	Bu/Ac	452
Hard Red Spring Wheat		Hard Red Spring Wheat
e. Of the total acres of Spring Wheat harvested and to be harvested for grain or seed (item 3b), how many acres were Hard Red Spring Wheat?	Acres	
f. Of the total production of Spring Wheat (item 3c), how much was Hard Red Spring Wheat for grain or seed.	Bu	

Or

Yield per acre of Hard Red Spring Wheat harvested for grain and seed.

Bu/Acre	
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Hard White Spring Wheat

- g. Of the total acres of Spring Wheat **harvested** and to be harvested for grain or seed (item 3b), how many acres were **Hard White** Spring Wheat?

- h. Of the total production of Spring Wheat (item 3c), how much was **Hard White** Spring Wheat for grain or seed.

Hard White Spring Wheat	
Acres	
Bu	
Bu/ Acre	

Or

Yield per acre of Hard White Spring Wheat harvested for grain and seed.

Soft White Spring Wheat

- i. Of the total acres of Spring Wheat **harvested** and to be harvested for grain or seed (item 3b), how many acres were **Soft White** Spring Wheat?

- j. Of the total production of Spring Wheat (item 3c), how much was **Soft White** Spring Wheat for grain or seed?

Soft White Spring Wheat	
Acres	
Bu	
Bu/ Acre	

Or

Yield per acre of Soft White Spring Wheat harvested for grain and seed.

- 4. Acres of Spring Wheat harvested for all purposes other than grain or seed (Include hay, haylage, silage, pasture, cover crop, abandoned, etc.)

Spring Wheat for other purposes	
Acres	

In addition, slight wording changes have been added to the questions in the new version to add clarity.

The states that irrigate will continue to ask for data for both irrigated and non-irrigated crops, while the non-irrigated states will continue to ask for the combined data as displayed above.

These non-substantive changes will cause a slight increase in respondent burden to the September quarterly questionnaire. Currently the questionnaire is estimated to take 20 minutes for the average farm operator to complete the questionnaire. These changes are estimated to increase the average respondent burden to 25 minutes. With this increase in burden of 5 minutes it is estimated to add 3,500 hours of burden, raising the total burden for this docket to 171,842 or roughly a 2 percent increase.