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COLORADO WINTER WHEAT VARIETIES 2017 CROP

This report provides the results of the Winter Wheat Seedings by Variety Survey, 2017 Crop, conducted by the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Mountain Regional Field Office. The survey was funded by the Colorado Wheat Administrative Committee.

Colorado wheat producers seeded an estimated 2.20 million acres to winter wheat in the fall of 2016 for harvest in 2017, down from 2.35 million acres seeded for the 2016 crop. **Byrd** was the most popular variety seeded in Colorado for the third consecutive year, planted on 24.7 percent or almost one-fourth of the acreage for the 2017 crop compared with 33.2 percent for the 2016 crop. **Hatcher** was, once again, the second most popular variety by accounting for 10.8 percent of the acreage, down from 13.5 percent for the 2016 crop. **Brawl CL Plus** kept third place by accounting for 10.8 percent of the acres seeded for 2017. **Snowmass** continued to occupy fourth place with 8.5 percent of the acreage, compared with 6.1 percent of last year's crop. **SY Monument** claimed fifth place with 2.9 percent of the acreage, an increase from 0.9 percent of the acreage last year. The top five varieties accounted for 57.7 percent of the acreage seeded. **Winterhawk** became the sixth leading variety with 2.8 percent of the acreage seeded, up from seventh place last year. **TAM 111** claimed seventh place with 2.7 percent of the acreage. **LCS Mint** entered the top ten for the first time at the eighth place ranking by accounting for 2.4 percent of the acreage seeded. **Denali** was at ninth place, with 2.1 percent of the acreage seeded this year. **Antero** completes the top ten with 1.5 percent, up slightly from 1.2 percent of the acreage seeded last year.

The top ten varieties represented 69.2 percent of the state's total acreage seeded for the 2017 crop. The 2016 top ten varieties accounted for 77.9 percent of the total seeded acreage.

The survey of winter wheat producers in Colorado was not sampled to provide a direct expansion of the seeded acreage by variety or a measure of the sampling error.

Winter Wheat: Reported Percent Planted by Variety, Colorado, 2010-2017 ^{1/}

Variety	2010 Crop	2011 Crop	2012 Crop	2013 Crop	2014 Crop	2015 Crop	2016 Crop	2017 Crop
	Percent							
Byrd	----	----	----	1.0	14.8	28.5	33.2	24.7
Hatcher	26.5	34.5	30.3	30.0	25.2	18.0	13.5	10.8
Brawl CL Plus	----	----	----	----	2.3	12.8	9.0	10.8
Snowmass	----	1.0	3.9	5.1	5.1	4.3	6.1	8.5
SY Monument	----	----	----	----	----	----	0.9	2.9
Winterhawk	----	0.9	1.4	2.3	1.4	2.3	3.6	2.8
TAM 111	7.5	9.5	9.2	8.1	5.4	2.7	4.0	2.7
LCS Mint	----	----	----	----	----	----	0.5	2.4
Denali	----	----	----	----	0.5	1.2	3.9	2.1
Antero	----	----	----	----	0.6	1.4	1.2	1.5
Sunshine	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	1.4
Bill Brown	2.5	5.1	5.2	3.9	2.7	1.5	0.5	1.3
WB-Grainfield	----	----	----	----	----	----	1.0	1.0
AP503 CL2	----	----	1.1	1.7	----	0.8	0.6	0.9
Prairie Red	5.6	1.5	2.1	1.0	2.2	0.6	----	0.9
Ripper	12.5	12.1	10.1	8.5	4.4	2.9	0.7	0.8
Above	3.2	2.8	2.9	1.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.8
T158	----	----	----	0.5	----	----	1.1	0.7
SY Wolf	----	----	----	----	----	1.2	1.3	0.7
Avery	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	0.7
Other & Unk ^{2/}	42.2	32.6	33.8	36.4	34.9	21.3	18.3	21.6
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

^{1/} Dashes indicate either none or minor amount reported. ^{2/} Includes minor and older varieties that have become less popular. Source: USDA/NASS Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service

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