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Dry Pea & Lentil Acreage
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North Dakota

Dry edible pea planted area in North Dakota is estimated at 510,000 acres, down from 515,000 acres last year and the record high 610,000 acres set in 2006, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. This is the second yearly decrease in acreage after increasing for seven consecutive years since 1999. Dry edible pea acreage estimates were added to the program in 1998 when 100,000 acres were planted. Harvested acreage is estimated at 490,000, down from 500,000 acres last year and the record high 590,000 acres harvested in 2006.

Lentil planted area is estimated at 100,000 acres, down from last year's 110,000 acres and the record high 160,000 acres planted in 2006. This is the second yearly decrease in acreage after increasing for five consecutive years since 2001. Lentil acreage estimates were added to the program in 1998 when 22,000 acres were planted. Harvested acreage is estimated at 96,000, down from 106,000 acres last year and the record high 148,000 acres harvested in 2006.

United States

Dry edible pea planted area in the U.S. is estimated at 847,000 acres, down less than 1 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 807,800 acres, is also down less than 1 percent from a year ago.

Lentil planted area is estimated at 279,000 acres, up less than 1 percent from the March planting intentions but 8 percent below 2007. Harvested area is estimated at 272,000 acres, down 8 percent from last year.

Dry Edible Peas and Lentils: Area Planted and Harvested by State and United States, 2007-2008

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2007	2008	2007	Forecasted 2008
	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres
Dry Edible Peas¹				
North Dakota	515.0	510.0	500.0	490.0
Idaho	25.0	30.0	24.0	29.0
Montana	235.0	232.0	217.0	214.0
Oregon	5.5	5.0	4.3	4.8
Washington	67.0	70.0	66.0	70.0
United States	847.5	847.0	811.3	807.8
Lentils				
North Dakota	110.0	100.0	106.0	96.0
Idaho	38.0	40.0	37.0	39.0
Montana	87.0	84.0	85.0	82.0
Washington	68.0	55.0	67.0	55.0
United States	303.0	279.0	295.0	272.0

¹ Excludes both wrinkled seed peas and Austrian winter peas.