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Prospective Plantings for New England

CONCORD, NH --- The *Prospective Plantings* report provides the first official, survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' 2022 planting intentions, according to Pam Hird, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New England Field Office. NASS acreage estimates are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March from a sample of 73,000 farm operators across the United States.

New England's 2022 key findings in the report are:

CORN

- **Connecticut** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at a record low 23 thousand acres, down 4% from last year.
- **Maine** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated 28 thousand acres, down 7% from last year.
- **Massachusetts** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at a record low 14 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **New Hampshire** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 13 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Rhode Island** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at a record low 2 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Vermont** corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 85 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.

OATS

- **Maine** oat planted area for all purposes is estimated at 25 thousand acres, up 14% from last year.

ALL DRY HAY

- **Connecticut** hay area harvested is estimated at a record low 46 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Maine** hay area harvested is estimated at 120 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Massachusetts** hay area harvested is estimated at 55 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **New Hampshire** hay area harvested is estimated at 47 thousand acres, up 12% from last year.
- **Rhode Island** hay area harvested is estimated at a record low 5 thousand acres, down 29% from last year.
- **Vermont** hay area harvested is estimated at a record low 150 thousand acres, down 6% from last year.

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The complete 'Prospective Plantings' report is available online
<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/x633f100h>

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