

# USDA To Survey Farmers' Planting Intentions For 2012

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**H**ow will the uncertain economy affect U.S. farmer's planting intentions in 2012? How many acres of corn, cotton, rice, soybeans, and sorghum do farmers intend to plant this growing season? The March Agricultural Survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will survey 82,000 U.S. farmers in March 2012 to ask such questions about farmers' plans for the 2012 season.

NASS will mail the survey questionnaire in late February, asking producers to provide information about the types of crops they intend to plant in 2012, how many acres they intend to plant, and the amounts of grain and oilseed they store on their farms.

NASS will compile and analyze the survey information and publish the results in a series of USDA reports, including annual Prospective Plantings report and quarterly Grain Stocks report, both to be released on March 30, 2012. Δ



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