



California Wheat Variety Survey--2007

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VARIETIES		SACRAMENTO VALLEY	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY	COAST	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	SIERRA AND NO. CALIF.	VARIETY TOTALS	2006 TOTALS
WHITE VARIETIES								
Hard White Wheat								
Blanca Fuerte	Acres		4,000				4,000	N/A
(PVP Pending)	Percent*		0.8%				0.8%	
Blanca Grande (PVP)	Acres	23,000	100,000	1,200			124,200	92,300
	Percent*	4.4%	19.2%	0.2%			23.9%	21.5%
Plata (PVP)	Acres		12,000				12,000	26,000
	Percent*		2.3%				2.3%	6.0%
Soft White Wheat								
Alpowa	Acres					15,000	15,000	9,200
	Percent *					2.9%	2.9%	2.1%
Ramona	Acres		3,500				3,500	2,600
	Percent*		0.7%				0.7%	0.6%
Stephens	Acres					3,000	3,000	3,000
	Percent*					0.6%	0.6%	0.7%
Twin	Acres					5,000	5,000	3,500
	Percent*					1.0%	1.0%	0.8%
Yamhill	Acres					8,000	8,000	8,550
	Percent*					1.5%	1.5%	2.0%
Other/Unknown	Acres	400	7,000	600		1,000	9,000	9,750
White	Percent*	0.1%	1.3%	0.1%		0.2%	1.7%	2.3%
RED VARIETIES								
Cal Rojo (PVP Pending)	Acres	28,600	20,000	400		600	49,600	N/A
(U.S. Patent Pending)	Percent*	5.5%	3.8%	0.1%		0.1%	9.5%	
Dash 12 (PVP)	Acres	8,500	1,000				9,500	4,000
	Percent*	1.6%	0.2%				1.8%	0.9%
Expresso	Acres	4,300	1,000				5,300	N/A
	Percent*	0.8%	0.2%				1.0%	
Joaquin (PVP)	Acres		10,000				10,000	N/A
	Percent*		1.9%				1.9%	
PR 1404 (PVP)	Acres	15,000	73,000	500			88,500	31,330
	Percent*	2.9%	14.0%	0.1%			17.0%	7.3%
Solano (PVP)	Acres	12,000					12,000	2,800
	Percent*	2.3%					2.3%	0.7%
Summit (PVP)	Acres	40,700	38,000	600			79,300	142,300
	Percent*	7.8%	7.3%	0.1%			15.3%	33.1%
Triple IV (PVP)	Acres		15,000	800			15,800	4,940
	Percent*		2.9%	0.2%			3.0%	1.1%
Ultra (PVP pending)	Acres		5,000				5,000	N/A
	Percent*		1.0%				1.0%	
Yecora Rojo	Acres		12,000		3,000	9,000	24,000	45,050
	Percent*		2.3%		0.6%	1.7%	4.6%	10.5%
Other/Unknown	Acres	7,000	25,000	2,000	1,900	1,400	37,300	44,980
Red	Percent*	1.3%	4.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.3%	7.2%	10.5%
TOTAL (ALL WHEAT OTHER THAN DURUM)		139,500	326,500	6,100	4,900	43,000	520,000	430,300
		26.8%	62.8%	1.2%	0.9%	8.3%	100.0%	100.0%

* Percent of "All wheat other than Durum" (520,000 acres). (PVP): These varieties are protected under the Plant Variety Protection Act.

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DURUM VARIETIES								
Crown (PVP)	Acres		1,500				1,500	5,000
	Percent*		1.7%				1.7%	7.7%
Desert King (PVP)	Acres				5,000		5,000	N/A
	Percent*				5.7%		5.7%	
Havasu (PVP)	Acres				6,300		6,300	1,800
	Percent*				7.2%		7.2%	2.8%
Kronos (PVP)	Acres		1,500		22,000		23,500	15,000
	Percent*		1.7%		25.0%		26.7%	23.1%
Mohawk (PVP)	Acres				700		700	7,250
	Percent*				0.8%		0.8%	11.2%
Orita (PVP)	Acres				16,000		16,000	8,000
	Percent*				18.2%		18.2%	12.3%
Platinum (PVP)	Acres		21,000				21,000	10,000
	Percent*		23.9%				23.9%	15.4%
RSI 64 (PVP Pending)	Acres		4,500				4,500	N/A
	Percent*		5.1%				5.1%	
Other & Unknown	Acres	1,500	5,500		2,500		9,500	17,950
Durum	Percent*	1.7%	6.3%		2.8%		10.8%	27.6%
ALL DURUM WHEAT	Acres	1,500	34,000		52,500		88,000	65,000
	Percent*	1.7%	38.6%		59.7%		100.0%	100.0%
ALL WHEAT	Acres	141,000	360,500	6,100	57,400	43,000	608,000	495,300
	Percent	23.2%	59.3%	1.0%	9.4%	7.1%	100.0%	100.0%

* Percent of Total Durum (88,000 acres) (PVP): These varieties are protected under the Plant Variety Protection Act.

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Overall 2007 wheat plantings were 23% higher than 2006. Total estimated planted acreage is estimated at 608,000 acres for California, versus 495,300 acres last year. This year saw the emergence of several new varieties across all classes of wheat grown in California. White, red, and durum wheat classes all showed increased plantings at levels of 19%, 22%, and 35%, respectively. Much of this increased planted acreage is attributed to higher wheat prices at planting. However, due to drought, planted acres were greatly reduced in Eastern Riverside County and much of the dryland wheat in the southern Central Valley was losted *after* planting.

CALIFORNIA'S RED AND WHITE WHEATS:

Hard Red wheat still remains the predominant class of wheat grown in California although the most commonly planted wheat variety, Blanca Grande, is a Hard White wheat variety planted predominately in the San Joaquin Valley. Approximately 24% of all non-durum wheat planted in the state was Blanca Grande. Second largest acreage was planted to PR 1404, a hay/forage red wheat variety. The variety Summit was a close third with approximately 79,000 acres planted.

DESERT DURUM®:

In the Imperial Valley, Kronos and Orita remain the top planted varieties. Other predominant varieties in Imperial include the newer varieties Desert King and Havasu. In the San Joaquin Valley, the variety Platinum lead the way for the 2nd year in a row with the vast majority of planted acreage (~21,000 acres). Second largest acreage planted in the San Joaquin Valley was the introductory variety RSI 64.

Note: This report reflects wheat that was planted in the fall of 2006/early winter 2007 for harvest in spring/summer of 2007. This survey is an estimate of the state's planted acreage.