

2022 KANSAS WHEAT PRODUCTION



Rediscover Wheat

2022 v. 2021

Total Production: 260,300,000 bu

Average Yield: 38 bushels

Average Protein: 12%

Test Weight: 61 pounds/bu

Total Production: 364,000,000 bu

Average Yield: 52 bushels

Average Protein: 11.3%

Test Weight: 60.7 pounds/bu

2022 KANSAS WHEAT BREAKDOWN:

Drought impacted a majority of the state throughout the growing season, resulting in a significant decrease in yields compared to last year. Despite this, Kansas continues to hold its title as leading producer in winter wheat for the 2022 year.

WINTER WHEAT LEADERS 2022



#2

Washington
129,000,000 bu

#3

Oklahoma
73,000,000 bu

#4

Montana
67,000,000 bu

CURRENT ISSUES IN 2022

- Fertilizer prices: high cost and limited availability to purchase
 - Price of anhydrous hit record high of \$1,492/ton in February 2022. Almost triple average prices
- High crop insurance premiums
 - Due to high commodity prices and volatility
- Farm labor shortage
- Decrease in hard red winter wheat production
 - In 2022 Kansas produced 260,300,000 bushels compared to 364,000,000 in 2021
 - The average bushel per acre in 2022 was 38, compared to 52 in 2021
- Weather: drought and Kansas wildfires
- KCS-CP rail merger
 - Implications for North American wheat trade
- Expanding wheat protein markets
 - New 'wheat protein' processors opened in Northwest Kansas
 - Amber Wave – North America's largest wheat protein plant, and Pure Field
- Gregg Ibendahl, KSU ag economist and associate professor, told attendees at the 2022 Risk and Profit Conference that he projects average net farm income for grain producers will likely be around \$133,000 in 2022. His data shows Kansas net farm income at \$190,966 in 2020 and \$355,467 in 2021

WHAT CONGRESS CAN DO TO HELP FARMERS

- Support and promote trade deals increasing agricultural exports.
- Support crop insurance programs and crop protection services.
- Review and reduce regulatory costs imposed by the federal government.
- Promote Kansas agricultural products to consumers and end-users around the world.
- Support agriculture research to help farmers be more efficient and effective.