

NEBRASKA WHEAT VARIETIES

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LANCER REMAINS THE LEADING VARIETY OF WHEAT PLANTED BY NEBRASKA FARMERS

Lancer remained in the top ranking position of the wheat varieties planted by Nebraska growers for the 1969 crop, according to the State-Federal Division of Agricultural Statistics. Scout wheat remained in second place, and Warrior still held a narrow lead over Gage. Both of these varieties lost some ground as Lancer and Scout claimed nearly three-fifths of the total acreage planted for 1969. The four leading varieties are planted on 85 percent of the total acreage. Recent varieties--Scout 66, Trapper, and Trader--were planted on close to 90,000 acres, or 2.9 percent of the total. Guide, another newcomer, represented .3 percent of the wheat acreage planted.

Former important varieties, such as Ottawa, Cheyenne, Pawnee, Bison and Omaha have declined sharply in popularities in recent years. Ottawa which claimed 21.2 percent of the acreage in 1965 has dropped to 3.0 percent. Omaha which held third place in 1964 at 14.1 percent now has only 1.7 percent of the acreage. Cheyenne wheat, long a favorite in western Districts, was planted on only 1.5 percent of the 1969 acreage. Pawnee slipped to 1.4 percent of the total and Bison represents only .4 percent.

Lancer is the predominant variety in the Panhandle District, and shares the spotlight with the leader, Warrior, in the Southwest District. Lancer also leads in the Central District, followed by Scout.

Scout claims 61.4 percent of the acreage in the South Central District. It is also the leader in the Southeast District followed by Gage wheat. In East Central counties, Gage is the most important variety and Scout is in second place.

NEBRASKA--WHEAT VARIETIES
ESTIMATED PERCENTAGES PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY FOR SELECTED YEARS

Variety	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Lancer.....	----	.8	8.3	19.2	29.5	32.3
Scout.....	----	1.4	11.1	21.9	25.1	26.3
Warrior.....	22.6	21.9	27.1	20.8	15.0	13.8
Gage.....	----	.7	5.7	12.8	13.2	12.6
Ottawa.....	17.4	21.2	16.2	8.3	4.8	3.0
Omaha.....	14.1	11.2	8.8	4.9	3.4	1.7
Cheyenne.....	12.3	12.2	7.6	3.1	2.3	1.5
Pawnee.....	12.6	8.2	4.9	2.9	1.9	1.4
Scout 66.....	----	----	----	----	.1	1.3
Trapper.....	----	----	----	----	----	1.0
Wichita.....	3.3	3.8	2.0	1.0	.8	.8
Nebred.....	6.3	7.8	2.2	1.4	.7	.6
Trader.....	----	----	----	----	----	.6
Bison.....	5.9	6.1	2.5	1.0	.4	.4
Triumph.....	1.4	1.2	.9	.4	.3	.4
Guide.....	----	----	----	----	.1	.3
Rodco.....	1.2	1.1	.7	.3	.3	.2
Ponca.....	.4	.2	.1	----	----	.1
Turkey Red.....	.1	.3	----	.2	.1	----
Other and Unknown.....	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.0	1.7

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NEBRASKA--WHEAT VARIETIES
ESTIMATED ACREAGE PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY FOR SELECTED YEARS

Variety	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	T h o u s a n d A c r e s					
Lancer.....	----	26	250	688	972	970
Scout.....	----	46	334	785	827	786
Warrior.....	711	717	816	745	495	413
Gage.....	----	23	172	459	435	377
Ottawa.....	547	694	488	297	158	88
Omaha.....	444	367	265	176	112	52
Cheyenne.....	387	399	229	111	76	45
Pawnee.....	397	268	148	104	63	41
Scout 66.....	----	----	----	----	3	40
Trapper.....	----	----	----	----	----	28
Wichita.....	104	124	60	36	27	26
Nebred.....	198	255	66	50	23	18
Trader.....	----	----	----	----	----	18
Bison.....	186	200	75	36	13	13
Triumph.....	44	39	27	14	10	13
Guide.....	----	----	----	----	3	9
Rodco.....	38	36	21	11	10	5
Ponca.....	13	7	3	----	----	2
Turkey Red.....	3	10	----	7	3	----
Other and Unknown.....	75	62	57	64	66	55
State.....	3,147	3,273	3,011	3,583	3,296	2,999

WINTER WHEAT VARIETIES 1969
ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY BY DISTRICTS

District	Acres Planted	Lan- cer	Scout	War- rior	Gage	Otta- wa	Omaha	Chey- enne	Paw- nee	Scout 66	Trapper	Other and Unknown
	Thou.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Northwest.....	843	65.5	8.2	15.4	----	----	----	2.2	----	.7	2.6	5.4
N. Central.....	15	51.3	23.0	1.7	.6	----	16.4	----	.9	.6	.8	4.7
Northeast.....	17	39.3	13.8	----	21.6	7.0	12.3	----	2.3	----	----	3.7
Central.....	134	41.2	29.3	2.0	1.3	2.1	10.5	.4	2.4	.6	2.3	7.9
E. Central.....	400	6.1	31.9	----	43.9	4.6	3.2	.1	3.6	2.5	----	4.1
Southwest.....	663	36.0	11.6	41.3	.2	.3	----	3.8	----	.4	.5	5.9
S. Central.....	385	17.8	61.4	1.3	4.0	3.3	4.3	.2	2.0	1.1	.1	4.5
Southeast.....	542	3.0	42.9	.2	33.0	9.5	.7	----	2.9	2.9	----	4.9
State.....	2,999	32.3	26.3	13.8	12.6	3.0	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.0	5.1

NEBRASKA--WHEAT VARIETIES--1968 CROP
ESTIMATED PERCENTAGES PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY BY CROP REPORTING DISTRICTS

District	Acres Planted	Lan- cer	Scout	War- rior	Gage	Otta- wa	Omaha	Chey- enne	Paw- nee	Nebred	Bison	Other and Unknown
	Thou.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Northwest.....	929	60.4	8.5	20.6	.3	----	.2	4.7	----	1.6	.1	3.6
N. Central.....	15	45.0	31.2	----	1.1	----	16.5	1.8	----	----	----	4.4
Northeast.....	23	37.3	3.3	----	29.1	6.4	18.3	1.1	1.0	----	----	3.5
Central.....	148	42.5	26.8	1.4	1.3	3.8	12.9	.2	4.2	1.2	.4	5.3
E. Central.....	455	7.0	28.8	----	40.7	8.1	6.7	.1	4.2	.2	.3	3.9
Southwest.....	724	32.0	16.0	41.4	.6	1.0	.1	4.5	.1	.7	1.3	2.3
S. Central.....	429	16.5	56.2	1.3	7.0	3.1	8.1	.2	2.8	----	.3	4.5
Southeast.....	609	1.4	36.7	.1	34.7	15.9	3.0	----	4.0	.1	.1	4.0
State.....	3,332	29.5	25.1	15.0	13.2	4.8	3.4	2.3	1.9	.7	.4	3.7