KENTUCKY WHEAT 2001 VARIETIES

Pioneer Brand 2552 was the leading variety seeded in the fall of 2000 for 2001 wheat production. Pioneer Brand 2552 accounted for 21.9 percent of the 550,000 acres seeded in 2000 for 2001 harvest. Pioneer Brand 2568 with 8.5 percent of the seeded acreage ranked second followed by Clark with 6.5, Patterson with 3.5 percent and Pioneer Brand 2545 with 3.4 percent. The top five varieties accounted for 43.8 percent, while in 1998 the top five varieties accounted for 41.7 percent.

Pioneer Brand 2552 was the leading variety in the 1998 survey with 14.4 percent and Madison was second with 8.9 percent. Of the 18 varieties with 1 percent or more of the seeded acreage 7 varieties were new to the table while 11 were repeat varieties. A total of 32.7 percent was reported by growers as varieties with less than 1 percent of all varieties seeded or unknown variety. Unknown variety included both soft and hard red wheat. A sizable amount of the unknown acreage was used as cover crop for tobacco and not harvested for grain. The survey was based on 50,300 tabulated acres.

PERCENTAGE OF WHEAT ACREAGE SEEDED

FOR SPECIFIED CROP YEARS

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CLASS AND VARIETY	2001	1998	1995	1989	1979						
Soft Red Winter											
Pioneer Brand 2552	21.9	14.4	-	-	-						
Pioneer Brand 2568	8.5	4.6	-	-	-						
Clark	6.5	6.7	15.5	25.2	-						
Patterson	3.5	4.5	-	-	-						
Pioneer Brand 2545	3.4	2.9	3.9	1.5	-						
Madison	3.1	8.9	15.1	10.5	-						
Southern States 523	2.6	2.4	-	-	-						
Exesgen Rebekah	2.0	-	-	-	-						
Roane	2.0	-	-	-	-						
Agripro Elkhart	1.8	1.9	-	-	-						
NK Coker 9663	1.8	-	-	-	-						
Pioneer Brand 25R26	1.8	1.1	-	-	-						
Agripro Patton	1.6	-	-	-	-						
NK Coker 9474	1.5	2.3	-	2.3	-						
Southern States 555	1.5	7.1	8.3	2.4	-						
Southern States 535	1.4	-	-	-	-						
Independence	1.3	-	-	-	-						
Exesgen Esther	1.1	-	-	-	-						
NK Coker 9803	-	3.7	8.6	2.1	-						
Pioneer Brand 2584	-	2.4	-	-	-						
Agripro Foster	-	2.0	-	-	-						
Pioneer Brand 2540	-	1.8	-	-	-						
Arthur	-	1.7	1.7	2.8	3.8						
Pioneer Brand 2548	-	1.7	4.7	6.3	-						
Verne	-	1.6	2.1	1.2	-						
Pioneer Brand 2510	-	1.5	2.7	3.2	-						
All Other Soft 1/	31.2	23.8	36.4	38.7	90.5						
All Hard Red Winter 2/	1.5	3.0	1.0	3.8	5.7						

1/Includes reported varieties which comprise less than 1 percent of the State's total reported seeded acreage as well as reports where the variety was unknown. 2/Includes all reports of hard wheat, both known and unknown varieties.

WHEAT VARIETY RANKINGS, SELECTED KENTUCKY REGIONS, 2001 1/

Region	First	%	Second	%	Third	%	Fourth	%
Far Western	Pioneer Brand 2552	22.4	Pioneer Brand 2568	14.2	Pioneer Brand 2545	10.7	Clark	7.1
Midwestern	Pioneer Brand 2552	29.8	Clark	9.6	Pioneer Brand 2568	9.2	Madison	5.7
Central	Pioneer Brand 2552	18.1	Patterson	5.3	Exesgen Rebekah	4.4	Roane	4.3
Bluegrass	Southern States 523	13.1	Arthur	3.5	Southern States 555	2.3	Cert. CF 1921	1.5

1/These 4 regions (Agr'l Statistics Districts 1, 2, 3 & 5) made up 98.2 percent of the wheat acreage harvested for grain in 2001.