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Government Estimate Reduces Size of Kansas Wheat Harvest
WICHITA, Kan. (AP) - A new government estimate reduces the size of this year's winter wheat harvest in Kansas.

Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service reported Friday the state harvested 382.2 million bushels of winter wheat. The new number is about 1 percent lower than last month's report. But it is up 38 percent compared with the drought-stricken harvest of last year.

Growers in Kansas this year hauled in the largest winter wheat crop since 2003.

The grain was cut from 9.1 million acres this year. That is 15 percent more wheat acres than the previous harvest. It would have been even higher had farmers been able to harvest all of the 9.5 million acres they had planted to wheat in the fall of 2011.

Yields were estimated at 42 bushels per acre.

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