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**(S.D.)-Wheat Production Mixed In The Dakotas This Year**



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FARGO, N.D. (AP) - Wheat production this year is up in North Dakota but down in South Dakota.

The federal Agriculture Department's annual small grains summary shows spring wheat production up 53 percent in North Dakota, durum wheat up 133 percent and winter wheat up 189 percent.

The huge increases are due to widespread flooding problems in 2011. Total wheat production in North Dakota is up 70 percent over the year. In South Dakota, it's down 2 percent.

Spring wheat production in South Dakota is up 11 percent from last year, but winter wheat is down 9 percent and durum wheat is down 41 percent.