Use of Western-grown and Northarvest-grown Seed

Western-grown seed was the most common seed source. Western-grown seed was planted on 61% of respondents' acres. Northarvest-grown seed was planted on 20% of respondents' acres. Both of these figures are slightly lower than in 1995, when 92% of respondents' acres were planted with one of these two seed sources. However, in 1996 8% of respondents' acres were planted with bin run seed, leaving 11% of respondents' acres not accounted for in the responses (Table 7).

North Dakota respondents planted Northarvest-grown seed on 23% of their acres, while Minnesota respondents planted Northarvest-grown seed on only 8% of their acres. ND3 respondents planted Northarvest-grown seed on 47% of their acres, similar to 1995. ND3 is the district that produces the most seed; thus, a significant portion of Northarvest-grown seed appears to have been used locally.

Table 7. Acres seeded with Western grown, Northarvest grown or bin-run seed in 1996 in each Northarvest district.

	Western Grown Seed		**Northarvest Grown Seed**		**Bin Run Seed**	
Northarvest District	**Acres Planted**	**% Respondents' Acres Planted**	**Acres Planted**	**% Respondents' Acres Planted**	**Acres Planted**	**% Respondents' Acres Planted**
Minnesota						
MN1	21,319	83.6	2,274	8.9	617	2.4
MN2	5,796	93.1	55	0.9	0	0
MN3	3,053	56.6	642	11.9	0	0
MN4	4,044	66.0	628	10.2	0	0
MN5	9,187	82.6	715	6.4	130	1.2
MN Total	43,399	79.8	4,314	7.9	747	1.4
North Dakota						
ND1	26,828	71.4	2,414	6.4	7,157	19.0
ND2	23,913	65.8	7,016	19.3	3,464	9.5
ND3	15,555	35.7	20,314	46.6	3,353	7.7
ND4	15,714	66.1	2,685	11.3	2,877	12.1
ND5	12,251	41.6	7,486	25.4	1,210	4.1
ND Total	94,261	55.2	39,915	23.4	18,061	10.6
Northarvest Total	137,660	61.2	44,229	19.6	18,808	8.4

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