



Cooperative Extension Service

User's Guide for Interactive Base Acreage Reallocation Module in Excel

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Example 1

A farm currently has 330 total base acres: 150 acres rice, 120 acres soybeans, and 60 acres wheat.

From 2009-2012 plantings and prevented plantings averaged 165 acres (50%) in rice and 165 acres (50%) in soybeans. Years with 0 acres planted/prevented planted for a crop are included in calculating the average.

The farm would have two choices for 2014 base acreage:

- 1) Retain 150 rice, 120 soybeans, and 60 wheat
- 2) Reallocate to 165 rice and 165 soybeans

Example 2

A farm currently has 430 total base acres: 150 acres rice, 120 acres soybeans, 60 acres wheat, and 100 acres cotton. (330 base acres for covered commodities)

From 2009-2012 plantings and prevented plantings averaged 215 acres (50%) in rice and 215 acres (50%) in soybeans and the farm selects to reallocate its base acreage. Years with 0 acres planted and prevented planted for a crop are included in calculating the average.

Potential base acreage reallocation is determined by the percentages (proportions) in line 11.

The farm selects to reallocate base acreage in line 17.

Of 430 total acres planted in 2014, the farm plants 300 acres (70%) of rice and 130 acres (30%) of soybeans.

100 acres of generic base are allocated as 70 acres to rice base acreage and 30 acres to soybean base.

Total rice base acreage for 2014 is $(165 + 70)$ 235 acres, and total soybean base acreage for 2014 is $(165 + 30)$ 195 acres for 430 total base acres.

Example 3

A farm currently has 430 total base acres: 150 acres rice, 120 acres soybeans, 60 acres wheat, and 100 acres cotton. (330 base acres for covered commodities)

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Potential base acreage reallocation is determined by the percentages (proportions) in line 11.

The farm selects to reallocate base acreage in line 17.

Of 430 total acres planted in 2015, the farm plants 300 acres (100% of covered commodities) of rice and 130 acres of cotton (cotton is not a covered commodity).

100 acres of generic base are allocated as 100 acres to rice base acreage. No other covered commodity is planted.

Total rice base acreage for 2015 is $(165 + 100)$ 265 acres, and total soybean base acreage for 2015 is $(165 + 0)$ 165 acres for 430 total base acres.

Your Farm

Use this worksheet to enter data for your farm.



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