

**For:** State and County Offices

**Rollover Updates for the National Crop Table (NCT)**

**Approved by:** Acting Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs



**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Before 2004, NCT was released after actuarial data for insurable crops had been published by RMA. This allowed ample time for the insurable records to be developed to interface with NCT to ensure the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) provided the same crop data as RMA.

When the 2004 NCT was released in May 2003, very little actuarial data had been published by RMA for the 2004 crop year. As a result, it was decided that insurable crops, regardless of whether or not insurance was available, would not be rolled over in the 2004 NCT until actuarial data was published by RMA. Notice NAP-60 informed State Offices not to attempt to update insurable crops on the 2004 NCT until insurance data was available and interfaced with NCT.

It has been brought to the Agency's attention that some State Offices have added insurable crop data records in the 2004 NCT without waiting for the rollover process to occur. This could have created significant problems because, once rollover occurs, the records State Offices added would have been overlaid by the system. Because the timeframe in which the 2004 NCT was released, and County Offices having only 7 calendar days to load an application for coverage after the application closing date, it has been decided not to continue holding up State Offices from entering or modifying and approving those records.

Although RMA has released actuarial data for some of its insurable crops, we are unable to complete an insurability file to accommodate the rollover process. For States to have access to insurable records, the remaining crops will be rolled over into the 2004 NCT using the 2003 insurability file. However, all zeroes will be downloaded into the price selection so County Offices can take applications for coverage. When the 2004 insurability file becomes available in March or April 2004, the insurance rate will be populated with the 2004 insurance rate.

<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
February 1, 2004	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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### 1 Overview (Continued)

#### A Background (Continued)

There was not a type associated with millet in 2001 and 2002 for NAP purposes. For 2003, common and dove proso have been added as types of millet. Because the 2 types were added in 2003, software did not recognize a match; therefore, the 2002 crop data for millet was not rolled over to the 2003 or 2004 NCT.

#### B Purpose

This notice informs State Offices that:

- insurable crops that were not rolled over in May 2003 from the 2002 NCT according to Notice NAP-60 will be rolled over to the 2004 NCT
- insurable crop records added by the State before this rollover, regardless of the State approval flag, will **not** be overlaid
- the 2003 insurability file will be used to populate the 2004 insurance crop records with zeroes entered in the price field and the State insurance flag displayed

**Note:** Once the 2004 actuarial data is available from RMA, the National Office will complete a 2004 insurability file and interface that data with NCT. The 2004 insurability file will then overlay the 2003 insurance records. County Offices will have to wait until the 2004 insurability file is available before issuing payments.

- the average market rate established for 2004 NAP shall be compatible with the 2004 insurance rate for any insurance records that have already been added to the 2004 NCT
- 2002 crop data for millet (blank) will be rolled over to common millet on the 2003 and 2004 NCT.

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### 2 Action

#### A State Office Action

State Offices shall:

- after rollover, review NCT to determine the crop data was accurately updated to the 2004 NCT
- work closely with RMA Regional Offices ensure the NAP average market rates are compatible with RMA's 2004 insurance rates for any records previously added

**Note:** State Offices should be aware insurance rates may vary from year to year, which could have an impact on a producer's payment once the insurability file becomes available.

- ensure 2004 crop data is approved on NCT and downloaded to County Offices so applications for coverage are taken timely
- ensure County Offices are aware applications for coverage must be entered into the system no later than 7 calendar days after the application for closing date
- notify the appropriate NAP Branch contact, by FAX or e-mail, when a 2004 crop record has been State-approved that needs to be prioritized for National Office approval.