HOW DID GROWERS RESPOND WHEN FERTILIZER PRICES STARTED RISING IN SPRING 2026?

Many decisions were already in motion before prices surged

	Cut Back on Nitrogen Rates	Cut Back on Phosphate Rates	Shifted Planned Acres Away From Corn	Made a Different Change	Inputs Were Already Priced or Purchased	Continued Normal Rotation / Made No Change
Cut Back on Nitrogen Rates	**16.0%**	9.4%	3.7%	0.7%	1.2%	0.0%
Cut Back on Phosphate Rates	9.4%	**16.9%**	4.0%	1.1%	1.2%	0.0%
Shifted Planned Acres Away From Corn	3.7%	4.0%	**12.0%**	0.6%	0.7%	0.0%
Made a Different Change	0.7%	1.1%	0.6%	**4.1%**	0.0%	0.0%
Inputs Were Already Priced or Purchased	1.2%	1.2%	0.7%	0.0%	**35.3%**	0.0%
Continued Normal Rotation / Made No Changes	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	**33.9%**

Note: Percentages represent the share of respondents selecting each option. Except for "continued normal rotation / made no change," respondents could select multiple responses. Green shading indicates the relative share selecting each pair of responses; gray cells are single-response totals. Source: ASA / NCGA grower survey.

Decisions were already in motion: More than one-third of growers had priced or purchased inputs before fertilizer prices increased, while another one-third maintained their normal rotation or made no change.

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