



Rabi Crops

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Recently, the Government of India has inaugurated the **National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi campaign 2021-22**.

Key Points

Kharif Crops	Rabi Crops
Crops that are sown during the southwest monsoon season are called kharif or monsoon crops .	Those that are sown around the Retreating Monsoon and Northeast monsoon season , which begins by October are called rabi or winter crops .
These crops are sown at the beginning of the season around end May to early June and are harvested post the monsoon rains beginning October .	The harvest for these crops happens typically during April and May, during the summer season .
These crops depend on the rainfall patterns .	These crops are not much affected by the rainfall .
Rice, maize, pulses such as urad, moong dal and millets are among the key kharif crops.	Major Rabi crops are wheat, gram, peas, barley etc.
It requires a lot of water and hot weather to grow.	A warm climate is required for seed germination and cold climate for the growth of crops.
Zaid Crops <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Sown and harvested: March-July (between Rabi and Kharif)▪ Important Zaid crops include: Seasonal fruits, vegetables, fodder crops etc	

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