# Reducing Fusarium Head Blight (Scab) on Wheat & Barley

The U.S. Wheat & Barley Scab Initiative's (USWBSI's) stakeholder-driven approach is aimed at identifying and providing research-based solutions to the FHB problem on wheat and barley.

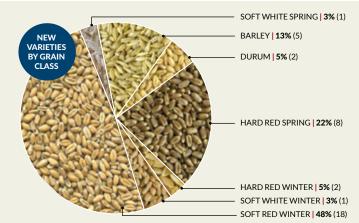
# HAVING AN IMPACT...



# **RESISTANT VARIETIES**

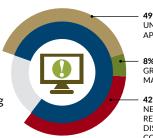
USWBSI funded breeding efforts for FHB resistant wheat and barley cultivars in FY21 resulted in:

MODERATELY



#### **DISEASE FORECASTING**

80% of users indicate USWBSI's **FHB Risk Tool** assisted in increasing crop profits



**49%** AVOIDED UNNECESSARY FUNGICIDE APPLICATIONS

8% MADE APPROPRIATE GRAIN PURCHASING OR MARKETING DECISIONS

42% IDENTIFIED THE 42% IDENTIFIED THE NEED FOR FUNGICIDES, REDUCING POTENTIAL DISEASE LOSSES AND DON CONTAMINATION







### **FOOD SAFETY**

4,000+ wheat and barley samples, submitted from 30 states, evaluated for mycotoxin detection through USWBSI funded labs

#### **ECONOMIC RETURN**

For every \$1 invested in FHB research by the USWBSI, there are \$71 in benefits generated



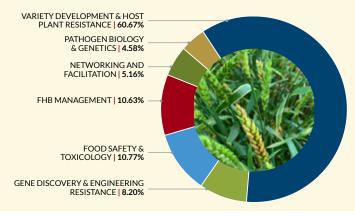
## MAKING IT POSSIBLE...

Funding for wheat and barley FHB research is authorized and allocated at \$15 million/year through the U.S. Farm Bill.

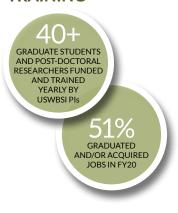
\$8.6 MILLION ALLOCATED TO USWBSI FUNDING (DISTRIBUTED BY USDA-ARS)

\$6.4 MILLION IS ALLOCATED DIRECTLY TO USDA-ARS BASE FHB RESEARCH

# **FUNDING BY RESEARCH AREA**



### **FHB RESEARCH TRAINING**



#### **FHB RESEARCH PUBLISHED**



research articles, associated with USWBSI funding, published in FY21 furthers the progress of FHB research in wheat and barley

#### STATES WITH USWBSI **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

23 Land-Grant Universities and USDA-ARS PI's funded through competitive grants

31 States

138 Projects in progress





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