



Iowa Ag News – Crop Production

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Corn for grain production in Iowa for 2024 was estimated at 2.63 billion bushels, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production 2024 Summary*. Current year production was up 4 percent from the previous year's 2.52 billion bushels. Iowa's corn for grain yield was estimated at a record 211.0 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 12.5 million acres, 100,000 acres below 2023. Corn planted for all purposes in 2024 was estimated at 12.9 million acres.

Corn for silage production was estimated at 8.16 million tons, up 7 percent from 2023. The silage yield estimate of 24.0 tons per acre was up 4.0 tons per acre from 2023. Producers harvested 340,000 acres of corn for silage, down 11 percent from 2023.

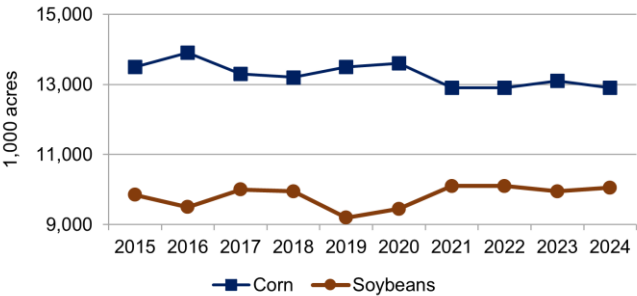
Soybean production was estimated at 598 million bushels in 2024. This was up 4 percent from last year's 573 million bushels. The Iowa soybean crop yielded 60.0 bushels per acre in 2024. The harvested acreage of 9.96 million was up 80,000 acres from 2023. Soybean planted acreage, at 10.1 million, was up 100,000 acres from 2023.

All hay production for the state was estimated at 3.49 million tons, up 19 percent from the 2.95 million tons produced in 2023. Producers averaged 3.49 tons per acre, up 0.57 tons per acre from 2023. All hay harvested acres were estimated at 1.00 million acres, down 10,000 acres from 2023.

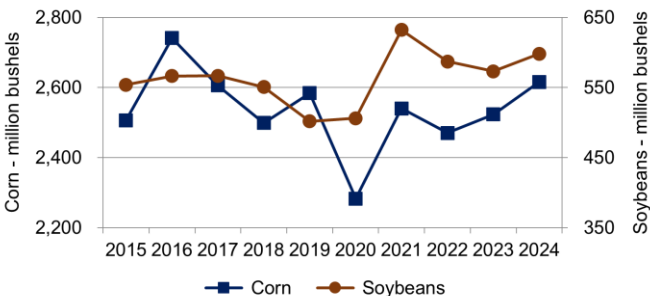
Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for hay production was estimated at 2.74 million tons, up 14 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 3.80 tons per acre, up 0.60 tons per acre from 2023. Harvested acres were down 30,000 from last year, to 720,000 acres. Iowa producers seeded 80,000 acres of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures in 2024, up 14 percent from 2023.

Other hay production was estimated at 756,000 tons, up 38 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 2.70 tons per acre, up 0.60 tons from the 2023 yield. Harvested acres of other hay, at 280,000, were up 20,000 acres from 2023.

Corn and Soybean Planted Acres
Iowa: 2015-2024



Corn and Soybean Production
Iowa: 2015-2024



Crop Production Summary – Iowa and United States: 2023-2024

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
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Corn for grain ¹	bushels 13,100	12,900	12,550	12,450	201.0	211.0	2,522,550	2,626,950
Corn for silage	tons (NA)	(NA)	380	340	20.0	24.0	7,600	8,160
Hay, all	tons (NA)	(NA)	1,010	1,000	2.92	3.49	2,946	3,492
Hay, alfalfa	tons (NA)	(NA)	750	720	3.20	3.80	2,400	2,736
Hay, other	tons (NA)	(NA)	260	280	2.10	2.70	546	756
Oats	bushels 190	145	95	73	80.0	82.0	7,600	5,986
Soybeans	bushels 9,950	10,050	9,880	9,960	58.0	60.0	573,040	597,600
UNITED STATES								
Corn for grain ¹	bushels 94,641	90,594	86,506	82,896	177.3	179.3	15,340,520	14,866,744
Corn for silage	tons (NA)	(NA)	6,461	6,100	20.1	20.2	129,854	123,093
Hay, all	tons (NA)	(NA)	52,771	49,390	2.25	2.48	118,588	122,462
Hay, alfalfa	tons (NA)	(NA)	15,604	14,612	3.19	3.41	49,769	49,840
Hay, other	tons (NA)	(NA)	37,167	34,778	1.85	2.09	68,819	72,622
Oats for grain	bushels 2,555	2,213	831	886	68.6	76.5	57,045	67,793
Soybeans	bushels 83,600	87,050	82,271	86,050	50.6	50.7	4,162,057	4,366,492

(NA) Not available.
¹ Area planted for all purposes.

U.S. Corn Supply and Use ¹

CORN	2022-2023	2023-2024 (Est.)	2024-2025 Projections January
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning stocks	1,377	1,360	1,763
Production	13,651	15,341	14,867
Imports	39	28	25
Supply, total	15,066	16,729	16,655
Feed & residual	5,486	5,804	5,775
Food, seed & industrial ..	6,558	6,869	6,890
Ethanol & by-products ...	5,176	5,478	5,500
Domestic, total	12,044	12,673	12,665
Exports	1,662	2,292	2,450
Use, total	13,706	14,966	15,115
Ending stocks	1,360	1,763	1,540
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	6.54	4.55	4.25

¹ Source: USDA OCE World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report
http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm

U.S. Soybean Supply and Use ¹

SOYBEANS	2022-2023	2023-2024 (Est.)	2024-2025 Projections January
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning stocks	274	264	342
Production	4,270	4,162	4,366
Imports	25	21	20
Supply, total	4,569	4,447	4,729
Crushings	2,212	2,287	2,410
Exports	1,980	1,695	1,825
Seed	75	78	78
Residual	39	45	36
Use, total	4,305	4,105	4,349
Ending stocks	264	342	380
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) ...	14.20	12.40	10.20

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United States Crop Production

Corn for grain production in 2024 was estimated at 14.9 billion bushels, down 3 percent from the 2023 estimate. The average yield in the United States was estimated at a record high 179.3 bushels per acre, 2.0 bushels above the 2023 yield of 177.3 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 82.9 million acres, down 4 percent from the 2023 estimate.

Soybean production in 2024 totaled 4.37 billion bushels, up 5 percent from 2023. The average yield per acre was estimated at 50.7 bushels, up 0.1 bushel from 2023. Harvested area, at 86.1 million acres, was up 5 percent from last year.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.