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Iowa **corn** production is forecast at a record high 2.42 billion bushels according to the latest USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service *Crop Production* report. The previous record of 2.41 billion bushels was set in 2009. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 183 bushels per acre, an increase of 18 bushels per acre from last year, but down 2 bushels from the October forecast. If realized, this yield would be the highest on record, 2 bushels above the previous high set in 2004 and tied in 2009. Corn planted acreage is estimated at 13.6 million acres. An estimated 13.2 million acres will be harvested for grain, a 1 percent increase from 2013.

November 1 forecasted production and yield is up from 2013 in all Iowa districts. The Central, South Central, and Southeast districts are forecast to have record yields. Southeast Iowa is forecasted to have the highest average yield in the state, at 197 bushels per acre. The lowest average yield is forecasted in the North Central district, at 174 bushels per acre. Record high production is forecasted for the South Central and Southeast districts, while West Central Iowa is forecasted to have the largest production in the state, with 382 million bushels.

Iowa **soybean** production is forecast at 514 million bushels, a 22 percent increase from the previous year. If realized, this would be the second largest soybean crop on record for Iowa, 2 percent less than the record set in 2005. The November 1 yield forecast of 52.0 bushels per acre is up 6.5 bushels from 2013, and 1 bushel above the October forecast. This yield, if realized, would tie 2007 as the second highest yield on record, and would be only 0.5 bushel per acre under the record set in 2005. Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 9.95 million acres with 9.89 million acres to be harvested.

November 1 production and yield is forecast to be up from 2013 in all Iowa districts. Northwest Iowa is forecasted to have the highest average yield, at 55.0 bushels per acre, followed by West Central Iowa at 53.0 bushels. Northwest Iowa is forecasted to have the largest production, with 86.2 million bushels. Record high production is forecasted for the West Central, Southwest, South Central, and Southeast districts.

All crop forecasts in this report are based on November 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time.

Corn – Iowa Districts: Forecasted November 1, 2014

District	Area harvested	Yield/acre	Production
	2014	2014 ¹	2014
	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
NW	1,915	182	348,826
NC	1,925	174	335,728
NE	1,555	176	273,700
WC	2,040	187	381,702
C	1,925	*192	368,591
EC	1,355	185	250,366
SW	1,055	178	185,877
SC	545	*177	96,465
SE	885	*197	174,345
State	13,200	183	2,415,600

¹ Yield rounded *Forecasted record yield

Soybeans – Iowa Districts: Forecasted November 1, 2014

District	Area harvested	Yield/acre	Production
	2014	2014 ¹	2014
	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
NW	1,561	55.0	86,217
NC	1,209	49.0	59,527
NE	806	50.5	40,798
WC	1,532	53.0	81,560
C	1,406	52.0	73,190
EC	963	50.5	48,871
SW	993	51.0	50,838
SC	619	50.0	31,102
SE	801	52.5	42,177
State	9,890	52.0	514,280

¹ Yield rounded