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Iowa **corn** production is forecast at 2.49 billion bushels, 5 percent above the 2014 production and 3 percent above the October forecast, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service *Crop Production* report. If realized, the production will set a new record high, breaking the previous record set in 2009 production by 87.5 million bushels. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 189 bushels per acre, an increase of 11 bushels per acre from last year and up 6 bushels from the October 1 forecast. If realized, the yield will also set a new record high, exceeding the previous record of 181 set in 2004 and tied in 2009. Corn planted and harvested for grain acreage is estimated at 13.6 million and 13.2 million acres, respectively.

Forecasted production is up from 2014 in 6 Iowa districts, while yields are expected to rise in 7 districts. Northeast and Northwest Iowa are anticipated to be tied for the highest yield in the state, with 196 bushels per acre. All three northern Iowa districts and all three central districts are anticipated to have higher yields and production than last year, while South Central and Southeast Iowa are expected to have lower yields and production than last year. The largest increase in yield is expected in Northeast Iowa, where yield is anticipated to increase 15 percent from 2014. The largest decrease in yield is expected in Southeast Iowa, where yield is expected to drop 11 percent from 2014.

Soybean production is forecast at 550 million bushels, up 10 percent from 2014. If realized, this highest soybean production on record, 5 percent above the 525 million bushels produced in 2005. The November 1 forecast yield is 56 bushels per acre, 5.0 bushels above 2014, and up 3.0 bushels from the October 1 forecast. If realized, the yield will also set a new record high, exceeding the previous record of 52.5 set in 2005. Iowa farmers planted 9.90 million acres of soybeans and plan to harvest 9.82 million acres.

Yields are forecasted to be up from 2014 in 7 Iowa districts. Northwest Iowa is expected to have the highest yield in the state, with a yield of 61.5 bushels per acre. All three northern Iowa districts are anticipated to have higher yields and production than last year, while Southwest Iowa is expected to have a lower yield and production than last year. The largest increase in yield is expected in North Central Iowa, where yields are forecasted to average 10.4 bushels per acre more than 2014. The largest decrease in yield is expected in Southwest Iowa, where yields are expected to decline 3.7 bushels per acre from 2014.

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

Corn – Iowa Districts: 2014 and Forecasted November 1, 2015

District	Harvested for Grain		Yield/acre		Production	
	2014 (1,000 acres)	2015 (1,000 acres)	2014 (bushels)	2015 ¹ (bushels)	2014 (1,000 bushels)	2015 (1,000 bushels)
NW	1,941	1,970	175.3	196.0	340,250	385,303
NC	1,950	1,870	171.9	194.0	335,215	363,065
NE	1,630	1,605	170.2	196.0	277,480	314,894
WC	2,015	2,030	179.2	190.0	361,111	385,035
C	1,908	1,945	182.4	191.0	348,025	371,120
EC	1,366	1,385	186.9	191.0	255,293	264,012
SW	1,051	950	175.4	178.0	184,368	168,992
SC	536	540	169.5	162.0	90,826	87,230
SE	903	905	193.6	171.0	174,832	155,149
State	13,300	13,200	178.0	189.0	2,367,400	2,494,800

¹ Yield rounded

Soybeans – Iowa Districts: 2014 and Forecasted November 1, 2015

District	Harvested for Grain		Yield/acre		Production	
	2014 (1,000 acres)	2015 (1,000 acres)	2014 (bushels)	2015 ¹ (bushels)	2014 (1,000 bushels)	2015 (1,000 bushels)
NW	1,525	1,563	52.3	61.5	79,802	96,135
NC	1,190	1,301	47.6	58.0	56,609	75,470
NE	797	820	49.9	59.5	39,803	48,795
WC	1,531	1,564	53.1	52.5	81,345	82,120
C	1,415	1,415	51.7	56.5	73,210	79,960
EC	957	970	54.8	58.0	52,415	56,270
SW	998	888	52.7	49.0	52,610	43,520
SC	616	507	46.6	47.5	28,689	24,080
SE	791	792	52.1	55.0	41,247	43,570
State	9,770	9,820	51.0	56.0	498,270	549,920