



# NEWS RELEASE

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

United States Department of Agriculture • Northern Plains Region  
3705 Miller Parkway, Ste. A, Manhattan, KS 66503 • (800) 582-6443

[www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Contact:** Doug Bounds  
(800) 582-6443  
[doug.bounds@usda.gov](mailto:doug.bounds@usda.gov)

## KANSAS 2023 ANNUAL CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

**MANHATTAN, Kan. January 12, 2024 - Corn for grain** production in Kansas based on year-end surveys is estimated at 613 million bushels, up 20% from 2022, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Yield of 119 bushels per acre is up 4 bushels from last year. Area harvested, at 5.15 million acres of corn for grain, is up 16% from 2022. **Corn for silage** production, at 4.95 million tons, is up 7% from last year. Silage yield of 15.0 tons per acre is up 4.0 tons from last year. Producers harvested 330,000 acres of corn for silage, down 21% from last year. Corn area planted for all purposes, at 5.75 million acres, is up 5% from last year.

**Sorghum for grain** production in 2023 is estimated at 169 million bushels, up 60% from 2022. Yield, at 52.0 bushels per acre, is up 13.0 bushels from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 3.25 million acres, is up 20% from 2022. **Sorghum for silage** production, at 1.08 million tons, is up 37% from last year. Silage yield, at 12.0 tons per acre, is up 4.5 tons from last year. Area harvested for silage, at 90,000 acres, is down 15,000 acres from last year. Sorghum area planted for all purposes, at 3.60 million acres, is up 9% from last year.

**Soybean** production for 2023 totaled 105 million bushels, down 19% from 2022. Yield, at 26.0 bushels per acre, is down 1.5 bushels from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 4.03 million acres, is down 15% from 2022. Soybean area planted, at 4.43 million acres, is down 12% from last year.

**Alfalfa hay** production, at 2.24 million tons, is up 10% from a year earlier. The average yield, at 3.05 tons per acre, is down 0.05 ton per acre from 2022. Area harvested, at 735,000 acres, is up 11% from 2022. **Alfalfa for haylage and greenchop** production, at 33,000 tons, is down 81% from last year. Average yield at 2.20 tons per acre, is down 3.70 tons from last year. Area harvested, at 15,000 acres, is down 15,000 from last year. **Seedings of alfalfa** during 2023 totaled 90,000 acres, up 40,000 acres from the year earlier.

**All other hay** production, at 2.78 million tons, is down 14% from last year. The average yield, at 1.35 tons per acre, is down 0.35 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested at 2.06 million acres, is up 8% from 2022. **All other haylage and greenchop** production, at 430,000 tons, is up 19% from last year. Average yield, at 4.30 tons per acre, is down 0.20 ton from last year. Area harvested, at 100,000 acres, is up 20,000 acres from last year.

**Oil sunflower** production in 2023 is 24.2 million pounds, down 31% from last year and record low. Yield, at 930 pounds per acre, is down 370 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 26,000 acres, is down 4% from 2022. Area planted, at 28,000 acres, is down 3,000 acres from last year. **Non-oil sunflower** production of 4.25 million pounds is down 55% from last year and record low. Yield, at 850 pounds per acre, is down 250 pounds from a year earlier and a record

low. Area harvested, at 5,000 acres, is down 3,500 acres from 2022 and a record low. Area planted, at 6,000 acres, is down 4,000 acres from last year and a record low.

**Canola** production of a record low 420,000 pounds is down 91% from last year. Yield of 600 pounds per acre is down 90 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 700 acres, is down 6,000 acres from 2022 and a record low. Area planted, at 1,500 acres, is down 7,000 acres from last year and a record low.

**Cotton** production of 168,000 bales is up 1% from last year. Yield of 815 pounds per acre is up 229 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 99,000 acres, is down 37,000 acres from 2022. Area planted, at 112,000 acres, is down 51,000 acres from last year.

**Principal crop** area planted totaled 25.0 million acres, up 4% from 2022. Area harvested, at 21.6 million acres, is down 1% from last year. Kansas principal crop acres include corn, sorghum, oats, barley, winter wheat, soybeans, sunflower, cotton, canola, and all hay. Double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops are also included.

Access the national report for this release at:

<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/k3569432s>

Access the National Crop Production Executive Briefing at:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Newsroom/Executive\\_Briefings/2024/01-12-2024.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Newsroom/Executive_Briefings/2024/01-12-2024.pdf)

**Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)**

###

*NASS is the federal statistical agency responsible for producing official data about U.S. agriculture and is committed to providing timely, accurate and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture.*

*USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer. To file a complaint of discrimination, write to USDA, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Stop 9410, Washington, DC 20250-9410, or call toll-free at (866) 632-9992 (English) or (800) 877-8339 (TDD) or (866) 377-8642 (English Federal-relay) or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish Federal-relay).*