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Large Kentucky Corn and Soybean Crops Expected

Corn production in **Kentucky** is forecast at 275 million bushels, up 30% from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 183 bushels per acre, 27 bushels from the 2022 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 1.50 million acres, up 150,000 acres from 2022. The **U.S.** corn production is forecast at 15.2 billion bushels, up 1% from the October forecast and up 11% from 2022. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 174.9 bushels per acre, up 1.9 bushels from last month and up 1.5 bushels from 2022. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 87.1 million acres, unchanged from the October forecast and up 10% from 2022.

Soybean production for **Kentucky** is forecast at 98.5 million bushels, down slightly from 2022. Yield was estimated at 55 bushels per acre, 4 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.79 million acres, down 150,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 4.13 billion bushels, up 1% from the October forecast and down 3% from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 49.9 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushels from last month and up 0.3 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 82.8 million acres, unchanged from the October forecast and down 4% from 2022.