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## **Kentucky Crop Production Lower**

<u>Corn</u> production in <u>Kentucky</u> is forecast at 230 million bushels, down 18% from 2023. Yield was estimated at 180 bushels per acre, down 7 bushels from last year. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 1.28 million acres, down 220,000 acres from 2023. The <u>U.S.</u> corn production is forecast at 15.1 billion bushels, down slightly from the October forecast and down 1% from 2023. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 183.1 bushels per acre, up 5.8 bushels from 2023. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 82.7 million acres, down 4% from 2023.

**Soybean** production for **Kentucky** is forecast at 97.9 million bushels, down 2% from 2023. Yield was estimated at 48 bushels per acre, 7 bushels from a year ago. Acreage for harvest was estimated at 2.04 million acres, up 220,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 4.46 billion bushels, up 7% from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 51.7 bushels per acre, up 1.1 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 86.3 million acres, up 5% from 2023.