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NORTH DAKOTA 2024 ANNUAL CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

FARGO, N.D. January 10, 2025 - Corn for grain production in North Dakota based on year-end surveys is estimated at 542 million bushels, down slightly from 2023, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Yield of 149 bushels per acre is up 6 bushels from last year. Farmers harvested 3.64 million acres of corn for grain, down 4% from 2023.

Corn for silage production totaled 3.90 million tons, up 11% from 2023. Yield, at 15.0 tons per acre, is down 2.5 tons per acre from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 260,000 acres, is up 30% from 2023. Total acreage planted for all purposes is 3.95 million acres, down 2% from last year.

Soybean production for 2024 totaled 246 million bushels, up 12% from 2023. Yield, at 37.5 bushels per acre, is up 2.0 bushels from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 6.55 million acres, is up 6% from 2023. Total acreage planted is 6.60 million acres, up 6% from last year.

Potato production is 24.3 million cwt, down 8% from 2023. Yield, at 335 cwt per acre, is down 15 cwt from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 72,500 acres, is down 3,000 acres from 2023. Total acreage planted is 73,000 acres, down 3,000 acres from last year.

Oil sunflower production in 2024 is 405 million pounds, down 58% from last year. Yield, at 1,800 pounds per acre, is down 170 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 225,000 acres, is down 54% from 2023. Total acreage planted is 230,000 acres, down 54% from last year. **Non-oil sunflower** production of 114 million pounds is down 27% from last year. Yield, at 1,600 pounds per acre, is down 590 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 71,000 acres, is unchanged from 2023. Total acreage planted is 75,000 acres, unchanged from last year.

Canola production of 3.92 billion pounds is up 13% from last year and a record high. Yield of 1,850 pounds per acre is up 40 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 2.12 million acres, is up 11% from 2023 and a record high. Total acreage planted is 2.14 million acres, up 11% from last year and a record high.

Flaxseed production is estimated at 2.07 million bushels, down 4% from 2023. Yield per harvested acre is estimated at 23.0 bushels, up 2.0 bushels from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 90,000, down from 103,000 a year ago. Total acreage planted is 92,000 acres, down 16% from last year.

Dry edible bean production of 13.2 million cwt is up 48% from a year ago and a record high. Yield, at 1,830 pounds per acre, is up 130 pounds from a year earlier and a record high. Area harvested, at 720,000 acres, is up 37% from 2023. Total acreage planted is 730,000 acres, up 38% from last year.

All Chickpea production in 2024 is 706,000 cwt, up 130% from last year. Yield, at 1,640 pounds per acre, is up 170 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 43,000 acres, is up 106% from 2023. Total acreage planted is 44,000 acres, up 110% from last year.

Dry edible pea production is estimated at 7.05 million cwt, up 21% from 2023. Yield is estimated at 2,430 pounds per acre, up 130 pounds from last year and a record high. Acres harvested are estimated at 290,000, up 15% from a year ago. Total acreage planted is 300,000 acres, up 15% from last year.

Lentil production is estimated at 2.35 million cwt, up 120% from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 1,450 pounds per acre, up 220 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 162,000, up 86% from 2023. Total acreage planted is 165,000 acres, up 79% from last year.

Sugarbeet production is estimated at 6.68 million tons, up 2% from last year and a record high. Yield is estimated at 31.5 tons per acre, up 2.6 tons from the previous year and record high. Acres harvested are estimated at 211,900 acres, down 7% from the previous year. Total acreage planted is 215,800 acres, down 13,000 acres from last year.

Alfalfa hay production, at 1.83 million tons, is down 30% from a year earlier. The average yield, at 1.95 tons per acre, is up 0.25 ton per acre from 2023. Area harvested for dry hay, at 940,000 acres, is down 39% from 2023. **Seedlings of alfalfa** during 2024 totaled 50,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from the year earlier. **All other hay** production, at 1.58 million tons, is down 13% from 2023. Average yield, at 1.60 tons per acre, is up 0.15 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested at 990,000 acres, is down 21% from 2023.

Principal crop area planted totaled 23.3 million acres, down 3% from 2023. Area harvested, at 22.8 million acres, is down 3% from last year. North Dakota principal crop acres include corn, oats, barley, rye, winter wheat, durum wheat, other spring wheat, soybeans, sunflower, dry edible beans, chickpeas, potatoes, canola, sugarbeets, and all hay. Double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops are also included.

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