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SPRINGFIELD, IL -- The Illinois Field Office of NASS today released the USDA's **November Crop Production Report**. State and national highlights of the report include:

ILLINOIS

As of November 1, the Illinois **corn** for grain yield for 2007 is estimated at 178 bushels per acre, unchanged from the October 1 forecast. At this level, total production for the state would reach 2.31 billion bushels, 27 percent more than produced in 2006. Harvest of the crop had reached 95 percent complete by October 28 compared to 82 percent in 2006 and 85 percent for the five-year average. Harvest conditions were generally very good across the state during October.

The estimated yield for the Illinois **soybean** crop is 44 bushels per acre, the same as the October 1 forecast and four bushels below last year's yield. Production is expected to total 360.8 million bushels, 25 percent below last year's production. Temperatures in the early part of October were above average, but tapered off as the month continued. As of October 28, 95 percent of the crop had been harvested compared to 87 percent last year and the average of 90 percent.

UNITED STATES

Corn production is forecast at 13.2 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last month but 25 percent above 2006. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 153.0 bushels per acre, down 1.7 bushels from October but 3.9 bushels above last year. If realized, this yield would be the second highest on record, behind 2004. Production would be the largest on record as producers expect to harvest the most corn acres for grain since 1933. Forecast yields are lower than last month across the northern and western Corn Belt and adjacent areas of the Great Plains where actual harvest results are revealing that the impact of the hot, dry conditions during pollination was worse than initially expected. Producers in the Ohio Valley, Tennessee Valley, and mid-Atlantic States reported higher yields than last month.

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The November 1 corn objective yield data indicate the highest number of ears per acre on record for the combined 10 objective yield States (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin), surpassing the previous record set in 2004. Indicated ears per acre are higher than last year in all objective yield States, with record highs being set in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, and Wisconsin.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.59 billion bushels, down slightly from the October forecast and down 19 percent from last year's record high. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 41.3 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from last month and down 1.4 bushels from last year. Compared with last month, yields are forecast higher in Indiana, Michigan, Texas, and most of the Mid-Atlantic region as producers are realizing higher yields than expected. In contrast, yield prospects decreased or were unchanged across the remainder of the Nation as harvest progressed. Area for harvest in the U.S. is forecast at 62.8 million acres, unchanged from last month but down 16 percent from 2006.

The November objective yield indicated pod count for the combined seven major soybean producing States (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, and Ohio) is up slightly from last year's pod count. Compared with last year, November objective yield indicated pod counts are lower in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri, but higher in the remaining objective yield program States. If realized, pod counts from the November objective yield survey will be the highest on record in Nebraska, and the second highest on record in Iowa and Ohio.

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CORN, 2006 - November 1, 2007

District	Planted		Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 acres		1,000 acres		Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	1,857	2,089	1,824	2,046	176	186	321,025.8	380,556
Northeast	1,045	1,245	1,028	1,229	176	184	181,420.1	226,136
West	1,069	1,234	1,055	1,217	158	193	166,525.8	234,881
Central	1,619	1,904	1,603	1,879	175	194	280,172.7	364,526
East	1,596	1,855	1,581	1,831	174	184	274,834.1	336,904
West Southwest	1,612	1,838	1,597	1,812	153	185	244,447.8	335,220
East Southeast	1,490	1,721	1,468	1,696	149	165	218,832.6	279,840
Southwest	484	627	472	613	123	117	58,058.5	71,989
Southeast	528	687	522	677	138	124	72,132.6	83,948
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SOYBEANS, 2006 - November 1, 2007

District	Planted		Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	1,000 acres		1,000 acres		Bushels		1,000 bushels	
Northwest	1,070	811	1,065	806	52	50	55,380.7	40,300
Northeast	790	666	786	661	51	50	40,088.5	33,050
West	943	765	939	762	47	48	44,160.6	36,576
Central	1,252	932	1,247	927	53	54	66,139.4	50,058
East	1,382	1,106	1,376	1,099	52	51	71,565.8	56,049
West Southwest	1,295	1,064	1,288	1,058	47	45	60,538.3	47,610
East Southeast	1,669	1,404	1,660	1,397	47	41	78,020.6	57,277
Southwest	899	788	894	783	37	26	33,117.5	20,358
Southeast	800	714	795	707	42	28	33,388.6	19,522
ILLINOIS	10,100	8,250	10,050	8,200	48	44	482,400.0	360,800

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