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**INDIANA CORN AND SOYBEAN PRODUCTION UP**

Based on conditions September 1, Indiana's 2006 corn production is forecast at 893.5 million bushels. If realized, this would be up 1 percent from the 888.6 million bushels produced in 2005. The expected yield of 167 bushels per acre is unchanged from the August forecast, but up 13 bushels from the 2005 yield per acre of 154 bushels per acre. The 5.35 million acres for harvest is 7 percent below the acreage harvested last year, but unchanged from the August estimate. As of September 3, corn condition was rated 71 percent good to excellent.

Soybean production is forecast at 284.0 million bushels, up 8 percent from the 263.6 million bushels produced in 2005. The expected yield of 50 bushels per acre is up 1 bushel from the August forecast and is 1 bushel above last year. The acreage expected to be harvested for beans, at 5.68 million acres, is up 6 percent from 2005, but unchanged from the August estimate. As of September 3, soybean condition was rated 73 percent good to excellent.

U.S. corn production is forecast at 11.1 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month and fractionally above 2005. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 154.7 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from August and 6.8 bushels from last year. If realized, yield and production would be the second largest on record, behind 2004. Forecast yields are higher than August across the northern Great Plains and western Corn Belt as moderate to heavy precipitation during the month improved soil moisture levels and crop conditions. Expected yields across the eastern Corn Belt are unchanged from last month. Farmers expect to harvest 71.8 million acres of corn for grain, down 250,000 acres from August and down 4 percent from 2005.

National soybean production is forecast at 3.09 billion bushels, up 6 percent from the August forecast and up slightly from the 2005 crop. If realized, this would be the second highest production on record. Based on September 1 conditions, yields

are expected to average 41.8 bushels per acre, up 2.2 bushels from August but down 1.5 bushels from last year's record high yield. Compared with last month, yields are forecast higher across the Corn Belt and most of the northern and central Great Plains. Near or above normal moisture in those areas during August improved crop conditions. In contrast, yields are down or unchanged from the August 1 forecast across the Gulf Coast States and Atlantic Coast States, with the exception of South Carolina.

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**ACRES FOR HARVEST, YIELD AND PRODUCTION  
INDIANA AND UNITED STATES: 2005 - 2006**

Crop	Acres for Harvest			Yield Per Acre		Total Production			Unit
	2005	2006	06/05	2005	2006	2005	2006	06/05	
	Thousands	Percent				Thousands	Percent		
<b>Indiana</b>									
Corn for Grain	5,770	5,350	93	154	167	888,580	893,450	101	Bu
Soybeans	5,380	5,680	106	49	50	263,620	284,000	108	Bu
Winter Wheat 1/	340	450	132	72	71	24,480	31,950	131	Bu
Alfalfa Hay 1/	340	360	106	3.80	4.10	1,292	1,476	114	Tons
Other Hay 1/	310	290	94	2.50	2.80	775	812	105	Tons
Apples 1/	---	---		---	---	50,000	57,000	114	Lbs
<b>United States</b>									
Corn for Grain	75,107	71,841	96	147.9	154.7	11,112,072	11,113,766	100	Bu
Soybeans	71,361	73,935	104	43.3	41.8	3,086,432	3,092,970	100	Bu
Winter Wheat 1/	33,794	31,108	92	44.4	41.2	1,499,129	1,283,134	86	Bu
Oats 1/	1,823	1,907	105	63.0	56.3	114,878	107,423	94	Bu
Alfalfa Hay 1/	22,389	22,407	100	3.38	3.18	75,771	71,205	94	Tons
Other Hay 1/	39,260	40,290	103	1.91	1.77	74,819	71,121	95	Tons
Tobacco	298.1	334.2	112	2,171	2,224	647,278	743,098	115	Lbs
Apples 1/	---	---		---	---	9,864,900	9,619,700	98	Lbs

1/ August 1 forecast carried forward.

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**PRELIMINARY DISTRICT ESTIMATES  
SEPTEMBER 2006**

District	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	Thousands		Thousands		Bushels		Thousands	
<b>Corn</b>								
NW	952	900	919	865	154	174	141,838	150,770
NC	762	720	740	695	160	171	118,136	118,882
NE	564	525	539	500	147	159	79,241	79,572
WC	739	680	733	669	160	168	117,046	112,262
C	1,180	1,110	1,171	1,095	157	169	184,071	184,932
EC	467	440	460	430	153	161	70,400	69,363
SW	831	760	819	747	153	168	125,424	125,350
SC	202	180	193	171	130	152	25,123	25,918
SE	203	185	196	178	139	148	27,301	26,401
State	5,900	5,500	5,770	5,350	154	167	888,580	893,450
<b>Soybeans</b>								
NW	704	745	701	744	49	52	34,134	38,974
NC	646	680	643	679	47	51	30,518	34,872
NE	633	655	631	654	43	46	27,193	30,229
WC	647	700	645	699	52	49	33,462	34,463
C	1,170	1,240	1,166	1,238	52	52	61,085	64,851
EC	520	540	518	539	48	48	25,108	26,021
SW	643	690	641	685	49	49	31,516	33,772
SC	197	210	196	205	47	49	9,144	10,107
SE	240	240	239	237	48	45	11,460	10,711
State	5,400	5,700	5,380	5,680	49	50	263,620	284,000
<b>Wheat</b>								
NW	21	28	19	27	68	79	1,300	2,122
NC	37	46	35	45	76	77	2,666	3,444
NE	77	98	74	97	73	78	5,409	7,523
WC	24	30	23	29	73	72	1,686	2,101
C	49	64	47	63	83	74	3,921	4,693
EC	31	37	30	36	82	71	2,463	2,572
SW	92	115	86	113	63	64	5,449	7,265
SC	14	20	12	19	59	53	712	1,008
SE	15	22	14	21	62	58	874	1,222
State	360	460	340	450	72	71	24,480	31,950

**FALL CROP PROGRESS**

Harvest progress was slowed last week by heavy rain showers in several areas of the state, according to the Indiana Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. High drying costs have also slowed harvest as farmers are waiting for the corn to dry down in the field. Soybean fields are rapidly shedding leaves, but are about 8 days behind the 5-year average. Some farmers are now taking their final cutting of hay as weather permits.

There were 3.4 days suitable for field work. Corn condition is rated 71 percent good to excellent compared with 43 percent last year at this time. Ninety-three percent of the corn acreage has reached the dent stage compared with 94 percent last year and 91 percent for the 5-year average. Thirty-nine percent of the corn acreage is now mature compared with 56 percent last year and 49 percent for the 5-year average. Three percent of corn acreage is now harvested compared with 6 percent for both last year and the 5-year average.

Soybean condition is rated 74 percent good to excellent compared with 52 percent last year. Thirty-four percent of the soybean acreage is shedding leaves compared with 67 percent last year and 58 percent for the 5-year average. A few scattered fields of soybeans have been harvested.

Very little winter wheat has been seeded as farmers are waiting for other crops to be harvested. Tobacco harvest is now 52 percent complete compared with 48 percent last year and 64 percent for the 5-year average.

Pasture condition is rated 7 percent excellent, 58 percent good, 27 percent fair, 6 percent poor and 2 percent very poor. Livestock are in mostly good condition.

## INDIANA'S TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING ACREAGE UP

Indiana's contracted tomatoes for processing at 8,000 acres increased 1 percent from last year's total acres. Indiana's expected production under contract decreased 3 percent from 266,470 to 258,000 tons.

United States contracted tomato production is forecast at 10.5 million tons, up 5 percent from last year for comparable States. Based on comparable States between 2005 and 2006,

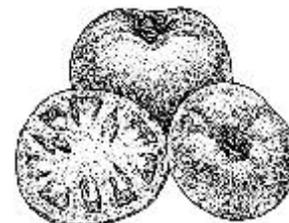
a 7 percent increase in contracted harvested acreage was accompanied by a yield decrease of 0.58 tons per acre. In Indiana, the tomato crop is reported to be in good condition despite hail and cool, wet conditions at the start of the season. The poor weather conditions required some processors to replant, which was not complete until mid-June.

### TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING INDIANA, SELECT STATES AND U.S., 2004-2006

State	Harvested Area			2006 Contract 1/	% Contract Change 2006/2005
	2004 Total	2005			
		Total	Contract 1/		
		<u>Acres</u>			
Indiana	8,300	7,900	7,900	8,000	101
California	281,000	264,000	260,000	279,000	107
Michigan 2/	3,500			3,200	
Ohio	6,200	5,800	5,800	5,600	97
Other Sts 3/ 4/	1,620	4,340	4,340		
U.S. 3/ 4/	300,620	282,040	278,040	295,800	106

	Yield Per Acre			Production			
	2004 Total	2005 Total	2006 Contract 1/	2004 Total	2005		2006 Contract 1/
					Total	Contract 1/	
				<u>Tons</u>			
Indiana	33.11	33.73	32.25	274,810	266,470	266,470	258,000
California	41.54	36.36	35.84	11,672,000	9,600,000	9,440,000	10,000,000
Michigan 2/	31.00		35.00	108,500			112,000
Ohio	28.60	30.22	28.05	177,320	175,280	175,280	157,080
Other Sts 3/ 4/	20.85	36.49		33,780	158,370	158,370	
U.S. 3/ 4/	40.80	36.17	35.59	12,266,410	10,200,120	10,040,120	10,527,080



1/ Includes acreage from major brokers.

2/ 2005 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

3/ 2004 - MD and NJ. 2005 - MD, MI and NJ.

4/ MD and NJ dropped from the national estimating program starting in 2006.

## PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS

U.S. butter production during July 2006 was 92.7 million pounds, 3.3 percent below July 2005 and 8.0 percent below June 2006. American type cheese production totaled 329 million pounds for the month, 4.0 percent above July 2005 but 2.5 percent below June 2006. Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 768 million pounds, 3.9 percent above July 2005 but 3.3 percent below June 2006. Creamed cottage cheese production was 29.0 million pounds, and lowfat cottage cheese in the U.S. totaled 32.7 million pounds.

The Nation's dairy plants produced 85.4 million gallons of hard ice cream during July 2006, down 1.8 percent from the same period last year. Hard lowfat ice cream output totaled 11.1 million gallons, up 7.3 percent from the July 2005 level. Hard sherbet production was 5.27 million gallons for the month, down 2.9 percent from the previous year. Total frozen yogurt production was 6.26 million gallons, up 6.7 percent from July 2005.

### PRODUCTION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS UNITED STATES, JULY 2006 WITH COMPARISONS 1/

Product	2005	2006	06/05
	<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Butter	95.9	92.7	97
American Cheese 2/	316.0	328.6	104
All Cheese	739.5	767.9	104
Cottage Cheese, Curd	38.1	36.6	96
Cottage Cheese, Cream	31.9	29.0	91
Cottage Cheese, Lowfat	32.4	32.7	101
Sour Cream	79.3	84.8	107
	<u>Million Gallons</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Frozen Products			
Ice Cream (Hard)	87.1	85.4	98
Lowfat Ice Cream (Hard)	10.3	11.1	107
Sherbet (Hard)	5.4	5.3	97
Frozen Yogurt	5.9	6.3	107

1/ Percents may not calculate due to rounding.

2/ Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack.

## INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT

Indiana's milk production totaled 268 million pounds during August 2006, up 3 percent from a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 165,000 head, up 5 percent from a year earlier.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,680 pounds for August, 9 pounds above August 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.25 million head, 9,000 head less than July 2006, but 88,000 head more than August 2005.

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.6 percent from production in these same States in August 2005.

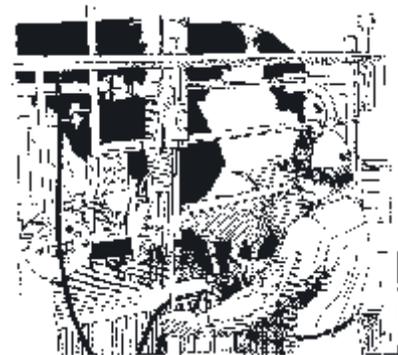
**Thanks, Dairy Farmers**

### MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, AUGUST 2005-2006

State	Milk Cows <sup>1/</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2/</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2/</sup>		
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	Thousand Head		Pounds		Million Pounds		Percent
<b>INDIANA</b>	157	165	1,660	1,625	261	268	103
Illinois	104	103	1,515	1,550	158	160	101
Iowa	196	200	1,740	1,645	341	329	96
Kentucky	106	97	1,030	1,020	109	99	91
Michigan	314	319	1,830	1,830	575	584	102
Minnesota	450	450	1,510	1,525	680	686	101
Ohio	270	274	1,460	1,480	394	406	103
Wisconsin	1,236	1,244	1,595	1,570	1,971	1,953	99
23 State Total	8,162	8,250	1,671	1,680	13,640	13,861	102

<sup>1/</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.



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