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## Crop Production, September 1

**Iowa:** Corn: The September 1 yield forecast of 169.0 bushels per acre is up 5.0 bushels from the August 1 forecast but down 12.0 bushels per acre from 2004. Production is forecast at 2.14 billion bushels for the state, down 5 percent from last year.

Soybeans: The September 1 yield forecast of 45.0 bushels per acre is up 1.0 bushel from the August 1 forecast but down 4.0 bushels per acre from 2004. If realized, soybean production would be 452.3 million bushels, down 9 percent from last year's 497.4 production.

**United States:** Corn production is forecast at 10.6 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last month but 10 percent below 2004. If realized, this would be the second largest crop on record. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 143.2 bushels per acre, up 4.0 bushels from August but 17.2 bushels below the record high last year. Forecast yields are down from the previous year in all Corn Belt States except Michigan and Wisconsin. Compared with last year, the largest yield decreases are expected in Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, and New Jersey. Farmers expect to harvest 74.3 million acres of corn for grain,

down 50,000 acres from August but up 1 percent from 2004.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.86 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the August forecast but down 9 percent from the record crop of 2004. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 39.6 bushels per acre, up 0.9 bushel from August. Adequate moisture across most of the Corn Belt and the Great Plains by the end of the month was a relief for many dry areas, including most of the drought-stricken areas of Illinois and Missouri. The Delta and Southeast also received favorable moisture, maintaining good yield potential in most areas, including a record high forecast in Louisiana and a record tying forecast in South Carolina.

Reminder: All crop forecasts in this report are based on conditions on September 1 and do not reflect any possible weather effects since that time. The next corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of October 1, will be released on October 12.

## September 2005 Production Summary - Iowa and United States

Crop	For Harvest		Yield per acre		Production	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
<b>IOWA</b>						
Corn for Grain	12,400	12,650	181.0	169.0	2,244,400	2,137,850
Soybeans	10,150	10,050	49.0	45.0	497,350	452,250
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Corn for Grain	73,632	74,318	160.4	143.2	11,807,217	10,638,661
Soybeans	73,958	72,184	42.5	39.6	3,140,996	2,856,449