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Stocks of Grain

September 30, 2005 -- **Iowa:** The September 1 on and off farm stocks of corn were 222 percent more than last year, and soybeans were 189 percent more than last year.

United States: Corn stocks in all positions on September 1, 2005 totaled 2.11 billion bushels, up 120 percent from September 1, 2004. This is the highest September 1 stocks level since 1993. Of the total stocks, 821 million bushels are stored on farms, up 87 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.29 billion bushels, are up 148 percent from a year ago to the highest September 1 level since 1988. The June - August 2005 indicated disappearance is 2.21 billion bushels, compared with 2.01 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Old crop soybeans stored in all positions on September 1, 2005 totaled 256 million bushels, up 127 percent from September 1, 2004. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 99.7 million bushels, up 239 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks are up 88 percent from September 1, 2004, to 156 million bushels. Indicated disappearance for June - August 2005 totaled 444 million bushels, up 49 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All wheat stored in all positions on September 1, 2005 totaled 1.92 billion bushels, down 1 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 719 million bushels, down 9 percent from the previous year. Off-farm stocks, at 1.20 billion bushels, are up 4 percent from a year ago. The June - August 2005 indicated disappearance is 720 million bushels, down 6 percent from the same period a year earlier.

Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2005 totaled 113 million bushels, 2 percent below the stocks on September 1, 2004. Of the total stocks on hand, 71.2 million bushels are stored on farms, 4 percent lower than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 41.8 million bushels, 1 percent above the previous year. Indicated disappearance for June - August 2005 totaled 59.9 million bushels, compared with 64.8 million bushels during the same period a year ago.

Stocks of Grain, September 1, Iowa and United States

Position and Grain	Iowa			United States		
	September 1 2004	September 1 2005	'05 as % of '04	September 1 2004	September 1 2005	'05 as % of '04
	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	<i>Percent</i>
On-Farm Stocks						
Corn	91,000	180,000	198	438,000	820,500	187
Soybeans	7,900	22,500	285	29,400	99,700	339
Oats	3,900	4,000	103	74,300	71,200	96
Wheat	*	*	*	790,600	719,360	91
Off-Farm Stocks ¹						
Corn	131,471	313,873	239	520,091	1,291,734	248
Soybeans	22,691	35,363	156	83,014	155,807	188
Oats	4,771	5,053	106	41,458	41,843	101
Wheat	*	*	*	1,147,807	1,199,274	104
Total Stocks						
Corn	222,471	493,873	222	958,091	2,112,234	220
Soybeans	30,591	57,863	189	112,414	255,507	227
Oats	8,671	9,053	104	115,758	113,043	98
Wheat	*	*	*	1,938,407	1,918,634	99

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

* Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.