

Kansas Soybean Crop Forecast Increases

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Kansas **corn** production is forecast at 326.0 million bushels, unchanged from the previous forecast but 12 percent above last year's crop. Yields are expected to average 123 bushels per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast but 7 bushels above last year's yield. Acreage harvested for grain, at 2.65 million, is unchanged from the previous forecast but up 150,000 acres from 2002.

cent from last year. Yields are forecast to average 43 bushels per acre, unchanged from October 1 but 2 bushels below last year. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 3.10 million, unchanged from the previous forecast but down 100,000 acres from 2002.

The **soybean** crop is expected to total 57.5 million bushels, up 5 percent from October 1 but 2 percent below last year's crop. Yields are expected to average 23 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last month but unchanged from last year's yield. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 2.50 million, unchanged from the previous month but 40,000 acres fewer than 2002.

Sorghum grain production is expected to total 133.3 million bushels, unchanged from the October forecast but down 1 per-

Kansas Crop Production, November 1, 2003

Crop & Unit	Planted ^{1/}		Harvested		Yield per Acre ^{2/}		Production	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	1,000 Acres				Units		(000's)	
Winter Wheat, bu. ^{3/}	9,600	10,400	8,100	10,000	33	48	267,300	480,000
Oats, bu. ^{3/}	140	140	60	70	52	65	3,120	4,550
Barley, bu. ^{3/}	8	9	7	8	34	57	238	456
Corn Grain, bu.	3,250	2,900	2,500	2,650	116	123	290,000	325,950
Sorghum Grain, bu.	3,800	3,600	3,000	3,100	45	43	135,000	133,300
Soybeans, bu.	2,750	2,600	2,540	2,500	23	23	58,420	57,500
All Sunflowers, lbs ^{3/ 4/}	215	190	168	179	902	1,250	151,590	223,750
Dry Beans, cwt. ^{3/ 4/}	18.0	12.0	14.5	11.0	1,100	1,700	160	187
All Hay, tons ^{3/}	-	-	3,250	3,100	2.14	2.27	6,965	7,050
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	950	950	3.70	3.80	3,515	3,610
Other Hay, tons	-	-	2,300	2,150	1.50	1.60	2,900	3,440

^{1/} Planted for all purposes. ^{2/} Production divided by harvested acres and rounded to whole bushels. ^{3/} Estimate carried forward from earlier forecast. ^{4/} Yield in pounds.

U.S. Corn Production Up Slightly from October

Corn for grain production is forecast at 10.3 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month and 14 percent above 2002. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 143.2 bushels per acre, up 1.0 bushel from October and up 13.2 bushels from last year. If realized, both production and yield would be the largest on record. Acreage harvested and to be harvested for grain is forecast at 71.8 million acres, unchanged from October but up 4 percent from 2002. The November 1 corn objective yield data indicate ear counts per acre for the combined seven objective yield states (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin) are at a record high, 4 percent above the previous high in 2000 and 6 percent above last year. Indicated ear counts are the highest on record in six of the seven objective yield states. Nebraska's ear count is the third highest on record, below 1999 and 2000.

virtually unchanged from the October forecast but up 8 percent from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast, at 51.0 bushels per acre, is unchanged from last month but up 0.3 bushel from last year. The forecast area to be harvested for grain is 7.85 million acres, unchanged from last month but 8 percent above last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 2.45 billion bushels, down 1 percent from October and 11 percent below 2002. If realized, this would be the lowest production since 1996. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 33.8 bushels per acre, down 0.2 bushel from last month and down 4.2 bushels from 2002. Growers expect to harvest 72.5 million acres of soybeans, unchanged from the October forecast but up fractionally from 2002.

Sorghum grain production is forecast at 400 million bushels,

United States Crop Production, November 1, 2003

Crop & Unit	Planted ^{1/}		Harvested		Yield per Acre ^{2/}		Production	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	1,000 Acres				Units		(000's)	
All Wheat, bu. ^{3/}	60,468	61,700	45,917	52,839	35.3	44.2	1,619,001	2,336,526
Winter Wheat, bu. ^{3/}	41,845	44,945	29,751	36,541	38.5	46.7	1,145,602	1,707,069
Oats, bu. ^{3/}	4,995	4,601	2,093	2,224	56.7	65.0	118,628	144,649
Barley, bu. ^{3/}	5,071	5,299	4,129	4,688	54.9	58.9	226,573	276,087
Rye, bu. ^{3/}	1,395	1,368	281	339	24.8	27.3	6,955	9,254
Corn Grain, bu.	79,054	79,066	69,313	71,765	130.0	143.2	9,007,659	10,277,932
Sorghum Grain, bu.	9,580	9,509	7,299	7,851	50.7	51.0	369,758	400,012
Soybeans, bu.	73,923	73,585	72,437	72,538	38.0	33.8	2,749,340	2,451,759
All Sunflowers, lbs. ^{3/ 4/}	2,580	2,364	2,180	2,274	1,142	1,152	2,489,606	2,619,497
Dry Beans, cwt. ^{3/ 4/}	1,922.1	1,501.2	1,726.9	1,417.8	1,736	1,665	29,974	23,603
All Cotton, 480 lb. Bales ^{3/ 4/}	13,957.9	13,631.0	12,426.6	12,107.4	665	722	17,208.6	18,215.0
All Hay, tons ^{3/}	-	-	64,497	64,379	2.34	2.50	150,962	160,706
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	23,135	23,541	3.19	3.34	73,824	78,523
Other Hay, tons	-	-	41,362	40,838	1.86	2.01	77,138	82,183

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Kansas Crop Production Forecast, November 1, 2003, by Districts

Crop And District	Acres Planted, All Purposes		Acres Harvested for Grain			Yield per Acre ^{1/}		Production		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	% Prev. Year	2002	2003	2002	2003	% Prev. Year
	----- 1,000 Acres -----					Bushels		1,000 Bushels		
CORN										
Northwest	500	420	263	340	129	111	122	29,145	41,600	143
West Central	238	230	119	190	160	90	131	10,680	24,800	232
Southwest	774	540	693	520	75	168	184	116,480	95,500	82
North Central	224	190	138	170	123	99	111	13,720	18,800	137
Central	133	120	94	110	117	118	125	11,110	13,700	123
South Central	358	370	313	350	112	150	149	46,960	52,000	111
Northeast	520	480	428	450	105	62	75	26,330	33,700	128
East Central	283	290	244	275	113	68	82	16,620	22,650	136
Southeast	220	260	208	245	118	91	95	18,955	23,200	122
State	3,250	2,900	2,500	2,650	106	116	123	290,000	325,950	112
SOYBEANS										
Northwest	65	70	54	68	126	40	38	2,160	2,610	121
West Central	24	35	20	33	165	25	17	500	550	110
Southwest	77	95	71	93	131	45	47	3,195	4,410	138
North Central	306	310	250	270	108	20	25	5,000	6,665	133
Central	202	170	166	167	101	23	19	3,800	3,150	83
South Central	229	215	218	210	96	39	38	8,522	8,045	94
Northeast	612	615	575	600	104	22	21	12,650	12,830	101
East Central	641	600	615	585	95	19	17	11,408	10,015	88
Southeast	594	490	571	474	83	20	19	11,185	9,235	83
State	2,750	2,600	2,540	2,500	98	23	23	58,420	57,500	98

^{1/} Production divided by harvested acres rounded to whole bushels.