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Corn Production Forecast Lowered

Kansas *corn* production is expected to total 387.5 million bushels, 2 percent below the previous forecast and 17 percent below last year's crop. Acreage harvested for grain, at 3.15 million acres, is unchanged from the previous forecast but down 9 percent from 2005. Corn yields are expected to average 123 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from September 1 and 12 bushels below the previous year.

Sorghum grain production is forecast at 144.0 million bushels, down 26 percent from last year. Yields are expected to average 60 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but 15 bushels below last year's yield. Acreage for harvest as grain is 2.40 million acres, up 100,000 acres from September 1 but down 200,000 acres from 2005. Acres planted are 2.65 million, up 150,000 from September 1 but down 100,000 from 2005.

Soybean production in Kansas is expected to total 93.0 million bushels, unchanged from September 1 but 12 percent below last year's crop. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 3.00 million acres, the same as September 1 but up 5 percent from last year. Yields are expected to average 31 bushels per acre, unchanged from September 1 but 6 bushels below 2005.

Kansas *sunflower* production is forecast at 170.3 million pounds, down 62 percent from last year. Harvested acreage, at 141,000, is down 148,000 acres from last year. The yield is expected to average 1,208 pounds per acre, down 356 pounds from last year.

All hay production is estimated to total 5.50 million tons, down 18 percent from 2005. Kansas acreage harvested is 2.90 million acres, unchanged from last year.

Kansas *wheat* production for 2006 is estimated at 291.2 million bushels, down 3 percent from the August forecast and 23 percent below 2005. Yield is estimated at 32.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from the August forecast but 8 bushels below 2005. Acres harvested for grain totaled 9.1 million acres, down 300,000 acres from the previous forecast and 400,000 below 2005. A total of 9.8 million acres were planted to wheat for harvest in 2006, down 400,000 acres from the August forecast and 200,000 acres below the previous year.

Estimates of Kansas corn and soybean production by district are shown on the following page. Wheat county and district data are not included in this report but will be released in late 2006.

Kansas Crop Production, October 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted <u>1/</u>		Harvested		Yield per Acre <u>2/</u>		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Per Unit		(000)	
Winter Wheat, bu. <u>3/</u>	10,000	9,800	9,500	9,100	40	32	380,000	291,200
Oats, bu. <u>3/</u>	100	100	40	40	59	45	2,360	1,800
Barley, bu. <u>3/</u>	19	24	14	18	42	27	588	486
Corn Grain, bu.	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	135	123	465,750	387,450
Sorghum Grain, bu.	2,750	2,650	2,600	2,400	75	60	195,000	144,000
Soybeans, bu.	2,900	3,150	2,850	3,000	37	31	105,450	93,000
All Sunflowers, lbs. <u>4/</u>	300	152	289	141	1,564	1,208	452,100	170,300
Dry Beans, cwt. <u>5/</u>	13.0	11.0	12.5	10.0	2,200	2,100	275	210
All Cotton, bales <u>5/</u>	74.0	115.0	66.0	110.0	638	524	87.7	120.0
All Hay, tons	-	-	2,900	2,900	2.30	1.90	6,680	5,500
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	850	900	4.00	3.00	3,400	2,700
Other Hay, tons	-	-	2,050	2,000	1.60	1.40	3,280	2,800
Pecans, lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,200	2,000

1/ Planted for all purposes. 2/ Production divided by harvested acres rounded to whole bushels. 3/ Estimate carried forward from earlier forecast.

4/ 2006 estimates for oil and non-oil varieties will be published in the "Crop Production 2006 Summary" in January 2007.

5/ Yield in pounds.

Kansas Crop Production Forecast, October 1, 2006, by Districts

Crop And District	Acres Planted, All Purposes		Acres Harvested for Grain			Yield per Acre		Production		
	2005	2006	2005	2006	% Prev. Year	2005	2006	2005	2006	% Prev. Year
----- 1,000 Acres -----										
CORN										
						Bushels		1,000 Bushels		
Northwest	560	580	516	525	102	116	102	60,010	53,800	90
West Central	320	290	282	255	90	108	100	30,400	25,600	84
Southwest	800	690	752	645	86	185	186	139,020	120,200	86
North Central	245	240	235	220	94	122	100	28,600	22,000	77
Central	135	130	125	115	92	121	115	15,140	13,250	88
South Central	390	340	377	320	85	154	143	58,080	45,900	79
Northeast	540	540	519	510	98	130	111	67,550	56,700	84
East Central	310	280	300	265	88	105	91	31,610	24,200	77
Southeast	350	310	344	295	86	103	87	35,340	25,800	73
State	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	91	135	123	465,750	387,450	83
SOYBEANS										
Northwest	57	61	52	55	106	43	41	2,235	2,282	102
West Central	18	22	17	21	124	32	43	537	913	170
Southwest	100	112	98	109	111	55	55	5,409	5,975	110
North Central	319	375	314	352	112	42	33	13,089	11,790	90
Central	210	240	207	225	109	30	30	6,307	6,860	109
South Central	278	310	273	300	110	40	36	10,789	10,948	101
Northeast	593	650	589	624	106	45	38	26,478	24,019	91
East Central	673	710	660	692	105	35	27	22,889	19,024	83
Southeast	652	670	640	622	97	28	18	17,717	11,189	63
State	2,900	3,150	2,850	3,000	105	37	31	105,450	93,000	88

U.S. Crop Production

Corn grain production is forecast at 10.9 billion bushels, down 2 percent from both last month and 2005. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 153.5 bushels per acre, down 1.2 bushels from September but 5.6 bushels higher than last year. If realized, the yield would be the second largest on record, behind 2004. Acreage for harvest is estimated at 71.0 million acres, down 1 percent from September and 5 percent below 2005.

Sorghum grain production is forecast at 301 million bushels, down 1 percent from September and down 24 percent from 2005. Area harvested and to be harvested, at 5.32 million acres, is up slightly from last month but 7 percent below 2005. The U.S. yield is forecast at 56.6 bushels per acre, down 0.7 bushel from September and down 12.1 bushels from last year.

Soybean production is forecast at 3.19 billion bushels, up 3 percent from the September forecast and 4 percent above 2005. If realized, this would be the highest production on record. Based on conditions as of October 1, yield is expected to average 42.8 bushels per acre, up 1.0 bushel from September but 0.2 bushel below last year's record high yield. Area planted now is estimated at 75.6 million acres, up 1 percent from the June forecast and up 5 percent from 2005. Area for harvest is forecast at 74.5 million acres, up 1 percent from September and up 5 percent from last year.

United States Crop Production, October 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted ^{1/}		Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres						(000)	
All Wheat, bu.	57,229	57,344	50,119	46,810	42.0	38.7	2,104,690	1,812,036
Winter Wheat, bu.	40,433	40,575	33,794	31,117	44.4	41.7	1,499,129	1,298,081
Oats, bu.	4,246	4,168	1,823	1,576	63.0	59.5	114,878	93,764
Barley, bu.	3,875	3,452	3,269	2,951	64.8	61.0	211,896	180,051
Rye, bu.	1,433	1,396	279	274	27.0	26.3	7,537	7,193
Corn Grain, bu.	81,759	78,561	75,107	71,047	147.9	153.5	11,112,072	10,905,194
Sorghum Grain, bu.	6,454	6,319	5,736	5,319	68.7	56.6	393,893	301,217
Soybeans, bu.	72,032	75,565	71,251	74,505	43.0	42.8	3,063,237	3,188,576
All Sunflowers, lbs. ^{2/}	2,709	1,984	2,610	1,864	1,540	1,134	4,018,355	2,113,625
Dry Beans, cwt. ^{3/}	1,665.0	1,648.8	1,568.6	1,562.4	1,744	1,523	27,350	23,800
All Cotton, bales ^{3/}	14,245.4	15,281.0	13,802.6	12,816.0	831	774	23,890.2	20,659.0
All Hay, tons	-	-	61,649	62,697	2.44	2.35	150,590	147,038
Alfalfa hay, tons	-	-	22,389	22,407	3.38	3.33	75,771	74,527
Other Hay, tons	-	-	39,260	40,290	1.91	1.80	74,819	72,511
Pecans, lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	280,200	201,400
Apples, lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,864.9	9,842.7

^{1/} Planted for all purposes. ^{2/} 2006 estimates for oil and non-oil varieties will be published in the "Crop Production 2006 Summary" in January 2007. ^{3/} Yield in pounds.

Kansas Grain Stocks

Kansas *wheat* stocks in all positions on September 1 totaled 266.2 million bushels, 14 percent below last year's total. Wheat stored in off-farm locations (mills, elevators, warehouses, and processors) totaled 238.2 million bushels, a decrease of 11 percent from a year ago. Wheat stored off the farm accounted for 89 percent of all wheat stocks. Wheat in farm storage totaled 28.0 million bushels, down 32 percent from last September.

Sorghum grain in all positions totaled 25.5 million bushels, down from 29.4 million bushels last year. Off-farm holdings of 21.8 million bushels were down from 26.9 million bushels last year. Sorghum grain stored off the farm accounted for 85 percent of the total sorghum stocks. On-farm stocks of 3.7 million bushels were up 1.2 million bushels from a year ago.

Corn stocks in all locations, at 77.1 million bushels, were up 4.6 percent from a year ago. Off-farm corn stocks of 61.1 million bushels were up from 58.7 million bushels last year and accounted for 79 percent of total corn stocks. On-farm stocks of 16.0 million bushels were 6.7 percent above last September.

Kansas *soybeans* stored in all positions totaled 18.7 million bushels, up 12.7 million bushels from last year. Off-farm locations held 13.8 million bushels, up 9.4 million bushels from last year, and accounted for 73.8 percent of total soybean stocks. On-farm stocks of 4.9 million bushels are 3.3 million bushels above last year.

Oats stored at off-farm locations totaled 766,000 bushels, down 4.1 percent from September 2005.

Barley stored at off-farm locations totaled 56,000 bushels, compared with 95,000 a year earlier.

Stocks of Grain , September 1, 2006, with Comparisons

Grain	Position	Kansas			United States		
		Sept. 1, 2005	June 1, 2006	Sept. 1, 2006	Sept. 1, 2005	June 1, 2006	Sept. 1, 2006
1,000 Bushels							
All Wheat	On Farms	41,000	3,600	28,000	721,360	111,010	572,020
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	267,729	68,545	238,186	1,201,931	460,180	1,171,021
	TOTAL	308,729	72,145	266,186	1,923,291	571,190	1,743,041
Sorghum Grain	On Farms	2,500	7,700	3,700	5,900	12,650	5,250
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	26,909	47,603	21,806	51,041	102,213	59,919
	TOTAL	29,409	55,303	25,506	56,941	114,863	65,169
Corn	On Farms	15,000	39,000	16,000	820,500	2,350,500	749,500
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	58,728	111,362	61,085	1,293,472	2,011,199	1,221,072
	TOTAL	73,728	150,362	77,085	2,113,972	4,361,699	1,970,572
Oats	On Farms	*	*	*	71,700	25,190	59,900
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	799	577	766	41,803	27,376	39,328
	TOTAL	*	*	*	113,503	52,566	99,228
Barley	On Farms	*	*	*	137,400	30,770	112,750
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	95	51	56	117,511	77,161	100,139
	TOTAL	*	*	*	254,911	107,931	212,889
Soybeans	On Farms	1,600	12,000	4,900	99,700	495,500	176,300
	Off Farms <u>1/</u>	4,430	23,375	13,831	156,038	495,199	272,488
	TOTAL	6,030	35,375	18,731	255,738	990,699	448,788

1/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, & processors. * Not published to avoid disclosure.

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