



Corn and Soybean Production Unchanged From August

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Kansas **corn** production is forecast at 393.8 million bushels, unchanged from August 1 but down 15 percent from the previous year's production of 465.8 million bushels. Planted acreage is 3.40 million acres, down 250,000 acres from a year ago. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain is 3.15 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast but 9 percent below last year. Corn yields are expected to average 125 bushels per acre, unchanged from the August forecast but 10 bushels below last year's yield. Thirty-eight percent of the State's corn was mature as of August 27, compared to 24 percent last year and 28 percent for the 5-year average. Harvest

is 11 percent complete, compared to 2 percent last year and the average of 4 percent. Condition of the crop was rated 34 percent good to excellent, 34 percent fair, and 32 percent poor to very poor.

Sorghum grain production is forecast at 138.0 million bushels, up 5 percent from August 1 but 29 percent below last year's production of 195.0 million bushels. Kansas leads the Nation in sorghum production. Yields are expected to average 60 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from the August forecast but 15 bushels below last year's yield. Planted acreage is 2.50 million acres, down 250,000 acres from 2005. The

acreage for harvest, at 2.30 million acres, is unchanged from the August forecast but down 300,000 acres from 2005. As of August 27, 45 percent of the sorghum acreage was turning color, compared to 41 percent last year and the 5-year average of 42 percent. Seven percent of the acreage across the State was mature, compared to 4 percent last year but equal to the 5-year average. Condition of the crop was 30 percent good to excellent, 38 percent fair, and 32 percent poor to very poor.

Soybean production is forecast at 93.0 million bushels, unchanged from August 1, but down 12 percent from last year's crop. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 3.00 million acres, unchanged from August 1 but up 5 percent from last year. Acreage, if realized, is at a record high level. Yields are expected to average 31 bushels per acre, unchanged from August 1 but 6 bushels below 2005. Ninety percent of the soybeans were podded as of August 27, compared to 89 percent last year. Condition was rated 34 percent good to excellent, 42 percent fair, and 24 percent poor to very poor.

Kansas Crop Production, September 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted 1/		Harvested		Yield per Acre 2/		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Per Unit		(000's)	
Winter Wheat, bu. 3/	10,000	10,200	9,500	9,400	40	32	380,000	300,800
Corn Grain, bu.	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	135	125	465,750	393,750
Sorghum Grain, bu.	2,750	2,500	2,600	2,300	75	60	195,000	138,000
Soybeans, bu.	2,900	3,100	2,850	3,000	37	31	105,450	93,000
Potatoes, Summer, cwt.	5.1	7.0	5.0	6.6	360.0	320.0	1,800	2,112
Cotton, 480 lb. bales 4/	74.0	115.0	66.0	110.0	638	567	87.7	130.0
All Hay, tons 3/	-	-	2,900	2,900	2.30	1.90	6,680	5,500
Alfalfa Hay, tons 3/	-	-	850	900	4.00	3.00	3,400	2,700
Other Hay, tons 3/	-	-	2,050	2,000	1.60	1.40	3,280	2,800

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

U.S. Crop Production

UNITED STATES: Corn production is forecast at 11.1 billion bushels, up 1 percent from last month and fractionally above 2005. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 154.7 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels per acre from August and 6.8 bushels from last year. If realized, yield and production would be the second largest on record, behind 2004. Acreage for harvest as grain is estimated at 71.8 million acres, down 250,000 acres from August and down 4 percent from 2005.

Production of **sorghum grain** is forecast at 305 million bushels, up 3 percent from August but down 23 percent from 2005. If realized, this would be the lowest production since 1956. Area harvested and to be harvested for grain, at 5.32 million acres, is unchanged from August but 7 percent lower than the 2005 harvested grain acreage. The forecast U.S.

yield, at 57.3 bushels per acre, is up 1.5 bushels from August but down 11.4 bushels from 2005.

Soybean production is forecast at 3.09 billion bushels, up 6 percent from August 1 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. Acreage for harvest is forecast at 73.9 million acres, unchanged from August 1 but up 4 percent from 2005.

All **wheat** production is placed at 1.80 billion bushels, unchanged from the August forecast but 14 percent below 2005. The U.S. yield is forecast at 38.3 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month.

United States Crop Production, September 1, 2006

Crop & Unit	Planted 1/		Harvested		Yield per Acre		Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 Acres				Per Unit		(000's)	
All Wheat, bu. 2/	57,229	57,873	50,119	47,084	42.0	38.3	2,104,690	1,801,355
Corn Grain, bu.	81,759	79,366	75,107	71,841	147.9	154.7	11,112,072	11,113,766
Sorghum Grain, bu.	6,454	6,282	5,736	5,317	68.7	57.3	393,893	304,635
Soybeans, bu.	72,142	74,930	71,361	73,935	43.3	41.8	3,086,432	3,092,970
Potatoes, Summer, cwt.	53.4	59.4	51.4	54.8	342.0	342.0	17,567	18,731
Cotton, All, 480 lb. Bales	14,245.4	15,281.0	13,802.6	12,816.0	831.0	762.0	23,890.2	20,345.0
All Hay, tons 2/	-	-	61,649	62,697	2.44	2.27	150,590	142,326
Alfalfa Hay, tons 2/	-	-	22,389	22,407	3.38	3.18	75,771	71,205
Other Hay, tons 2/	-	-	39,260	40,290	1.91	1.77	74,819	71,121

1/ Planted for all purposes. 2/ Estimate carried forward from earlier forecast.

Kansas Crop Production Forecast, September 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 -----					Bushels		1,000 Bushels		
CORN										
Northwest	560	580	516	525	102	116	103	60,010	54,300	90
West Central	320	290	282	255	90	108	101	30,400	25,800	85
Southwest	800	690	752	645	86	185	189	139,020	122,200	88
North Central	245	240	235	220	94	122	100	28,600	22,100	77
Central	135	130	125	115	92	121	120	15,140	13,850	91
South Central	390	340	377	320	85	154	150	58,080	48,150	83
Northeast	540	540	519	510	98	130	111	67,550	56,800	84
East Central	310	280	300	265	88	105	92	31,610	24,500	78
Southeast	350	310	344	295	86	103	88	35,340	26,050	74
State	3,650	3,400	3,450	3,150	91	135	125	465,750	393,750	85
SOYBEANS										
Northwest	57	61	52	55	106	43	38	2,235	2,088	93
West Central	18	22	17	21	124	32	37	537	767	143
Southwest	100	112	98	109	111	55	55	5,409	5,975	111
North Central	319	360	314	352	112	42	33	13,089	11,579	89
Central	210	230	207	225	109	30	30	6,307	6,669	106
South Central	278	310	273	300	110	40	36	10,789	10,788	100
Northeast	593	650	589	624	106	45	38	26,478	24,019	91
East Central	673	720	660	692	105	35	27	22,889	18,364	80
Southeast	652	635	640	622	97	28	21	17,717	12,751	72
State	2,900	3,100	2,850	3,000	105	37	31	105,450	93,000	88

Kansas Ranked 7th in Agricultural Exports

Kansas ranked seventh among the 50 states as an exporter of agricultural products during fiscal year (FY) 2005, according to data released by the Economics Research Service, USDA, and Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Exports from five of the top ten states increased. The total value of Kansas exports, at \$2.8 billion, is down 16 percent from the previous fiscal year. Most of the value decrease came from the Wheat & Products category. Kansas accounted for 4.4 percent of the \$62.4 billion U.S. agricultural exports in FY 2005.

Kansas ranked in first place among States for Wheat & Products and Feeds & Fodders exports. The numbers show Kansas ranking second in the Nation for Hides & Skins and Animal Fats. Other top ten rankings for Kansas were Sunflower Seed & Oil (third place with \$16.1 million), Seed (fourth place with \$51.7 million), Live Animals & Meat (sixth place with \$283.5 million), Feed Grains & Products (sixth place with \$496.7 million), and Soybeans & Products (tenth place with \$302.1 million). Wheat & Products ac-

counted for 27 percent of the State total and 13 percent of the National Wheat & Products exports. Hides & Skins comprised 12 percent of the total Kansas exports and 20 percent of all U.S. Hides & Skins exports. Feed Grains & Products tallied 18 percent and 7 percent of the State and National exports, respectively.

The United States exported \$62.4 billion of agricultural commodities in FY 2005, virtually unchanged from 2004. California continued to lead the Nation in agricultural exports at \$10.2 billion. Iowa ranked second, followed by Texas, Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Washington, North Dakota, and Indiana. Agricultural export estimates by State are based on the assumption that if a State contributes a certain percentage of U.S. production, it contributes a similar percentage of export revenues. When appropriate, however, supplemental data (Customs district data, domestic use data, and the Census of Agriculture data, for example) were used to adjust the export share.

Kansas Agricultural Exports

Commodity	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
	Million Dollars				
Wheat & Products	618.4	699.2	753.6	1,150.6	744.4
Feed Grains & Products	472.3	521.7	398.8	550.6	496.7
Feeds & Fodders	364.1	349.3	294.1	364.0	399.3
Hides & Skins	387.9	319.2	332.2	339.8	342.1
Soybeans & Products	123.5	221.6	175.3	320.7	302.1
Live Animals & Meat (Excl. Poultry)	881.6	748.5	845.9	359.8	283.5
Animal Fats	62.9	79.3	101.4	106.6	92.7
Seeds	35.3	43.6	38.2	39.6	51.7
Dairy Products	10.9	12.3	12.9	17.2	22.4
Sunflower Seed & Oil	15.7	25.0	7.3	18.8	16.1
Cotton & Linters	2.5	3.0	12.6	25.6	13.7
Other	7.6	7.3	7.1	10.9	8.6
Total	2,982.7	3,030.1	2,979.3	3,304.3	2,773.3

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