



# CROPS

## Kansas Agricultural Statistics

Cooperating with the Kansas Department of Agriculture

PO Box 3534 • Topeka KS 66601-3534 • (785)233-2230 • www.nass.usda.gov/ks • nass-ks@nass.usda.gov

Released November 10, 2008

Volume 08 No. 11

### Kansas Soybean Production Up, Corn and Sorghum Down

Kansas **corn** production is forecast at 493.2 million bushels, unchanged from the previous forecast but 5 percent less than last year's crop. Yields are expected to average 137 bushels per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast but 3 bushels below last year's yield. Acreage harvested for grain, at 3.60 million, is unchanged from the previous forecast but down 3 percent from 2007.

**Sorghum grain** production is expected to total 203.5 million bushels, down 3 percent from the October forecast and 4 percent less than last year. Yields are forecast to average 74 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from October 1 and 6 bushels less than last year. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 2.75 million, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 100,000 from 2007.

The **soybean** crop is expected to total 115.2 million bushels, unchanged from October 1 but 34 percent higher than last year's crop. Yields are expected to average 36 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but 3 bushels greater than last year's yield. Acreage for harvest is expected to total 3.20 million, unchanged from the previous month but 23 percent higher than last year.

### Kansas Crop Production, November 1, 2008

Crop & Unit	Planted <sup>1</sup>		Harvested		Yield Per Acre <sup>2</sup>		Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	-----1,000 Acres-----				-----Per Unit-----		-----('000's)-----	
Winter Wheat, bu. <sup>3</sup>	10,400	9,500	8,600	8,900	33	40	283,800	356,000
Oats, bu. <sup>3</sup>	90	60	35	25	38	53	1,330	1,325
Barley, bu. <sup>3</sup>	20	17	13	10	48	37	624	370
Corn Grain, bu.	3,900	3,800	3,700	3,600	140	137	518,000	493,200
Sorghum Grain, bu.	2,800	2,900	2,650	2,750	80	74	212,000	203,500
Soybeans, bu.	2,650	3,300	2,610	3,200	33	36	86,130	115,200
All Sunflowers, lbs. <sup>3</sup>	172	242	161	225	1,455	1,381	234,250	310,750
Dry Beans, cwt. <sup>3,4</sup>	6.5	6.0	6.0	5.5	2,300	2,100	138	116
All Cotton, 480 lb. bales <sup>4</sup>	47	35	43	28	639	686	57.2	40.0
All Hay, tons <sup>3</sup>	-	-	2,900	2,780	2.20	2.46	6,370	6,842
Alfalfa Hay, tons <sup>3</sup>	-	-	800	780	3.50	3.90	2,800	3,042
Other Hay, tons <sup>3</sup>	-	-	2,100	2,000	1.70	1.90	3,570	3,800

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

### U.S. Crop Production

**Corn** production is forecast at 12.0 billion bushels, down slightly from the October forecast and 8 percent below 2007. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 153.8 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from October but 2.7 bushels above last year. If realized, this will be the second highest yield on record, behind 2004, and production will be the second largest, behind last year. Forecasted yields are higher than last year across the northern half of the Great Plains and northern and central Corn Belt. Yield prospects are lower than last year in the southern half of the Great Plains and Delta.

**Sorghum:** Production is forecast at 465 million bushels, down 1 percent from the October 1 forecast and 8 percent below 2007. Expected area for harvest for grain is forecast at 7.39 million acres, unchanged from last month but up 9 percent from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast is 63.0 bushels per acre, down 0.9 bushel from October and down 11.2 bushels from last year. Kansas, the top producing State, expects a yield of 74.0 bushels, 2.0 bushels below last month.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 2.92 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the October forecast but up 9 percent from last year. If realized, this will be the fourth largest production on record. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 39.3 bushels per acre, down 0.2 bushel from October 1 and down 2.4 bushels from 2007. Compared with October 1, yields are forecast lower or unchanged across the Corn Belt and Great Plains, with the exception of Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri. Yields increased from the October 1 forecast in Alabama, Arkansas, Tennessee, New York, and Virginia. Area for harvest in the U.S. is forecast at 74.4 million acres, unchanged from October 1 but up 16 percent from 2007.

### United States Crop Production, November 1, 2008

Crop & Unit	Planted <sup>1</sup>		Harvested		Yield Per Acre <sup>2</sup>		Production	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
	-----1,000 Acres-----				-----Per Unit-----		-----('000's)-----	
All Wheat, bu. <sup>3</sup>	60,433	63,047	51,011	55,685	40.5	44.9	2,066,722	2,499,524
Winter Wheat, bu. <sup>3</sup>	44,987	46,181	35,952	39,614	42.2	47.2	1,515,989	1,867,903
Oats, bu. <sup>3</sup>	3,760	3,217	1,505	1,395	60.9	63.5	91,599	88,635
Barley, bu. <sup>3</sup>	4,020	4,234	3,508	3,767	60.4	63.6	211,825	239,498
Rye, bu. <sup>3</sup>	1,376	1,260	289	269	27.4	29.7	7,914	7,979
Corn Grain, bu.	93,600	85,889	86,542	78,177	151.1	153.8	13,073,893	12,019,894
Sorghum Grain, bu.	7,718	8,327	6,805	7,385	74.2	63.0	504,993	465,271
Soybeans, bu.	64,736	75,878	64,141	74,374	41.7	39.3	2,675,822	2,920,589
All Sunflowers, lbs. <sup>3</sup>	2,068	2,507	2,009.5	2,385	1,436	1,448	2,886,065	3,454,640
Dry Beans, cwt. <sup>3,4</sup>	1,526.9	1,492.9	1,478.7	1,424.6	1,716	1,774	25,371	25,268
All Cotton, 480 lb. bales <sup>4</sup>	10,872.2	9,414.0	10,489.1	7,755.0	879	837	19,206.9	13,528.0
All Hay, tons <sup>3</sup>	-	-	61,625	60,439	2.44	2.49	150,304	150,500
Alfalfa Hay, tons	-	-	21,670	20,778	3.35	3.44	72,575	71,424
Other Hay, tons	-	-	39,955	39,661	1.95	1.99	77,729	79,076

<sup>1</sup> Planted for all purposes <sup>2</sup> Production divided by harvested acres. <sup>3</sup> Estimate carried forward from earlier forecast. <sup>4</sup> Yield in pounds.

**Kansas Crop Production Forecast, November 1, 2008, By Districts**

Crop and District	Acres Planted, All Purposes		Acres Harvested for Grain			Yield per Acre <sup>1</sup>		Production		
	2007	2008	2007	2008	% Prev. Yr.	2007	2008	2007	2008	% Prev. Yr.
	-----1,000 Acres-----					---Bushels---		---1,000 Bushels---		
<b>CORN</b>										
Northwest	716	660	692	630	91	128	118	88,250	74,500	84
West Central	411	350	385	330	86	114	114	43,890	37,500	85
Southwest	848	830	802	790	99	187	180	150,050	142,000	95
North Central	224	230	210	210	100	129	127	27,170	26,700	98
Central	131	140	119	130	109	135	131	16,010	17,000	106
South Central	395	430	382	410	107	155	150	59,060	61,500	104
Northeast	560	530	541	510	94	128	133	69,020	68,000	99
East Central	288	290	275	270	98	115	119	31,680	32,000	101
Southeast	327	340	294	320	109	112	106	32,870	34,000	103
<b>State</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>3,800</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>518,000</b>	<b>493,200</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>SOYBEANS<sup>2</sup></b>										
Northwest		69		67			42		2,814	
West Central		17		16			44		710	
Southwest		84		80			49		3,920	
North Central		464		450			40		18,000	
Central		288		277			37		10,249	
South Central		352		339			39		13,221	
Northeast		736		718			37		26,566	
East Central		795		770			33		25,510	
Southeast		495		483			29		14,210	
<b>State</b>	<b>2,650</b>	<b>3,300</b>	<b>2,610</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>86,130</b>	<b>115,200</b>	<b>134</b>

<sup>1</sup> Production divided by harvested acres rounded to whole bushels. <sup>2</sup>District estimates for 2007 unavailable.

Robert White and Dan Kolterman  
Agricultural Statisticians

Eldon J. Thiessen, Director  
Eddie Wells, Deputy Director