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New Jersey's Corn Production Up 2 Percent from the October 1 Forecast

Note: Yield forecasts in this report are based on conditions around November 1 and do not reflect changes in conditions since that time.

- Corn production is forecast at 7.48 million bushels, up 2 percent from the October 1, 2005, forecast. Expected yield per harvested acre is 115 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from the previous month's forecast. The state record yield is 143 bushels per acre, set in 2004. The 10-year (1995-2004) state average yield is 101.9 bushels per acre. Area intended for harvest as grain is 65,000 acres, down 7,000 acres from last year.
- Soybean production is set at 2.88 million bushels, down 3 percent from the October 1, 2005, forecast. New Jersey soybean production in 2004 was 4.33 million bushels. The November 1, 2005, soybean yield is forecast at 31 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from the previous month's forecast. The 10-year average (1995-2004) is 31.3 bushels per acre. Harvested acreage is estimated at 93,000, down 10,000 acres from last year.

Corn and Soybeans: Acreage, Yield, and Production, New Jersey and United States 2004 and Forecasted November 1, 2005

| Crop | Acres for Harvest | | | Yield per Acre | | | Production | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 2004 | Oct 1 2005 Forecast | Nov 1 2005 Forecast | 2004 | Oct 1 2005 Forecast | Nov 1 2005 Forecast | 2004 | Oct 1 2005 Forecast | Nov 1 2005 Forecast |
| NEW JERSEY | <i>- Thousand Acres -</i> | | | <i>- Bushels -</i> | | | <i>- Thousand Bushels -</i> | | |
| Corn for grain | 72 | 65 | 65 | 143.0 | 113.0 | 115.0 | 10,296.0 | 7,345.0 | 7,475.0 |
| Soybeans | 103 | 93 | 93 | 42.0 | 32.0 | 31.0 | 4,326.0 | 2,976.0 | 2,883.0 |
| UNITED STATES | <i>- Thousand Acres -</i> | | | <i>- Bushels -</i> | | | <i>- Million Bushels -</i> | | |
| Corn for grain | 73,632 | 74,333 | 74,333 | 160.4 | 146.1 | 148.4 | 11,807.2 | 10,857.4 | 11,032.1 |
| Soybeans | 73,958 | 71,270 | 71,270 | 42.2 | 41.6 | 42.7 | 3,123.7 | 2,967.1 | 3,043.1 |

Note: The annual production estimates will be released January 12, 2006.

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