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## New Jersey Corn and Soybean Production Up From 2010

**Soybeans:** Production increased by 42 percent from 2.208 million bushels in 2010 to 3.128 million bushels in 2011. Yield is estimated at 37.0 bushels per acre, 13.0 bushels ahead of last year's 24.0. Acreage harvested was 86,000 acres, down 6,000 acres from 2010.

**Corn for Grain:** Production for 2011 was 9.963 million bushels, up 23 percent from 2010. There were 81,000 acres harvested for grain compared to 71,000 the previous year. The yield at 123.0 bushels per acre was up 9.0 bushels from 2010. **Corn for silage** production was 140,000 tons, up 13 percent from the previous year. The yield averaged 17.5 tons per acre, up 2.0 tons from 2010. Area cut for silage was 8,000 acres, unchanged from 2010.

**Hay: Alfalfa Hay** production was 64,000 tons, up 6,000 tons from 2010. The yield was 3.20 tons per acre, up 0.3 tons from the previous year. Harvested acreage was 20,000, unchanged from 2010. **Other Hay** acreage of 85,000 remained unchanged, while production of 162,000 tons was up by 12 percent from 2010. The yield was 1.90 tons per acre, an increase of 0.2 tons from 2010.

## U.S. Produces Less Corn and Soybean Crops in 2011

**Corn production** was 12.358 billion bushels, 1 percent below the 12.447 billion bushels in 2010. Corn yield in 2011 is estimated at 147.2 bushels an acre, 5.6 bushels below last year. Harvested area, at 84.0 million acres, is the second highest since 1944, behind 2007's 86.5 million acres. **Soybean** harvested acres reached 73.6 million in 2011. The average yield per acre was 41.5 bushels, 2.0 bushels below last year's record yield. Production totaled to 3.056 billion bushels, slightly below the production set in 2010.

## Acreage, Yield, and Production of Corn, Hay, and Soybeans

Crop	Unit	Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Thousand Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	71	81	114.0	123.0	8,094	9,963
Corn for Silage	Tons	8	8	15.5	17.5	124	140
Hay, All	Tons	105	105	1.93	2.15	203	226
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	20	20	2.90	3.20	58	64
Other Hay	Tons	85	85	1.70	1.90	145	162
Soybeans	Bu.	92	86	24.0	37.0	2,208	3,182
<b>UNITED STATES</b>		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Million Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	81,446	83,981	152.8	147.2	12,447	12,358
Corn for Silage	Tons	5,567	5,928	19.3	18.4	107.3	108.9
Hay, All	Tons	59,872	55,633	2.43	2.36	145.6	131.1
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	19,966	19,213	3.40	3.40	68.0	65.3
Other Hay	Tons	39,906	36,420	1.95	1.81	77.7	65.8
Soybeans	Bu.	76,610	73,636	43.5	41.5	3,329	3,056

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