

OHIO FARM REPORT



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OHIO'S 2005 AVERAGE SOYBEAN YIELD IS SECOND HIGHEST ON RECORD U.S. SOYBEAN SECOND HIGHEST ON RECORD

Ohio's average **soybean** yield for 2005 is estimated at 45 bushels per acre. This is the second highest State yield on record and only two bushels below the State record yield of 47 bushels per acre recorded in 2004. Growers harvested 4.48 million acres of soybeans in 2005 from the estimated 4.50 million acres planted. Total soybean production is estimated at 201.6 million bushels, down 3 percent from the 207.7 million bushels produced in 2004. Ohio's 2005 average **corn** yield is estimated at 143 bushels per acre. This is 15 bushels below the record-breaking yield of 2004. Producers harvested 3.25 million acres for grain this past year, compared to 3.11 million acres in 2004. Total State production of 464.8 million bushels is 5 percent below the previous year's production. Acreage harvested for silage is estimated at 160,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from the previous year. The average silage yield is estimated at 17.0 tons per acre.

Alfalfa yields averaged 3.60 tons of dry hay per acre in 2005, while all **Other hay** averaged 2.60 tons per acre. Production of **All hay** increased 12 percent from 2004 to 3.63 million tons. **Burley Tobacco** production for 2005 is estimated at 6.73 million pounds, a decrease of 39 percent from 2004, with an average yield of 1,980 pounds per acre. The decrease in State production is due to an estimated 2,200 acre decrease in harvested acreage from the previous year. This was mainly due to the elimination of the Federal Tobacco program. Ohio's **Potato** production in 2005 is estimated at 864,000 cwt., a decrease of 20 percent from 2004. Harvested potato acreage is estimated at 3,600, unchanged

from 2004. The average yield at 240 cwt. per acre is down 60 cwt. from 2004. Ohio's **winter wheat** acreage for 2006 is estimated at 990,000, this is up 130,000 acres from the previous crop year.

U.S. corn for grain production is estimated at 11.1 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the November forecast but down 6 percent from the 11.8 billion bushels produced in 2004. The average U.S. grain yield is estimated at 147.9 bushels per acre, down 0.5 bushel from the November forecast and down 12.5 bushels from 2004. The 2005 production and yield estimates are the second largest on record, behind last year. Area harvested for grain, at 75.1 million acres, is up 2 percent from 2004. **U.S. soybean** production in 2005 totaled 3.09 billion bushels, the second largest U.S. soybean crop on record. This is up 1 percent from the November forecast but 1 percent below the record-setting 2004 crop. The average yield per acre is estimated at a record high 43.3 bushels, 0.6 bushel above the November forecast and 1.1 bushels above the 2004 final yield. Harvested area is down 4 percent from 2004, to 71.4 million acres. **U.S. production of all dry hay** for 2005 is estimated at 151 million tons, down 1 percent from the October 1 forecast and down 5 percent from the 2004 total. Area harvested, at 61.6 million acres, is down slightly from the October forecast and down less than 1 percent from 2004. The average yield, at 2.44 tons per acre, is down 0.04 ton from October and down 0.11 ton from the previous year.

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF CROP PRODUCTION, OHIO AND UNITED STATES 2004-2005

5Crop	Acres planted 2005	Ohio			U.S.			Unit	Ohio			U.S.		
		Acres Harvested			Yield per acre				Production			Production		
		2004	2005	2005	2004	2005	2005		2004	2005	2005	2004	2005	2005
		Thousand							Thousand					
Corn for Grain 1/	3,450	3,110	3,250	75,107	158.0	143.0	147.9	Bu.	491,380	464,750	11,112,072			
Corn for Silage	-	190	160	5,920	17.0	17.0	18.0	Ton	3,230	2,720	106,311			
All Wheat	860	890	830	50,119	62.0	71.0	42.0	Bu.	55,180	58,930	2,104,690			
Soybeans	4,500	4,420	4,480	71,361	47.0	45.0	43.3	Bu.	207,740	201,600	3,086,432			
Oats	80	50	60	1,823	63.0	60.0	63.0	Bu.	3,150	3,600	114,878			
Potatoes 2/	3.7	3.6	3.6	1,084.6	300	240	388	Cwt.	1,080	864	420,879			
Sugar Beets 4/	-	1.7	-	1,238.9	21.8	-	22.3	Ton	37	-	27,654			
Tobacco-Burley 3/	-	5.6	3.4	298.0	1,960	1,980	2,147	Lb.	10,976	6,732	639,709			
All Hay	-	1,190	1,200	61,649	2.72	3.03	2.44	Ton	3,232	3,630	150,590			
Alfalfa Hay	-	470	510	22,389	3.20	3.60	3.38	Ton	1,504	1,836	75,771			
All Other Hay	-	720	690	39,260	2.40	2.60	1.91	Ton	1,728	1,794	74,819			

1/ Corn planted is for all purposes. 2/ U.S. total includes all seasons. 3/ U.S. total includes all types. 4/ No acreage reported in 2005.

Year	Corn Planted	Soybean Planted	Wheat Harvested	Oats Harvested	All Hay Harvested	5 crop total
Thousand						
2005	3,450	4,500	830	60	1,200	10,040
2004	3,350	4,450	890	50	1,190	9,930
2003	3,300	4,300	1,000	60	1,350	10,010
2002	3,250	4,750	810	55	1,320	10,185
2001	3,400	4,600	900	85	1,390	10,375
2000	3,550	4,450	1,110	90	1,280	10,480
1999	3,450	4,600	1,030	100	1,240	10,420
1998	3,550	4,400	1,160	100	1,160	10,370
1997	3,800	4,350	1,090	90	1,250	10,580
1996	3,000	4,500	1,330	90	1,200	10,120
1995	3,300	4,050	1,210	100	1,250	9,910
1994	3,700	4,000	1,180	120	1,280	10,280
1993	3,500	4,150	1,010	150	1,250	10,060
1992	3,800	3,750	1,115	170	1,300	10,135
1991	3,700	3,800	1,080	170	1,300	10,050

**OHIO WINTER WHEAT ACREAGE UP 15 PERCENT FROM 2005
U.S. ACREAGE UP 2 PERCENT**

Ohio wheat growers seeded 990,000 acres of soft red winter wheat this past fall, up 15 percent from the previous crop year. The U.S. winter wheat seeded area for 2006 is expected to total

41.4 million acres, up 2 percent from 2005. Approximate class acreage breakdowns are: Hard Red Winter, 29.9 million; Soft Red Winter, 7.3 million; and White Winter, 4.2 million.

WINTER WHEAT

Crop	Acres planted 1/			
	OHIO		U.S.	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
	1,000 acres			
Winter Wheat	860	990	40,433	41,367

1/ Total area for all purposes.

JANUARY U.S. SUPPLY AND DEMAND 1/

	Corn		Wheat		Soybeans	
	2004/05	2005/06	2004/05	2005/06	2004/05	2005/06
Million Bushels						
Beginning Stocks	958	2,114	546	540	112	256
Production	11,807	11,112	2,158	2,105	3,124	3,086
Imports	11	10	71	85	6	4
Total	12,776	13,236	2,775	2,730	3,242	3,346
Domestic Use	8,848	8,960	1,172	1,188	1,883	1,891
Exports	1,814	1,850	1,063	1,000	1,103	950
Total Use	10,662	10,810	2,235	2,188	2,986	2,841
Ending Stocks, Total	2,114	2,426	540	542	256	505
CCC Inventory	1	1	54	40	-	-
Free Stocks	2,113	2,425	486	502	-	-
Average Price (\$bu.)	2.06	1.75-2.05	3.40	3.25-3.50	5.74	5.10-5.80

1/ From World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates, ERS, FAS, USDA.

**OHIO CORN STOCKS DOWN,
SOYBEAN STOCKS AND WHEAT UP FROM PREVIOUS YEAR**

Corn stocks in all positions in Ohio on December 1, 2005 totaled 403.9 million bushels, 4 percent below the 422.0 million bushels stored on December 1, 2004. On-farm stocks, at 255.0 million bushels decreased 7 percent from the 275.0 million bushels on December 1, 2004. On farm stocks account for 63 percent of the total stored. Off-farm stocks increased 1 percent from a year ago to 149.0 million bushels.

Soybean stocks in all positions in Ohio totaled 156.8 million bushels on December 1, 2005 up 4 percent from the previous December. Off-farm storage accounted for 38 percent of total storage, same as December last year. Off-farm stocks at 59.8 million bushels are 5 percent above the 56.8 million bushels on hand December 1, 2004. On farm stocks at 97.0 million bushels are up 3 percent from the 94.0 million bushels stored on farms at the same time last year.

All wheat stored in Ohio as of December 1, 2005 totaled 66.5 million bushels, up 18 percent from 2004. Off-farm stocks, at 63.9 million bushels, are up 16 percent from last year and account for 96 percent of total stocks. Off-farm stocks were up 100 percent from December 1, 2004.

U.S. corn stocks in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled

9.81 billion bushels, up 4 percent from December 1, 2004. Of the total stocks, 6.33 billion bushels are stored on farms, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.49 billion bushels, are up 5 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 3.41 billion bushels, compared with 3.31 billion bushels during the same period last year.

U.S. soybeans stored in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 2.50 billion bushels, up 9 percent from December 1, 2004. Soybean stocks stored on farms totaled 1.35 billion bushels, up 3 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.16 billion bushels, are up 15 percent from last December. Indicated disappearance for September - November 2005 totaled 840 million bushels, down 10 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U.S. wheat stored in all positions on December 1, 2005 totaled 1.43 billion bushels, down slightly from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 513 million bushels, down 3 percent from last December. Off-farm stocks, at 917 million bushels, are up 2 percent from a year ago. The September - November 2005 indicated disappearance is 494 million bushels, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

GRAIN STOCKS, HAY STOCKS, AND STORAGE CAPACITY DECEMBER 1, 2005 WITH COMPARISONS 1/ 2/

Crop and Position		OHIO			UNITED STATES		
		Dec. 2004	Sept. 2005	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2004	Sept. 2005	Dec. 2005
Thousand Bushels							
Corn	On-farm	275,000	22,000	255,000	6,144,000	820,500	6,325,000
	Off-farm	146,951	53,077	148,923	3,308,488	1,293,472	3,487,835
	Total	421,951	75,077	403,923	9,452,488	2,113,972	9,812,835
Soybeans	On-farm	94,000	3,700	97,000	1,300,000	99,700	1,345,000
	Off-farm	56,832	5,894	59,752	1,004,640	156,038	1,157,389
	Total	150,832	9,594	156,752	2,304,640	255,738	2,502,389
All Wheat	On-farm	1,300	4,500	2,600	531,020	721,360	513,000
	Off-farm	55,022	70,268	63,906	899,306	1,201,931	916,531
	Total	56,322	74,768	66,506	1,430,326	1,923,291	1,429,531
Oats	On-farm	3/	3/	3/	60,400	71,700	60,100
	Off-farm	1,811	2,267	2,439	44,513	41,803	35,635
	Total	3/	3/	3/	104,913	113,503	95,735
May 1							
Hay	On-farm	2,250	420	(Thousand Tons)	114,516	27,758	105,056
				2,360			
Thousand Bushels							
Storage Capacity	On-farm	420,000		430,000	11,210,000		11,355,000
	Off-farm	357,230		360,750	8,521,156		8,530,179
	Total	777,230		790,750	19,731,156		19,885,179

1/ Off-farm stocks include stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. 2/ Hay stocks, Dec. 1 and May 1. 3/ Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

OHIO GRAIN AND OILSEED PRICES UP IN DECEMBER

The December winter wheat price in Ohio of \$2.88 per bushel is up nine cents from November and 11 cents higher than the December 2004 average price of \$2.77. Ohio's December corn price of \$1.87 is up 18 cents from November, but eight cents below the previous December price of \$1.95 per bushel. The State's December soybean price of \$5.75 is up 20 cents from November, and 36 cents above what was received at the same time last year. The alfalfa hay price in December of \$141.00 per ton is up \$8.00 from November and \$13.00 per ton higher than the price received one year ago. Other hay at \$84.00 per ton is down \$5.00 per ton from November but is \$31.00 above the price received last year at this time. Ohio's December apple price of 34.5 cents per pound is up two cents from the previous month.

Ohio's December hog price of \$45.10 per cwt., is up \$2.10 per cwt. from November but down \$5.60 from the previous December price of \$50.70. The December sow price of \$39.00 per cwt. is up \$1.20 per cwt. from November, but \$5.50 per cwt. less than was received at the same time last year. The December barrow and gilt price of \$45.50 per cwt. is up \$2.20 per cwt. from the previous month, but \$5.70 lower than was received in December 2004. Beef cattle prices in Ohio averaged \$85.60 per cwt. in December, down \$1.70 per cwt. from November but \$9.80 per cwt. higher than the previous December. The steer and heifer price of \$90.00 per cwt. declined \$2.20 from November but is \$10.60

higher than in December of 2004. The December cow price of \$46.00 per cwt. is up \$3.10 from November, and \$2.40 higher than at the same time last year. Calves, at \$115.00 per cwt. are down \$3.00 per cwt. from the previous month, but \$12.00 per cwt. higher than they were a year ago. The December milk price of \$15.40 per cwt. is down 60 cents per cwt. from November and \$1.80 lower than the December 2004 price of \$17.20 per cwt. The December egg price of 60 cents per dozen is up ten cents from November, and seven cents higher than the December 2004 price of 53 cents per dozen. The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in December, at 114, based on 1990-92=100, increased 1 point (0.9 percent) from November. The Crop Index is up 4 points (3.8 percent) but the Livestock Index decreased 2 points (1.7 percent). Producers received higher commodity prices for tomatoes, corn, strawberries, and lettuce. Lower prices were received for oranges, broilers, dairy, and grapes. The overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased average marketings of dairy, wheat, oranges, and broilers offset decreased marketings of cattle, soybeans, grapes, and corn. Preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 3 points (2.7 percent) from December 2004. The Food Commodities Index, at 120, was unchanged from last month but increased 3 points (2.6 percent) from December 2004.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES, OHIO AND UNITED STATES, DECEMBER 2005 WITH COMPARISONS

Commodity 1/	Unit	Ohio			U.S.
		Dec. 2004	Nov. 2005	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2005
Winter Wheat	Bu \$	2.77	2.79	2.88	3.30
Corn	Bu \$	1.95	1.69	1.87	1.88
Soybeans	Bu \$	5.39	5.55	5.75	5.71
Oats	Bu \$	6/	6/	5/	1.73
All Hay 2/	Ton \$	96.00	113.00	116.00	92.00
Alfalfa Hay	Ton \$	128.00	133.00	141.00	97.70
Other Hay	Ton \$	53.00	89.00	84.00	78.00
Potatoes	Cwt \$	7.10	7/	7/	6.60
Apples	Lb \$	0.315	0.325	0.345	0.265
Hogs	Cwt \$	50.70	43.00	45.10	45.50
Sows	Cwt \$	44.50	37.80	39.00	38.20
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt \$	51.20	43.30	45.50	45.80
All Beef	Cwt \$	75.80	87.30	85.60	92.70
Cows	Cwt \$	43.60	42.90	46.00	46.60
Steers & Heifers	Cwt \$	79.40	92.20	90.00	99.10
Calves	Cwt \$	103.00	118.00	115.00	135.00
Sheep	Cwt \$	42.80	49.40	-	-
Lambs	Cwt \$	96.60	101.00	-	-
Milk Sold to Plants	Cwt \$	17.20	16.00	15.40	14.70
Milk for Fluid Use	Cwt \$	17.20	16.10	-	14.80
Milk of Mfg. Grade	Cwt \$	16.50	14.00	-	14.40
Eggs 3/	Doz \$	0.530	0.500	0.600	0.564
FEED PRICE RATIOS					
Hog-corn Ratio 4/		26.0	25.4	24.1	24.2

1/ Monthly average except for current month. Current month is mid-month price. 2/ Mid-month price for all months. 3/ Fresh market (table) eggs. 4/ Bushels of corn equal in value to 100 pounds of hogs live weight. 5/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 6/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms. 7/ Estimates discontinued in 2005.

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