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New Jersey's Corn for Grain Production Up 49 Percent from Previous Year

- ✦ **Corn for grain** production is estimated at 10.3 million bushels, up 49 percent from last year's crop. Yield is estimated at a record high 143 bushels per acre, 30 bushels above the 2003 yield. The 10-year (1994-2003) state average yield is 99.5 bushels per harvested acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 72,000 acres, up 18 percent from last year.
- ✦ **Corn for silage** production is estimated at 260,000 tons, down 4 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 20 tons per acre, up 5 tons per acre from 2003. Acreage cut for silage is estimated at 13,000 acres, down 28 percent from last year.
- ✦ **Alfalfa Hay** production is estimated at 111,000 tons, up 6 percent from 2003. Yield is estimated at 3.70 tons per acre, up 0.20 ton from 2003. Harvested acreage was unchanged at 30,000 acres in 2004.
- ✦ **Other Hay** production is estimated at 171,000 tons, up 6 percent from 2003. Yield is estimated at 1.90 tons per acre, up 0.10 ton from 2003. Harvested acreage remains unchanged at 90,000 acres.
- ✦ **Soybean** production increased from 2.99 million bushels in 2003 to 4.33 million bushels in 2004, up 45 percent. Yield is estimated at a record high 42 bushels per acre, up 8 bushels from last year. The 10-year average yield is 30.6 bushels per harvested acre. Area harvested for beans is estimated at 103,000 acres, up 17 percent from last year.

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

Crop	Unit	Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
NEW JERSEY		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Thousand Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	61	72	113.0	143.0	6,893.0	10,296.0
Corn for Silage	Tons	18	13	15.0	20.0	270.0	260.0
Hay, All	Tons	120	120	2.23	2.35	267.0	282.0
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	30	30	3.50	3.70	105.0	111.0
Other Hay	Tons	90	90	1.80	1.90	162.0	171.0
Soybeans	Bu.	88	103	34.0	42.0	2,992.0	4,326.0
UNITED STATES		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Million Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	70,944	73,632	142.2	160.4	10,089.2	11,807.2
Corn for Silage	Tons	6,583	6,103	16.3	17.6	107.4	107.3
Hay, All	Tons	63,383	61,916	2.49	2.55	157.6	157.8
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	23,529	21,707	3.24	3.47	76.3	75.4
Other Hay	Tons	39,854	40,209	2.04	2.05	81.3	82.4
Soybeans	Bu.	72,476	73,958	33.9	42.5	2,453.7	3,141.0

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