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**NEW JERSEY'S CORN CROP DOWN SEVEN PERCENT**

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

- **Corn** production is forecast at 6.9 million bushels, a decrease of 7 percent from last year. Producers expect 92 bushels per acre for the 2002 crop. The state record yield is 134 set in 2000. Area intended for harvest as grain is 75,000 acres, up 9,000 from last year. The 10-year (1992-2001) state average yield is 104 bushels per acre.
- **Soybean** yield is forecast at 30 bushels per acre, down one bushel, from previous year. The state record yield is 40 set in 2000. Production is expected to total 2.6 million bushels, down 16 percent from 2001. The 10-year average yield is 31 bushels.

**Acres, Yield, and Production of Principal Crops, August 1**

Crop	Unit	Acres Planted		Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2001	Indicated 2002	2001	Indicated 2002	2001	Indicated 2002	2001	Indicated 2002
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>		- Thousand -				- Units -		- Thousand Units -	
Apples <sup>1/</sup>	Lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	55	40
Corn for grain	Bu.	80	90	66	75	112.0	92.0	7,392	6,900
Peaches <sup>1/</sup>	Lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	75	65
Soybeans	Bu.	103	90	101	88	31.0	30.0	3,131	2,640
<b>UNITED STATES</b>		- Thousand -				- Units -		- Million Units -	
Apples <sup>1/</sup>	Lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,629	9,206
Corn for grain	Bu.	75,752	78,847	68,808	71,001	138.2	125.2	9,506,840	8,886,009
Peaches <sup>1/</sup>	Lb.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,441	2,532
Soybeans	Bu.	74,105	73,043	73,000	72,029	36.9	36.5	2,890,572	2,628,387

<sup>1/</sup> Total production.

**NOTE: THE NEXT CROP PRODUCTION FORECAST WILL BE RELEASED SEPTEMBER 12, 2002.**

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