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Iowa farmers intend to plant 12.8 million acres of **corn** for all purposes in 2024 according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Prospective Plantings* report. This is down 300,000 acres from 2023.

Producers intend to plant 10.2 million acres of **soybeans** in Iowa this year. This is up 250,000 acres from 2023.

Iowa farmers intend to plant 145,000 acres of **oats** for all purposes. This is down 45,000 acres from last year.

Farmers in Iowa expect to harvest 1.0 million acres of **all dry hay** for the 2024 crop year. This is 10,000 acres below last year.

The Prospective Plantings report provides the first official, survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' 2024 planting intentions. NASS's acreage estimates are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March from a sample of approximately 71,800 farm operators across the United States with more than 2,600 from Iowa. Actual plantings will depend upon weather, economic conditions and the availability of production inputs at the time producers make their final planting decisions.

Area Planted – Iowa and United States: 2022-2024

Crop	Iowa				United States			
	2022	2023	2024 ¹	'24 as % of '23	2022	2023	2024 ¹	'24 as % of '23
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(percent)
Corn, all	12,900	13,100	12,800	98	88,162	94,641	90,036	95
Hay, all ²	1,170	1,010	1,000	99	48,711	52,821	51,562	98
Oats ³	130	190	145	76	2,582	2,555	2,318	91
Soybeans	10,100	9,950	10,200	103	87,450	83,600	86,510	103

¹ Intended plantings in 2024 as indicated by reports from farmers.

² Intended area harvested.

³ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

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Corn planted area for all purposes in 2024 is estimated at 90.0 million acres, down 5 percent or 4.61 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 38 of the 48 estimating States.

Soybean planted area for 2024 is estimated at 86.5 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 24 of the 29 estimating States.

All wheat planted area for 2024 is estimated at 47.5 million acres, down 4 percent from 2023 for comparable States. The 2024 winter wheat planted area, at 34.1 million acres, is down 7 percent from last year and down 1 percent from the previous estimate for comparable States. Of this total, about 24.3 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 6.26 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.59 million acres are White Winter. Area expected to be planted to other spring wheat for 2024 is estimated at 11.3 million acres, up 1 percent from 2023. Of this total, about 10.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2024 is expected to total 2.03 million acres, up 22 percent from the previous year for comparable States.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.

Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage - United States

