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This publication is the result of a joint effort by Statistics Canada and USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to publish potato production for both countries in one report. United States 2015 fall potato production was released January 12, 2016 and Canadian production was released January 22, 2016.

The 2015 fall potato production for the United States and Canada combined is estimated at 510 million cwt, up 1 percent from 2014. The United States fall potato production is estimated at 405 million cwt, up slightly from last year. Canada's potato growers harvested 105 million cwt, up 5 percent from 2014.

Fall Potatoes: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value, United States, 2006-2015

[Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

| Crop year | Area Planted (1,000 acres) | Area Harvested (1,000 acres) | Yield per Acre (cwt) | Total Production (1,000 cwt) | Utilized Production 1/ (1,000 cwt) | Price per cwt (dollars) | Value of Sales 2/ (1,000 dollars) |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2006 | 995.7 | 984.0 | 406 | 399,176 | 370,797 | 6.67 | 2,448,546 |
| 2007 | 1,007.8 | 993.2 | 410 | 406,800 | 378,518 | 7.04 | 2,636,885 |
| 2008 | 931.1 | 922.0 | 411 | 378,588 | 353,635 | 8.49 | 2,967,871 |
| 2009 | 936.7 | 917.2 | 429 | 393,544 | 365,559 | 7.62 | 2,751,550 |
| 2010 | 895.3 | 882.7 | 416 | 366,781 | 343,386 | 8.79 | 2,984,771 |
| 2011 | 959.2 | 941.0 | 416 | 391,570 | 364,845 | 8.87 | 3,201,310 |
| 2012 | 1,007.8 | 994.9 | 422 | 420,030 | 392,275 | 8.05 | 3,131,956 |
| 2013 | 939.3 | 930.5 | 425 | 395,275 | 370,975 | 9.05 | 3,320,712 |
| 2014 | 938.4 | 931.1 | 434 | 403,703 | 377,762 | 8.35 | 3,113,990 |
| 2015 | 944.6 | 937.7 | 431 | 404,513 | | | |

1. Includes potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed. 2. Includes value of potatoes sold.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Potatoes: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value, Canada, 2006-2015

[Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun.]

| Crop year | Area Planted (1,000 acres) | Area Harvested (1,000 acres) | Yield per Acre (cwt) | Total Production (1,000 cwt) | Utilized Production 1/ (1,000 cwt) | Price per cwt 2/ (dollars) | Value of Sales 2/ 3/ (1,000 dollars) |
|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 2006 | 401.9 | 391.0 | 287.1 | 112,241 | 107,926 | 7.64 | 824,897 |
| 2007 | 399.2 | 395.2 | 278.3 | 109,982 | 106,510 | 8.94 | 952,719 |
| 2008 | 379.9 | 373.4 | 277.3 | 103,560 | 99,950 | 10.13 | 1,012,381 |
| 2009 | 369.9 | 359.7 | 280.4 | 100,859 | 96,812 | 10.78 | 1,043,196 |
| 2010 | 357.0 | 344.0 | 282.4 | 97,153 | 93,355 | 11.68 | 1,090,680 |
| 2011 | 360.5 | 348.8 | 264.8 | 92,372 | 89,085 | 12.10 | 1,086,795 |
| 2012 | 373.2 | 367.1 | 274.4 | 100,741 | 94,578 | 11.84 | 1,120,019 |
| 2013 | 356.1 | 351.8 | 291.0 | 102,383 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 2014 | 346.8 | 342.4 | 293.9 | 100,654 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 2015 | 348.8 | 343.4 | 306.8 | 105,382 | | | |

(NA) Not available. 1. Includes potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed. 2. Converted to United States dollars. 3. Includes value of potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed.

Source: Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada

ROW CROPS COUNTY ESTIMATES

In 2015, 56 counties produced record high soybean yields. Five counties produced over 10 million bushels of soybeans, led by Renville with 11.9 million bushels. Redwood (11.4 million), Faribault (10.2 million), Polk (10.1 million), and Blue Earth (10.1 million) also topped 10 million bushels.

Three districts averaged over 55 bushels per acre, led by the South Central District, where yields averaged 59.2 bushels per acre. The Southeast District (57.1) and the Southwest District (55.3) also topped 55 bushels per acre. The 3 northern districts averaged less than 40 bushels per acre. Producers in the Northwest District averaged just 35.5 bushels per acre. Statewide, 5 counties averaged over 60 bushels per acre, with Martin County recording the highest yield in the State, at 61.7 bushels per acre. Faribault (61.3), Dodge (60.6), Nicollet (60.1) and Waseca (60.1) also topped 60 bushels per acre.

Soybeans for Beans: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production, Minnesota by County, 2015

[Some county/district data does not meet publication standards. However, this unpublished data is included in "other counties/other districts".]

| County and District | Area Planted | Area Harvested | Yield | Production | County and District | Area Planted | Area Harvested | Yield | Production |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| | (acres) | (acres) | (bushels) | (bushels) | | (acres) | (acres) | (bushels) | (bushels) |
| Clay | 182,000 | 181,000 | 40.6 | 7,345,000 | Cottonwood | 158,500 | 157,600 | 56.8 | 8,944,000 |
| Kittson | 132,000 | 131,300 | 31.8 | 4,175,000 | Jackson | 168,500 | 167,500 | 56.7 | 9,493,000 |
| Mahnomen | 64,000 | 63,600 | 37.2 | 2,365,000 | Lyon | 163,500 | 162,500 | 54.7 | 8,888,000 |
| Marshall | 250,000 | 247,500 | 32.4 | 8,030,000 | Murray | 165,500 | 164,500 | 55.4 | 9,117,000 |
| Norman | 185,000 | 184,000 | 40.0 | 7,353,000 | Nobles | 174,000 | 173,000 | 57.1 | 9,875,000 |
| Pennington | 120,000 | 119,400 | 35.2 | 4,207,000 | Redwood | 211,000 | 209,500 | 54.5 | 11,422,000 |
| Polk | 285,500 | 284,000 | 35.6 | 10,116,000 | Rock | 107,500 | 106,600 | 58.2 | 6,202,000 |
| Red Lake | 83,300 | 82,900 | 35.5 | 2,942,000 | Other Counties . | 193,500 | 191,800 | 50.9 | 9,763,000 |
| Roseau | 144,500 | 143,200 | 30.9 | 4,422,000 | Southwest | 1,342,000 | 1,333,000 | 55.3 | 73,704,000 |
| Other Counties . | 97,700 | 97,100 | 35.8 | 3,480,000 | Blue Earth | 169,500 | 168,400 | 59.8 | 10,074,000 |
| Northwest | 1,544,000 | 1,534,000 | 35.5 | 54,435,000 | Brown | 129,500 | 128,400 | 56.5 | 7,258,000 |
| Big Stone | 116,000 | 115,500 | 46.9 | 5,422,000 | Faribault | 168,000 | 167,100 | 61.3 | 10,239,000 |
| Chippewa | 107,500 | 107,100 | 50.3 | 5,388,000 | Freeborn | 150,000 | 149,200 | 58.6 | 8,750,000 |
| Douglas | 68,900 | 68,600 | 47.4 | 3,254,000 | Le Sueur | 93,200 | 92,700 | 56.2 | 5,213,000 |
| Grant | 122,500 | 121,900 | 47.4 | 5,776,000 | Martin | 158,500 | 157,600 | 61.7 | 9,728,000 |
| Lac Qui Parle | 181,000 | 177,500 | 50.5 | 8,969,000 | Nicollet | 82,200 | 81,700 | 60.1 | 4,910,000 |
| Otter Tail | 154,000 | 152,900 | 43.9 | 6,708,000 | Rice | 69,500 | 68,900 | 56.8 | 3,914,000 |
| Pope | 84,600 | 83,900 | 49.5 | 4,154,000 | Steele | 78,800 | 78,300 | 58.0 | 4,544,000 |
| Stevens | 112,000 | 111,600 | 47.3 | 5,284,000 | Waseca | 83,300 | 82,800 | 60.1 | 4,978,000 |
| Swift | 138,000 | 137,500 | 49.6 | 6,823,000 | Watsonwan | 103,500 | 102,900 | 59.0 | 6,075,000 |
| Traverse | 155,500 | 154,900 | 45.6 | 7,066,000 | South Central .. | 1,286,000 | 1,278,000 | 59.2 | 75,683,000 |
| Wilkin | 164,500 | 163,800 | 40.2 | 6,584,000 | Dakota | 47,800 | 47,300 | 53.9 | 2,550,000 |
| Yellow Medicine | 176,500 | 175,800 | 53.1 | 9,340,000 | Dodge | 93,800 | 93,100 | 60.6 | 5,640,000 |
| West Central | 1,581,000 | 1,571,000 | 47.6 | 74,768,000 | Fillmore | 95,000 | 94,300 | 56.3 | 5,310,000 |
| Benton | 33,100 | 32,900 | 47.3 | 1,557,000 | Goodhue | 95,500 | 94,800 | 58.1 | 5,511,000 |
| Carver | 42,600 | 42,200 | 58.5 | 2,468,000 | Mower | 161,500 | 160,400 | 58.2 | 9,343,000 |
| Kandiyohi | 104,000 | 103,400 | 54.0 | 5,581,000 | Olmsted | 77,500 | 77,000 | 54.5 | 4,198,000 |
| Mcleod | 83,900 | 83,200 | 52.5 | 4,366,000 | Winona | 31,200 | 30,900 | 55.9 | 1,728,000 |
| Meeker | 94,100 | 93,500 | 51.0 | 4,764,000 | Other Counties . | 70,700 | 70,200 | 55.4 | 3,890,000 |
| Morrison | 29,400 | 29,200 | 51.0 | 1,488,000 | Southeast | 673,000 | 668,000 | 57.1 | 38,170,000 |
| Renville | 216,000 | 215,000 | 55.3 | 11,881,000 | Other Districts. | 52,000 | 51,600 | 37.3 | 1,927,000 |
| Scott | 27,300 | 27,100 | 57.9 | 1,568,000 | State Total | 7,600,000 | 7,550,000 | 50.0 | 377,500,000 |
| Sibley | 113,000 | 112,400 | 55.7 | 6,258,000 | | | | | |
| Stearns | 95,100 | 94,600 | 52.4 | 4,959,000 | | | | | |
| Todd | 47,500 | 47,200 | 47.8 | 2,256,000 | | | | | |
| Wright | 69,500 | 69,100 | 55.6 | 3,840,000 | | | | | |
| Other Counties . | 24,500 | 24,200 | 49.2 | 1,191,000 | | | | | |
| Central | 980,000 | 974,000 | 53.6 | 52,177,000 | | | | | |
| Aitkin | 6,100 | 6,000 | 32.0 | 192,000 | | | | | |
| Anoka | 4,100 | 4,000 | 42.5 | 170,000 | | | | | |
| Chisago | 26,100 | 25,400 | 45.8 | 1,164,000 | | | | | |
| Hennepin | 14,900 | 14,800 | 54.8 | 811,000 | | | | | |
| Isanti | 26,600 | 26,500 | 43.8 | 1,161,000 | | | | | |
| Mille Lacs | 17,300 | 17,200 | 48.3 | 830,000 | | | | | |
| Pine | 16,300 | 16,200 | 49.1 | 795,000 | | | | | |
| Washington | 14,000 | 13,900 | 53.6 | 745,000 | | | | | |
| Other Counties . | 16,600 | 16,400 | 46.8 | 768,000 | | | | | |
| East Central | 142,000 | 140,400 | 47.3 | 6,636,000 | | | | | |

The South Central District in Minnesota was the largest corn producing district in Minnesota in 2015 with 321 million bushels. Renville County was the largest corn producing county with 51.6 million bushels. Redwood, Martin, Faribault, and Nobles rounded out the top five.

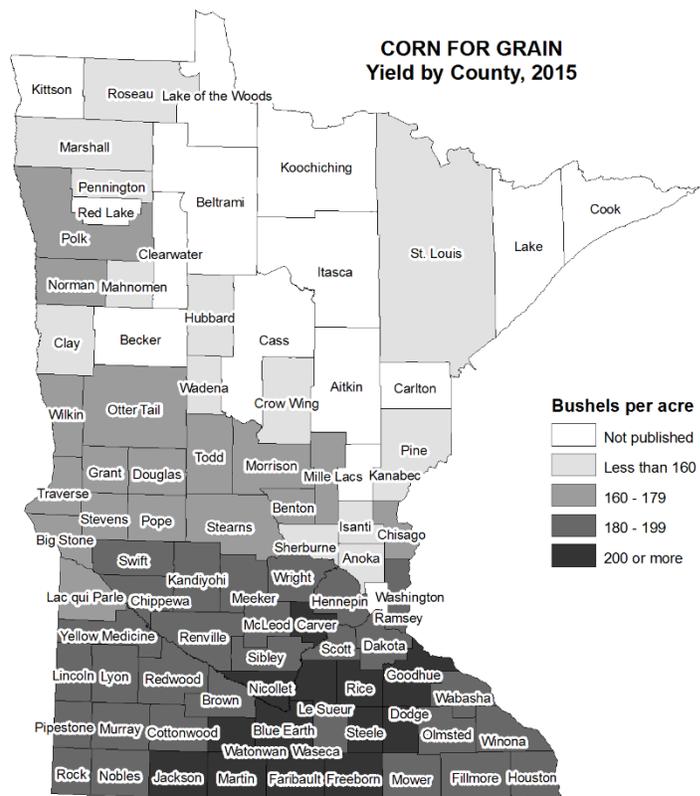
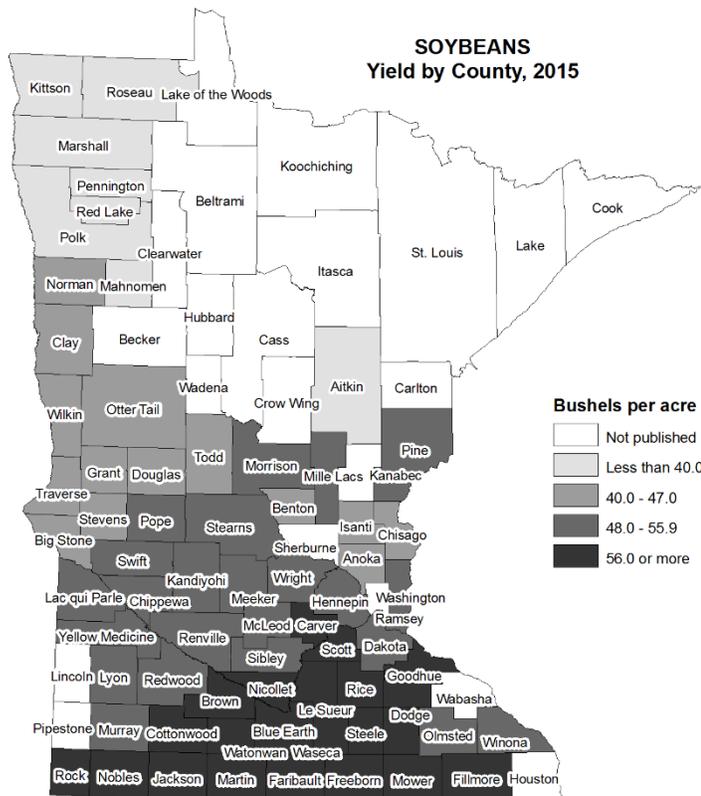
Faribault led all counties with a county-wide average yield of 207.4 bushels per acre. Nicollet (206.8), Watonwan (206.1), Dodge (204.0), and Martin (203.4) Counties rounded out the top five. Thirteen counties surpassed the 200 bushel per acre yield mark.

Corn: Area Planted For All Purposes, Area Harvested for Grain, Yield and Production, Minnesota by County, 2015

[Some county/district data does not meet publication standards. However, this unpublished data is included in "other counties/other districts".]

| County and District | Area Planted for all Purposes | Area Harvested for Grain | Yield | Production | County and District | Area Planted for all Purposes | Area Harvested for Grain | Yield | Production |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | (acres) | (acres) | (bushels) | (bushels) | | (acres) | (acres) | (bushels) | (bushels) |
| Clay | 119,500 | 116,300 | 156.5 | 18,197,000 | Anoka | 7,500 | 7,410 | 132.1 | 979,000 |
| Mahnomen | 37,200 | 36,200 | 146.6 | 5,307,000 | Chisago | 28,000 | 24,400 | 173.1 | 4,224,000 |
| Marshall | 35,100 | 33,700 | 141.2 | 4,757,000 | Crow Wing..... | 10,400 | 8,450 | 114.9 | 971,000 |
| Norman | 86,400 | 85,500 | 161.3 | 13,791,000 | Hennepin | 13,800 | 13,100 | 198.5 | 2,601,000 |
| Pennington..... | 11,500 | 11,300 | 130.9 | 1,479,000 | Isanti | 33,800 | 33,300 | 157.7 | 5,250,000 |
| Polk | 67,700 | 66,800 | 160.7 | 10,734,000 | Mille Lacs | 22,000 | 19,300 | 171.4 | 3,308,000 |
| Roseau | 11,500 | 7,300 | 122.7 | 896,000 | Pine | 20,100 | 13,300 | 158.3 | 2,106,000 |
| Other counties . | 92,100 | 69,400 | 149.5 | 10,373,000 | Washington | 18,700 | 17,900 | 192.6 | 3,448,000 |
| Northwest | 461,000 | 426,500 | 153.7 | 65,534,000 | Other counties . | 16,700 | 14,540 | 157.4 | 2,288,000 |
| Hubbard | 8,400 | 6,530 | 154.7 | 1,010,000 | East Central ... | 171,000 | 151,700 | 166.0 | 25,175,000 |
| Other counties . | 15,100 | 10,070 | 149.9 | 1,509,000 | Cottonwood | 183,500 | 180,200 | 199.5 | 35,956,000 |
| North Central .. | 23,500 | 16,600 | 151.7 | 2,519,000 | Jackson | 187,000 | 184,300 | 200.9 | 37,032,000 |
| St. Louis | 500 | 200 | 115.0 | 23,000 | Lincoln | 117,500 | 113,500 | 180.7 | 20,507,000 |
| Other counties . | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | Lyon | 186,000 | 179,600 | 193.3 | 34,716,000 |
| Northeast | 500 | 200 | 115.0 | 23,000 | Murray | 186,500 | 181,800 | 199.5 | 36,261,000 |
| Big Stone | 92,600 | 90,800 | 173.7 | 15,773,000 | Nobles | 218,500 | 202,500 | 193.5 | 39,187,000 |
| Chippewa | 146,500 | 143,800 | 193.5 | 27,826,000 | Pipestone | 113,000 | 91,400 | 191.9 | 17,536,000 |
| Douglas | 61,900 | 56,300 | 177.8 | 10,010,000 | Redwood | 234,000 | 229,000 | 197.6 | 45,246,000 |
| Grant | 120,000 | 117,900 | 176.0 | 20,751,000 | Rock | 146,000 | 136,700 | 198.8 | 27,171,000 |
| Lac Qui Parle ... | 175,500 | 169,000 | 175.2 | 29,602,000 | Southwest | 1,572,000 | 1,499,000 | 195.9 | 293,612,000 |
| Otter Tail | 164,000 | 147,700 | 172.6 | 25,498,000 | Blue Earth | 194,000 | 190,100 | 201.4 | 38,292,000 |
| Pope | 106,000 | 99,200 | 177.9 | 17,649,000 | Brown | 158,500 | 150,800 | 189.0 | 28,498,000 |
| Stevens | 147,000 | 126,200 | 179.9 | 22,703,000 | Faribault | 214,000 | 210,500 | 207.4 | 43,668,000 |
| Swift | 180,000 | 173,400 | 181.8 | 31,531,000 | Freeborn | 195,000 | 191,500 | 201.8 | 38,640,000 |
| Traverse | 133,000 | 130,400 | 175.9 | 22,936,000 | Le Sueur | 95,000 | 91,600 | 201.2 | 18,426,000 |
| Wilkin | 102,500 | 100,200 | 168.4 | 16,878,000 | Martin | 225,500 | 222,000 | 203.4 | 45,153,000 |
| Yellow Medicine | 193,000 | 181,100 | 187.3 | 33,925,000 | Nicollet | 116,000 | 107,300 | 206.8 | 22,194,000 |
| West Central ... | 1,622,000 | 1,536,000 | 179.1 | 275,082,000 | Rice | 87,500 | 83,100 | 201.1 | 16,709,000 |
| Benton | 59,700 | 48,100 | 167.3 | 8,047,000 | Steele | 112,000 | 108,500 | 201.4 | 21,847,000 |
| Carver | 60,200 | 57,300 | 200.2 | 11,470,000 | Waseca | 112,000 | 109,400 | 199.2 | 21,797,000 |
| Kandiyohi | 161,500 | 154,300 | 185.5 | 28,625,000 | Watonwan | 128,500 | 126,200 | 206.1 | 26,009,000 |
| Mcleod | 114,000 | 111,900 | 192.0 | 21,480,000 | South Central . | 1,638,000 | 1,591,000 | 201.9 | 321,233,000 |
| Meeker | 122,500 | 112,800 | 185.7 | 20,946,000 | Dakota | 89,000 | 86,400 | 199.5 | 17,238,000 |
| Morrison | 102,500 | 83,900 | 171.8 | 14,418,000 | Dodge | 120,000 | 115,500 | 204.0 | 23,567,000 |
| Renville | 272,500 | 270,500 | 190.8 | 51,621,000 | Fillmore | 181,500 | 165,700 | 192.0 | 31,821,000 |
| Scott | 35,700 | 34,400 | 191.5 | 6,586,000 | Goodhue | 155,500 | 146,500 | 202.4 | 29,654,000 |
| Sherburne | 28,000 | 27,400 | 117.8 | 3,228,000 | Houston | 60,000 | 50,500 | 185.3 | 9,360,000 |
| Sibley | 155,000 | 147,900 | 185.9 | 27,493,000 | Mower | 200,000 | 195,800 | 198.7 | 38,914,000 |
| Stearns | 217,500 | 159,800 | 171.9 | 27,466,000 | Olmsted | 122,500 | 115,400 | 184.9 | 21,336,000 |
| Todd | 77,300 | 65,300 | 160.6 | 10,490,000 | Wabasha | 92,500 | 77,100 | 188.5 | 14,537,000 |
| Wadena | 22,600 | 17,800 | 136.2 | 2,424,000 | Winona | 80,000 | 61,100 | 186.5 | 11,395,000 |
| Wright | 82,000 | 73,600 | 183.5 | 13,506,000 | Southeast | 1,101,000 | 1,014,000 | 195.1 | 197,822,000 |
| Central | 1,511,000 | 1,365,000 | 181.5 | 247,800,000 | Minnesota | 8,100,000 | 7,600,000 | 188.0 | 1,428,800,000 |

(NA) Not applicable.



In 2015, the Northwest District was the largest oil sunflower producing district in Minnesota with 106.1 million pounds, up 102 percent from 2014. The West Central District produced 11.1 million pounds of oil sunflowers. The total oil sunflower production for Minnesota was 123.8 million pounds, a 90 percent increase from last year.

In the Northwest District, the yield increased 170 pounds from the previous year to 1,640 pounds per acre for oil sunflowers. At the state level, the yield was 1,650 pounds per acre, a 14 percent increase from 2014.

Minnesota produced 42.3 million pounds of non-oil sunflowers, up 87 percent from 2014. Yield increased 240 pounds from last year to 1,800 pounds per acre.

Oil Sunflowers: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production, Minnesota, 2015

| County and District | Area Planted | Area Harvested | Yield ¹ | Production |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | (acres) | (acres) | (pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| Kittson..... | 12,600 | 12,400 | 1,880 | 23,270 |
| Roseau..... | 12,500 | 12,200 | 1,370 | 16,700 |
| Other Counties ... | 40,800 | 40,100 | 1,650 | 66,080 |
| Northwest | 65,900 | 64,700 | 1,640 | 106,050 |
| Central..... | 2,000 | 1,900 | 1,410 | 2,670 |
| Otter Tail | 1,500 | 1,450 | 2,300 | 3,340 |
| Stevens | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,690 | 1,860 |
| Other Counties ... | 3,800 | 3,150 | 1,870 | 5,890 |
| West Central | 6,400 | 5,700 | 1,950 | 11,090 |
| Other Districts .. | 2,700 | 2,700 | 1,460 | 3,940 |
| Minnesota | 77,000 | 75,000 | 1,650 | 123,750 |

1. Yield per harvested acre is derived and published to the nearest ten pounds.

Non-Oil Sunflowers: Area Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production, Minnesota, 2015

| State | Area Planted | Area Harvested | Yield | Production |
|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| | (acres) | (acres) | (pounds) | (1,000 pounds) |
| Marshall | 2,100 | 2,050 | 1,420 | 2,920 |
| Norman | 3,100 | 3,050 | 2,440 | 7,430 |
| Other Counties ... | 11,300 | 11,100 | 1,690 | 18,730 |
| Northwest | 16,500 | 16,200 | 1,800 | 29,080 |
| Other Districts .. | 7,500 | 7,300 | 1,810 | 13,220 |
| Minnesota | 24,000 | 23,500 | 1,800 | 42,300 |

1 Yield per harvested acre is derived and published to the nearest ten pounds.