



Illinois Crop Production 2015 Summary

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Corn: Planted area, at 11.7 million acres, is down 2 percent from 2014. Corn for grain was harvested on 11.5 million acres, down 2 percent from the previous year. The corn yield is estimated at 175 bushels per acre, down 25 bushels from 2014. Production is estimated at a record 2.01 billion bushels, down 14 percent from last year.

Soybeans: Planted area, at 9.80 million acres, shows no change from 2014. Harvested area, at 9.72 million acres, is down half a percent from the previous year. The soybean yield is estimated at 56 bushels per acre, which matches the record high from 2014. Production is estimated at 544 million bushels, down half a percent from the previous year.

Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2014 and 2015

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain ¹bushels	11,900	11,700	11,750	11,500	200.0	175.0	2,350,000	2,012,500
Corn for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	80	90	22.0	20.0	1,760	1,800
Soybeansbushels	9,800	9,800	9,770	9,720	56.0	56.0	547,120	544,320
Sorghum for grain ¹bushels	23	38	21	34	106.0	94.0	2,226	3,196
Sorghum for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	1	2	18.0	15.0	18	30
Winter Wheatbushels	740	540	670	520	67.0	65.0	44,890	33,800
Oatsbushels	35	40	25	25	80.0	77.0	2,000	1,925
Hay, all tons	(NA)	(NA)	520	490	3.38	3.13	1,755	1,533
Alfalfa tons	(NA)	(NA)	270	230	4.00	3.50	1,080	805
All other tons	(NA)	(NA)	250	260	2.70	2.80	675	728
Potatoes, summercwt	6.5	7.5	6.4	6.9	415	380	2,656	2,622

(NA) Not available.

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¹ Area planted for all purposes.

Sorghum: Planted area, at 38,000 acres, is up 65 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain, at 34,000 acres, is up 62 percent from 2014. The sorghum yield is estimated at 94 bushels per acre, down 12 bushels from last year. Production is estimated at 3.20 million bushels, 44 percent above the previous year.

Winter wheat: Harvested area in 2015 is estimated at 520,000 acres, down 22 percent from the previous year. The winter wheat yield is estimated at 65 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from 2014. Production is estimated at 33.8 million bushels, 25 percent below the previous year.

Oats: Harvested area in 2015, at 25,000 acres, is unchanged from the previous year. The oat yield is estimated at 77 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from 2014. Production is estimated at 1.93 million bushels, 4 percent below the previous year.

All hay: Harvested area, at 490,000 acres, is down 5.7 percent from 2014. The all hay yield is estimated at 3.13 tons per acre, down 0.25 tons from the previous year. Production is estimated at 1.53 million tons, 13 percent below 2014.

Summer potatoes: Planted area, at 7,500 acres, is up 15 percent from 2014. Harvested area, at 6,900 acres, is up 8 percent from the previous year. The summer potato yield is estimated at 380 cwt per acre, down 35 cwt from 2014. Production is estimated at 2.62 million cwt, 1 percent lower than the previous year.

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