



Illinois Crop Production 2016 Summary

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Corn: Planted area, at 11.6 million acres, is down 1 percent from 2015. Corn for grain was harvested on 11.5 million acres, down less than 1 percent from the previous year. The corn yield is estimated at 197 bushels per acre, up 22 bushels from 2015. Production is estimated at 2.26 billion bushels, up 12 percent from last year. This is the second highest yield and third highest production on record.

Soybeans: Planted area, at 10.1 million acres, up 3 percent from 2015. Harvested area, at 10.05 million acres, is up 3 percent from the previous year. The soybean yield is estimated at 59 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from 2015 and a new record high for the state. Production is estimated at a record high 593 million bushels, up 9 percent from the previous year.

Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2015 and 2016

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain ¹bushels	11,700	11,600	11,500	11,450	175.0	197.0	2,012,500	2,255,650
Corn for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	90	80	20.0	21.0	1,800	1,680
Soybeansbushels	9,800	10,100	9,720	10,050	56.0	59.0	544,320	592,950
Sorghum for grain ¹bushels	38	18	34	16	94.0	93.0	3,196	1,488
Sorghum for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	2	1	15.0	17.0	30	17
Winter Wheatbushels	540	520	520	470	65.0	74.0	33,800	34,780
Oatsbushels	40	45	25	20	77.0	81.0	1,925	1,620
Hay, all tons	(NA)	(NA)	490	480	3.13	3.12	1,533	1,497
Alfalfa tons	(NA)	(NA)	230	230	3.50	3.90	805	897
All other tons	(NA)	(NA)	260	250	2.80	2.40	728	600
Potatoes, summercwt	7.5	7.0	6.9	6.9	380	380	2,622	2,622

(NA) Not available.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

Sorghum: Planted area, at 18,000 acres, is down 53 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain, at 16,000 acres, is down 53 percent from 2015. The sorghum yield is estimated at 93 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from last year. Production is estimated at 1.49 million bushels, 53 percent below the previous year.

Winter wheat: Harvested area in 2016 is estimated at 470,000 acres, down 10 percent from the previous year. The winter wheat yield is estimated at 74 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from 2015. Production is estimated at 34.8 million bushels, 3 percent above the previous year.

Oats: Harvested area in 2016, at 20,000 acres, is down 5,000 acres from the previous year. The oat yield is estimated at 81 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from 2015. Production is estimated at 1.62 million bushels, down 16 percent from the previous year.

All hay: Harvested area, at 480,000 acres, is down 2 percent from 2015. The all hay yield is estimated at 3.12 tons per acre, down 0.01 ton from the previous year. Production is estimated at 1.50 million tons, 2 percent below 2015.

Summer potatoes: Planted area, at 7,000 acres, is down 7 percent from 2015. Harvested area, at 6,900 acres, is the same as the previous year. The summer potato yield is estimated at 380 cwt per acre, the same as 2015. Production is estimated at 2.62 million cwt, the same as the previous year.

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