



# Illinois Crop Production

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**Corn:** Planted area is estimated at 11.10 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.95 million acres, is also down 4 percent from 2016. Based on September 1 conditions, the Illinois corn yield is forecast at 189 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from the previous forecast but down 8 bushels from 2016. Production is forecast at 2.07 billion bushels, down 8 percent from last year’s production. If realized, this would be the third highest yield on record.

**Soybeans:** Planted area is estimated at 10.40 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.34 million acres, is up 3 percent from 2016. Based on September 1 conditions, the Illinois soybean yield is forecast at 58 bushels per acre, a 1 bushel decrease from 2016. Production is forecast at 600 million bushels, up 1 percent from 2016 and the highest production level on record for Illinois.

## Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2016 and Forecasted September 1, 2017

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain <sup>1</sup> .....bushels	11,600	11,100	11,450	10,950	197.0	189.0	2,255,650	2,069,550
Soybeans .....bushels	10,100	10,400	10,050	10,340	59.0	58.0	592,950	599,720

<sup>1</sup> Area planted for all purposes.

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