



# Illinois Crop Production

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**Corn:** Planted area is estimated at 11.4 million acres, up 5 percent from the previous forecast and up 9 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 11.2 million acres, is up 5 percent from the previous forecast and up 10 percent from 2019. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois corn yield is forecast at 200 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from last month but up 19 bushels from 2019. Production is forecast at 2.24 billion bushels, up 21 percent from last year's production.

**Soybeans:** Planted area is estimated at 10.30 million acres, up 4 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.25 million acres, is up 4 percent from 2019. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois soybean yield is forecast at 60 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels from 2019. Production is forecast at 615 million bushels, up 16 percent from 2019.

**Alfalfa hay:** Harvested area, forecast at 240,000 acres, is up 20 percent from 2019. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois alfalfa hay yield is forecast at 3.20 tons per acre, down 0.30 ton from the previous year. Production is forecast at 768,000 tons, 10 percent above 2019.

**Other hay:** Harvested area, forecast at 250,000 acres, is up 14 percent from 2019. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois other hay yield is forecast at 2.40 tons per acre, up, 0.40 ton from the previous year. Production is estimated at 600,000 tons, 36 percent above 2019.

## Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2019 and Forecasted October 1, 2020

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain <sup>1</sup> .....bushels	10,500	11,400	10,200	11,200	181.0	200.0	1,846,200	2,240,000
Soybeans .....bushels	9,950	10,300	9,860	10,250	54.0	60.0	532,440	615,000
Alfalfa hay ..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	200	240	3.50	3.20	700	768
All other hay ..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	220	250	2.00	2.40	440	600

(NA) Not available.

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

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