



Illinois Crop Production

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Corn: Planted area is estimated at 11.2 million acres, up 4 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 11.0 million acres, is up 4 percent from 2022. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois corn yield is forecast at 200 bushels per acre, down 14 bushels from 2022. Production is forecast at 2.20 billion bushels, down 3 percent from last year’s production.

Soybeans: Planted area is estimated at 10.35 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.3 million acres, is down 4 percent from 2022. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois soybean yield is forecast at 61 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels per acre from last year. Production is forecast at 628 million bushels, down 7 percent from 2022.

Alfalfa hay: Harvested area, forecast at 200,000 acres, is down 17 percent from 2022. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois alfalfa hay yield is forecast at 3.60 tons per acre, down 0.05 tons from the previous year. Production is forecast at 720,000 tons, down 18 percent from 2022.

Other hay: Harvested area, forecast at 280,000 acres, is up 10 percent from 2022. Based on October 1 conditions, the Illinois other hay yield is forecast at 1.70 tons per acre, down 0.45 tons from the previous year. Production is estimated at 476,000 tons, down 13 percent from 2022.

Crop Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, and Production – Illinois: 2022 and Forecasted October 1, 2023

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
Corn for grain ¹bushels	10,800	11,200	10,600	11,000	214.0	200.0	2,268,400	2,200,000
Soybeansbushels	10,800	10,350	10,750	10,300	63.0	61.0	677,250	628,300
Alfalfa hay tons	(NA)	(NA)	240	200	3.65	3.60	876	720
All other hay tons	(NA)	(NA)	255	280	2.15	1.70	548	476

(NA) Not available.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

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