



# News Release

## Indiana October Crop Production

Although many growers are finding better than expected yields at harvest, the overly wet spring and dry summer limited the potential for the 2017 corn and soybean crops, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. The October Crop Report is based upon conditions, as of October 1, 2017. Some highlights of the report are as follows:

- Indiana corn yield is expected to be 173 bushels per acre, on par with last year's yield. Total production is expected to be 903.1 million bushels, down 5 percent from 2016.
- Indiana soybean production is expected to total 326.7 million bushels, up 1 percent from a year earlier. The yield is forecast at 55 bushels per acre, down 2.5 bushels from the 2016 report.
- Indiana's alfalfa hay yield is forecast at 4.30 tons per acre, up 0.1 tons from last year.
- Indiana's other hay yield is forecast at 3.00 tons per acre, down 0.1 tons from last year.
- Nationally, corn production is forecast at 14.3 billion bushels, down 6 percent from last year but up 1 percent from the September forecast. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 171.8 bushels per acre, up 1.9 bushels from the September forecast but down 2.8 bushels from 2016. If realized, this will be the second highest yield and production on record for the United States. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 83.1 million acres, down less than 1 percent from the previous estimate and down 4 percent from 2016. Acreage updates were made in several States based on a thorough review of all available data.
- U.S. soybean production is forecast at a record 4.43 billion bushels, down slightly from September but up 3 percent from last year. Based on October 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 49.5 bushels per acre, down 0.4 bushel from last month and down 2.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at a record high 89.5 million acres, up 1 percent from September and up 8 percent from 2016. Acreage updates were made in several States based on a thorough review of all available data.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2015 - 2017

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Corn, all						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,650	5,600	5,350	88,019	94,004	90,429
Corn, grain						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	5,480	5,470	5,220	80,753	86,748	83,119
Yield ..... Bushels	150.0	173.0	173.0	168.4	174.6	171.8
Production ..... 1,000 bu	822,000	946,310	903,060	13,601,964	15,148,038	14,280,112
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	230	210	240	17,778	16,885	17,111
Yield ..... Tons	3.90	4.20	4.30	3.32	3.45	3.27
Production ..... 1,000 tons	897	882	1,032	58,974	58,263	56,022
Hay, other						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	330	290	330	36,669	36,576	36,407
Yield ..... Tons	2.30	3.10	3.00	2.06	2.09	2.08
Production ..... 1,000 tons	759	899	990	75,528	76,518	75,886
Soybeans						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,550	5,650	5,950	82,650	83,433	90,207
Harvested .....1,000 acres	5,500	5,630	5,940	81,732	82,696	89,471
Yield ..... Bushels	50.0	57.5	55.0	48.0	52.0	49.5
Production ..... 1,000 bu	275,000	323,725	326,700	3,926,339	4,296,086	4,430,621

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