



# News Release

## Indiana October Crop Production

Indiana farmers anticipate record corn and soybean yields in 2018, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. The October Crop Production Report is based on conditions as of October 1, 2018. Some highlights of the report are as follows:

- Indiana corn yield is expected to be 194 bushels per acre, 14 bushels higher than last year’s yield. If realized, this will be a new record high yield. Total production is expected to be 1.003 billion bushels, up 7 percent from 2017.
- Indiana soybean production is expected to total 356 million bushels, up 11 percent from a year earlier. The yield is forecast at 60 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels from the 2017. If realized, this will be a record high yield.
- Indiana’s alfalfa hay yield is forecast at 3.60 tons per acre, up 0.3 tons from last year.
- Indiana’s other hay yield is forecast at 2.10 tons per acre, down 0.3 tons from last year.
- Nationally, corn production is forecast at 14.8 billion bushels, down slightly from the September forecast but up 1 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 180.7 bushels per acre, down 0.6 bushel from the September forecast but up 4.1 bushels from 2017. If realized, this will be the highest yield and second highest production on record for the United States. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.8 million acres, down slightly from the previous estimate and down 1 percent from 2017. 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 4.69 billion bushels, down slightly from September but up 6 percent from last year. Based on October 1 conditions, yields are expected to average a record 53.1 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushel from last month and up 3.8 bushels from last year. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 88.3 million acres, down 1 percent from September and down 1 percent from 2017. 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: 2016 - 2018

Commodity	Indiana			United States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Corn, all						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,600	5,350	5,350	94,004	90,167	89,140
Corn, grain						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	5,470	5,190	5,170	86,748	82,703	81,767
Yield ..... Bushels	173.0	180.0	194.0	174.6	176.6	180.7
Production ..... 1,000 bu	946,310	934,200	1,002,980	15,148,038	14,604,067	14,777,826
Hay, alfalfa						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	210	270	290	16,885	16,563	17,351
Yield ..... Tons	4.20	3.30	3.60	3.45	3.32	3.43
Production ..... 1,000 tons	882	891	1,044	58,263	55,068	59,527
Hay, other						
Harvested .....1,000 acres	290	310	340	36,596	37,221	37,717
Yield ..... Tons	3.10	2.40	2.10	2.10	2.05	1.98
Production ..... 1,000 tons	899	744	714	76,732	76,387	74,857
Soybeans						
Planted .....1,000 acres	5,650	5,950	5,950	83,433	90,142	89,145
Harvested .....1,000 acres	5,630	5,940	5,930	82,696	89,522	88,348
Yield ..... Bushels	57.5	54.0	60.0	52.0	49.3	53.1
Production ..... 1,000 bu	323,725	320,760	355,800	4,296,086	4,410,673	4,689,628

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