



# Iowa Ag News – 2019 Corn for Silage County Estimates

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The Northwest District in Iowa led all districts in 2019 with 3.22 million tons of corn silage produced, according to estimates released by the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service. This accounted for 41 percent of the State total production. The Northeast District produced 1.83 million tons of silage, representing 23 percent of the State total.

The highest silage yields were recorded in the Northeast and North Central districts, where both yields averaged 23.5 tons per acre. The Central District rounded out the top 3 yielding districts with 23.0 tons per acre, respectively. The highest county yield came out of both Adair and Marshall Counties, which yielded 25.5 tons per acre.

Yields are derived from production divided by area harvested. Only published estimates were considered in rankings of districts and counties.

**Corn for Silage, Area Harvested, Yield and Production – Iowa by County: 2018-2019**

County and district	Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(acres)	(acres)	(tons per acre)	(tons per acre)	(tons)	(tons)
Clay.....	–	13,000	–	14.5	–	189,000
Combined counties .....	–	133,100	–	23.0	–	3,034,000
<b>Northwest .....</b>	<b>77,000</b>	<b>146,100</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>1,685,000</b>	<b>3,223,000</b>
Winnebago .....	420	940	16.5	18.5	7,000	17,300
Combined counties .....	17,780	20,860	19.5	24.0	343,000	497,700
<b>North Central .....</b>	<b>18,200</b>	<b>21,800</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>350,000</b>	<b>515,000</b>
<b>Northeast .....</b>	<b>71,000</b>	<b>77,400</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>1,586,000</b>	<b>1,830,000</b>
Greene .....	–	660	–	21.5	–	14,200
Combined counties .....	–	24,340	–	19.0	–	459,800
<b>West Central .....</b>	<b>26,700</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>525,000</b>	<b>474,000</b>
Boone .....	–	750	–	23.0	–	17,300
Marshall .....	–	6,710	–	25.5	–	171,000
Combined counties .....	–	7,840	–	20.5	–	161,700
<b>Central .....</b>	<b>10,800</b>	<b>15,300</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>222,000</b>	<b>350,000</b>
<b>East Central .....</b>	<b>19,600</b>	<b>34,400</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>412,000</b>	<b>779,000</b>
Adair .....	–	3,940	–	25.5	–	101,000
Combined counties .....	–	7,160	–	20.0	–	142,000
<b>Southwest .....</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>11,100</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>135,000</b>	<b>243,000</b>
Monroe .....	1,760	–	18.5	–	32,300	–
Union .....	1,130	680	17.0	16.0	19,000	11,000
Wayne .....	–	810	–	17.0	–	13,600
Combined counties .....	14,110	11,510	16.5	17.0	232,700	197,400
<b>South Central .....</b>	<b>17,000</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>284,000</b>	<b>222,000</b>
Davis .....	–	1,840	–	20.5	–	37,800
Des Moines .....	510	–	20.0	–	10,200	–
Louisa .....	–	720	–	20.5	–	14,800
Combined counties .....	19,190	13,340	17.0	17.5	325,800	231,400
<b>Southeast .....</b>	<b>19,700</b>	<b>15,900</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>336,000</b>	<b>284,000</b>
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>270,000</b>	<b>360,000</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>5,535,000</b>	<b>7,920,000</b>

– Data does not meet publication standards but is published in "Combined counties" or represents zero.