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## Iowa Corn and Soybean Forecast

Iowa's 2013 **corn** planted and harvested for grain acreage is estimated at 14.0 million and 13.5 million acres, respectively. As of September 1, Iowa's corn crop is forecast to yield 162.0 bushels per acre, 25 bushels above last year. If realized, this would be the second lowest yield since 2004. Production is forecast at 2.19 billion bushels, up 17 percent from 2012.

The forecast 2013 corn yield is up from 2012 in all districts. South Central Iowa shows the largest increase from last year at 57 percent. Central Iowa is showing the smallest increase in yield, but is still 7 percent above last year. Northwest Iowa is forecast to have the highest yield in the state, with 175 bushels per acre.

**Soybean** acreage estimates are unchanged from August with 9.50 million acres planted and 9.43 million acres expected to be harvested. The September 1 yield forecast of 43.0 bushels per acre is down 3 bushels from the August 1 forecast and down 1.5 bushels from 2012. If realized, the production of 405 million bushels would be the lowest since 2003.

Soybean yield is forecast to be below 2012 in six districts, but above last year in the West Central, Southwest and South Central Iowa. North Central Iowa is showing the largest drop in yield from 2012 at 13 percent while West Central Iowa shows the largest increase from last year at 7 percent.

**Reminder:** All crop forecasts in this report are based on conditions on September 1 and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next district corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of October 1, will be released on October 11.

### Corn, 2012-2013

District	Harvested <sup>1</sup>		Yield/acre		Production	
	2012	2013	2012	2013 <sup>2</sup>	2012	2013
	Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels
NW	1,969	1,945	154.8	175.0	304,706	340,208
NC	1,962	1,945	143.9	167.0	282,405	324,747
NE	1,695	1,630	139.6	169.0	236,675	276,032
WC	2,109	2,080	127.4	153.0	268,724	318,449
C	2,030	2,000	151.3	162.0	307,213	324,517
EC	1,416	1,400	134.7	167.0	190,753	233,562
SW	1,071	1,055	121.1	147.0	129,711	155,345
SC	540	545	84.8	133.0	45,803	72,342
SE	908	900	122.1	158.0	110,910	141,798
State	13,700	13,500	137.0	162.0	1,876,900	2,187,000

### Soybeans, 2012-2013

District	Harvested <sup>1</sup>		Yield/acre		Production	
	2012	2013	2012	2013 <sup>2</sup>	2012	2013
	Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels
NW	1,515	1,538	46.6	43.0	70,594	66,500
NC	1,165	1,183	43.6	38.0	50,790	45,100
NE	730	754	46.9	46.0	34,234	34,500
WC	1,390	1,463	40.8	43.5	56,703	63,550
C	1,287	1,298	49.3	42.0	63,445	54,450
EC	886	890	49.8	48.5	44,120	43,300
SW	955	959	38.9	44.0	37,149	42,330
SC	614	595	35.5	36.5	21,796	21,860
SE	758	750	46.2	45.0	35,019	33,900
State	9,300	9,430	44.5	43.0	413,850	405,490

<sup>1</sup> Harvested for grain <sup>2</sup> Yield rounded