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Iowa corn production is forecast at 2.52 billion bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 191.0 bushels per acre, down 5.0 bushels from last year. Corn planted acreage is estimated at 13.6 million acres. An estimated 13.2 million of the acres planted will be harvested for grain.

Soybean production is forecast at 502 million bushels. The yield is forecast at 55.0 bushels per acre, 2.0 bushels lower than 2018. Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 9.20 million acres with 9.13 million acres to be harvested.

Oat production for grain is forecast at 5.20 million bushels. The expected yield is 65.0 bushels per acre, up 2.0 bushels from the July forecast and from 2018. An estimated 80,000 acres will be harvested for grain.

Iowa hay yield for **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** is expected to be 3.30 tons per acre with a total production of 2.31 million tons, up 1 percent from the previous year. The projected yield for **other hay** is 2.40 tons per acre, with production at 912,000 tons, up 30 percent from 2018.

The forecasts in this report are based on August 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of September 1, will be released on September 12.

Area Harvested, Yield, and Production Summary – Iowa and United States: 2018 and Forecasted August 1, 2019

Crop	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2018 (1,000 acres)	2019 (1,000 acres)	2018 (bushels)	2019 (bushels)	2018 (1,000 bushels)	2019 (1,000 bushels)
IOWA						
Corn bushels	12,800	13,200	196.0	191.0	2,508,800	2,521,200
Hay, alfalfa tons	620	700	3.70	3.30	2,294	2,310
Hay, other tons	320	380	2.20	2.40	704	912
Oats bushels	33	80	63.0	65.0	2,079	5,200
Soybeans bushels	9,910	9,130	57.0	55.0	564,870	502,150
UNITED STATES						
Corn bushels	81,740	82,017	176.4	169.5	14,420,101	13,900,651
Hay, alfalfa tons	16,608	16,828	3.17	3.29	52,634	55,393
Hay, other tons	36,231	35,945	1.96	2.11	70,966	75,672
Oats bushels	865	909	64.9	66.4	56,130	60,385
Soybeans bushels	88,110	75,866	51.6	48.5	4,543,883	3,680,217

U.S. Corn Supply and Use ¹

CORN	2017-2018	2018-2019 (Est.)	2019-2020 Projections August
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	2,293	2,140	2,360
Production	14,609	14,420	13,901
Imports	36	30	50
Supply, total	16,939	16,590	16,311
Feed & residual	5,304	5,275	5,175
Food, seed & industrial	7,057	6,855	6,905
Domestic, total	12,361	12,130	12,080
Exports	2,438	2,100	2,050
Use, total	14,798	14,230	14,130
Ending stocks	2,140	2,360	2,181
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	3.36	3.60	3.60

¹ Source: USDA OCE World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report
<http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>

U.S. Soybean Supply and Use ¹

SOYBEANS	2017-2018	2018-2019 (Est.)	2019-2020 Projections August
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	302	438	1,070
Production	4,412	4,544	3,680
Imports	22	17	20
Supply, total	4,735	4,999	4,771
Crushings	2,055	2,065	2,115
Exports	2,134	1,700	1,775
Seed	104	89	96
Residual	5	75	30
Use, total	4,297	3,929	4,016
Ending stocks	438	1,070	755
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	9.33	8.50	8.40

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United States Summary

Corn production for grain is forecast at 13.9 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2018. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 169.5 bushels per harvested acre, down 6.9 bushels from 2018. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 82.0 million acres, down 2 percent from the previous forecast, but up less than 1 percent from 2018. Area planted for all purposes totaled 90.0 million acres, down 2 percent from the previous estimate but up 1 percent from 2018.

Soybean production for beans is forecast at 3.68 billion bushels, down 19 percent from 2018. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 48.5 bushels per harvested acre, down 3.1 bushels from 2018. Area harvested for beans is forecast at 75.9 million acres, down 4 percent from the previous forecast, and down 14 percent from 2018. Area planted for all purposes totaled 76.7 million acres, down 4 percent from the previous estimate, and down 14 percent from 2018.

Oat production is forecast at 60.4 million bushels, down 2 percent from the previous forecast but up 12 percent from 2018 for comparable States. Growers expect to harvest 909,000 acres for grain, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 10 percent from 2018 for comparable States. Based on conditions as of August 1, the United States yield is forecast at 66.4 bushels per acre, down 1.4 bushels from the previous forecast but 1.1 bushels above the 2018 average yield for comparable States.