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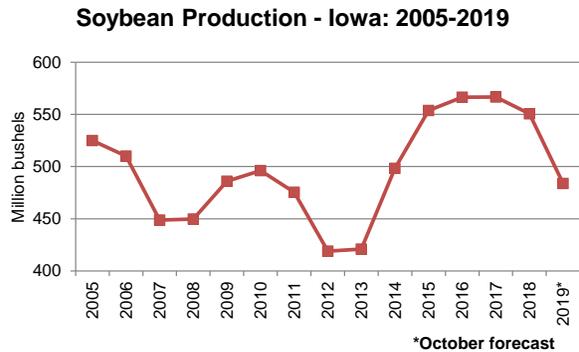
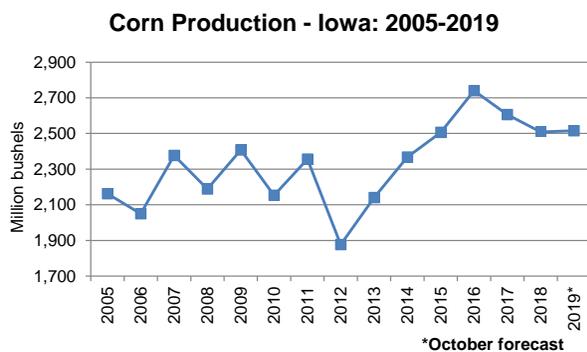
Iowa **corn** production is forecast at 2.52 billion bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 192 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from the September 1 forecast, but down 4 bushels per acre from last year. Corn planted acreage is estimated at 13.5 million acres. An estimated 13.1 million of the acres planted will be harvested for grain.

Soybean production is forecast at 484 million bushels. The yield is forecast at 53.0 bushels per acre, down 1.0 bushel per acre from the September 1 forecast, and 3.0 bushels per acre lower than 2018. Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 9.20 million acres with 9.13 million acres to be harvested.

Production of **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for hay** is forecast at 2.24 million tons, a decrease of 2 percent from the previous year. Yield is expected to average 3.20 tons per acre, down 0.50 ton from last year. Production of **other hay** is forecast at 988,000 tons, up 40 percent from last year. Yield for other hay is expected to average 2.60 tons per acre, up 0.40 ton from last year.

The forecasts in this report are based on October 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of November 1, will be released on November 8.

NOTE: Following a thorough review of all data, 2018 soybean acreage, yield and production have been revised. Soybean planted acreage, at 9.95 million acres, is down 50,000 acres from the previous estimate. Harvested acreage, at 9.83 million acres, is down 80,000 acres from the previous estimate. The 2018 yield, at 56.0 bushels per acre, is down 1.0 bushel from the previous estimate. Production has been revised to 550 million bushels, down 14.4 million bushels from the previous estimate. Updated 2018 district and county estimates will be available in February 2020.



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

Crop	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
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Corn	12,800	13,100	196.0	192.0	2,508,800	2,515,200
Hay, alfalfa	620	700	3.70	3.20	2,294	2,240
Hay, other	320	380	2.20	2.60	704	988
Soybeans	9,830	9,130	56.0	53.0	550,480	483,890
UNITED STATES						
Corn	81,740	81,815	176.4	168.4	14,420,101	13,779,335
Hay, alfalfa	16,608	16,828	3.17	3.22	52,634	54,219
Hay, other	36,231	35,945	1.96	2.13	70,966	76,713
Soybeans	87,594	75,626	50.6	46.9	4,428,150	3,550,281

U.S. Corn Supply and Use ¹

CORN	2017-2018	2018-2019 (Est.)	2019-2020 Projections October
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	2,293	2,140	2,114
Production	14,609	14,420	13,779
Imports	36	28	50
Supply, total	16,939	16,588	15,944
Feed & residual	5,304	5,618	5,300
Food, seed & industrial	7,057	6,791	6,815
Domestic, total	12,361	12,409	12,115
Exports	2,438	2,065	1,900
Use, total	14,798	14,474	14,015
Ending stocks	2,140	2,114	1,929
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	3.36	3.61	3.80

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 October
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	302	438	913
Production	4,412	4,428	3,550
Imports	22	14	20
Supply, total	4,735	4,880	4,483
Crushings	2,055	2,092	2,120
Exports	2,134	1,748	1,775
Seed	104	89	96
Residual	5	39	32
Use, total	4,297	3,967	4,023
Ending stocks	438	913	460
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	9.33	8.48	9.00

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United States Summary

Corn production for grain is forecast at 13.8 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 4 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 168.4 bushels per harvested acre, up 0.2 bushel from the previous forecast but down 8.0 bushels from 2018. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.8 million acres, down less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but up slightly from 2018. Acreage updates were made in several States based on a thorough review of all available data.

Soybean production for beans is forecast at 3.55 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the previous forecast and down 20 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 46.9 bushels per acre, down 1.0 bushel from the previous forecast and down 3.7 bushels from 2018. Area harvested for beans in the United States is forecast at 75.6 million acres, down less than 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 14 percent from 2018. Acreage updates were made in several States based on a thorough review of all available data.