Iowa corn production is forecast at 2.51 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the previous year, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – Crop Production report. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 199.0 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel per acre from the September 1 forecast and down 1 bushel per acre from last year. Corn planted acreage is estimated at 13.1 million acres. An estimated 12.6 million of the acres planted will be harvested for grain.

Soybean production is forecast at 572 million bushels, down 2 percent from the previous year. The yield is forecast at 58.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from the September 1 forecast but down 0.5 bushels per acre from 2022. Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 9.95 million acres with 9.87 million acres to be harvested.

Production of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for hay is forecast at 2.70 million tons, unchanged from the previous year. Yield is expected to average 3.70 tons per acre, unchanged from last year. Production of other hay is forecast at 640,000 tons, down 32 percent from last year. Yield for other hay is expected to average 2.00 tons per acre, unchanged 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 crop production forecasts, based on conditions as of November 1, will be released on November 9.
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Corn production for grain is forecast at 15.1 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but up 10 percent from 2022. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 173.0 bushels per harvested acre, down 0.8 bushels from the previous forecast and down 0.4 bushels from last year. Area harvested for grain, forecast at 87.1 million acres, is unchanged from the previous forecast but up 10 percent from the last year.

Soybean production for beans is forecast at 4.10 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the previous forecast and down 4 percent from 2022. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 49.6 bushels per acre, down 0.5 bushels from the previous forecast but equal to 2022. Area harvested for beans in the United States is forecast at 82.8 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast but down 4 percent from 2022.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at [www.nass.usda.gov/Publications](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications).