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Kansas Soybean Crop Forecast Up 17 Percent from September Corn Crop Forecast Unchanged

Corn for grain production is forecast at 382.2 million bushels, unchanged from September but 15 percent less than the 2011 crop. If realized, this would be the smallest Kansas corn crop since 2006. Planted acreage is 4.7 million, unchanged from June but down 200,000 from a year ago. Acreage forecast to be harvested for grain is 4.2 million, unchanged from both the previous forecast and last year. The corn yield is forecast to average 91 bushels per acre, unchanged from the September forecast but 16 bushels less than the yield of 107 bushels per acre in 2011. If realized, this would be the lowest Kansas corn yield since 1975.

Grain sorghum production is forecast at 84 million bushels, down 5 percent from September and 24 percent lower than last year's production of 110 million bushels. If realized, this would be the smallest sorghum crop since 1956. Planted acreage is 2.5 million, unchanged from June but down 100,000 acres from 2011. The area to be harvested for grain, at 2.1 million, is down 100,000 acres from the September forecast but 100,000 acres more than 2011. Yields are expected to average 40 bushels per acre, unchanged from the September forecast but 15 bushels lower than last year's yield. This would be the lowest yield since 1974. Kansas leads the Nation in sorghum acreage planted and harvested but is second behind Texas in production.

Soybean production is forecast at 82.5 million bushels, up 17 percent from September but down 19 percent from last year. If realized, this would be the smallest Kansas soybean production since 2003. Planted acres are estimated at 4.0 million, up 11 percent from June but unchanged from 2011. Harvested acreage is forecast to be 3.75 million acres, up 12 percent from last month but down slightly from the area harvested last year. Yield is forecast at 22 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from the September forecast but down 5 bushels from last year's yield. If realized, this would be the lowest Kansas soybean yield since 2000.

Cotton production is forecast at 45,000 bales, down 35 percent from last year and down 4 percent from last month. Planted acres are estimated at 57,000, down 23,000 from last year. Harvested acreage is forecast to be 52,000, down 13,000 acres from 2011. Yield is forecast at 415 pounds per acre, down from 510 pounds per acre in 2011.

Kansas **all sunflower** production is forecast at 99.3 million pounds, down 34 percent from last year. This is the lowest production since 1990. The yield is expected to average 1,225 pounds per acre, unchanged from last year. Harvested area for all sunflowers for the 2012 crop year is 81,000 acres, down 34 percent from the June estimate and the lowest since 1990. Of the total, non-oil sunflowers account for 16,000 acres and oil sunflowers account for 65,000 acres. Planted acreage for all sunflowers is 87,000 acres, down 33 percent from the June estimate and the lowest since 1990. Of the total, non-oil sunflowers account for 17,000 acres and oil sunflowers account for 70,000 acres.

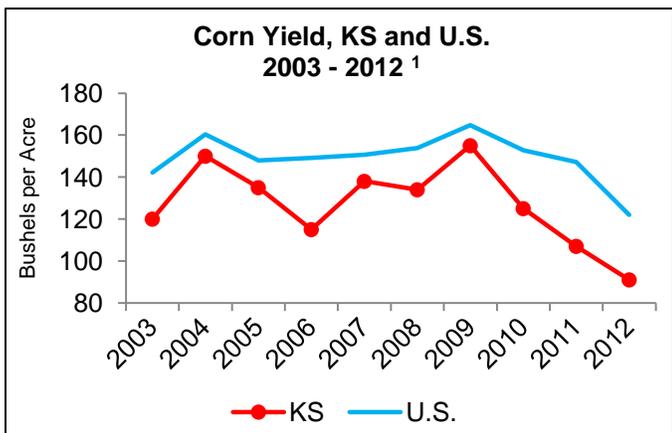
Alfalfa hay production, at 2.25 million tons, is unchanged from August but up 15 percent from the 2011 crop of 1.95 million tons. Yield is forecast at 3.0 tons per acre, unchanged from both August and last year. **Other hay** production, at 2.16 million tons, is unchanged from August but down 12 percent from last year and the lowest production since 1983. Yield is forecast at 1.2 tons per acre, unchanged from August but down 0.2 ton from last year and the lowest since 1980. Harvested area for alfalfa for the 2012 crop year in Kansas is 750,000 acres, up 100,000 from 2011. Harvested area for all other hay for the 2012 crop year is 1.8 million acres, up 50,000 acres from last year.

Pecan production is forecast at 3.0 million pounds, double last year's production of 1.5 million pounds, while **dry bean** production is up 18 percent from 2011.

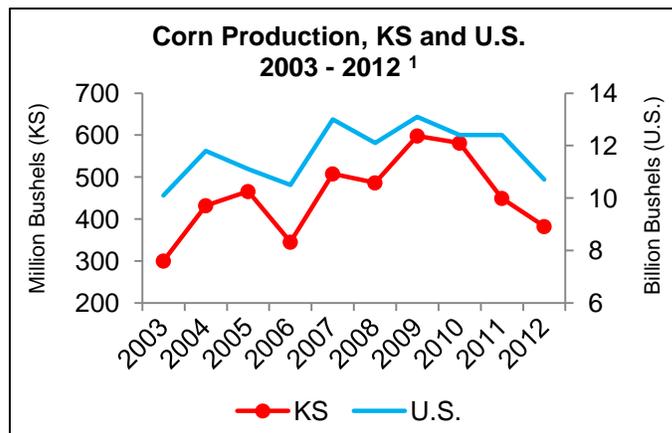
Kansas Crop Production, 2011 and Forecasted October 1, 2012

| Crop & Unit | Area Planted ¹ | | Area Harvested | | | Yield | | Production | | |
|--|---------------------------|-------|----------------|-------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|------------|---------|-------------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. |
| | 1,000 Acres | | | | | Units Per Acre | 1,000 Units | | | |
| Corn for Grain, bu. | 4,900 | 4,700 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 100 | 107 | 91 | 449,400 | 382,200 | 85 |
| Sorghum for Grain, bu. | 2,600 | 2,500 | 2,000 | 2,100 | 105 | 55 | 40 | 110,000 | 84,000 | 76 |
| Soybeans, bu. | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,760 | 3,750 | 100 | 27 | 22 | 101,520 | 82,500 | 81 |
| Cotton, Upland, 480 lb. bales ² | 80 | 57 | 65 | 52 | 80 | 510 | 415 | 69 | 45 | 65 |
| Sunflowers, All, lbs. | 134 | 87 | 122 | 81 | 66 | 1,225 | 1,225 | 149,400 | 99,250 | 66 |
| Dry Beans, cwt ² | 6.5 | 8.0 | 6.0 | 7.5 | 125 | 1,700 | 1,600 | 102.0 | 120.0 | 118 |
| Alfalfa Hay, tons | - | - | 650 | 750 | 115 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 1,950 | 2,250 | 115 |
| Other Hay, tons | - | - | 1,750 | 1,800 | 103 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 2,450 | 2,160 | 88 |

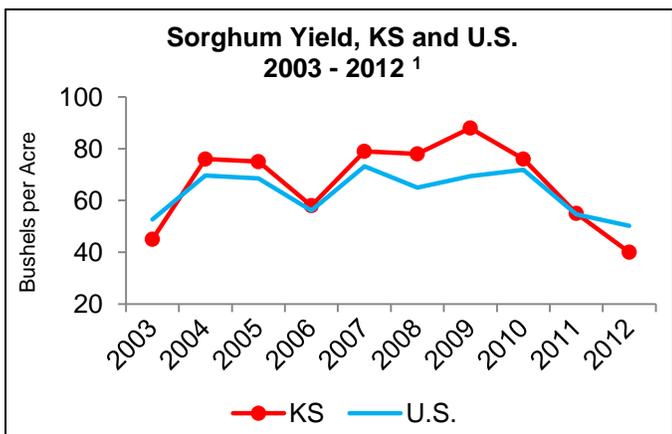
¹ Planted for all purposes. ² Yield in pounds.



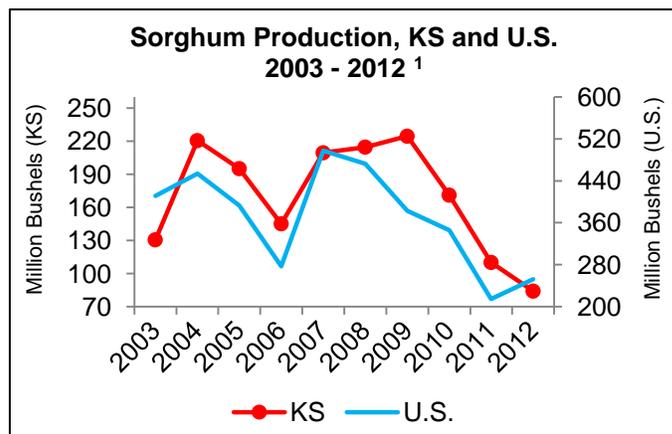
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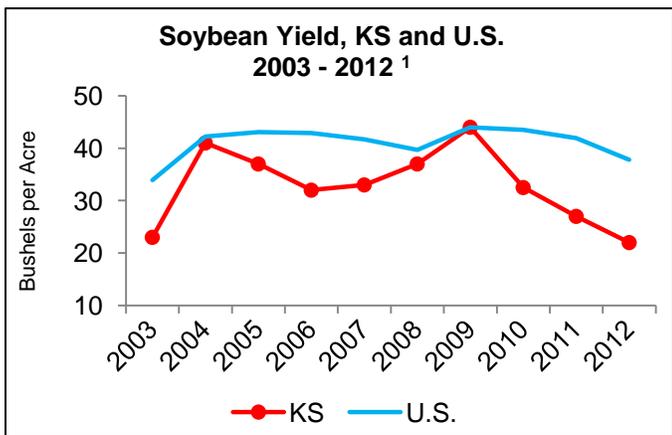
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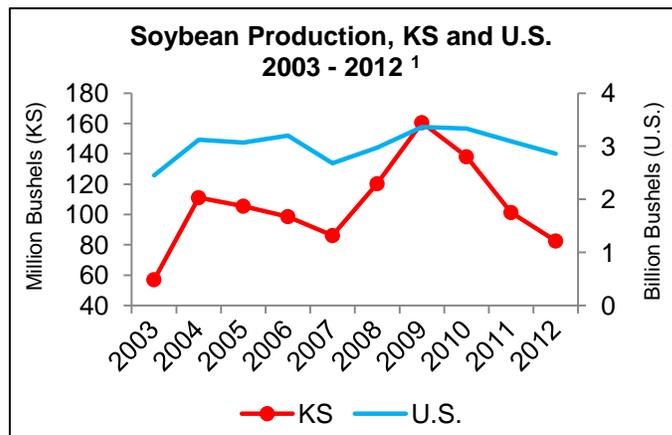
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U.S. Crop Production Forecast

Corn production is forecast at 10.7 billion bushels, down slightly from the September forecast and down 13 percent from 2011. This represents the lowest production in the United States since 2006. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 122.0 bushels per acre, down 0.8 bushel from the September forecast and 25.2 bushels below the 2011 average. If realized, this will be the lowest average yield since 1995. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 87.7 million acres, up less than 1 percent from the September forecast and up 4 percent from 2011. Acreage updates were made in several States based on administrative data.

Sorghum production is forecast at 252 million bushels, up 2 percent from last month and up 18 percent from last year. Acreage updates were made in several States based on administrative data. Planted area, at 6.24 million acres, is up slightly from the previous estimate and up 14 percent from last year. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 5.02 million acres, down 2 percent from September 1 but up 28 percent from 2011. Based on October 1 conditions, yield is forecast at 50.2 bushels

per acre, up 1.9 bushels from last month but down 4.4 bushels from last year.

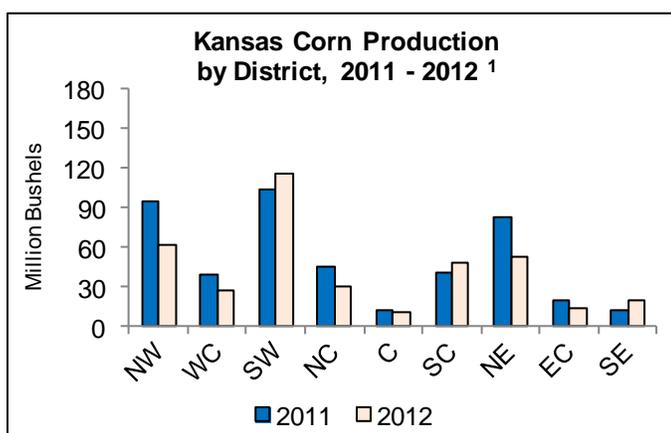
Soybean production is forecast at 2.86 billion bushels, up 9 percent from September but down 8 percent from last year. Based on October 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 37.8 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from last month but down 4.1 bushels from last year. Compared with last month, yield forecasts are higher or unchanged across all States. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 75.7 million acres, up 1 percent from September and up 3 percent from last year. Acreage updates were made in several States based on administrative data.

All cotton production is forecast at 17.3 million 480-pound bales, up 1 percent from last month and up 11 percent from last year. Yield is expected to average 795 pounds per acre, up 5 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is forecast at 16.6 million 480-pound bales, up 13 percent from 2011.

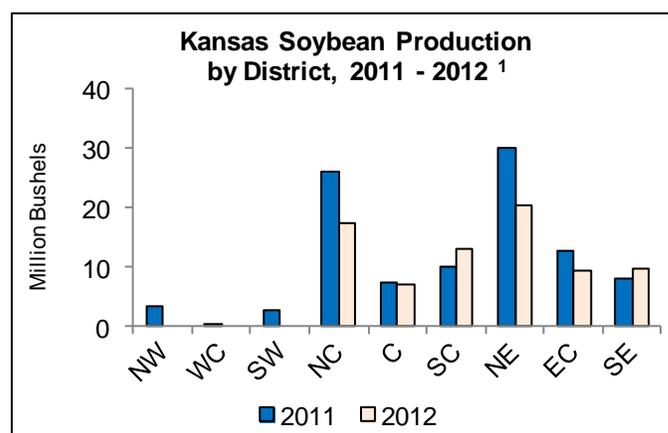
United States Crop Production, 2011 and Forecasted October 1, 2012

| Crop & Unit | Area Planted ¹ | | Area Harvested | | | Yield | | Production | | |
|--|---------------------------|----------|----------------|----------|-------------------|----------------|-------|-------------|------------|-------------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. |
| | 1,000 Acres | | | | | Units Per Acre | | 1,000 Units | | |
| Corn for Grain, bu. | 91,921 | 96,946 | 83,981 | 87,721 | 104 | 147.2 | 122.0 | 12,358,412 | 10,705,729 | 87 |
| Sorghum for Grain, bu. | 5,481 | 6,238 | 3,929 | 5,016 | 128 | 54.6 | 50.2 | 214,443 | 251,977 | 118 |
| Soybeans, bu. | 75,046 | 77,203 | 73,776 | 75,693 | 103 | 41.9 | 37.8 | 3,093,524 | 2,860,290 | 92 |
| Cotton, All 480 lb. bales ² | 14,735.4 | 12,360.0 | 9,460.9 | 10,443.4 | 110 | 790.0 | 795.0 | 15,573.2 | 17,287.0 | 111 |
| Sunflowers, All, lbs. | 1,543.0 | 1,918.2 | 1,457.8 | 1,815.1 | 125 | 1,398 | 1,354 | 2,038,275 | 2,458,140 | 121 |
| Dry Beans, cwt. ² | 1,205.9 | 1,733.7 | 1,155.9 | 1,690.0 | 146 | 1,716 | 1,836 | 19,833 | 31,033 | 156 |
| Alfalfa Hay, tons | - | - | 19,213 | 18,812 | 98 | 3.40 | 2.95 | 65,332 | 55,566 | 85 |
| Other Hay, tons | - | - | 36,420 | 38,762 | 106 | 1.81 | 1.71 | 65,812 | 66,408 | 101 |

¹ Planted for all purposes. ² Yield in pounds.



¹ Forecasted production as of October 1, 2012.



¹ Forecasted production as of October 1, 2012. NW, WC, and SW not published for 2012 due to insufficient data.

An audio summary of this report will be available at:

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Kansas Crop Production by District, 2011 and October 1, 2012

| Crop & District | Acres Planted, All Purposes | | Acres Harvested for Grain | | | Yield | | Production | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | % of Prev. Yr. |
| | 1,000 Acres | | | | | Bushels Per Acre | | 1,000 Bushels | | |
| CORN | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northwest | 910 | 950 | 860 | 830 | 97 | 110.5 | 75.0 | 95,000 | 62,000 | 65 |
| West Central | 460 | 410 | 380 | 340 | 89 | 102.5 | 81.0 | 38,950 | 27,500 | 71 |
| Southwest | 850 | 790 | 690 | 730 | 106 | 149.5 | 159.0 | 103,150 | 116,000 | 112 |
| North Central | 400 | 420 | 380 | 400 | 105 | 118.4 | 75.0 | 45,000 | 30,000 | 67 |
| Central | 245 | 200 | 165 | 155 | 94 | 72.7 | 74.0 | 12,000 | 11,500 | 96 |
| South Central | 525 | 440 | 350 | 390 | 111 | 117.0 | 124.0 | 40,950 | 48,500 | 118 |
| Northeast | 645 | 660 | 615 | 620 | 101 | 133.5 | 85.0 | 82,100 | 53,000 | 65 |
| East Central | 385 | 380 | 350 | 345 | 99 | 57.0 | 41.0 | 19,950 | 14,000 | 70 |
| Southeast | 480 | 450 | 410 | 390 | 95 | 30.0 | 51.0 | 12,300 | 19,700 | 160 |
| STATE | 4,900 | 4,700 | 4,200 | 4,200 | 100 | 107.0 | 91.0 | 449,400 | 382,200 | 85 |
| SOYBEANS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northwest | 95 | 1 | 89 | 1 | - | 39.4 | 1 | 3,510 | 1 | - |
| West Central | 19 | 1 | 15 | 1 | - | 29.0 | 1 | 435 | 1 | - |
| Southwest | 66 | 1 | 62 | 1 | - | 43.0 | 1 | 2,665 | 1 | - |
| North Central | 680 | 735 | 675 | 710 | 105 | 38.7 | 24.5 | 26,150 | 17,300 | 66 |
| Central | 500 | 470 | 453 | 415 | 92 | 16.0 | 17.0 | 7,250 | 7,000 | 97 |
| South Central | 550 | 520 | 450 | 480 | 107 | 22.7 | 27.0 | 10,200 | 13,000 | 127 |
| Northeast | 690 | 720 | 681 | 705 | 104 | 44.2 | 29.0 | 30,100 | 20,400 | 68 |
| East Central | 685 | 685 | 670 | 655 | 98 | 19.0 | 14.0 | 12,720 | 9,300 | 73 |
| Southeast | 715 | 715 | 655 | 650 | 99 | 12.5 | 15.0 | 8,220 | 9,900 | 120 |
| Other Districts | - | 155 | - | 135 | - | - | 41.5 | - | 5,600 | - |
| STATE | 4,000 | 4,000 | 3,760 * | 3,750 | 100 | 27.0 | 22.0 | 101,520 * | 82,500 | 81 |

¹ Some districts are not published due to insufficient or confidential data.

* Soybean district estimates do not add to the state total for harvested acres and production due to revisions in September 2012. Revised estimates by district will be published in February 2013.

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