



News Release

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KANSAS CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

TOPEKA, KS, October 9, 2015 – Based on October 1 conditions, Kansas’s 2015 **corn** crop is forecast at 566 million bushels, down slightly from last year’s production, according to the USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service. Area to be harvested for grain, at 3.85 million acres, is up 1 percent from a year ago. Yield is forecast at 147 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from last year.

Sorghum for grain in Kansas is forecast at 258 million bushels, up 29 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 3.15 million acres, is up 17 percent from 2014. Yield is forecast at 82 bushels per acre, up 8 bushels from last year.

Kansas’s **soybean** production is forecast at 144 million bushels, up 3 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 3.90 million acres, is 2 percent below 2014. Yield is forecast at 37 bushels per acre, up 1.5 bushels from last year.

Cotton production is forecast at 27,000 bales, down 44 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 15,000 acres, is down 14,000 acres from 2014. Yield is forecast at a record 864 pounds per acre, up 70 pounds per acre from a year ago.

All Sunflower production is forecast at 117 million pounds, up 28 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 78,000 acres, is up 19,000 acres from 2014. Yield is forecast at 1,498 pounds per acre, down 54 pounds per acre from a year ago. Of the acres for harvest, non-oil sunflowers account for 25,000 acres and oil sunflowers account for 53,000 acres.

Alfalfa hay production, at 2.47 million tons, is up 8 percent from the 2014 crop. Area for harvest, at 650,000 acres, is up 8 percent from a year ago. Yield of 3.80 tons per acre is unchanged from 2014. **All Other Hay** production, at 3.24 million tons, is up 19 percent from 2014. Area for harvest, at 1.80 million acres, is up 6 percent from a year ago. Yield of 1.80 tons per acre, is up 0.20 ton from 2014

Dry Edible Bean production is forecast at 111,000 hundred weight, down 6 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 6,500 acres, is down 400 acres from 2014. Yield is forecast at 1,700 pounds per acre, down 10 pounds per acre from a year ago.

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd//2010s/2015/CropProd-10-09-2015.pdf>

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Kansas Corn Production by District, 2014 and Forecasted October 1, 2015

District	Area Planted		Area Harvested			Yield		Production		
	2014	2015	2014	2015	% of	2014	2015	2014	2015	% of
	1,000 Acres				Prev. Yr.	Bushels per Acre		1,000 Bushels		Prev. Yr.
Northwest	682.0	723.0	621.0	651.0	105	115.6	120.0	71,803	78,152	109
West Central	284.0	329.0	256.2	293.0	114	118.3	131.0	30,301	38,397	127
Southwest	684.0	714.0	631.5	655.0	104	192.0	200.0	121,242	131,027	108
North Central	332.7	311.0	308.6	290.0	94	132.7	142.0	40,949	41,180	101
Central	198.9	204.0	185.8	183.0	98	127.2	128.0	23,643	23,424	99
South Central	453.0	481.0	433.5	462.0	107	165.2	154.0	71,621	71,148	99
Northeast	652.8	642.0	627.1	607.0	97	165.1	156.0	103,560	94,692	91
East Central	339.3	334.0	326.2	315.0	97	136.5	134.0	44,541	42,210	95
Southeast	423.3	412.0	410.1	394.0	96	142.7	116.0	58,540	45,720	78
State	4,050.0	4,150.0	3,800.0	3,850.0	101	149.0	147.0	566,200	565,950	100

Kansas Soybeans Production by District, 2014 and Forecasted October 1, 2015

District	Area Planted		Area Harvested			Yield		Production		
	2014 ¹	2015	2014 ¹	2015	% of	2014 ¹	2015	2014 ¹	2015	% of
	1,000 Acres				Prev. Yr.	Bushels per Acre		1,000 Bushels		Prev. Yr.
Northwest	72.9		70.2			45.1		3,167		
West Central	8.4		8.2			51.9		426		
Southwest	43.3		45.6			56.1		2,558		
North Central	743.9	710.0	724.3	700.0	97	35.4	35.5	25,626	24,800	97
Central	475.8	480.0	472.3	475.0	101	30.1	33.5	14,195	15,900	112
South Central	487.0	495.0	482.8	490.0	101	35.4	40.5	17,076	19,800	116
Northeast	743.6	700.0	739.5	690.0	93	45.9	40.0	33,959	27,600	81
East Central	696.7	710.0	694.7	705.0	101	32.6	36.0	22,680	25,400	112
Southeast	725.4	740.0	722.4	730.0	101	31.7	35.0	22,874	25,500	111
Other Districts ²		115.0		110.0			48.0		5,300	
State	4,000.0	3,950.0	3,960	3,900.0	98	35.5	37.0	140,580	144,300	103

¹ Soybean district estimates do not add to the state total for production due to revisions published in September 2015. Revised estimates by district will be published in February 2016.

² Some districts are not published due to insufficient or confidential data.

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[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Kansas/Publications/Crops/Production/index.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Kansas/Publications/Crops/Production/index.asp)