



# Minnesota Ag News – Crop Production



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Minnesota **corn** production is forecast at 1.42 billion bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service *Crop Production* report. If realized, the production would be the highest on record, 3 percent above the previous high in 2012. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 183 bushels per acre, up 27 bushels per acre from last year but down 1 bushel from the August forecast. If realized, the yield will also be highest on record, 6 bushels above 2010. Acres harvested for grain remain unchanged at 7.75 million acres.

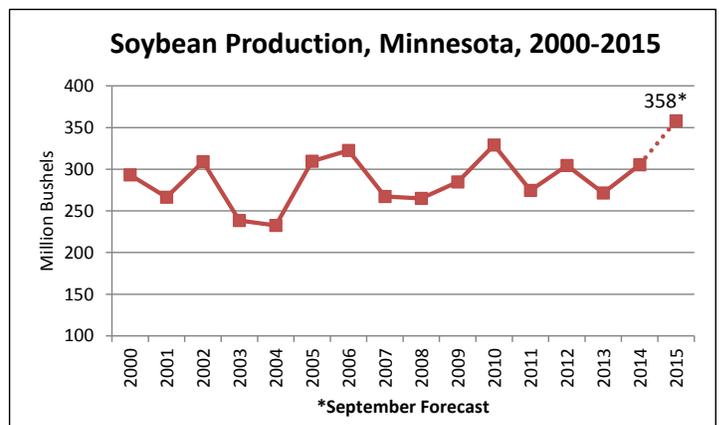
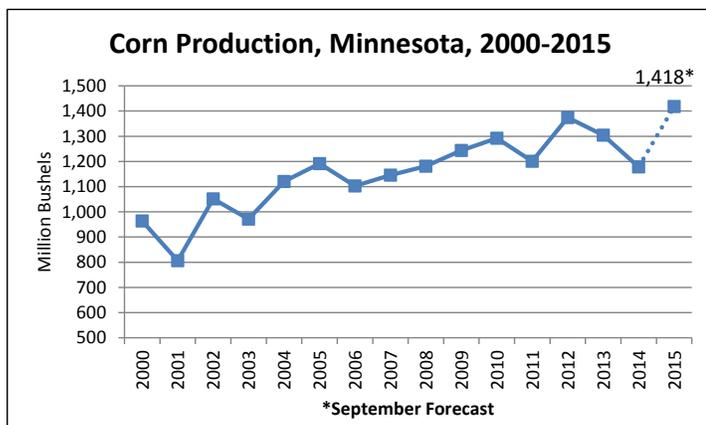
**Soybean** production is forecast at 358 million bushels. If realized, this would be the highest soybean production on record, 9 percent above the previous high from 2010. The September 1 forecast yield is 47 bushels per acre, 5 bushels above 2014, but down 1 bushel from the August forecast. If realized, yield will also be the highest on record, surpassing 2005's 45.5 bushels per acre. Area harvested remains unchanged at 7.62 million acres.

**Sugarbeet** production is forecast at 11.9 million tons, up 21 percent from 2014 and up 1 percent from the August forecast. Yield is forecast at 27.5 tons per acre, up 5.0 bushels from the previous year and up slightly from the August forecast. Acres harvested remain unchanged at 431,000 acres.

All crop forecasts in this report are based on September 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next production forecasts, based on conditions as of October 1, will be released on October 9.

## Area Harvested, Yield, and Production Summary – Minnesota and United States: 2014 and Forecasted September 1, 2015

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
<b>MINNESOTA</b>						
Corn .....	7,550	7,750	156.0	183.0	1,177,800	1,418,250
Soybeans .....	7,270	7,620	42.0	47.0	305,340	358,140
Sugarbeets .....	434.0	431.0	22.5	27.5	9,765	11,853
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Corn .....	83,136	81,101	171.0	167.5	14,215,532	13,584,945
Soybeans .....	83,061	83,549	47.8	47.1	3,968,823	3,935,277
Sugarbeets .....	1,146.7	1,144.0	27.4	30.2	31,365	34,573



## U.S. Corn Supply and Use

CORN	2013-2014	2014-2015 (Est.)	2015-2016 <sup>1</sup> Projections September
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning Stocks	821	1,232	1,732
Production	13,829	14,216	13,585
Imports	36	30	30
<b>Supply, total</b>	<b>14,686</b>	<b>15,477</b>	<b>15,347</b>
Feed & Residual	5,041	5,300	5,275
Food, Seed & Industrial	6,493	6,570	6,630
<b>Domestic, total</b>	<b>11,534</b>	<b>11,870</b>	<b>11,905</b>
Exports	1,920	1,875	1,850
<b>Use, total</b>	<b>13,454</b>	<b>13,745</b>	<b>13,755</b>
<b>Ending Stocks, total</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,732</b>	<b>1,592</b>
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	4.46	3.68	3.45 - 4.05

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

## U.S. Soybean Supply and Use

SOYBEANS	2013-2014	2014-2015 (Est.)	2015-2016 <sup>1</sup> Projections September
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning Stocks	141	92	210
Production	3,358	3,969	3,935
Imports	72	33	30
<b>Supply, total</b>	<b>3,570</b>	<b>4,094</b>	<b>4,175</b>
Crushings	1,734	1,870	1,870
Exports	1,638	1,835	1,725
Seed	97	98	92
Residual	9	81	38
<b>Use, total</b>	<b>3,478</b>	<b>3,884</b>	<b>3,725</b>
<b>Ending stocks</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>450</b>
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	13.00	10.06	8.40 - 9.90

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary

## United States Summary

**Corn** production is forecast at 13.6 billion bushels, down 4 percent from last year's record production and down less than 1 percent from the August forecast. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 167.5 bushels per acre, down 1.3 bushels from the August forecast and down 3.5 bushels from 2014. If realized, this will be the second highest yield and third largest production on record for the United States. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.1 million acres, unchanged from the August forecast but down 2 percent from 2014.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 3.94 billion bushels, up slightly from August but down 1 percent from last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 47.1 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushel from last month but down 0.7 bushel from last year. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at a record 83.5 million acres, unchanged from August but up less than 1 percent from 2014.