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NEBRASKA 2021 ANNUAL CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

LINCOLN, Neb. January 12, 2022 - Corn for grain production in Nebraska based on year-end surveys is estimated at 1.85 billion bushels, up 4% from 2020, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Yield of 194 bushels per acre is up 14 bushels from last year. Farmers harvested 9.56 million acres of corn for grain, down 3% from 2020. **Corn for silage** production is 5.07 million tons, up 3% from last year. Silage yield of 19.5 tons per acre is up 1 ton from last year. Corn for silage harvested acreage of 260,000 acres is unchanged from last year. Corn acreage planted for all purposes is 9.90 million acres, down 3% from last year.

Soybean production for 2021 totaled 351 million bushels, up 17% from 2020. Yield, at 63.0 bushels per acre, is up 5.0 bushels from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 5.57 million acres, is up 8% from 2020. Planted acreage totaled 5.60 million acres, up 8% from last year.

Sorghum for grain production in 2021 is estimated at 19.8 million bushels, up 45% from 2020. Yield, at 86.0 bushels per acre, is down 5.0 bushels from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 230,000 acres, is up 53% from 2020. **Sorghum for silage** production is 450,000 tons, up 150% from last year. Silage yield of 14.5 tons per acre is up 2.5 tons from last year. Sorghum for silage harvested acreage of 31,000 acres is up 16,000 acres from last year. Sorghum acreage planted for all purposes is 320,000 acres, up 125,000 acres from last year.

Alfalfa hay production, at 3.73 million tons, is up 14% from a year earlier. The average yield, at 4.10 tons per acre, is up 0.30 ton per acre from 2020. Area harvested, at 910,000 acres, is up 6% from 2020. **Alfalfa haylage and greenchop** production, at 105,000 tons, is down 55% from last year. Average yield, at 4.20 tons per acre, is down 2.40 tons per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 25,000 acres, is down 10,000 acres from last year. **Seedings of alfalfa** during 2021 totaled 90,000 acres, down 10,000 acres from a year earlier.

All other hay production, at 2.56 million tons, is down 18% from last year. The average yield, at 1.55 tons per acre, is down 0.10 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 1.65 million acres, is down 12% from 2020. **All other haylage and greenchop** production, at 220,000 tons, is up 80% from last year. Average yield, at 8.80 tons per acre, is up 2.70 tons per acre from last year. Area harvested, at 25,000 acres, is up 5,000 acres from last year.

Proso millet production in 2021 is estimated at 3.84 million bushels, up 28% from last year's production. Yield, at 24.0 bushels per acre, is unchanged from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 160,000 acres, is up 28% from 2020. Area planted, at 165,000 acres, is up 27% from last year.

Oil sunflower production in 2021 is 28.1 million pounds, down 32% from last year. Yield, at 850 pounds per acre, is down 200 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 33,000 acres, is

down 15% from 2020. Area planted, at 35,000 acres, is down 13% from last year. **Non-oil sunflower** production of 6.50 million pounds is down 51% from last year. Yield, at 1,000 pounds per acre, is down 470 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 6,500 acres, is down 2,500 acres from 2020. Area planted, at 6,500 acres, is down 35% from last year.

Sugarbeet production is estimated at 1.40 million tons, down 1% from last year. Yield is estimated at 31.9 tons per acre, up 0.9 ton from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 43,800 acres, down 4% from the previous year. Area planted, at 44,400 acres, is down 1,800 acres from last year.

Dry edible bean production of 2.78 million cwt is down 23% from a year ago. Yield, at 2,440 pounds per acre, is up 180 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 114,000 acres, is down 28% from 2020. Area planted, at 120,000 acres, is down 27% from last year. Beginning in 2019, chickpeas are excluded from the dry edible bean estimates.

Dry edible pea production is estimated at 354,000 cwt, down 2% from 2020. Yield is estimated at 1,310 pounds per acre, up 180 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 27,000, down 16% from a year ago. Total acreage planted is 29,000 acres, down 19% from last year.

Potato production is 9.17 million cwt, down slightly from 2020. Yield, at 485 cwt per acre, is down 5 cwt from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 18,900 acres, is up 100 acres from 2020. Area planted, at 19,000 acres, is unchanged from last year.

Principal crop area planted totaled 19.8 million acres, up slightly from 2020. Area harvested, at 19.5 million acres, is down slightly from last year. Nebraska principal crop acres include corn, sorghum, oats, rye, winter wheat, soybeans, sunflower, dry edible beans, potatoes, proso millet, sugarbeets, and all hay. Double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops are also included.

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