



# News Release

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## NEBRASKA AUGUST 1 CROP PRODUCTION FORECAST

LINCOLN, Neb., August 11, 2011 -- Based on August 1 conditions, Nebraska's **corn** crop is forecast at a record high 1.6 billion bushels, 9 percent above last year's production and 2 percent above the previous record high in 2009, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. Area to be harvested for grain, at 9.65 million acres, is up 9 percent from a year ago. Yield is forecast at 166 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year.

**Soybean** production in Nebraska is forecast at 244 million bushels, 9 percent below last year. Area for harvest, at 4.7 million acres, is down 8 percent from 2010. Yield is forecast at 52 bushels per acre, down 0.5 bushel from last year.

Nebraska's 2011 **winter wheat** crop is forecast at 63.0 million bushels, up 2 percent from last month's forecast but 2 percent below last year's crop. Area for grain, at 1.4 million acres, is unchanged from last month but 6 percent below last year. Yield is forecast at 45 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last month and 2 bushels above last year.

**Sorghum** yield is forecast at 83 bushels per acre, down 7 bushels from last year. Production is forecast at 5.4 million bushels, down 20 percent from a year ago, a result of fewer acres planted and a lower expected yield. **Oat** yield is forecast at 66 bushels per acre, 2 bushels below last year. Production of 1.32 million bushels is 22 percent below last year. **Dry edible bean** production is down 21 percent from last year, largely due to fewer acres planted. **Sugar beet** production is up 11 percent from 2010. **Alfalfa hay** production is forecast to be 7 percent below last year and **all other hay** production is down 12 percent.

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