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NEBRASKA 2014 CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

LINCOLN, NE, January 12, 2015 -- **Corn** for grain production in Nebraska based on year-end surveys is estimated at 1.6 billion bushels, down 1 percent from 2013, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Yield of 179 bushels per acre is up 10 bushels from last year and ties the 2009 record yield. Farmers harvested 8.95 million acres of corn for grain, down 6 percent from 2013.

Soybean production for 2014 totaled 289 million bushels, up 13 percent from 2013. Yield, at 54.0 bushels per acre, is up 0.5 bushel from a year earlier. Area for harvest, at 5.35 million acres, is up 12 percent from 2013 and is the highest on record.

Sorghum for grain production in 2014 is estimated at 13.1 million bushels, up 35 percent from 2013. Yield, at 82 bushels per acre, is up 15 bushels from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 160,000 acres, is up 10 percent from 2013.

Alfalfa production of 3.4 million tons is up 41 percent from a year earlier. The record yield, at 4.1 tons per acre, is up 0.65 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested for dry hay, at 830,000 acres, is up 19 percent from 2013. Seedings of alfalfa during 2014 totaled 160,000 acres, up 14 percent from the year earlier. **All other hay** production, at 2.63 million tons, is up 4 percent from 2013. The record yield, at 1.50 tons per acre, is up 0.10 ton per acre from last year. Area harvested of other dry hay is 1.75 million acres, down 3 percent from a year ago. Total **forage** production from alfalfa and other hay was 6.19 million tons in 2014, up 22 percent from the previous year.

Proso millet production in 2014 is estimated at 3.22 million bushels, down 30 percent from last year's production. Yield, at 29 bushels per acre, is down 3 bushels from a year earlier. Area harvested for grain, at 111,000 acres, is down 22 percent from 2013.

Oil sunflower production in 2014 is 26.7 million pounds, up 34 percent from last year. Yield, at 1,160 pounds per acre, is up 310 pounds from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 23,000 acres, is down 2 percent from 2013. **Non-oil sunflower** production of 18.4 million pounds, is up 41 percent from last year. Yield, at 1,750 pounds per acre, is up 750 pounds from a year earlier and is the highest on record. Area harvested, at 10,500 acres, is down 19 percent from 2013.

Sugarbeet production of 1.34 million tons is up 2 percent from 2013. Yield, at 28.8 tons per acre, is down 0.90 ton from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 46,500 acres, is 5 percent more than 2013.

Dry edible bean production of 3.8 million hundredweight, is up 38 percent from a year ago. Yield, at 2,500 pounds per acre, is up 150 pounds from a year earlier and is the highest on record. Area harvested, at 152,000 acres, is up 30 percent from 2013.

Potato production is 6.44 million hundredweight, down 24 percent from last year. Yield, 435 hundredweight per acre, is down 25 hundredweight from a year earlier. Area harvested, at 14,800 acres, is down 19 percent from 2013.

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