



# News Release

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## NORTH DAKOTA 2014 CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

FARGO, ND, January 12, 2015 – **Corn** for grain production is estimated at 314 million bushels, down 21 percent from last year according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The average yield is estimated at 124 bushels, up 14 bushels from 2013. Area harvested for grain, estimated at 2.53 million acres, is down from 2013's harvested acreage of 3.60 million.

**Soybean** production is estimated at a record high 203 million bushels, up 43 percent from 2013. The average yield was 34.5 bushels per acre, up 4.0 bushels from a year ago. Acres harvested are estimated at a record high 5.87 million, up from 4.63 million acres the previous year.

**Potato** production is estimated at 24.3 million hundredweight, up 7 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 315 hundredweight per acre, up 25 hundredweight from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 77,000, down slightly from 78,000 acres a year ago.

**Oil sunflower** production is estimated at 683 million pounds, up 36 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 1,340 pounds, up 80 pounds from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 510,000, up from 400,000 acres a year ago. **Non-oil sunflower** production is estimated at 165 million pounds, up 71 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 1,180 pounds, down 180 pounds from a year ago. An estimated 140,000 acres were harvested, up from 71,000 acres the previous year.

**Canola** production is estimated at 2.14 billion pounds, up 29 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 1,800 pounds per acre, down 20 pounds from last year. Area harvested totaled 1.19 million acres, up 275,000 acres from a year ago.

**Flaxseed** production is estimated at 5.81 million bushels, up 99 percent from 2013. Yield per harvested acre is estimated at 21.5 bushels, up 1.5 bushels from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 270,000, up from 146,000 acres a year ago.

**Dry edible bean** production is estimated at 8.80 million hundredweight, up 24 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 1,430 pounds, down 220 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 615,000, up from 430,000 acres a year ago.

**Dry edible pea** production is estimated at 5.43 million hundredweight, down 5 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 2,130 pounds per acre, up 80 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 255,000, down from 280,000 acres a year ago.

**Lentil** production is estimated at 792,000 hundredweight, down 55 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 1,200 pounds per harvested acre, down 200 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 66,000, down from 126,000 acres a year ago.

**Sugarbeet** production is estimated at 5.12 million tons, down 10 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 23.8 tons per harvested acre, down 1.5 tons from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 215,000 acres, down from 225,000 acres the previous year.

**Safflower** production is estimated at 9.5 million pounds, down 47 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 1,000 pounds per acre, down 200 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 9,500, down from 15,000 acres a year ago.

**Alfalfa hay** production, at 3.47 million tons, was up 7 percent from 2013. Yield is estimated at 2.1 tons per acre, up 0.10 tons from a year ago. Acres harvested are estimated at 1.65 million, up from 1.62 million acres last year. **All other hay** production totaled 2.00 million tons, up 8 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 1.90 tons per acre, up 0.05 tons from last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 1.05 million, up from 1.00 million acres last year. New seedings of alfalfa in 2014 totaled 80,000 acres, up from 73,000 acres a year ago.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd/2010s/2015/CropProd-01-12-2015.pdf>

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