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Pennsylvania growers produced less corn and soybeans in 2022, USDA reports *Winter Wheat Seedings and Grain Stocks also reported*

HARRISBURG, PA --- Pennsylvania corn growers produced 118 million bushels, down 30% from 2021, according to King Whetstone, director of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Northeastern Regional Field Office. The average yield in Pennsylvania is estimated at 140.0 bushels per acre, 29.0 bushels below the 2021 average yield of 169.0 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain, at 840 thousand acres, is down 15% from 2021.

Corn for silage production in 2022 is estimated at 5.49 million tons, down 13% from 2021. The average yield is estimated at 18.0 tons per acre, down 3.0 tons from last year's yield. Harvested area, at 305 thousand acres, is up 2% from last year.

Soybean production in 2022 totaled 25.4 million bushels, down 20% from last year. Soybean yield is estimated at 43.0 bushels per acre, down 10.0 bushels from 2021. Harvested area in 2022, at 590 thousand, is down 1% from last year.

Pennsylvania tobacco production for 2022 is estimated at 13.0 million pounds, down 7% from last year. Growers harvested 5,000 acres, down 7% from a year ago. Yield per acre averaged 2,604 pounds per acre, down 17 pounds per acre from 2021.

Also released today were the Winter Wheat Seedings and Grain Stocks reports. The Winter Wheat Seedings report is the first indicator of this year's winter wheat acreage. Planted area for harvest in 2023 is estimated at 285 thousand acres, up 6% from 2022 and up 6% from 2021.

The estimates in the report were based primarily on surveys conducted the first two weeks of December.

*The full Crop Production Summary is available online at
<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/k3569432s>.*

The report contains year-end acreage, yield and production estimates for grains and hay; oilseeds; cotton, tobacco and sugar; dry beans, peas and lentils; and potatoes and miscellaneous crops.

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