

## SOUTH DAKOTA ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION SUMMARY, 2008

**Corn for grain** production totaled 585.20 million bushels, up 8 percent from 2007. Yield, at 133.0 bushels per acre, is up 12 bushels from last year. Producers harvested 4.40 million acres of grain for 2008, down 2 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 4.75 million bushels, were down 4 percent from 2007.

**Soybean** production in 2008 totaled 138.04 million bushels, 1 percent above last year's production. The average yield was 34 bushels per acre, down 8 bushels from last year. Harvested acres, at 4.06 million, were up 25 percent from 2007. Planted acres were up 26 percent from 2007, at 4.10 million.

**Sorghum for grain** production in 2008 totaled 7.36 million bushels, down 6 percent from 2007. Average yield, at 64 bushels per acre, was 4 bushels above last year. Harvested acres, at 115,000, were down 12 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 170,000, were down 19 percent from last year.

**All sunflower** production in 2008 totaled 1,049.3 million pounds, 66 percent above last year. Average yield, at 1,769 pounds per acre, was up 226 pounds from last year. Planted and harvested acres totaled 600,000 and 593,000, respectively. **Oil sunflower** production, at 970.1 million pounds, represented 92 percent of the total. It had a yield of 1,780 pounds per acre with 545,000 acres harvested. **Non-oil sunflower** production totaled 79.2 million pounds and had a yield of 1,650 pounds per acre from 48,000 acres harvested.

**All hay** production, at 7.84 million tons, was up 8 percent from 2007. The average yield was 2.04 tons per acre, compared to 1.94 in 2007. Acres harvested were up 100,000 from 2007, to 3.85 million. **Alfalfa hay** production, at 5.52 million tons, was up 12 percent from 2007 and represented 70 percent of the total. It had an average yield of 2.30 tons per acre, compared to 2.25 tons per acre in 2007. Harvested acres were up 200,000 from last year, to 2.4 million. **All other hay** production, at 2.32 million tons, was up slightly from last year, and had an average yield of 1.6 tons per acre. Harvested acres, at 1.45 million, were down 100,000 from last year.

**Winter wheat** production totaled 103.95 million bushels, up 14 percent from last year. Yield, at 55 bushels per acre, is 9 bushels above last year. Harvested acres, at 1.89 million, were down 5 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 2.05 million, were down 2 percent from a year ago.

**Other spring wheat** production totaled 68.4 million bushels, up 31 percent from last year. Yield, at 45 bushels per acre, was up 6 bushels from last year. Producers harvested 1.52 million acres, up 13 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 1.60 million, were up 14 percent from last year. **Durum wheat** production totaled 190,000 bushels, up 9 percent from last year. Yield, at 19 bushels per acre, was down 6 bushels from a year ago. Planted acres totaled 11,000 in 2008, with 10,000 acres harvested for grain.

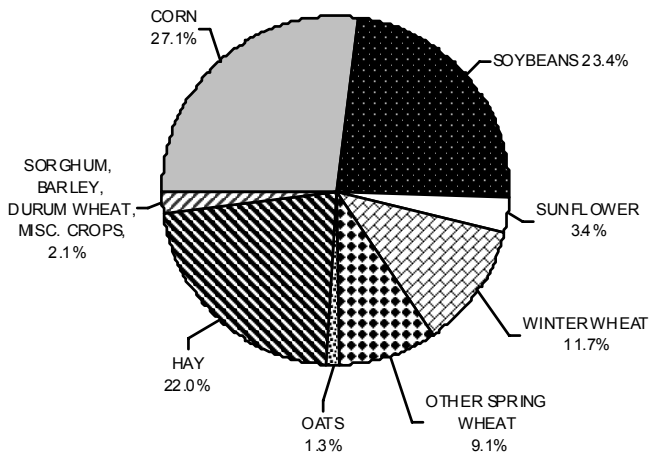
**Oat** production totaled 8.76 million bushels, down 6 percent from last year. Yield, at 73 bushels per acre, was up 1 bushel from last year. Producers harvested 120,000 acres, down 8 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 220,000, were down 33 percent from last year.

**Barley** production totaled 1.76 million bushels, up 52 percent from a year ago. Yield, at 41 bushels per acre, was up 1 bushel from last year. Harvested acres, at 43,000, were up 48 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 63,000, were up 13 percent from a year ago.

**Proso millet** grain production in 2008 totaled 3.0 million bushels, down 26 percent from 2007. The average yield of 30 bushels per acre was 1 bushel below a year earlier. Harvested acres, at 100,000, were down 23 percent from the previous year. Acres planted, at 110,000, were down 29 percent from 2007.

**Dry bean** production was down 26 percent from 2007, at 15.3 million pounds. Yield of 1,840 pounds per acre was up 80 pounds from a year ago. Harvested acres, at 8,300, were down 29 percent from 2007. Planted acres, at 8,500, were down 35 percent from last year and included 2,400 acres of garbanzos, 3,400 acres of navy beans, 1,700 acres of pintos, and 1,000 acres of all other varieties.

**PLANTED ACRES,  
PERCENT OF TOTAL,  
SOUTH DAKOTA, 2008**



**VALUE OF CROP PRODUCTION,  
PERCENT OF TOTAL,  
SOUTH DAKOTA, 2008**

