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SOUTH DAKOTA 2013 CROP PRODUCTION SUMMARY

SIOUX FALLS, SD, January 10, 2014 -- **Corn** for grain production is estimated at 809 million bushels, up 51 percent from 2012 according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The average yield is estimated at 138 bushels per harvested acre, up 37 bushels from last year. Area harvested for grain was 5.86 million acres, up from 2012's 5.30 million acres.

Soybean production is estimated at 183 million bushels, up 27 percent from 2012. The average yield was 40.0 bushels per harvested acre, up 9.5 bushels from a year ago. Acres harvested are estimated at 4.58 million, down from 4.72 million acres the previous year.

Alfalfa hay production, at 3.78 million tons, was up 46 percent from 2012. Yield is estimated at 2.1 tons per acre, up 0.7 tons per acre from a year ago. Acres harvested are estimated at 1.80 million, down from 1.85 million acres last year. **All other hay** production totaled 2.13 million tons, up 42 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 1.70 tons per acre, up from 1.20 tons per acre last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 1.25 million, unchanged from last year. New seedings of alfalfa in 2013 totaled 110,000 acres, up from 100,000 acres a year ago. Total **forage** production from alfalfa and other hay was 6.09 million tons in 2013, up 46 percent from a year earlier.

Sorghum for grain production is estimated at 22.0 million bushels, up 274 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 80 bushels per acre, up 38 bushels from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 275,000, up from 140,000 acres a year ago.

Oil sunflower production is estimated at 821 million pounds, up 4 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 1,520 pounds per acre, up 110 pounds from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 540,000, down from 560,000 acres last year. **Non-oil sunflower** production is estimated at 176 million pounds, up 72 percent from a year ago. Yield is estimated at 1,600 pounds per acre, down 20 pounds from the previous year. Acres harvested are estimated at 110,000, up from 63,000 acres last year.

Proso millet grain production is estimated at 5.61 million bushels, up 648 percent from a year ago. Yield is estimated at 34 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from a year earlier. Harvested acres are estimated at 165,000, up from 30,000 acres in 2012.

Dry edible bean production is estimated at 230,000 hundredweight, down 14 percent from 2012. Yield is estimated at 2,000 pounds per acre, down 60 pounds from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 11,500, down from 12,900 acres from a year ago.

Flaxseed production is estimated at 120,000 bushels, down 1 percent from 2012. Yield per harvested acre is 20 bushels, up 3 bushels from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 6,000, down from 7,000 acres a year ago.

Access this complete report at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProdSu//2010s/2014/CropProdSu-01-10-2014.pdf>

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