



# Wisconsin Ag News – Acreage



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**Corn** planted for all purposes in Wisconsin is estimated at 3.90 million acres according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Acreage* report. This is up 50,000 acres from the March intentions but unchanged from 2017. An estimated 3.00 million acres are expected to be harvested for grain. Producers reported planting biotechnology varieties on 88 percent of their 2018 corn acres. Insect resistant (Bt) varieties were planted on an estimated 3 percent of corn acres, herbicide resistant only varieties were planted on 13 percent of the acres, and stacked gene varieties were planted on 72 percent of the acres.

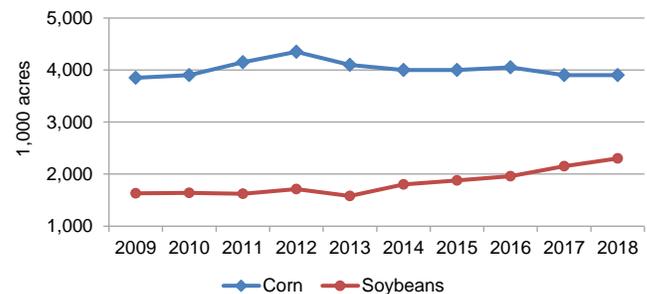
**Soybean** acreage in Wisconsin is estimated at 2.30 million acres planted, up 100,000 acres from March intentions and up 150,000 acres from last year. This is a new record high. Area for harvest is estimated at 2.29 million acres. If realized, this would also set a new record high, surpassing last year's harvested acres. Ninety-two percent of Wisconsin's soybean acreage was planted with herbicide resistant varieties.

**Winter wheat** planted is estimated at 250,000 acres, with an estimated 220,000 acres expected to be harvested for grain. **Oats** planted acreage, estimated at 210,000, is up 30,000 acres from last year's acreage. An estimated 100,000 acres are expected to be harvested for grain.

**Fall potato** acreage in Wisconsin is estimated at 67,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from the previous year. The percentages of fall potatoes planted in 2018 in Wisconsin by type are: Russet at 44 percent, White at 43 percent, Red at 9 percent, and Yellow at 4 percent.

Total dry **hay** expected to be harvested for 2018 is estimated at 1.30 million acres, up 50,000 acres from 2017. **Alfalfa** harvested acreage is estimated at 910,000 acres, up 50,000 acres from last year. **Other hay** harvested is estimated at 390,000 acres, unchanged from 2017.

**Corn and Soybean Planted Acreage  
Wisconsin: 2009-2018**



## Crop Summary – Wisconsin and United States: 2017 and 2018

Crop	Wisconsin				United States			
	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2017	2018	2017	2018 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2018	2017	2018 <sup>1</sup>
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)
Corn for grain <sup>2</sup>	3,900	3,900	2,930	3,000	90,167	89,128	82,703	81,770
Hay, all	(NA)	(NA)	1,250	1,300	(NA)	(NA)	53,784	55,068
Hay, alfalfa	(NA)	(NA)	860	910	(NA)	(NA)	16,563	17,351
Hay, other	(NA)	(NA)	390	390	(NA)	(NA)	37,221	37,717
Oats	180	210	85	100	2,588	2,889	801	1,009
Potatoes, fall	68.0	67.0	67.0	66.0	908.0	911.7	902.3	904.4
Soybeans	2,150	2,300	2,140	2,290	90,142	89,557	89,522	88,862
Wheat, winter	210	250	170	220	32,696	32,732	25,291	24,831
Principal crops <sup>3</sup>	7,758	8,075	(NA)	(NA)	319,148	322,053	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Forecasted

<sup>2</sup> Area planted for all purposes

<sup>3</sup> Includes planted corn, sorghum, oats, barley, rye, winter wheat, Durum wheat, other spring wheat, rice, soybeans, peanuts, sunflower, cotton, dry edible beans, potatoes, sugarbeets, canola, and proso millet. Harvested acreage is used for all hay, tobacco, and sugarcane in computing total area planted. Includes double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops.

## United States Acreage

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2018 is estimated at 89.1 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acres are down or unchanged in 31 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 81.8 million acres, is down 1 percent from last year.

Soybean planted area for 2018 is estimated at 89.6 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is down or unchanged in 14 of the 31 estimating States.

All wheat planted area for 2018 is estimated at 47.8 million acres, up 4 percent from 2017. This represents the second lowest all wheat planted area on record since records began in 1919. The 2018 winter wheat planted area, at 32.7 million acres, is up less than 1 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.89 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.62 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2018 is estimated at 13.2 million acres, up 20 percent from 2017. Of this total, about 12.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2018 is estimated at 1.89 million acres, down 18 percent from the previous year.