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2019 Corn and Soybean Revisions

Survey respondents in Michigan, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin who reported corn and soybean acreage as not yet harvested during the surveys conducted in preparation for the *Crop Production 2019 Summary*, released January 12, 2020, were re-contacted in April to determine how many of those acres were actually harvested and record the actual production from those acres. When producers were surveyed in December, there were a significant number of unharvested acres of:

- Corn in Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin
- Soybeans in Michigan, North Dakota, and Wisconsin

Based on this updated information, several changes were made to the estimates previously published in the *Crop Production 2019 Summary*. Unharvested production is a component of on-farm stocks, therefore, changes were made to the December 1 on-farm stocks levels comparable with the production adjustments.

Winter wheat production in Wisconsin is forecast at 9.10 million bushels, 5% below last year’s 9.60 million bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. Based on conditions as of May 1, the State’s winter wheat yield is forecast at 70.0 bushels per acre, 6.0 above last year. Wisconsin winter wheat growers intend to harvest 130,000 acres for grain, down 13% from 2019.

Corn for grain production in Wisconsin during 2019 is estimated at 443 million bushels, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production 2019 Summary* report. This estimate is down 2% from the previous estimate and down 19% from 2018. Wisconsin’s corn for grain yield is estimated at 166 bushels per acre, 2 bushels below the previous estimate. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 2.67 million acres, down 10,000 acres from the previous estimate and 500,000 acres below 2018. Corn planted for all purposes in 2019 is estimated at 3.80 million acres, unchanged from the previous estimate but down 3% from 2018.

Corn for silage production is estimated at 18.2 million tons, unchanged from the previous estimate but up 36% from 2018. The silage yield estimate of 17.5 tons per acre is unchanged from the previous estimate but 2.5 tons lower than 2018. Producers harvested 1.04 million acres of corn for silage, unchanged from the previous estimate but an increase of 370,000 acres from 2018.

Soybean production is estimated at 79.4 million bushels in 2019, down 470,000 bushels from the previous estimate and 24% below 2018. Wisconsin soybean growers averaged 47.0 bushels per acre in 2019, unchanged from the previous estimate but 1.0 bushel below the 2018 yield. The harvested acreage of 1.69 million is down 10,000 acres from the previous estimate and 490,000 acres below 2018. Soybean planted acreage, at 1.75 million acres, is unchanged from the previous estimate but down 21% from 2018.

Winter Wheat Area Harvested, Yield, and Production – Selected States and United States: 2019 and Forecasted May 1, 2020

[The estimates in this table are based on May 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next crop production forecast, based on conditions as of June 1, will be released on June 11.]

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Colorado.....	2,000	1,650	49.0	37.0	98,000	61,050
Kansas.....	6,500	6,500	52.0	47.0	338,000	305,500
Montana.....	1,900	1,550	50.0	51.0	95,000	79,050
Oklahoma.....	2,750	2,700	40.0	38.0	110,000	102,600
Texas.....	2,050	2,400	34.0	35.0	69,700	84,000
Washington.....	1,700	1,640	70.0	72.0	119,000	118,080
Wisconsin.....	150	130	64.0	70.0	9,600	9,100
United States.....	24,327	24,275	53.6	51.7	1,304,003	1,254,600

Crop Production Summary – Wisconsin and United States: 2018-2019

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
WISCONSIN								
Corn for Grain ¹ bushels	3,900	3,800	3,170	2,670	172.0	166.0	545,240	443,220
Corn for Silage..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	670	1,040	20.0	17.5	13,400	18,200
Soybeans..... bushels	2,220	1,750	2,180	1,690	48.0	47.0	104,640	79,430
UNITED STATES								
Corn for Grain ¹ bushels	88,871	89,700	81,276	81,422	176.4	167.8	14,340,369	13,662,661
Corn for Silage..... tons	(NA)	(NA)	6,120	6,587	19.9	20.2	121,564	132,807
Soybeans..... bushels	89,167	76,100	87,594	75,001	50.6	47.4	4,428,150	3,556,541

(NA) Not available.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

U.S. Corn Supply and Use ¹

CORN	2018-2019	2019-2020 (Est.)	2020-2021 ² Projections May
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning Stocks	2,140	2,221	2,098
Production	14,340	13,663	15,995
Imports	28	45	25
Supply, total	16,509	15,928	18,118
Feed & Residual	5,430	5,700	6,050
Food, Seed & Industrial	6,793	6,355	6,600
Domestic, total	12,223	12,055	12,650
Exports	2,065	1,775	2,150
Use, total	14,288	13,830	14,800
Ending Stocks, total	2,221	2,098	3,318
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	3.61	3.60	3.20

¹ Source: World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report

² Preliminary

U.S. Soybean Supply and Use ¹

SOYBEANS	2018-2019	2019-2020 (Est.)	2020-2021 ² Projections May
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning Stocks	438	909	580
Production	4,428	3,557	4,125
Imports	14	15	15
Supply, total	4,880	4,481	4,720
Crushings	2,092	2,125	2,130
Exports	1,748	1,675	2,050
Seed	88	97	100
Residual	43	4	35
Use, total	3,971	3,901	4,315
Ending stocks	909	580	405
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) ...	8.48	8.50	8.20

¹ Source: World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report

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United States Summary

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2019. As of May 1, the United States yield is forecast at 51.7 bushels per acre, down 1.9 bushels from last year's average yield of 53.6 bushels per acre.

Corn harvested area estimates were reduced from the *Crop Production 2019 Annual Summary* in Minnesota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. As a result of these changes and yield changes in Michigan, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin, corn production in the United States is estimated at 13.7 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the *Crop Production 2019 Annual Summary*.

Soybean harvested area estimates were reduced from the *Crop Production 2019 Annual Summary* in Michigan and Wisconsin. As a result of these changes and a yield change in Michigan, soybean production in the United States is estimated at 3.56 billion bushels, down slightly from the *Crop Production 2019 Annual Summary*.