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## Indiana August 1 Crop Forecast

Indiana farmers anticipate record high corn and soybean yields this year, according to Nathaniel Warenski, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Indiana Field Office. Indiana farmers anticipate harvesting 5.06 million acres of corn, down 250 thousand acres from last year and 5.78 million acres of soybeans, up 300 thousand acres from last year.

Indiana corn and soybean crops were planted earlier than normal in 2024 with both crops being planted earlier than both last year and the 5-year average. Precipitation and heat units were adequate to allow both crops to maintain an earlier than average pace. At the time of the survey, all reproductive phases for corn and soybeans outpaced the previous year and 5-year averages. Despite isolated dry areas of the State, most of the State has received ample rainfall and grain fill should not be hampered by lack of precipitation.

Highlights of the August 1 Crop Production report follow:

- Indiana's average corn yield is forecast at 207 bushels per acre, up 4 bushels from the previous year. Total production is forecast at 1.05 billion bushels, down 3 percent from last year on fewer acres planted.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 62 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from 2023. Total production is forecast at 358 million bushels, up 7 percent from last year on more acres planted and a higher anticipated yield.
- Winter wheat yield is estimated at 88 bushels per acre, up 1 from the previous forecast but 4 bushels below last year. Winter wheat production is forecast at 22.0 million bushels, down 29 percent from last year due to a smaller yield and fewer acres planted.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop – Indiana and United States: 2023 - 2024

Commodity	Indiana		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Corn, all .....				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	5,450	5,200	94,641	90,748
Corn, grain .....				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	5,310	5,060	86,513	82,710
Yield ..... Bushels	203.0	207.0	177.3	183.1
Production ..... 1,000 bu	1,077,930	1,047,420	15,341,595	15,146,590
Hay, alfalfa .....				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	270	260	15,634	15,627
Yield ..... Tons	2.50	3.30	3.19	3.35
Production ..... 1,000 tons	675	858	49,916	52,369
Hay, other .....				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	260	270	37,187	35,904
Yield ..... Tons	2.30	2.30	1.85	2.07
Production ..... 1,000 tons	598	621	68,853	74,450
Soybeans .....				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	5,500	5,800	83,600	87,100
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	5,480	5,780	82,356	86,271
Yield ..... Bushels	61.0	62.0	50.6	53.2
Production ..... 1,000 bu	334,280	358,360	4,164,677	4,589,190
Winter Wheat .....				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	405	320	36,699	33,480
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	335	250	24,683	25,593
Yield ..... bushels	92.0	88.0	50.6	53.2
Production ..... 1,000 bu	30,820	22,000	1,247,748	1,360,922

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