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Indiana September 1 Crop Forecast

Indiana farmers continue to 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.

As of September 1, farmers anticipate Indiana corn to average 210 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last month’s anticipated yield and up 7 bushels from last year. As of September 1, Indiana corn was 61 percent dented, thirteen points higher than the 5-year average. Indiana soybean yield is forecasted at 63 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last month. As of September 1, ninety-four percent of Indiana soybeans were setting pods, four points higher than the 5- year average.

Nationally, corn production for grain is forecast at 15.2 billion bushels, up less than 1 percent from the previous forecast but down 1 percent from 2023. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 183.6 bushels per harvested acre, up 0.5 bushel from the previous forecast and up 6.3 bushels from last year. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 82.7 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast but down 4 percent from the previous year.

Nationally, soybean production for beans is forecast at a record high 4.59 billion bushels, down slightly from the previous forecast but up 10 percent from 2023. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average a record high 53.2 bushels per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 2.6 bushels from 2023. Area harvested for beans in the United States is forecast at 86.3 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 5 percent from 2023.

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				
Planted1,000 acres	5,450	5,200	94,641	90,748
Corn, grain				
Harvested1,000 acres	5,310	5,060	86,513	82,710
Yield Bushels	203.0	210.0	177.3	183.6
Production 1,000 bu	1,077,930	1,062,600	15,341,595	15,185,510
Soybeans				
Planted1,000 acres	5,500	5,800	83,600	87,100
Harvested1,000 acres	5,480	5,780	82,356	86,271
Yield Bushels	61.0	63.0	50.6	53.2
Production 1,000 bu	334,280	364,140	4,164,677	4,585,889

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