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Maryland September crop forecast

ANNAPOLIS, MD ---The USDA-NASS has released the crop production forecast for September, according to Shareefah Williams, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Maryland Field Office. The latest survey, which was conducted during the last week of August and the first week of September, included the following commodities:

Corn production is forecast at 67.2 million bushels, up 7% from 2022. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are forecast to average 160 bushels per acre, 5 bushels below the 2022 average. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 420 thousand acres, up 11% from 2022.

Soybean production is forecast at 22.1 million bushels, up 1% from 2022. Based on September 1 conditions, yield is forecast to average 48.0 bushels per acre, 5 bushels above the 2022 average. Area for harvest is forecast at 460 thousand acres, down 50 thousand acres from 2022.

Production forecasts are released monthly and do not reflect final production estimates. The next production forecast will be issued October 12, 2023.

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For the complete "Crop Production" report, go to: https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/tm70mv177

The "Crop Production" report and all other NASS reports are available online at <u>www.nass.usda.gov</u>.

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