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## **News Release**

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## Michigan September 1 Crop Forecast

Michigan farmers are anticipating record high corn yields in 2024, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of the USDA NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Michigan farmers anticipate harvesting 1.90 million acres of corn for grain, down 160 thousand acres from last year and 2.19 million acres of soybeans, up 150 thousand acres from last year.

Continued favorable temperatures and precipitation across most of the major field crop growing areas of Michigan in August resulted in farmers anticipating higher yields than they did a month ago. As of September 1, Michigan corn was 49 percent dented, 11 points higher than the 5-year average. As of September 1, ten percent of Michigan soybeans had completed pod fills and were dropping leaves, two 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 – Michigan and United States: 2023 - 2024

Commodity	Michigan		United States	
	2023	2024	2023	2024
Corn, all				
Planted1,000 acres	2,400	2,250	94,641	90,748
Corn, grain				
Harvested1,000 acres	2,060	1,900	86,513	82,710
YieldBushels	168.0	182.0	177.3	183.6
Production1,000 bu	346,080	345,800	15,341,595	15,185,510
Soybeans				
Planted1,000 acres	2,040	2,190	83,600	87,100
Harvested1,000 acres	2,030	2,180	82,356	86,271
Yield Bushels	46.0	50.0	50.6	53.2
Production1,000 bu	93,380	109,000	4,164,677	4,585,889
Sugarbeets				
Planted1,000 acres	133.0	135.0	1,137.4	1,100.9
Harvested1,000 acres	132.0	134.0	1,127.3	1,075.1
YieldTons	33.9	36.5	31.2	32.9
Production 1,000 tons	4,475	4,891	35,226	35,388