



Minnesota Ag News – Crop Production

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Corn for grain production in Minnesota for 2024 was estimated at 1.35 billion bushels, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production 2024 Summary*. Current year production was down 11 percent from the previous year's 1.51 billion bushels. Minnesota's corn for grain yield was estimated at 174.0 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 7.73 million acres, 450,000 acres below 2023. Corn planted for all purposes in 2024 was estimated at 8.20 million acres.

Corn for silage production was estimated at 7.98 million tons, up 23 percent from 2023. The silage yield estimate of 21.0 tons per acre was up 2.5 tons per acre from 2023. Producers harvested 380,000 acres of corn for silage, up 9 percent from 2023.

Soybean production was estimated at 329 million bushels in 2024. This was down 6 percent from last year's 349 million bushels. The Minnesota soybean crop yielded 45.0 bushels per acre in 2024. The harvested acreage of 7.32 million was up 40,000 acres from 2023. Soybean planted acreage, at 7.40 million, was up 50,000 acres from 2023.

All hay production for the state was estimated at 3.72 million tons, up 65 percent from the 2.26 million tons produced in 2023. Producers averaged 3.10 tons per acre, up nearly 1 ton per acre from 2023. All hay harvested acres were estimated at 1.20 million acres, up 130,000 acres from 2023.

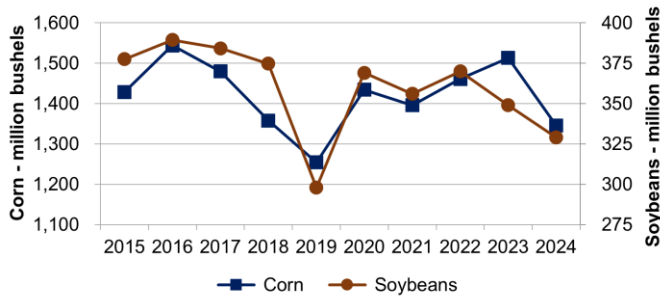
Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for hay production was estimated at 2.55 million tons, up 52 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 3.75 tons per acre, up 1.20 tons from 2023. Harvested acres were up 20,000 from last year, to 680,000 acres. Minnesota producers seeded 130,000 acres of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures in 2024, up 73 percent from 2023.

Other hay production was estimated at 1.17 million tons, up 104 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 2.25 tons per acre, up 0.85 ton from the 2023 yield. Harvested acres of other hay, at 520,000, were up 110,000 acres from 2023.

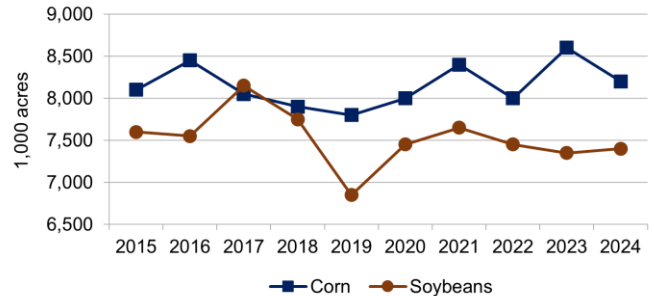
Sugarbeet production was estimated at 11.8 million tons, down 8 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 29.5 tons per acre, down 0.6 ton from 2023. Producers harvested 400,600 acres, down 24,900 acres from 2023.

Oil sunflower production was estimated at 57.0 million pounds, down 48 percent from 2023. Producers averaged 1,900 pounds per acre, down 17 percent from 2023. Oil sunflower harvested area was 30,000 acres. **Non-oil sunflower** production was estimated at 10.7 million pounds, down 50 percent from 2023. Yield was estimated at 1,700 pounds per acre, down 29 percent from 2023. Area harvested for non-oil sunflowers was 6,300 acres.

**Corn and Soybean Production
Minnesota: 2015-2024**



**Corn and Soybean Planted Acres
Minnesota: 2015-2024**



Crop Production Summary - Minnesota and United States: 2023-2024

Crop	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
MINNESOTA								
Barleybushels	60	40	54	25	74.0	70.0	3,996	1,750
Canolapounds	80.0	110.0	79.0	108.0	2,470	2,050	195,130	221,400
Corn for grain ¹bushels	8,600	8,200	8,180	7,730	185.0	174.0	1,513,300	1,345,020
Corn for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	350	380	18.5	21.0	6,475	7,980
Dry edible beans ² tons	210.0	280.0	207.0	274.4	2,430	2,140	5,030	5,880
Hay, all tons	(NA)	(NA)	1,070	1,200	2.11	3.10	2,257	3,720
Hay, alfalfa tons	(NA)	(NA)	660	680	2.55	3.75	1,683	2,550
Hay, other tons	(NA)	(NA)	410	520	1.40	2.25	574	1,170
Oatsbushels	165	205	87	140	77.0	88.0	6,699	12,320
Potatoes cwt	46.0	43.0	45.7	42.6	415	395	18,966	16,827
Soybeansbushels	7,350	7,400	7,280	7,320	48.0	45.0	349,440	329,400
Sugarbeets tons	429.5	411.0	425.5	400.6	30.1	29.5	12,808	11,818
Sunflowers, oil pounds	49	31	48	30	2,300	1,900	110,400	57,000
Sunflowers, non-oil pounds	9.5	6.7	9.0	6.3	2,400	1,700	21,600	10,710
Wheat, springbushels	1,300	1,220	1,260	1,180	62.0	68.5	78,120	80,830
UNITED STATES								
Barleybushels	3,109	2,373	2,574	1,875	72.3	76.7	186,127	143,836
Canolapounds	2,344.5	2,751.5	2,319.2	2,710.0	1,793	1,784	4,157,420	4,834,030
Corn for grain ¹bushels	94,641	90,594	86,506	82,896	177.3	179.3	15,340,520	14,866,744
Corn for silage tons	(NA)	(NA)	6,461	6,100	20.1	20.2	129,854	123,093
Dry edible beans ² tons	1,180.0	1,533.0	1,156.1	1,503.6	2,067	2,081	23,893	31,289
Hay, all tons	(NA)	(NA)	52,771	49,390	2.25	2.48	118,588	122,462
Hay, alfalfa tons	(NA)	(NA)	15,604	14,612	3.19	3.41	49,769	49,840
Hay, other tons	(NA)	(NA)	37,167	34,778	1.85	2.09	68,819	72,622
Oatsbushels	2,555	2,213	831	886	68.6	76.5	57,045	67,793
Potatoes cwt	966.0	930.0	961.1	925.4	458	454	440,132	420,242
Soybeansbushels	83,600	87,050	82,271	86,050	50.6	50.7	4,162,057	4,366,492
Sugarbeets tons	1,125.0	1,104.3	1,114.2	1,085.5	32.2	32.5	35,884	35,278
Sunflowers, oil pounds	1,161.0	594.0	1,122.5	569.2	1,749	1,664	1,963,075	947,060
Sunflowers, non-oil pounds	154.0	126.8	141.0	116.9	2,089	1,698	294,615	198,545
Wheat, springbushels	11,200	10,625	10,915	10,330	46.0	52.5	502,245	542,320

(NA) Not available.

¹ Area planted for all purposes.

² Yield in pounds, production in hundredweight.

U.S. Corn Supply and Use ¹

CORN	2022-2023	2023-2024 (Est.)	2024-2025 Projections January
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning stocks	1,377	1,360	1,763
Production	13,651	15,341	14,867
Imports	39	28	25
Supply, total	15,066	16,729	16,655
Feed & residual	5,486	5,804	5,775
Food, seed & industrial ..	6,558	6,869	6,890
Ethanol & by-products ...	5,176	5,478	5,500
Domestic, total	12,044	12,673	12,665
Exports	1,662	2,292	2,450
Use, total	13,706	14,966	15,115
Ending stocks	1,360	1,763	1,540
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	6.54	4.55	4.25

¹ Source: USDA OCE World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report <http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>

U.S. Soybean Supply and Use ¹

SOYBEANS	2022-2023	2023-2024 (Est.)	2024-2025 Projections January
	(million bushels)	(million bushels)	(million bushels)
Beginning stocks	274	264	342
Production	4,270	4,162	4,366
Imports	25	21	20
Supply, total	4,569	4,447	4,729
Crushings	2,212	2,287	2,410
Exports	1,980	1,695	1,825
Seed	75	78	78
Residual	39	45	36
Use, total	4,305	4,105	4,349
Ending stocks	264	342	380
Avg. farm price (\$/bu) ...	14.20	12.40	10.20

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United States Crop Production

Corn for grain production in 2024 was estimated at 14.9 billion bushels, down 3 percent from the 2023 estimate. The average yield in the United States was estimated at a record high 179.3 bushels per acre, 2.0 bushels above the 2023 yield of 177.3 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 82.9 million acres, down 4 percent from the 2023 estimate.

Soybean production in 2024 totaled 4.37 billion bushels, up 5 percent from 2023. The average yield per acre was estimated at 50.7 bushels, up 0.1 bushel from 2023. Harvested area, at 86.1 million acres, was up 5 percent from last year.

The complete report can be found on the USDA NASS website at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications.