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## **New Jersey farmers plan to plant 100 thousand acres of soybeans**

**TRENTON, NJ** - - - New Jersey farmers plan to plant 100 thousand soybean acres in 2023, according to Bruce Eklund, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New Jersey Field Office. Growers plan to plant 85 thousand acres of corn. They intend to harvest hay from 95 thousand acres. They planted wheat to 30 thousand acres, trending up from 18 thousand acres in 2018 and the highest since 2014.

### **U.S. Highlights**

Soybean planted area for 2023 is estimated at 87.5 million acres, up slightly from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 15 of the 29 estimating States. Corn planted area for all purposes in 2023 is estimated at 92.0 million acres, up 4% or 3.42 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be up or unchanged in 40 of the 48 estimating States.

The acreage estimates in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March. The March Agricultural Survey is a probability survey that includes a sample of approximately 72,900 farm operators selected from a list of producers that ensures all operations in the United States have a chance to be selected.

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