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## **New Jersey annual crop production**

**TRENTON, NJ** --- Corn for grain production is estimated at 10.9 million bushels, up 65% from last year, according to Bruce Eklund, state Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New Jersey Field Office. The average yield in New Jersey is estimated at a record high 168.0 bushels per acre, 54.0 bushels above the 2022 yield. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 65 thousand acres.

Corn silage production is estimated at 108 thousand tons, up 13% from 2022. Silage yield is estimated at 18.0 tons per acre, 2 tons above the previous year. Area harvested for silage is estimated at 6 thousand acres, unchanged from a year ago.

Soybean production is estimated at 4.21 million bushels, up 39% from 2022. Yield is estimated at 43.0 bushels per acre, up 54% from the previous year. Harvested area, at 98 thousand acres, is down 10 thousand acres from the previous year.

Wheat production is estimated at 2.62 million bushels, up 70% from 2022. Yield is estimated at a record high 82.0 bushels per acre, up 12.0 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area for grain is 32 thousand acres, 45% above last year.

Other hay production is estimated at 153 thousand tons, down 16% from last year. Yield is estimated at 1.80 tons per acre, down 0.10 ton per acre from the previous year. Harvested area is 85 thousand acres, down 11 thousand acres from 2022.

Alfalfa production is estimated at a record low 31.0 thousand tons, down 11% from 2022. Yield is estimated at 2.60 tons per acre, down 0.10 ton per acre from last year. Harvested area is 12 thousand acres, down 1 thousand acres from the previous year.

Also released Friday, January 12, was the Winter Wheat Seedings report. The Winter Wheat Seedings report is the first indicator of this year's winter wheat acreage. Planted area for harvest in 2024 is estimated at 30 thousand acres, down 12% from 2023.

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

The "Crop Production Annual" report and all other NASS reports are available online at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov">www.nass.usda.gov</a>.

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