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## **New Jersey farmers plan to plant 110 thousand acres of soybeans**

**TRENTON, NJ** - - - New Jersey farmers plan to plant 110 thousand soybean acres in 2024, up 10% from 2023, according to Bruce Eklund, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New Jersey Field Office. Growers plan to plant 72 thousand acres of corn, down 3% from last year. They intend to harvest hay from 105 thousand acres, up 8% from 2023.

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

Soybean planted area for 2024 is estimated at 86.5 million acres, up 3% from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is up or unchanged in 24 of the 29 estimating States. Corn planted area for all purposes in 2024 is estimated at 90.0 million acres, down 5% or 4.61 million acres from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is expected to be down or unchanged in 38 of the 48 estimating States.

Survey Procedures: 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 71,800 farm operators selected from a list of producers that ensures all operations in the United States have a chance to be selected. Data from operators was collected by mail, internet, or telephone to obtain information on crop acreage intentions for the 2024 crop year.

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