



News Release

Ohio September 1 Crop Forecast

Lack of precipitation in August has further reduced Ohio corn and soybean yields, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office. Ohio farmers anticipate harvesting 3.17 million acres of corn for grain, 230 thousand acres less than last year and 5.03 million acres of soybeans, up 300 thousand acres from last year.

Ohio farmers anticipate smaller corn and soybean yields this month than they did last month. The Ohio corn crop is now forecast at 187 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from last month's forecast. As of September 1, Ohio corn was 64 percent dented, twenty-four points higher than the 5-year average. The Ohio soybean yield is forecasted at 55 bushels per acre, down 4 bushels from last month. As of September 1, nineteen percent of Ohio soybeans had completed pod fill and were dropping leaves, fifteen points more 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 - Ohio and United States: 2023 - 2024

Commodity	Ohio		United States		
	2023	2024	2023	2024	
Corn, all					
Planted	1,000 acres	3,600	3,400	94,641	90,748
Corn, grain					
Harvested	1,000 acres	3,400	3,170	86,513	82,710
Yield	Bushels	198.0	187.0	177.3	183.6
Production	1,000 bu	673,200	592,790	15,341,595	15,185,510
Soybeans					
Planted	1,000 acres	4,750	5,050	83,600	87,100
Harvested	1,000 acres	4,730	5,030	82,356	86,271
Yield	Bushels	58.0	55.0	50.6	53.2
Production	1,000 bu	274,340	276,650	4,164,677	4,585,889

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