



# News Release

## Ohio August 1 Crop Forecast

Ohio farmers anticipate harvesting record soybean and wheat yields in 2023, according to Ben Torrance, State Statistician, USDA NASS, Ohio Field Office.

Ohio corn and soybean planting concluded ahead of both last year and the 5-year average but crop progress stalled due to lack of precipitation in May and June. When rains returned in July, both crops began to progress, though both are now behind their respective 5-year reproductive averages. Despite this, farmers anticipate record high soybean yields and very good corn yields. Farmers were pleasantly surprised with 2023 wheat yields as the dry May and June did not hamper grain fill. Growers anticipate records wheat yields in 2023.

Highlights of the August 1 Crop Production report follow:

- Ohio's average corn yield is forecast at 191 bushels per acre, 4 bushels above last year. Total production is forecast at 625 million bushels, up 5 percent from last year.
- Soybean yield is forecast at 57 bushels per acre, up 1.5 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be a record high. Total production is forecast at 278 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year on fewer harvested acres.
- Winter Wheat yield is forecast at 91 bushels per acre, up 12 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be a record high. Total production is forecast at 50 million bushels.

### Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production by Crop - Ohio and United States: 2022 - 2023

Commodity	Ohio		United States	
	2022	2023	2022	2023
Corn, all				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	3,400	3,500	88,579	94,096
Corn, grain				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	3,180	3,270	79,207	86,322
Yield ..... Bushels	187.0	191.0	173.3	175.1
Production ..... 1,000 bu	594,660	624,570	13,729,719	15,110,787
Hay, alfalfa				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	280	300	14,913	15,658
Yield ..... Tons	3.10	3.20	3.22	3.13
Production ..... 1,000 tons	868	960	47,958	48,936
Hay, other				
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	550	550	34,633	36,318
Yield ..... Tons	2.50	2.00	1.87	1.92
Production ..... 1,000 tons	1,375	1,100	64,843	69,894
Oats				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	50	35	2,581	2,558
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	15	22	890	804
Yield ..... Bushels	70.0	63.0	64.8	61.5
Production ..... 1,000 bu	1,050	1,386	57,655	49,454
Soybeans				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	5,100	4,900	87,450	83,505
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	5,080	4,880	86,336	82,696
Yield ..... Bushels	55.5	57.0	49.5	50.9
Production ..... 1,000 bu	281,940	278,160	4,276,123	4,205,450
Wheat, winter				
Planted ..... 1,000 acres	510	650	33,271	36,810
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	465	550	23,459	25,495
Yield ..... Bushels	79.0	91.0	47.0	48.1
Production ..... 1,000 bu	36,735	50,050	1,103,707	1,227,235

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