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Crop Production

Iowa: Corn: The September 1 yield forecast of 179.0 bushels per acre is unchanged from the August 1 forecast. Production is forecast at 2.33 billion bushels for the State, down 5 percent from last year. Iowa's corn plant population per acre, at 30,050, and number of ears per acre, at 29,450, are at record high levels.

Soybean: The September 1 yield forecast of 52.0 bushels per acre is up 1 bushel from the August 1 forecast. If realized, soybean production would be 528 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year's 486 million bushels. Iowa's soybean pods with beans per 18 square feet, at 2,009, is also a record high for September.

United States: Corn production is forecast at a record 13.2 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the August forecast, but up from the previous record of 13.1 billion bushels set in 2009. Based on conditions as of September 1, yields are expected to average 162.5 bushels per acre, down 2.5 bushels from the previous month and 2.2 bushels below last year's record of 164.7 bushels. Forecasted yields decreased from last month throughout much of the Corn Belt, Tennessee Valley, and Delta. Yields were up from August in the lower portions of the Southeast.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 3.48 billion bushels, up 1 percent from August and 4 percent above last year. Based on September 1 conditions, yields are expected to average a record high 44.7 bushels per acre, up 0.7 bushel from both last month and last year. Compared with last month, yields are forecast higher or unchanged across the central and northern Corn Belt, with the exception of Michigan. The largest increases in yield from last month are expected in Maryland and Virginia, both up 4 bushels. With the exceptions of Louisiana and the Carolinas, yields are forecast down across the Delta States, Southern Great Plains, and Southeast. The largest decline from the August 1 forecast is expected in Oklahoma, down 7 bushels as drought conditions across much of the State hampered yield expectations. If realized, the forecasted yield in Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, and North Dakota will be a record high. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 78.0 million acres, unchanged from June but up 2 percent from 2009.

September 2010 Production Summary - Iowa and United States

Crop	For Harvest		Yield per acre		Production	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
IOWA						
Corn for Grain	13,400	13,000	182.0	179.0	2,438,800	2,327,000
Soybeans	9,530	10,150	51.0	52.0	486,030	527,800
UNITED STATES						
Corn for Grain	79,590	81,005	164.7	162.5	13,110,062	13,159,700
Soybeans	76,372	77,986	44.0	44.7	3,359,011	3,482,899

Iowa District Estimates: September 1

Corn, 2009-2010

District	Harvested		Yield/acre		Production	
	2009	2010 ¹	2009	2010 ²	2009	2010
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
NW	1,967	1,910	195	192	383,550	366,740
NC	1,927	1,905	181	188	348,770	358,160
NE	1,544	1,515	174	182	268,640	275,740
WC	2,030	1,960	191	182	387,710	356,740
C	1,985	1,935	180	182	357,280	352,180
EC	1,392	1,370	185	182	257,500	249,350
SW	1,075	1,010	184	166	197,790	167,670
SC	552	510	153	124	84,450	63,240
SE	928	885	165	155	153,110	137,180
State	13,400	13,000	182	179	2,438,800	2,327,000

¹ Harvested for grain ² Yield rounded

Soybeans, 2009-2010

District	Harvested		Yield/acre		Production	
	2009	2010 ¹	2009	2010 ²	2009	2010
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Thousand Acres</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>
NW	1,570	1,662	52.5	54.0	82,380	89,795
NC	1,265	1,347	49.5	52.0	62,580	70,080
NE	797	863	46.5	52.0	37,040	44,900
WC	1,474	1,585	52.0	54.0	76,630	85,635
C	1,356	1,452	52.0	52.0	70,450	75,540
EC	900	960	52.5	52.0	47,230	49,945
SW	925	996	53.0	52.0	49,010	51,820
SC	530	540	46.0	45.0	24,370	24,310
SE	713	745	51.0	48.0	36,340	35,775
State	9,530	10,150	51.0	52.0	486,030	527,800

World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates

U.S. Corn Supply and Demand

CORN	2008-2009	2009-2010 (Est.)	2010-2011 ¹ Projections September
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	1,624	1,673	1,386
Production	12,092	13,110	13,160
Imports	14	8	10
Supply, total	13,729	14,791	14,556
Feed & Residual	5,182	5,525	5,250
Food, Seed & Industrial	5,025	5,900	6,090
Domestic, total	10,207	11,425	11,340
Exports	1,849	1,980	2,100
Use, total	12,056	13,405	13,440
Ending Stocks, total	1,673	1,386	1,116
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	4.06	3.55	4.00-4.80

¹ Preliminary

U.S. Soybean Supply and Demand

SOYBEANS	2008-2009	2009-2010 (Est.)	2010-2011 ¹ Projections September
	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>	<i>Million Bushels</i>
Beginning Stocks	205	138	150
Production	2,967	3,359	3,483
Imports	13	15	10
Supply, total	3,185	3,512	3,643
Crushings	1,662	1,750	1,650
Exports	1,279	1,495	1,485
Seed	90	92	88
Residual	16	26	70
Use, total	3,047	3,363	3,293
Ending stocks	138	150	350
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	9.97	9.60	9.15-10.65

¹ Preliminary

Source: World Agricultural Outlook Board

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, Canada, July 1, 2008-2010

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

Class	2008	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Cattle and Calves	15,195	14,735	14,011	95
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	5,844	5,571	5,338	96
Beef Cows	4,862	4,588	4,356	95
Milk Cows	982	983	982	100
Heifers 1 Year and Over	2,308	2,319	2,226	96
For Beef Cow Replacement	655	638	624	98
For Milk Cow Replacement	477	459	452	98
Other Heifers	1,176	1,222	1,150	94
Steers 1 Year and Over	1,576	1,665	1,496	90
Bulls 1 Year and Over	261	248	239	96
Calves Under 1 Year	5,207	4,932	4,714	96
Calf Crop ¹	5,288	5,080	NA	NA

NA indicated data not available.

¹ January to December calf crop.

Source: *Statistics Canada*.

Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class and Lamb Crop, Canada, July 1, 2008-2010

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

Item	2008	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
All Sheep and Lambs	1,062	1,063	1,042	98
Breeding Sheep and Lambs	665	666	655	98
Replacement Lambs Under 1 Year Old	94	93	93	100
Ewes – 1 Year Old and Older	547	549	539	98
Rams – 1 Year Old and Older	24	23	23	100
Market Sheep and Lambs	397	397	387	97
Lamb Crop ¹	807	828	NA	NA

NA indicated data not available.

¹ January to December lamb crop.

Source: *Statistics Canada*.

Hogs and Pigs: Inventory Number by Class, and Quarter, Canada, July 1, 2005-2010

[Totals may not add due to rounding]

Item	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
All Hogs and Pigs	15,195	15,065	14,690	12,980	12,065	11,781	98
Kept for Breeding ¹	1,624	1,587	1,565	1,446	1,373	1,305	95
Market	13,571	13,479	13,125	11,534	10,692	10,476	98
Under 50 Pounds	NA	NA	NA	4,488	3,956	3,889	98
50 – 119 Pounds	NA	NA	NA	2,830	2,767	2,632	95
120 – 179 Pounds	NA	NA	NA	1,900	1,816	1,781	98
180 Pounds and Over	NA	NA	NA	2,316	2,152	2,174	101
Sows Farrowed	853	812	810	794	737	705	96
Pig Crop	8,197	7,875	7,903	7,802	7,322	7,001	96

NA indicated data not available.

¹ Includes boars

Source: *Statistics Canada*.

Farm Labor: Employment, Wage Rates, and Hired Workers, Regional and U.S.

Year and Month			Hired Workers ¹			
	Hired Workers <i>1,000</i>	Hours Worked <i>Hours per Week</i>	Wage Rates for Type of Worker			
			Field	Livestock	Field & Livestock	All Hired Workers

----- Dollars per Hour -----

CORN BELT II REGION²

2009

January	20	34.0	11.06	11.27	11.20	11.40
April	22	31.8	10.35	12.45	11.15	11.80
July	28	33.6	10.88	10.05	10.55	11.01
October	30	31.1	10.46	11.23	10.75	10.85

2010

January	23	33.5	11.40	10.77	11.00	10.98
April	27	39.0	10.47	11.23	10.75	10.87
July	33	31.9	10.51	11.45	10.95	11.20

UNITED STATES

2009

January	595	38.3	9.96	10.27	10.08	10.93
April	680	40.1	9.99	10.25	10.07	10.84
July	875	39.7	10.04	10.05	10.04	10.66
October	807	39.0	10.25	10.23	10.24	10.91

2010

January	602	37.2	10.09	10.28	10.17	11.05
April	737	39.8	10.04	10.30	10.12	10.82
July	894	41.0	10.12	10.19	10.14	10.82

¹ Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates. ² Corn Belt II Region: Iowa, Missouri