



Iowa Ag News - Acreage

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Corn planted for all purposes in Iowa is estimated at 13.3 million acres, unchanged from the March intentions and last year according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Acreage* report. Corn to be harvested for grain is forecasted at 12.9 million acres. Producers reported planting biotechnology varieties on 93 percent of their 2018 corn acres. The percent of corn acreage planted to insect resistant (Bt) varieties is estimated at 3 percent, herbicide resistant only varieties were planted on 7 percent of the acres, and stacked gene varieties were planted on 83 percent of the acres.

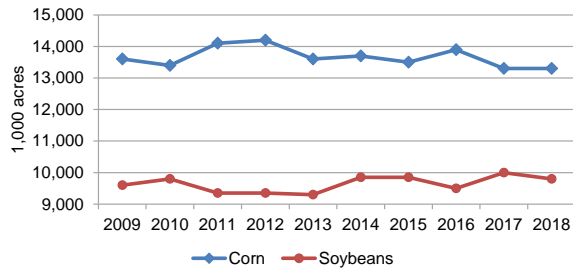
Soybean acreage planted is estimated at 9.90 million acres, up 100,000 acres from the March intentions, but down 100,000 acres from the 2017 planted acreage. Soybean acreage to be harvested is forecasted at 9.84 million acres. Based on reports from producers, 95 percent of the soybean acres were planted with herbicide resistant varieties.

Total **dry hay** expected to be harvested for 2018 is estimated at 1.20 million acres, up 100,000 from the March estimate and up 120,000 acres from 2017. Of the total, 830,000 acres of **alfalfa** and 370,000 acres of **other hay** are expected to be harvested for dry hay.

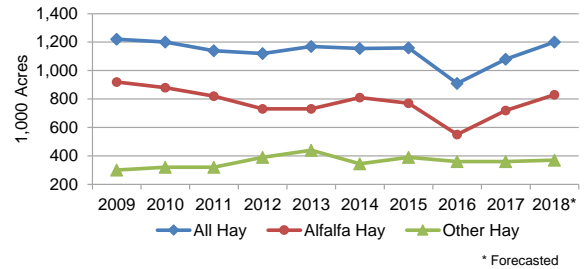
Acreage seeded to **oats** is estimated at 130,000 acres, down 10,000 from the March intentions, but up 15,000 acres from 2017. Oat acreage expected to be harvested for grain is estimated at 55,000 acres, up 13,000 acres from 2017.

Winter wheat planted acres are estimated at 20,000 acres, up 4,000 acres from 2017. Acres to be harvested for grain is forecasted at 13,000 acres, up 5,000 from 2017.

**Corn and Soybean Planted Acres
Iowa: 2009-2018**



**Hay Harvested Acres
Iowa: 2009-2018**



Crop Summary – Iowa and United States: 2017 and 2018

Crop	Iowa				United States			
	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2017	2018	2017	2018 ¹	2017	2018	2017	2018 ¹
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)
Corn for grain ²	13,300	13,300	12,900	12,850	90,167	89,128	82,703	81,770
Hay, all.....	(NA)	(NA)	1,080	1,200	(NA)	(NA)	53,784	55,068
Hay, alfalfa.....	(NA)	(NA)	720	830	(NA)	(NA)	16,563	17,351
Hay, other.....	(NA)	(NA)	360	370	(NA)	(NA)	37,221	37,717
Oats.....	115	130	42	55	2,588	2,889	801	1,009
Soybeans.....	10,000	9,900	9,940	9,840	90,142	89,557	89,522	88,862
Wheat, winter.....	16	20	8	13	32,696	32,732	25,291	24,831
Principal crops ³	24,511	24,550	(NA)	(NA)	319,148	322,053	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

¹ Forecasted

² Area planted for all purposes

³ Includes planted corn, sorghum, oats, barley, rye, winter wheat, Durum wheat, other spring wheat, rice, soybeans, peanuts, sunflower, cotton, dry edible beans, potatoes, sugarbeets, canola, and proso millet. Harvested acreage is used for all hay, tobacco, and sugarcane in computing total area planted. Includes double cropped acres and unharvested small grains planted as cover crops.

United States Acreage

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2018 is estimated at 89.1 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acres are down or unchanged in 31 of the 48 estimating States. Area harvested for grain, at 81.8 million acres, is down 1 percent from last year.

Soybean planted area for 2018 is estimated at 89.6 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. Compared with last year, planted acreage is down or unchanged in 14 of the 31 estimating States.

All wheat planted area for 2018 is estimated at 47.8 million acres, up 4 percent from 2017. This represents the second lowest all wheat planted area on record since records began in 1919. The 2018 winter wheat planted area, at 32.7 million acres, is up less than 1 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 23.2 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 5.89 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.62 million acres are White Winter. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2018 is estimated at 13.2 million acres, up 20 percent from 2017. Of this total, about 12.7 million acres are Hard Red Spring wheat. Durum planted area for 2018 is estimated at 1.89 million acres, down 18 percent from the previous year.