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AG PRICES

The average price received by farmers for **corn** during August in Iowa was \$3.27 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - Agricultural Prices report. This was down \$0.14 from the July price but \$0.08 above a year ago.

The August 2018 average price received by farmers for **soybeans**, at \$8.38 per bushel, was down \$0.77 from the July price and \$0.67 below the August 2017 price.

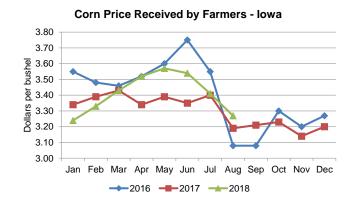
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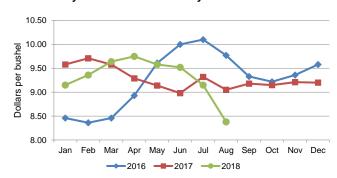
The August average oat price per bushel was \$2.61, up \$0.24 from July and \$0.24 above August 2017.

All hay prices in Iowa averaged \$105.00 per ton in August. This was up \$2.00 from the July price and \$5.00 above the August 2017 price. The August 2018 **alfalfa hay** price averaged \$110.00, up \$4.00 from the previous month and \$5.00 above August 2017. The average price received for **other hay** during August was \$88.00 per ton. This was down \$9.00 from the July price but \$5.00 above the August 2017 price.

The average price for **milk** was \$16.30 per cwt, up \$1.10 from the July price but \$1.90 below one year ago.



Soybean Price Received by Farmers - Iowa



Prices Received by Farmers - Iowa and United States

		Iowa		United States			
	August 2017	· ·		August 2017	July 2018	August 2018	
	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	
Cornbu	3.19	3.41	3.27	3.27	3.47	3.36	
Hay, all, baledton	100.00	103.00	105.00	137.00	159.00	161.00	
Alfalfaton	105.00	106.00	110.00	147.00	179.00	177.00	
Otherton	83.00	97.00	88.00	117.00	126.00	130.00	
Oatsbu	2.37	2.37	2.61	2.32	2.61	2.47	
Soybeansbu	9.05	9.15	8.38	9.24	9.08	8.59	
Milk, allcwt	18.20	15.20	16.30	18.10	15.40	15.90	

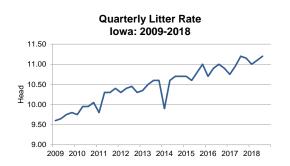
HOGS & PIGS

On September 1, 2018, there were 23.6 million hogs and pigs on Iowa farms, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Hogs and Pigs* report. This is the highest inventory on record, up 4 percent from the previous year.

The June-August 2018 quarterly pig crop was 6.38 million head, up 57,000 head from the previous quarter and 10 percent above last year. A total of 570,000 sows farrowed during this quarter. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high of 11.20 for the June-August quarter, unchanged from last year.

As of September 1, producers planned to farrow 560,000 sows and gilts in the September-November quarter and 540,000 head during the December 2018-February 2019 quarter.





Hogs and Pigs, Breeding, Market, and Total Inventory – Selected States and United States: September 1, 2017 and 2018 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

	Breeding			Market			Total		
State	2017	2018	2018 as % of 2017	2017	2018	2018 as % of 2017	2017	2018	2018 as % of 2017
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
IllinoisIowa	540 980	570 1,040	106 106	4,860 21,620	4,880 22,560	100 104	5,400 22,600	5,450 23,600	101 104
Minnesota Missouri	550 440	580 465	105 106	7,750 3,060	8,020 3,285	103 107	8,300 3,500	8,600 3,750	104 107
Nebraska North Carolina	410 900	430 910	105 101	3,040 8,400	3,020 8,490	99 101	3,450 9,300	3,450 9,400	100 101
United States	6,117	6,330	103	67,192	69,156	103	73,309	75,486	103

Hogs and Pigs, Market Inventory by Weight Group – Selected States and United States: September 1, 2017 and 2018 [Data may not add to totals due to rounding.]

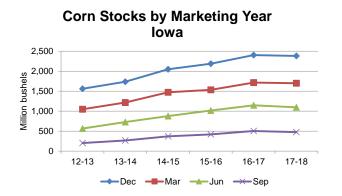
State	Under 50 pounds		50-119	pounds	120-179	pounds	180 pounds and over	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Illinois Iowa Minnesota Missouri Nebraska North Carolina	1,505 5,640 2,630 1,485 1,015 3,400	1,570 5,850 2,690 1,605 1,010 3,450	1,620 7,210 2,500 640 835 1,950	1,560 7,650 2,500 640 865 2,000	930 5,070 1,500 460 600 1,550	900 5,260 1,730 530 570 1,580	805 3,700 1,120 475 590 1,500	850 3,800 1,100 510 575 1,460
United States	21,533	22,092	19,757	20,262	13,874	14,356	12,028	12,445

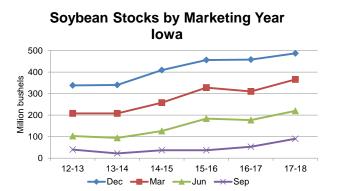
GRAIN STOCKS

Corn stored in all positions in Iowa on September 1, 2018, totaled 475 million bushels, down 6 percent from September 1, 2017, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Grain Stocks* report. Of the total stocks, 29 percent were stored on-farm. The June - August 2018 indicated disappearance totaled 623 million bushels, 3 percent below the 642 million bushels from the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions in Iowa on September 1, 2018, totaled 87.9 million bushels, 66 percent above the 53.1 million bushels on hand September 1, 2017. This is the highest September 1 total stocks since 2007, but well below the record 158 million bushels set in 1986. Of the total stocks, 24 percent were stored on-farm. Indicated disappearance for June - August 2018 is 132 million bushels, 6 percent above the 124 million bushels from the same quarter last year.

Oats stored on-farm in Iowa on September 1, 2018, totaled 2.10 million bushels, down 7 percent from September 1, 2017.





Grain Stocks by Position - Iowa and United States: September 1, 2017 and 2018

		Iowa		United States			
Position and Grain	September 1, 2017	September 1, 2018	2018 as % of 2017	September 1, 2017	September 1, 2018	2018 as % of 2017	
	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(percent)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(percent)	
On-Farm							
Corn	160,000	140,000	88	787,000	620,000	79	
Oats	2,250	2,100	93	33,950	39,200	115	
Soybeans	15,000	21,500	143	87,900	101,000	115	
Wheat	(D)	(D)	(X)	491,800	631,000	128	
Off-Farm ¹							
Corn	344,069	335,258	97	1,506,303	1,520,335	101	
Oats	(D)	(D)	(X)	38,039	35,662	94	
Soybeans	38,075	66,366	174	213,695	337,105	158	
Wheat	2,996	3,292	110	1,774,275	1,747,670	99	
Total all positions							
Corn	504,069	475,258	94	2,293,303	2,140,335	93	
Oats	(D)	(D)	(X)	71,989	74,862	104	
Soybeans	53,075	87,866	166	301,595	438,105	145	
Wheat	(D)	(D)	(X)	2,266,075	2,378,670	105	

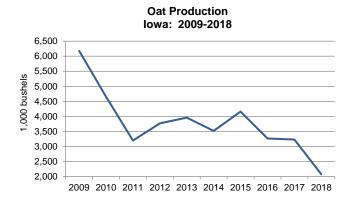
⁽D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

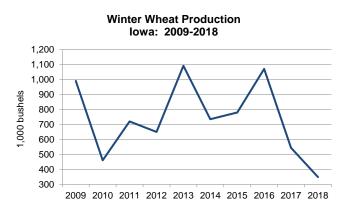
¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

SMALL GRAINS SUMMARY

Oat production is estimated at 2.08 million bushels, down 36 percent from last year, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Small Grains 2018 Summary*. Oats planted, at 135,000 acres, is up 17 percent from last year. Harvested area for grain is 33,000 acres, down 21 percent from 2017. Oat yield, at 63.0 bushels per acre, is down 14.0 bushels from last year.

Winter Wheat production, at 348,000 bushels, is down 36 percent from last year. Planted acreage, at 16,000, is unchanged from 2017. Winter wheat harvested area for grain is 6,000 acres, down 25 percent from last year. Winter wheat yield, at 58.0 bushels per acre, is down 10.0 bushels from 2017.





Small Grains Harvested, Yield, and Production – Iowa and United States: 2017-2018

Сгор	Area ha	rvested	Yield p	er acre	Production		
Сюр	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	
lowa Oats for grain Wheat, winter	42 8	33 6	77.0 68.0	63.0 58.0	3,234 544	2,079 348	
United States Oats for grain Wheat, winter	801 25,291	865 24,742	61.7 50.2	64.9 47.9	49,391 1,269,437	56,130 1,183,939	