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## FARM FACTS

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### *New Jersey's Soybean Projections Increases* ↑

**Note:** Yield forecasts in this report are based on conditions around November 1 and do not reflect changes in conditions since that time.

**Corn** production is forecast at 9.32 million bushels, unchanged from the October 1 forecast. Expected yield per harvested acre is 135 bushels per acre, up 19 bushels from the previous year. The state record yield is 143 bushels per acre, set in 2004. Farmers expect to harvest 69,000 acres of corn for grain, unchanged from the October forecast.

**Soybean** harvested area is expected to total 87,000 acres, 3,000 acres less than in 2008 and unchanged from the October 1 forecast. Production is set at 3.48 million bushels, up 5 percent from last month's. The November 1 soybean yield is forecast at 40 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from the previous month's forecast. If realized, this will tie the 2000 crop yield as being the second highest on record.

### *United State's Largest Soybean & Second Largest Corn Crop*

**Soybean** production is forecast at a record high 3.32 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the October forecast and up 12 percent from last year. Yields are expected to average 43.3 bushels per acre, up 0.9 bushel from last month and up 3.6 bushels from 2008. If realized, this will be the highest U.S. yield on record.

**Corn** production is forecast at 12.9 billion bushels, down 1 percent from last month but 7 percent higher than 2008. Total production will be second highest on record, only behind 2007. Yields are expected to average 162.9 bushels per acre, down 1.3 bushels from October but 9.0 bushels above last year. This will be the highest yield on record if realized.



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### *Acreage, Yield, and Production of Corn and Soybeans*

Crop	Acres for Harvest			Yield Per Acre			Production		
	FINAL 2008	Oct 1 2009 Forecast	Nov 1 2009 Forecast	FINAL 2008	Oct 1 2009 Forecast	Nov 1 2009 Forecast	FINAL 2008	Oct 1 2009 Forecast	Nov 1 2009 Forecast
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>Thousand Acres</b>			<b>Bushels</b>			<b>Thousand Bushels</b>		
<b>Corn for Grain</b>	74	69	69	116.0	135.0	135.0	8,584	9,315	9,315
<b>Soybeans</b>	90	87	87	30.0	38.0	40.0	2,700	3,306	3,480
<b>United States</b>	<b>Thousand Acres</b>			<b>Bushels</b>			<b>Thousand Bushels</b>		
<b>Corn for Grain</b>	78,640	79,294	79,294	153.9	164.2	162.9	12,101.2	13,018.1	12,920.9
<b>Soybeans</b>	74,681	76,619	76,619	39.7	42.4	43.3	2,967.0	3,250.1	3,319.3

Source: USDA - NASS: Crop Production, November 2009



# New Jersey's 2008 County Estimates—Apple, Peaches, & Potatoes



## Apple County Estimates, 2008

County	Production (lbs)
North District	
Hunterdon	3,000,000
Sussex	2,500,000
Warren	3,000,000
Central District	
Burlington	3,500,000
South District	
Atlantic	4,500,000
Gloucester	14,000,000
Other Counties	12,500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>43,000,000</b>

## Peach County Estimates, 2008

Growing season began mostly favorable as far as moisture and temperature for peaches. Dry conditions had minimal effects as growers irrigated in virtually all orchards. Total production amounted to 34,000 tons, up 6 percent from 2007. Gloucester County was the leading county with 18,000 tons, while Cumberland ranked second with 10,000 tons. Other counties totaled to 6,000 tons.



## New Jersey Peach County Estimates: By Production of Selected Counties and Previous Years.

County	2005	2006	2007	2008
Production (Tons)				
Cumberland	6,500	8,000	8,000	10,000
Gloucester	17,500	15,000	14,000	18,000
Other counties <sup>1</sup>	11,000	11,000	10,000	6,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>34,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> The other counties could be from any of the districts.

## Potatoes County Estimates, 2008.



County	Planted (acres)	Harvested (acres)	Yield (cwt)	Production (cwt)
North District				
Cumberland	600	600	235	141,000
Salem	900	900	245	220,500
Other Counties	500	500	197	98,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>460,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not Available.

## Quarterly Milk Production, July - September, 2008-2009

**New Jersey** - Milk production was 40 million pounds, up 2.6 percent from the July-September period a year earlier. The average number of milk cows during the July-September 2009 quarter was 9,500 head, down 500 from the same 2008 quarter.

**United States** - Milk production totaled 46.8 billion pounds, down 0.3 percent from the July-September quarter a year earlier. The average number of milk cows was 9.16 million head, down 171,000 head from the same period last year.



Source: USDA - NASS: Milk Production, Oct 20, 2009

### Milk Cows and Production:

By Selected States and The United States; Preliminary July-September, 2008-2009

State	July-September Milk Cows		July-September Milk Production		Change From 2008
	2008	2009	2008	2009	
	1,000 Head		Million pounds		Percent
Delaware	6.5	5.5	25	23	-8.0
Maryland	33.0	33.0	154	152	-1.3
<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2.6</b>
New York	626	619	3,111	3,102	-0.3
Pennsylvania	547	544	2,599	2,617	0.7
United States	9,330	9,159	46,881	46,758	-0.3

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

Source: USDA - NASS: Milk Prod. October 20, 2009.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.





## October Farm Prices Received Index Increased 7.1 Percent

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in October, at 135 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 9 points (7.1 percent) from September. The Crop Index is up 11 points (7.7 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 1 point (0.9 percent). Producers received higher prices for lettuce, corn, milk, and broccoli and lower prices for broilers, cattle, snap beans, and cucumbers. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of soybeans, corn, cotton, and cottonseed offset decreased marketings of milk, wheat, grapes, and sweet corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is down 15 points (10 percent) from October 2008. The Food Commodities Index, at 135, increased 9 points (7.1 percent) from last month but decreased 13 points (8.8 percent) from October 2008.

## October Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The October Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPIIW) is 175 percent of the 1990-92 average. The index is unchanged from September but 12 points (6.4 percent) below October 2008. Lower prices in October for concentrates, potash & phosphorus, complete feeds, and feeder cattle offset higher prices for feeder pigs, feed grains, herbicides, and LP gas.

## Average Prices Received by Farmers: United States

ITEM	Entire Month		Preliminary
	Oct 2008	Sept 2009	Oct 2009
\$Dollars			
<b>Field Crops</b>			
Corn, per bushel	4.37	3.25	3.54
Hay, all, baled, per ton <sup>1</sup>	156.00	107.00	106.00
Alfalfa <sup>1</sup>	171.00	110.00	109.00
Other <sup>1</sup>	118.00	100.00	98.50
Soybeans, per bushel	9.95	9.75	9.74
Winter Wheat, per bushel	6.03	4.20	4.35
<b>Fruit, Fresh</b>			
Apples, per lb <sup>2</sup>	0.425	0.335	0.310
Peaches, per ton <sup>2</sup>	(7)	590.00	(7)
<b>Vegetables, Fresh</b>			
Corn, Sweet, per cwt	23.70	24.10	26.50
Lettuce, per cwt	32.90	16.60	31.30
Tomatoes, per cwt	33.80	34.50	35.40
<b>Livestock and Livestock Products</b>			
Beef Cattle, per cwt	87.40	80.60	78.90
Steers and Heifers, per cwt	92.90	85.50	84.00
Cows, per cwt <sup>3</sup>	48.40	44.40	43.70
Calves, per cwt	106.00	107.00	103.00
Broilers, live, per lb <sup>4</sup>	0.450	0.420	0.400
Eggs, all, per dozen <sup>1</sup>	1.020	0.748	0.803
Milk, all, per cwt <sup>5,6</sup>	17.80	12.90	13.80

Source: USDA - NASS: Agricultural Prices, October 2009

<sup>1</sup> Mid-Month Price

<sup>2</sup> Equivalent packinghouse-door returns for CA, MI, NY, and WA. Prices as sold for other states.

<sup>3</sup> Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

<sup>4</sup> Equivalent live weight price.

<sup>5</sup> Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

<sup>6</sup> October 2009 Fat Test percent: All Milk 3.71, fluid milk 3.70, and mfg grade 4.05.

<sup>7</sup> Insufficient sales to establish a price.



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