# Data Partnership Synergy

The Cropland Data Layer

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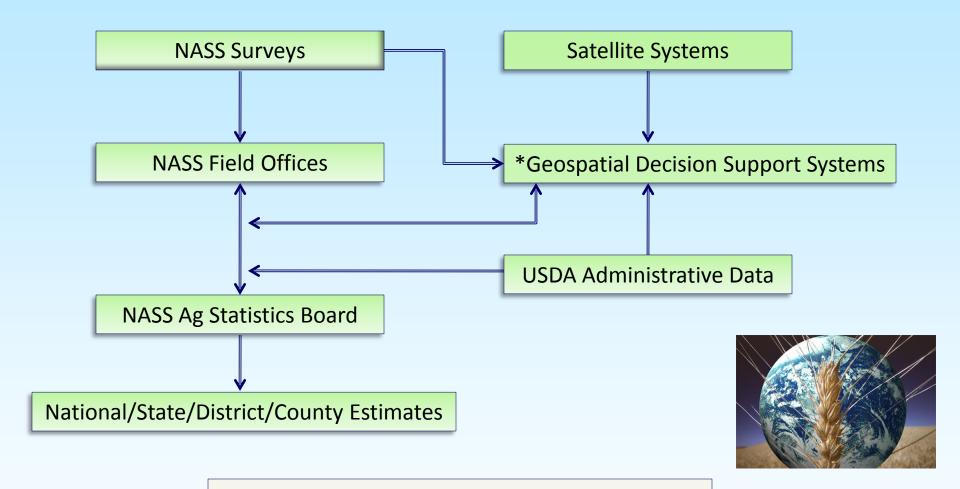
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USDA/NASS





# **NASS Estimation Systems**



\*NASS uses Geospatial Decision Support Systems to provide updated information to the Ag Statistics Board and data users.

# Cropland Data Layer Objectives

- "Census by Satellite"
  - Annually cover major program crops
  - Ag intensive states/regions



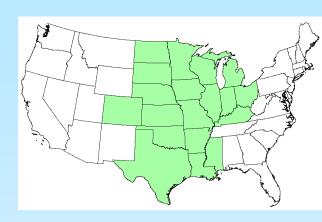
- Measurable error
- Unbiased/independent estimator
- State, County, Agricultural Statistics Districts

## Operationalize indications delivery

- For June, July, August, September and October
  - Agricultural Statistics Board
  - Field Offices
- Update planted area

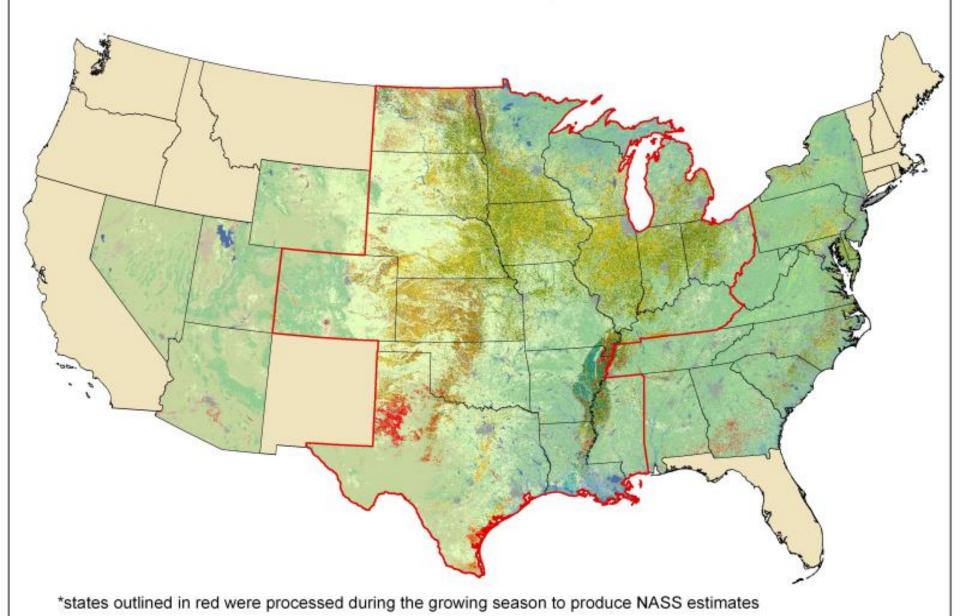
## Output crop specific CDL

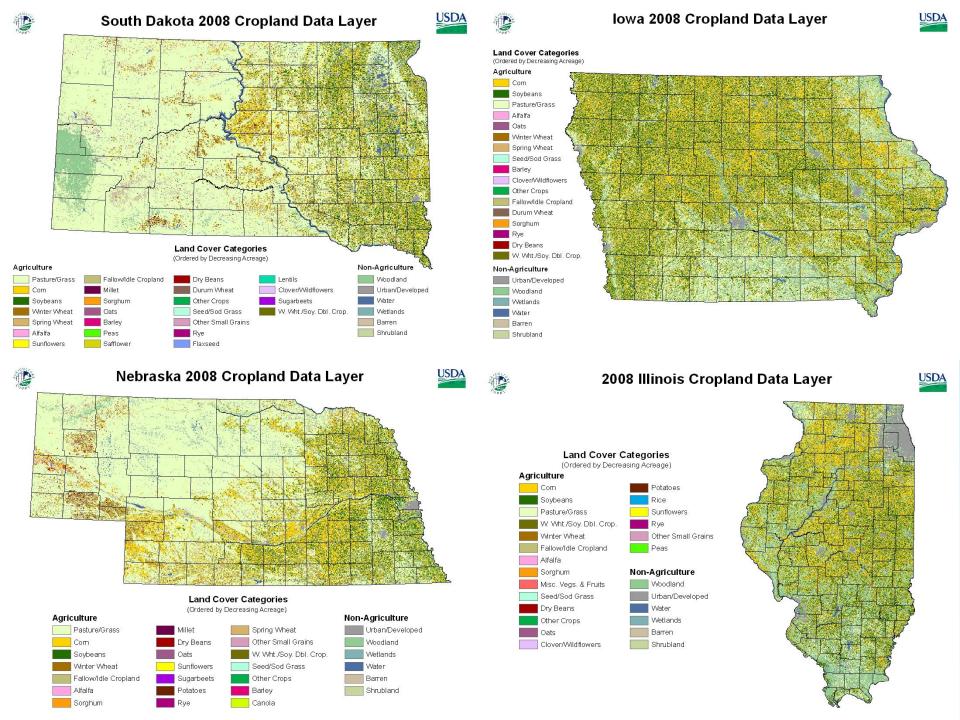
- Distribute to public at the cost of reproduction
  - NRCS Geospatial Data Gateway











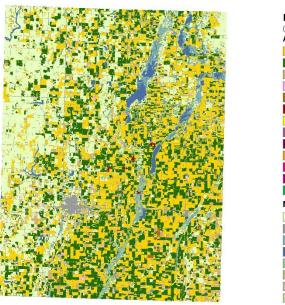
## Brown County, South Dakota 2008 Cropland Data Layer



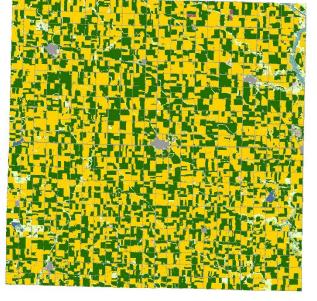


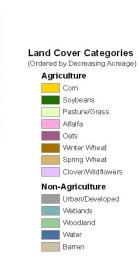
#### Pocahontas County, Iowa 2008 Cropland Data Layer











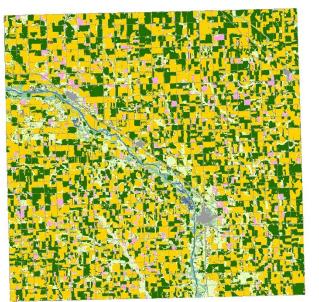
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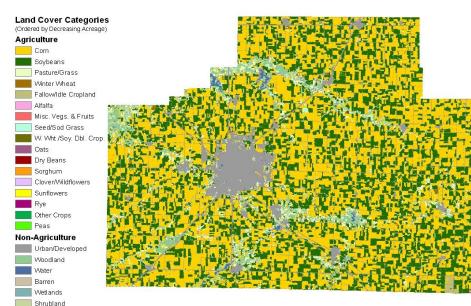
### McLean County, Illinois 2008 Cropland Data Layer







Shrubland



# **Data Partnerships**

- Foreign Ag Service
  - Satellite Image Archive
    - Resourcesat-1 AWiFS
      - 5 day repeat/56 meter resolution/740 KM swath



- Common Land Unit
  - Agricultural specific ground truth
- US Geological Survey
  - National Land Cover Dataset
    - Non-agricultural specific ground truth

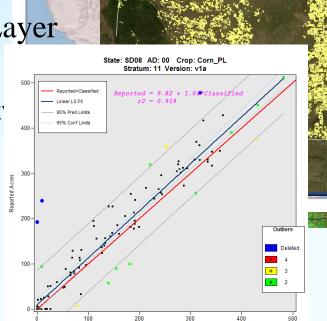






# CDL Program

- Inputs
  - Resourcesat-1 AWiFS imagery
  - Farm Service Agency Common Land Unit
  - NASS June Ag Survey
  - Ancillary data
    - NLCD & derivative prod
- Outputs
  - Acreage Estimates
  - Cropland Data Layer
- Process
  - Commercial soft



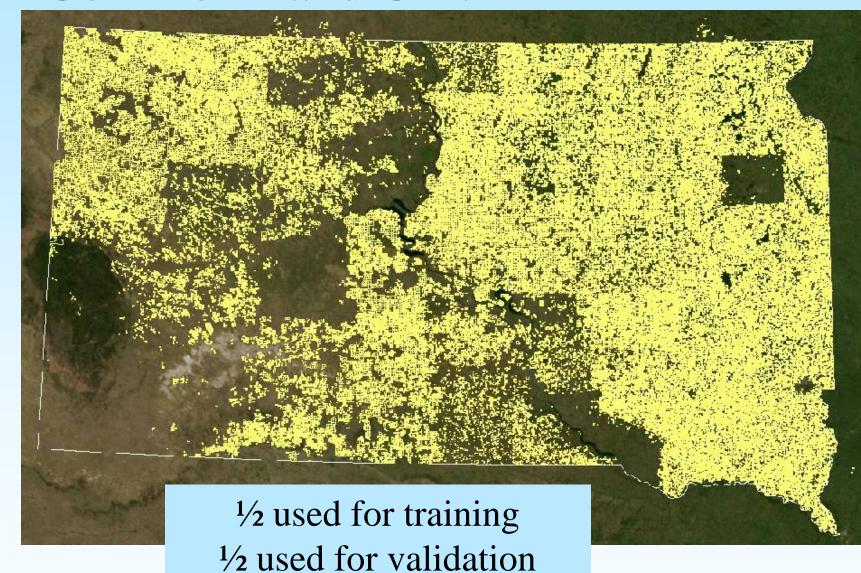


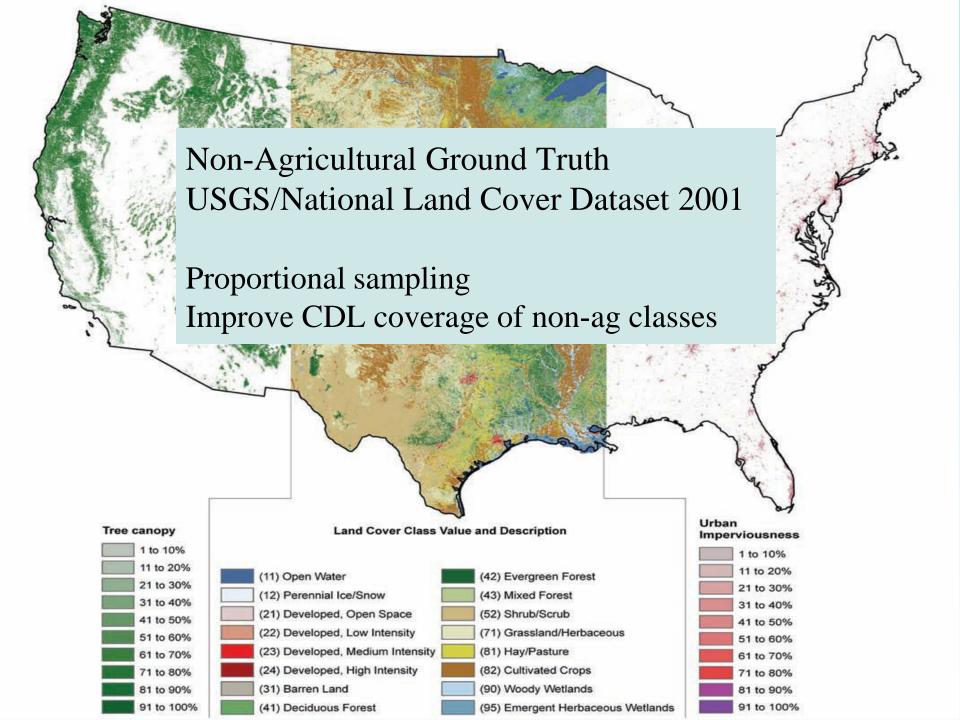
# Sensor Specifications Compared

	<u>TM</u>	<u>AWiFS</u>		
Altitude	705 km	817 km		
Equatorial crossing time	9:45 ± 15 minutes	$10:30 \pm 5$ minutes		
Temporal Resolution	16 days	5 days		
Spatial Resolution	30 x 30 m (reflective) 120 x 120 m (thermal)	56 x 56 m		
Radiometric Resolution	8 bit (256)	10 bit (1024)		
Spectral Resolution	6 (B, G, R, NIR, SWIR, MIR) + Thermal IR	4 (G, R, NIR,SWIR)		
Swath wide	185 km	737 km		
Scene size	184 x 152 km	370 x 370 km		

# Agricultural Ground Truth FSA Common Land Unit





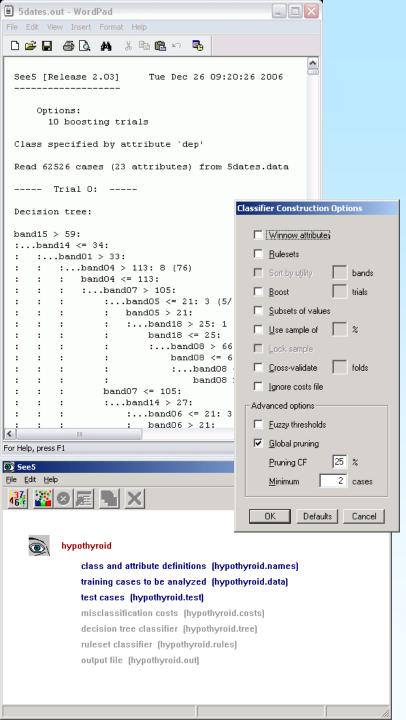


# Ground Truth – Ancillary



Ancillary datasets help separate the agricultural landscape; determining agricultural potential





## See5 Decision Tree Classifier

- Efficient and robust image classifier
- Incorporates a powerful ensemble method known as "boosting"
- Allows hundreds of layers of data
- The "NLCD Mapping Tool" was integrated into ERDAS Imagine
  - Provided gratis by USGS





# Accuracy Assessments

Cover Type	Attribute Code	*Correct Pixels	Producer's Accuracy	Omission Error	Kappa	User's Accuracy	Commission Error	Cond'l Kappa
Corn Soybeans	1 5	2197719 1471094	96.58% 96.24%	3.42%	0.9226 0.9392	97.86% 95.78%	2.14%	0.9509 0.9320
Corn Soybeans	1 5	2258219 1339089	98.06% 96.36%	1.94% 3.64%	0.9527 0.9438	98.58% 97.96%	1.42% 2.04%	0.9650 0.9681
Corn Soybeans	1 5	1856422 849249	97.29% 95.83%	2.71% 4.17%	0.9605 0.9513	97.32% 96.95%	2.68% 3.05%	0.9608 0.9643
Corn Soybeans	1 5	803251 707383	94.29% 95.03%	5.71% 4.97%	0.9342 0.9439	95.78% 97.72%	4.22% 2.28%	0.9513 0.9741

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Crop-specific covers only	*Correct	Accuracy	Error	Kappa
OVERALL ACCURACY	3688803	95.74%	4.26%	0.9145
OVERALL ACCURACY	3730093	97.05%	2.95%	0.9426
OVERALL ACCURACY	3071960	94.05%	5.95%	0.8981
OVERALL ACCURACY	2306428	87.51%	12.49%	0.8416

State level accuracies are very high

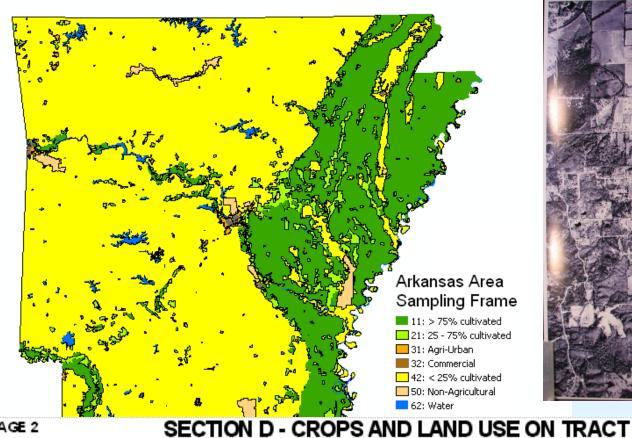
**Producer's Accuracy:** relates to the probability that a ground truth pixel will be correctly mapped and measures errors of omission.

**Errors of Omission:** occur when a pixel is excluded from the correct category.

User's Accuracy: indicates the probability that a pixel from the classification actually matches the ground truth data and measures errors of commission.

**Errors of Commission**: occur when a pixel is included in an incorrect category.

Kappa Coefficient: A statistics measure of agreement, beyond chance, between two maps.





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How many acres are inside this blue tract boundary drawn on the photo (map)?. Now I would like to ask about each field inside this blue tract boundary and its use du<del>ring 2000.</del>

	F	TELD NUMBER	01	02	
1.	Total acres in fi	eld	828	828	828
2.	Crop or land us	e.[Specify]			
3.	Occupied farms	stead or dwelling	.843	•	
4.	. Waste, unoccupied dwellings, buildings and structures, roads, ditches, etc.		· <del></del>		-
5.	Woodland		831	831	831
	Doctura	Permanent (not in grop rotation)	842	842	<b>8</b> 42

**Estimation Components:** Area Sampling Frame+ June Ag Survey+ Questionnaire

# Regression-based Acreage Estimator

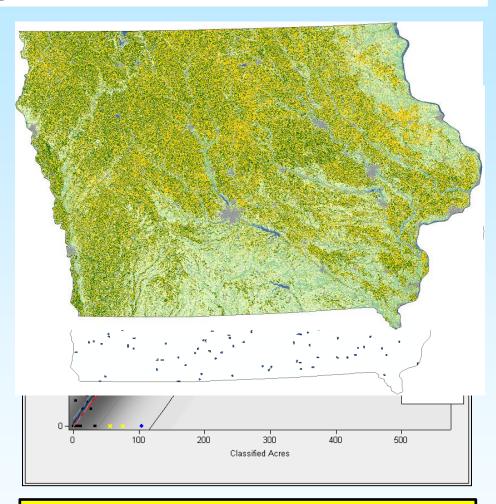
# Simple Linear Regression

Regression used to relate categorized pixel counts to the ground reference data

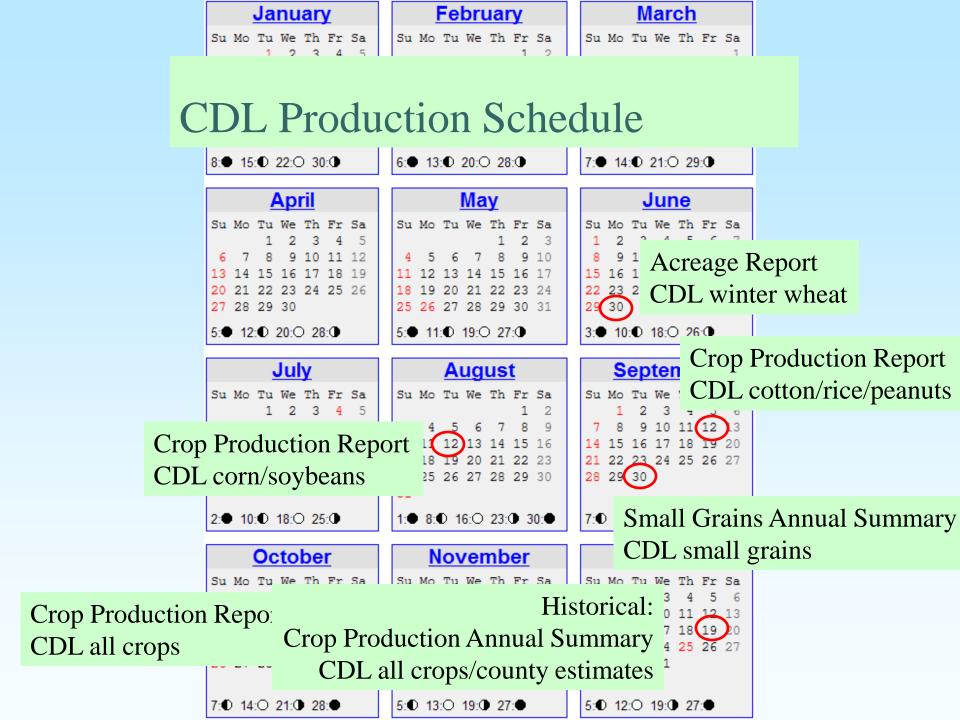
- (X) Cropland Data Layer (CDL) classified acres
- (Y) June Agricultural Survey (JAS) reported acres

Outlier segment detection - removal from regression analysis

Using regression results in estimates reduces error rates over using JAS alone



Acreage not just about counting pixels



# 2009 Plans and Beyond

- Operational in-season estimates in 27 states
- Seeking outside funding for a national CDL
  - FY10 for crop year 2009
- AWiFS & Landsat sustainability questionable
- Develop CDL ArcGIS Web Server Portal

