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Prospective Planting Report

Indiana farmers intend to plant less corn and more soybeans compared to last year. Acres intended for corn in Indiana are 5.10 million acres, down 6 percent from last year. Indiana producers intended to plant 5.90 million acres of soybeans, up 4 percent from last year. The winter wheat acreage seeded last fall for harvest in 2022 is estimated at 310,000 acres, down 9 percent from the crop seeded in 2020. Hay acres intended for dry hay harvest, at 540,000 acres, is unchanged from last year.

Acres by Crop - Indiana and United States: 2020 - 2022

Commodity	Indiana			United States			
	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	
Corn, all Planted1,000 acres Hay, all	5,400	5,400	5,100	90,652	93,357	89,490	
Harvested1,000 acres	500	540	540	52,238	50,736	50,332	
Soybeans Planted	5,750	5,650	5,900	83,354	87,195	90,955	
Planted 1,000 acres	300	340	310	30,450	33,648	34,236	

March 1 Grain Stocks

On March 1, 2022, Indiana corn stocks totaled 548 million bushels, 6 percent above a year earlier. About 57 percent of the corn was stored on farms. The second quarter disappearance was 336 million bushels, compared with 313 million bushels a year earlier. Soybean stocks on March 1, 2022, were 165 million bushels. That was 16 percent higher than stocks a year earlier. Farm stocks of soybeans were 70.0 million bushels. The second quarter indicated disappearance was 107 million bushels, compared with 106 million bushels during the same period last year. Wheat stocks on March 1, 2022, were 18.2 million bushels, 57 percent above a year ago. Third quarter indicated disappearance was 4.06 million bushels, compared with 5.62 million bushels last year.

March Hogs and Pigs

Indiana's total hog and pig inventory on March 1, 2022, was estimated at 4.15 million head, down 150,000 head from a year ago. Breeding hog inventory, at 250,000 head, was down 10,000 from last March. Market hog inventory, at 3.90 million head, was down 3 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the December-February 2022 quarter was 10.40, compared to 10.70 last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2022, was 72.2 million head. This was down 2 percent from March 1, 2021, and down 3 percent from December 1, 2021. Breeding inventory, at 6.10 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 66.1 million head, was down 2 percent from last year, and down 3 percent from last year, and down 3 percent from last year.

The December 2021-February 2022 pig crop, at 31.7 million head, was down 1 percent from last year. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.90 million head, down 1 percent from previous year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 47 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 10.95 for the December 2021-February 2022 period, compared to 10.94 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 2.99 million sows farrow during the March-May 2022 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period one year earlier, and down 5 percent from the same period two years earlier. Intended farrowings for June-August 2022, at 3.03 million sows, are down 1 percent from the same period one year earlier, and down 7 percent from the same period two years earlier.

Chickens and Eggs

All layers in Indiana totaled 35.6 million during February, up 1 percent from a year ago. Egg production totaled 793 million eggs, down 1 percent from last year. The rate of lay during February was 2,226 eggs per 100 layers. All layers in the U.S. totaled 389.7 million during February, down 1 percent from a year ago. There were 21.4 million turkey poults hatched in the U.S. in February, up 3 percent from the previous year.

Egg and Hatchery Production ·	Indiana and United States:	February 2021 and 2022
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Item	2021	2022	Percent Change	
Indiana				
All layersthousand	35,278	35,594	1	
Eggs per hundred layersnumber	2,269	2,226	-2	
Eggs producedmillion	800	793	-1	
U.S.				
All Layers thousand	394,594	389,678	-1	
Eggs per hundred layersnumber	2,165	2,202	2	
Eggs producedmillion	8,542	8,582	0	
Turkey Eggs in incubators, Mar 1 thousand	26,150	27,300	4	
Turkey Poults hatched, Feb thousand	20,705	21,353	3	

Honey Production

Indiana honey production for 2021 totaled 520 thousand pounds, up 5 percent from 2020. This estimate included honey from producers with 5 or more colonies. Yields from Indiana's 10,000 honey producing colonies averaged 52 pounds in 2021, down 5 percent from the previous year. Indiana honey price averaged \$3.89 per pound, down 2 cents per pound from last year. Value of production totaled \$2.02 million, up 5 percent from 2020. Honey stocks totaled 177 thousand pounds, up 19 percent from 2020.

Nationally, honey production in 2021 totaled 126 million pounds, down 14 percent from 2020. There were 2.70 million colonies producing honey in 2021, down slightly from 2020. Yield per colony averaged 46.9 pounds, down 14 percent from the 54.5 pounds in 2020. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State where the honey was produced. Therefore, at the United States level yield per colony may be understated, but total production would not be impacted. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 23.5 million pounds on December 15, 2021, down 41 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude those held under the commodity loan program.

United States honey prices increased 21 percent during 2021 to \$2.54 per pound, compared to \$2.10 per pound in 2020. United States and State level prices reflect the portions of honey sold through cooperatives, private, and retail channels. Prices for each color class are derived by weighting the quantities sold for each marketing channel. Prices for the 2020 crop reflect honey sold in 2020 and 2021. Some 2020 crop honey was sold in 2021, which caused some revisions to the 2020 crop prices.

February Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 342 million pounds of milk during February, down 2.6 percent from a year ago. Production per cow in Indiana averaged 1,830 pounds for February, 10 pounds above February 2021. The dairy herd was estimated at 187,000 head for February, down 6,000 head from a year earlier. The average price of milk sold in February by Indiana dairy producers was \$24.60 per cwt., \$7.50 more than the price in February 2021.

Milk Cows, Production, and Price - Indiana: February 2021 and 2022

Item	2021	2022	
Cows	193	187	
Milk per cowlbs/month	1,820	1,830	
Production mil lbs	351	342	
Milk price, all dol/cwt	17.10	24.60	
Fat test pct	4.11	4.13	
Protein ¹ pct	3.26	3.29	

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February Agricultural Prices

Prices received by Indiana farmers for the full month of February 2022 are listed in the table below. Some Indiana highlights were: February corn, at \$6.16 per bushel, increased \$0.58 from January and increased \$1.42 from last year; February soybeans, at \$14.60 per bushel, increased \$1.80 from last month and increased \$2.00 from last year; February wheat, at \$7.89 per bushel, increased \$1.05 from January and increased \$1.96 from last year; February milk, at \$24.60 per cwt., increased \$0.70 from last month and increased \$7.50 from last year.

Prices Received by Farmers¹ - Indiana and United States: February 2022 with Comparisons

	Indiana			United States		
Commodity	Feb 2021	Jan 2022	Feb 2022	Feb 2021	Jan 2022	Feb 2022
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Corn dollars/bu	4.74	5.58	6.16	4.75	5.57	6.10
Soybeans dollars/bu	12.60	12.80	14.60	12.70	12.90	14.80
Wheat, winter dollars/bu	5.93	6.84	7.89	5.96	7.69	8.52
Milk, alldollars/cwt	17.10	23.90	24.60	17.10	24.20	24.70

¹ Entire month weighted average price.

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