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Dec. Crops APS	Kansas	Nebraska	South Dakota	North Dakota
Dec. Hog Report	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
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Dec. Bee & Honey	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
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Jan. Milk Production	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
Jan. Cattle Survey	(all states have the same pre-survey letter)			
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Jan. Sheep & Goats	Kansas	Nebraska	South Dakota	North Dakota
NAHMS Sheep	<i>Not Available yet</i>			
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National Agricultural Statistics Service
Northern Plains Region



November 17, 2023

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You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by Wednesday, November 29, 2023, we may contact you for an interview.

How will the data be used?

Your response will help determine the official USDA estimates of 2023 acreage, yield, and production for major crops in the United States. Information from this survey is also used to calculate county yields and determine on-farm grain and oilseed supplies. County yields resulting from the survey may be used by the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) for Agricultural Risk Coverage (ARC) and other programs. When drought and flooding impact crop production, these data are crucial to the agriculture industry.

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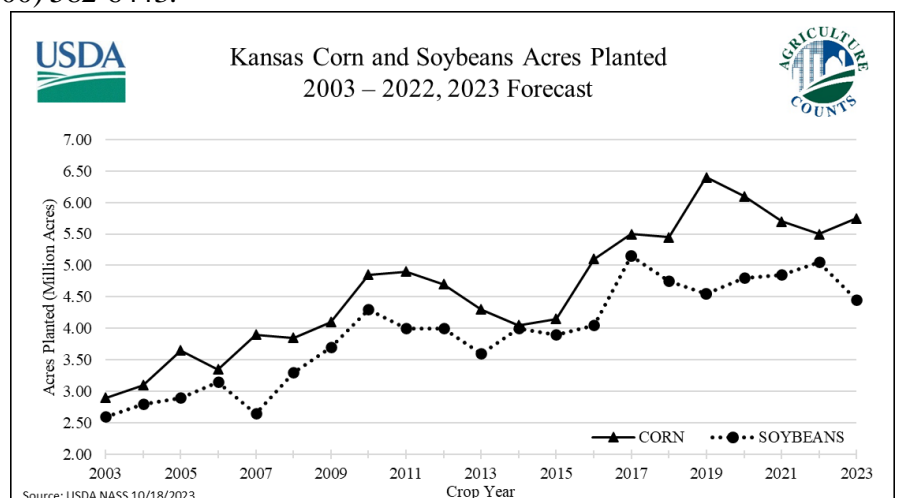
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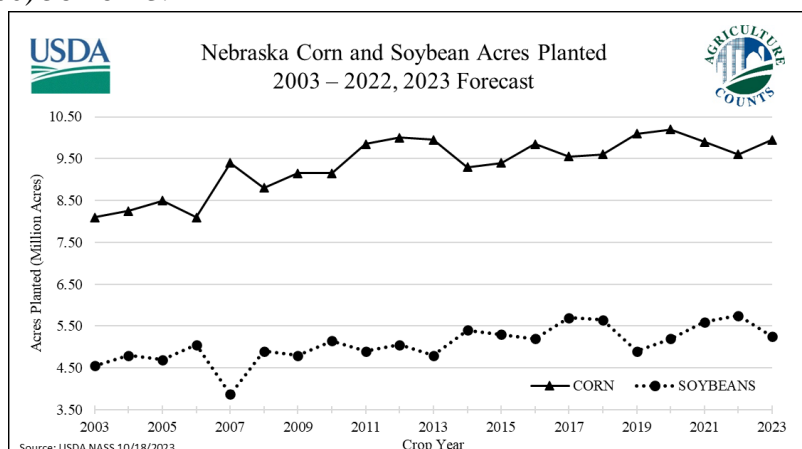
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Erik Gerlach
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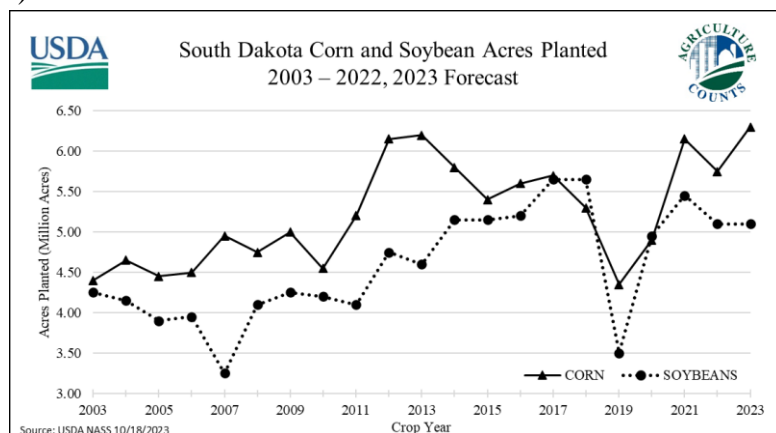
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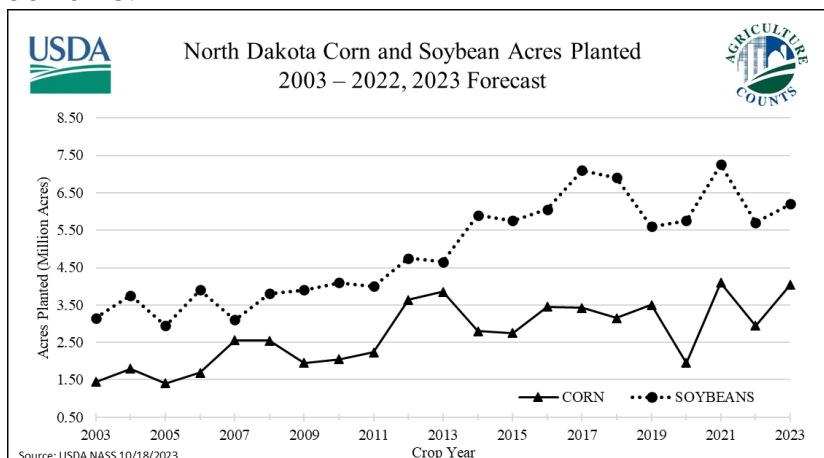
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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your Hogs and Pigs Survey. Please complete it at your earliest convenience. Your participation is important. Your information will be used to produce detailed statistics on market hog and breeding stock inventories as well as pig crop and farrowing intentions.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your survey. If we do not hear from you by November 30, 2023, we may contact you to schedule an interview.

How will the data be used?

The information collected in this survey allows NASS to accurately measure and report conditions and trends in the U.S. pork industry over the course of the year. This information is used by all sectors of the industry to help make sound and timely business decisions.

We recommend you respond online. On the Respondent Portal, you can complete your surveys, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more.

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form. We will publish the data Friday, December 22, 2023, in the *Hogs and Pigs* report at nass.usda.gov/publications and in NASS's searchable database, Quick Stats, at quickstats.nass.usda.gov.

Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. agriculture. For more information about this survey, visit www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide_to_NASS_Surveys/Hog_Inventory/index.php. If you need assistance, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Parsons
Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board
U.S. Department of Agriculture
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October 6, 2023

Why am I getting this letter?

You have been selected to participate in the enclosed 2023 Row Crops County Agricultural Production survey. This survey collects information on total acres planted and harvested and total yield and production of row crops at the county level.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. If we do not receive your completed survey by November 1, we may contact you for an interview.

How will the data be used?

This survey provides the data needed to estimate acreage and production of selected crops in the United States. The county yield data from this survey will be used by USDA for various programs, including those administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency and Risk Management Agency. For example, when a natural disaster such as drought or flooding impacts crop production, these data are crucial to the agriculture industry.

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The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with federal law, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form. The data will be published on February 2, 2024, in NASS's Quick Stats database at quickstats.nass.usda.gov. For more information on this survey, visit nass.usda.gov/go/county-production.

Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. agriculture. If you need assistance, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

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November 15, 2023

Why am I getting this letter?

You have been selected to participate in the enclosed 2023 Row Crops County Agricultural Production survey. This survey collects information on total acres planted and harvested and total yield and production of row crops down to the county level.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. If we do not receive your completed survey by December 6, we may contact you to arrange an interview.

How will the data be used?

This survey provides the data needed to estimate acreage and production of selected crops in the United States. The county yield data from this survey will be used by USDA for various programs, including those administered by USDA's Farm Service Agency and Risk Management Agency. For example, when a natural disaster such as drought or flooding impacts crop production, these data are crucial to the agriculture industry.

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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your Dry Beans Inquiry. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience. Your information is important. Your response will help determine the official USDA estimates of 2023 acreage, yield, and production for dry edible beans by class in Nebraska.

How will the data be used?

Producers use the data to make crucial decisions for their operations and to finalize their cropping and marketing plans.

If we do not hear from you by Wednesday, November 29, 2023, we may attempt to contact you to arrange a telephone interview.

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Thank you for participating and for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (800) 582-6443. For more information on this survey, visit: nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide_to_NASS_Surveys/index.php.

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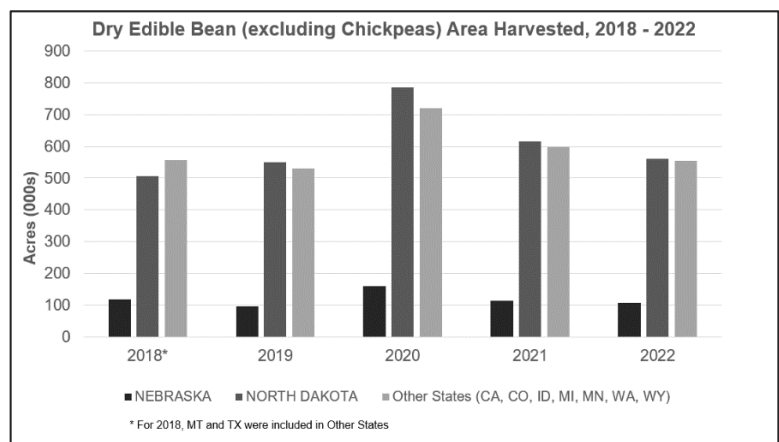
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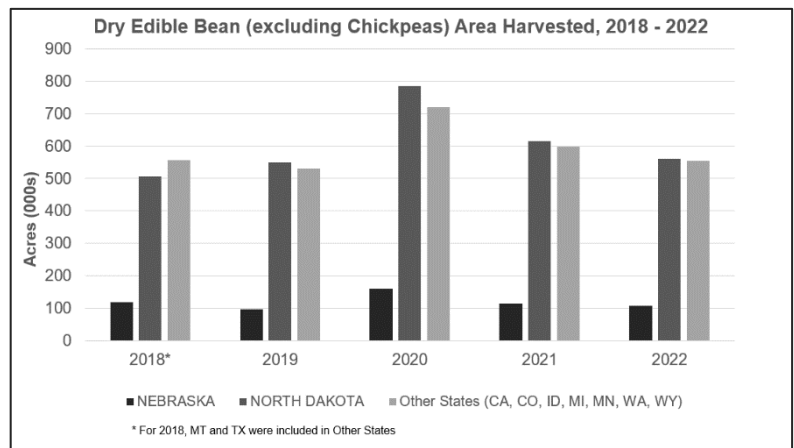
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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2023 Oilseed Acreage and Production survey. Your participation is important. Data from the survey will benefit farmers and processors by providing timely and accurate information to help them make critical business decisions. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your survey.

If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by Thursday, November 30, 2023, we may contact you for an interview.

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Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. agriculture. If you need assistance, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

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October 27, 2023

Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your Cost of Pollination Inquiry – November 2023. Your participation is important. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your survey. If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by Tuesday, November 14, 2023, we will contact you for an interview.

How will the data be used?

The survey data help producers and beekeepers monitor and react to changes in production costs. Pollination expenditures are a necessary part of agriculture and are directly tied to the health of the honey bee industry.

We recommend you respond online. On the Respondent Portal, you can complete your surveys, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more.

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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2024 January Cattle Survey. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience. The cattle inventory estimates provide an important baseline of the beef and milk cow herd supplies expected.

How will the data be used?

The national estimates of inventory, cattle on feed, other steer and heifers, and calves all provide data points which produce comparisons and trends to help cattle producers and the industry evaluate the amount of milk and beef moving to market.

If we do not hear from you by Saturday, December 30, 2023, we may attempt to contact you to arrange an interview.

The results of this survey will be kept confidential and available in aggregate form only, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified, as required by federal law. We will publish the survey findings in the January Cattle report, to be released Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

Thank you for participating and your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (800) 582-6443.

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- calculates totals automatically
- eliminates the need for return postage and data entry

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1. Go to www.agcounts.usda.gov
2. Read the message, then click the arrow to complete the survey.
3. Enter your unique 12-digit Survey Code from the label on the first page of the hard copy you received in the mail,

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4. Find the survey you are completing, then press "Click for Survey."
5. Verify and complete your contact information, then click "Continue with Survey."
6. Complete the survey questions.

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7. When you finish the survey, click "Submit."

You will receive a confirmation code and have the option to view, save or print your completed survey.

**If you need assistance completing your Internet questionnaire,
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Why am I getting this letter?

Enclosed is your 2024 Sheep and Goat Survey. Your participation is important. This survey collects and reports information from producers around the country on sheep and goat inventories, counts of lambs and kids born during 2023, and production and prices received for wool and mohair. Please complete the questionnaire at your earliest convenience.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. If we do not receive your completed questionnaire by Friday, January 05, 2024, we may contact you for an interview.

How will the data be used?

Your response is important and will help provide an up-to-date measure of U.S. sheep or goat inventories.

We recommend you respond online through the new Respondent Portal. On the portal, you can complete your surveys, track upcoming surveys, access data visualizations and reports of interest, link to other USDA agencies, and more.

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Sincerely,

Nicholas Streff
Director, Nebraska Field Office

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December 22, 2023

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Sincerely,

Erik Gerlach
State Statistician, South Dakota Field Office

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Darin Jantzi
State Statistician, North Dakota Field Office

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December 27, 2023

Enclosed is your U.S. Department of Agriculture's **2023 Agricultural Resource Management Survey**. Please complete it at your earliest convenience. Your participation helps to ensure that the agriculture industry decisions affecting you, your family, business, and community are based on facts.

What should I do next?

Please complete your survey in one of the following ways:



Online at agcounts.usda.gov. **Online reporting is fast and secure.** All you need is the survey code located in the top left corner of your questionnaire to log in.



By **mail or fax**. Complete the questionnaire and mail it back in the prepaid envelope provided or fax it to 812-218-2232.



You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. **If you do not respond by January 16, 2024, a USDA representative may contact you to arrange an interview.**

Your response is **CONFIDENTIAL BY FEDERAL LAW**.

The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only and will not be published in identifiable form.

Why is your response important?

Your response will help your state Department of Agriculture, local banks, and input suppliers with decisions that affect you and other farmers and ranchers nationwide.

We will publish the data in the annual *Farm Production Expenditures* report on July 26, 2024, at nass.usda.gov/Publications as well as in other reports at ers.usda.gov/arms.

Thank you for your participation and support of U.S. Agriculture. If you have any questions, please contact us at 888-424-7828.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Parsons
Chairman, Agricultural Statistics Board
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February 6, 2024

You should have recently received your **2023 Agricultural Resource Management Survey**. **Thank you if you have already responded. If not, there is still time.**

Your information is important, as it will ensure that U.S. Department of Agriculture data accurately represent America's farmers and ranchers. If we do not receive your completed survey, a USDA representative will call you to schedule an interview. The interview can take over an hour; it can be completed all at once or in multiple appointments.

Please complete your survey:



Online at agcounts.usda.gov. **Online reporting is fast and secure.**

All you need is the survey code in the top left corner of your questionnaire to begin.



By **mail or fax**. Complete the questionnaire and mail it back in the prepaid envelope provided or fax it to 812-218-2232.

Why is your response important?

- This survey measures the financial well-being of U.S. farms and farm households and can greatly impact all aspects of U.S. agriculture.
- The data from this survey help evaluate the financial impacts of numerous programs, including crop insurance, dairy margin protection, and local payments.
- The data also provide information on farm income, conservation practices, and farm technologies.

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January 19, 2024

Why am I getting this letter?

You have been selected to participate in the 2023 Hemp Production and Disposition Inquiry. Please complete the survey at your earliest convenience. If you are not an active hemp producer, please respond to the first few survey questions to ensure we will not contact you regarding hemp in the future.

You may receive an email reminder to complete your questionnaire. **If we do not hear from you by January 31, we may call you to arrange an interview.**

How do hemp data impact me?

- The data from this hemp survey can help inform your decisions about growing, harvesting, and selling hemp as well as the type of hemp you decide to produce.
- The survey results will also assist regulatory agencies, state governments, processors, and other key industry entities that impact you, the producer. **For more information about this survey, visit nass.usda.gov/go/hemp.**

Hemp means the plant species *Cannabis sativa* L. with a delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of not more than 0.3% on a dry weight basis. The Domestic Hemp Production Program established in the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) allows for the cultivation of hemp under certain conditions.

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Sincerely,

Joseph L. Parsons
Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board
USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

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