

Field Crops in New York State



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NYS Field Crops Resources

<http://fieldcrops.org>: one stop shopping for field crops information in New York State including upcoming events and trainings, CCE field crops staff contact information and much more....

NYS CCE Field Crops News Blog (<http://blogs.cornell.edu/ccfieldcropnews/>)

NYS IPM Field Crops Weekly Pest Report (<http://www.nysipm.cornell.edu/fieldcrops/tag/pestrpt/default.asp>)

What's Cropping Up? Newsletter (<http://css.cals.cornell.edu/cals/css/extension/cropping-up/index.cfm>)

Cornell Guide for Integrated Field Crop Management (<http://ipmguidelines.org/FieldCrops/>)

Field Crops in New York State Valued at over \$1 Billion

Field crops such as corn, soybean, perennial forages, oats and barley have traditionally been produced in New York State primarily as feed to support the dairy industry. New York has historically been a feed grain deficit state feeding about 2 million tons but producing only about 1.85 million tons annually from 2002-2006 (NYS Ag Statistics, 2011).

Improved hybrids/varieties and more efficient crop production methods have increased feed grain production in New York State to about 2.7 million tons annually, whereas only 1.9 million tons have been fed annually in New York State from 2007-2011. New York is now a feed surplus

State and field crops are also marketed to other buyers as well as to the dairy industry. Projected yields and acreage with current prices indicate that field crops may exceed \$1.5 billion in value in 2012.



Although field crops have traditionally occupied more than 90% of the crop acreage in New York State, field crops have been generally seen as solely providing support to the dairy industry. The

dramatic increase in the value of corn, soybean, and wheat over the last 5 years, however, has altered the role that field crops play in New York State agriculture. It is time to recognize the new paradigm.

"The value of total field crop production has increased dramatically over the last 5 years, averaging about \$1 billion in 2010 and close to \$1.5 billion in 2011....(NYS Ag Statistics, 2011)." (Source: *What's Cropping Up?* Vol. 22, No. 1)



Extension and applied research programs in the Departments of Crop and Soil Sciences, Plant Pathology and Plant-Microbe Biology, Plant Breeding and Genetics, Entomology, Animal Science and the NYS IPM Program work together with Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Integrated Field Crop, Soil and Pest Management Program Work Team to provide leadership and coordination for integrated field crop management in New York State.

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