



**South Dakota
Department of
Agriculture
presents**

Harvesting with the Ag Stars

Agriculture is South Dakota's number one industry, generating \$21.4 billion in annual economic activity. Our farm and ranch families take great pride in being stewards of the land and providing the world safe, nutritious, healthy food.

Agriculture is more than a job to our producers--it is a career, a tradition, a passion and a way of life. The longevity of South Dakota's family farms shows the dedication and resiliency our farmers and ranchers possess.

Harvest is the time of year when our producers get to see their hard work pay off. We invite you as a South Dakota legislator to take part in this crucial facet of agriculture and learn first hand from our producers about this incredible industry that offers so much to our state.

You will see for yourself why South Dakota always has been and will continue to be an agricultural state.

South Dakota Soybeans

2013 Soybean Acres Planted-4.8 million
2013 Estimated Soybean Harvest-4.75 million acres

2012 Soybean Acres Harvested-4.71 million acres
2012 Soybean Production-141.3 million bushels

Where do our soybeans go?

80%-Livestock Feed

60% -Exports

20%-soybean oil

South Dakota Corn

2013 Corn Acres Planted-5.9 million
2013 Estimated Corn Production-713 million bushels

2012 Corn Acres Harvested-5.3 million acres
2012 Corn Production-535 million bushels

Where does our corn go?

In 2012...

42%-Ethanol

36%-Livestock Feed

22%- Exports



South Dakota Wheat

2013 Wheat acres planted- 2.008 million acres
2013 Estimated Wheat Production-84 million bushels

2012 Wheat Acres Harvested-2.235 million
2012 Wheat Production-102 million bushels

South Dakota Sunflowers

2012 Production-891.66 million pounds
2012 Harvested Acres-623,000

Oil Sunflower production-789.6 million pounds
Harvested Acres-560,000

Non-Oil Sunflower production-102.06 million pounds
Harvested Acres-63,000

South Dakota Hay

2013 Estimated Hay Production-4.09 million tons

2012 Production-4.09 million tons
2012 Harvested Acres-3.1 million

South Dakota Oats

2012 Production-3.4 million bushels
2012 Harvested Acres-50,000

South Dakota Sorghum

2012 Production-5.88 million bushels
2012 Harvested Acres-140,000

South Dakota Barley

2012 Production-792,000 bushels
2012 Harvested Acres-22,000

South Dakota Proso Millet

2012 Production-750,000 bushels
2012 Harvested Acres-30,000

South Dakota Dry Beans

2012 Production-26.6 million pounds
2012 Harvested Acres-12,900