

# CORN BITS

**Production Outlook**  
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The Aug. 11 USDA crop report indicated a state average yield of 108 bushels per acre.

At our Ag Progress Days meeting the general consensus of board members was that in most areas the drought was not as severe as in 1999, but was probably a

bit more widespread with more severe conditions in western Pennsylvania.

Some of the board members thought that the yield estimate might decline in future reports because the drought conditions have persisted into mid-late August. Their projections came true as the September crop report indicated a projected yield of 98 bushels per acre — a drop of 10 bushels since the August report.

## 2002 CUTC To Explore Corn's Role In Sustaining Environment

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) and the Corn Refiners Association (CRA) are announcing they will be co-hosting the 2002 Corn Utilization and Technology Conference (CUTC) June 3-5, 2002, in Kansas City, Mo.

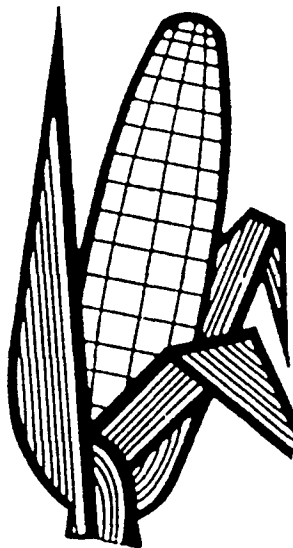
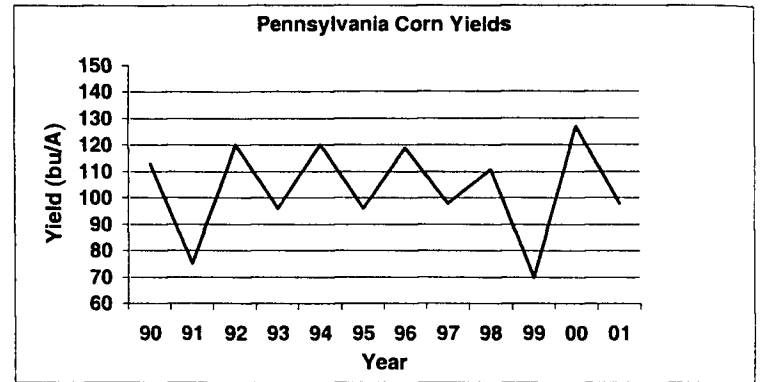
The CUTC gives corn growers, corn refiners, researchers and industry and government representatives

the opportunity to explore new uses for corn, as well as share techniques and discuss new ideas.

For more information on CUTC, visit the event's Website at <http://www.corn.org/web/program.htm>. For more information on the NCGA, visit its Website at <http://www.ncga.com>. For more information on CRA, visit its Website at <http://www.corn.org>.

The 2001 drought continues the odd-numbered year pattern that we have seen in corn production in the state since 1990 as shown in the graph below. Corn production in Pennsylvania this year is estimated to be just under 102 million bushels, down 35 million bushels from last year.

Yields in New York also dropped during August from 105 to 95 bushels per acre. In Maryland, yields are projected to be 138 bushels per acre.



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