

**ILLINOIS**  
**Cost to Grow Corn--1978 to Date**

YEAR	YIELD	TOTAL COST/A.	COST PER BUSHEL	ILLINOIS * ANNUAL AVE. PRICE	MANAGEMENT MARGIN
1978	132	308	2.33	2.30	-0.03
1979	148	349	2.36	2.57	0.21
1980	94	385	4.10	3.14	-0.96
1981	138	390	2.83	2.53	-0.30
1982	145	380	2.62	2.66	0.04
1983	86	374	4.35	3.26	-1.09
1984	129	364	2.82	2.65	-0.17
1985	153	356	2.33	2.27	-0.06
1986	149	341	2.29	1.54	-0.75
1987	145	329	2.27	1.96	-0.31
1988	78	324	4.15	2.59	-1.56
1989	140	322	2.30	2.40	0.10
1990	137	332	2.42	2.36	-0.06
1991	113	320	2.83	2.46	-0.37
1992	163	321	1.97	2.11	0.14
1993	138	345	2.50	2.57	0.07
1994	170	360	2.12	2.27	0.15
1995	122	395	3.24	3.30	0.06
1996	146	414	2.84	2.79	-0.05
1997	138	432	3.13	2.53	-0.60
1998	149	427	2.87	2.04	-0.83
1999	152	407	2.68	1.91	-0.77
2000	158	416	2.63	1.91	-0.72
2001	161	420	2.61	2.04	-0.57
2002	145	401	2.77	2.35	-0.42
2003	174	395	2.27	2.42	0.15
2004	184	425	2.31	2.14	-0.17
2005	150	458	3.05	2.08	-0.97
2006	174	488	2.80	3.07	0.27
2007	190	542	2.85	4.09	1.24
2008	194	647	3.34	4.01	0.67
2009	184	741	4.03	3.53	-0.50
2010	164	695	4.24	5.24	1.00
2011	166	772	4.65	6.25	1.60
2012	118	885	7.50	6.87	-0.63
2013	192	938	4.89	4.52	-0.37
2014	217	942	4.34	3.71	-0.63
2015	191	894	4.68	3.69	-0.99
2016	215	859	4.00	3.45 **	-0.55
2017	215	857	3.99	3.35 **	-0.64
2013-2017 Avg.	206	898	4.38	3.74	-0.63
2008-2017 Avg.	186	823	4.56	4.46	-0.10

2008-17 Ave. cost per bu. to grow soybeans was 2.30 times the cost per bu. to grow corn in the same period.



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