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# 2012 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# Dry Beans California

# **Crop Insured**

Edible dry beans (such as blackeye, kidney, pinto, pink, lima, yellow, garbanzo and cranberry) can be insured under the dry bean crop provisions. Other types may be insured by written agreement. Please contact your agent for the types insured in your county.

#### **Counties Available**

Dry beans are insurable in Butte, Colusa, Fresno, Glenn, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Santa Barbara, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Tulare, and Yolo counties. Crop may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact an agent for more details.

#### **Causes of Loss**

Adverse weather conditions<sup>1</sup> Earthquake Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>2</sup> Fire Insects<sup>4</sup> Plant disease<sup>4</sup> Volcanic eruption Wildlife<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Natural perils such as hail, frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture.

 $^{2}$ If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period.

<sup>4</sup>But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures.

<sup>5</sup>Unless wildlife control measures have not been taken.

#### **Important Dates**

Sales Closing	February 28
Acreage Report Due	•

#### **Insurance Period**

Insurance attaches when the beans are planted and ends at the earliest of:

1) 7	Fotal	destruction	of	the	beans;
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2) Final adjustment;

- 3) Harvest of the unit; or
- 4) November 15.

#### **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

The insurance guarantee is production measured in pounds of beans. Individual insurance amounts are based on your production history. Your approved average yield is calculated from 4 to 10 years of production records you give to an insurance agent. You can select a level of coverage from 50 to 75 percent of your approved average yield and 55 to 100 percent of the price announced by the USDA. Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is also available and is based on 50 percent of your approved yield and 55 percent of the price.

# **Price Election**

Price elections are used to calculate your premium and indemnity. For this crop, Price Elections vary by type and variety. Please contact a crop insurance agent.

#### **Cost of Crop Insurance**

CAT coverage has an application fee of \$300 with 100 percent of the premiums being subsidized. Higher coverage levels are subsidized at lower rates though USDA pays at least 50 percent of the premium. For more detailed information about coverage and premium amounts, please contact a crop insurance agent or your local county Farm Service Agency office for an agent listing.

# Loss Example

Assume an actual production history (APH) yield of 2000 pounds per acre, 75-percent coverage level, blackeye beans with a price election of \$0.36 per pound, and 100-percent share.

	2000	Pounds per acre average yield (APH)
Х	.75	Coverage level
	1500	Pounds per acre guarantee

This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent.

- <u>1200</u> Pounds per acre actually produced
  - 300 Pounds per acre loss
- x \$.36 Price election\*

\$108.00 Indemnity per acre

\*Price used above is for example only. Contact a crop insurance agent for current information.

# Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available on the RMA Web site at: <u>http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tapps/agents/</u>

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