

## Billings Regional Office - Billings, MT

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# Soybeans

## North Dakota and South Dakota

### Crop Insured

All soybeans are insurable if:

- Grown in the county on insurable acres;
- Premium rates are provided in the county actuarial documents; and
- Planted for harvest as beans.

This fact sheet applies only to the common crop insurance policy plans of insurance. Six types of insurable soybean specialty types are: all other food grade, large seeded food grade, small seeded food grade, low linolenic acid, low saturated fat, and high protein. If you are not growing any of the specialty types, your soybeans will be insured as the commodity type. You must report your acreage by the types you have planted.

### Counties Available

Insurance coverage is available in several North Dakota and South Dakota counties. See actuarial documents at: [webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/ActuarialInformationBrowser2014/CropCriteria.aspx](http://webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/ActuarialInformationBrowser2014/CropCriteria.aspx) for insurable counties. The crop may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met.

### Causes of Loss

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions;
- Change in harvest price from the projected price (revenue protection plans only);
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril occurring during the insurance period;
- Fire;
- Insects and plant diseases, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of pest or disease control measures; or
- Wildlife.

### Insurance Period

Insurance coverage begins on the later of:

- The date we accept your application; or
- The date the insured crop is planted.

Insurance coverage ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following::

- Total destruction of the crop;
- December 10;
- Harvest;
- Abandonment of the crop; or
- Final adjustment of a loss.

### Important Dates

Sales Closing.....	March 15, 2014
Earliest Planting.....	May 5, 2014
Final Planting.....	June 10, 2014
Acreage Reporting.....	July 15, 2014
Premium Billing.....	August 15, 2014

### Reporting Requirements

**Acreage Report** - You must report all acreage of your soybeans in the county, both insured and uninsured, including share, type, practice, and land identifiers by the acreage reporting date.

### Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$300, regardless of the acreage. There is no additional premium for CAT. For insurance coverage above 50 percent (buy up), a \$30 administrative fee is charged per crop per county. Additional premium applies. Premium is discounted for all units except optional units.

Item	Percent							
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
	Premium Subsidy							
Basic/Optional Unit	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38
Enterprise Unit	80	80	80	80	80	77	68	53
Whole Farm Unit	80	80	80	80	80	80	71	56
Whole Farm Units are only available with revenue protection								

For example, at the 75-percent coverage level, an average yield of 30 bushels per acre would result in a

guarantee of 23 bushels per acre and a producer paid premium of 45 percent of the base premium with a basic unit.

## Price Elections

The price basis will be according to the Commodity Exchange Price Provisions (CEPP) and is published in the actuarial documents. The CEPP can be found on the RMA public website under the Common Crop Insurance Policy.

Organic production has a separate projected and harvest price established and contract pricing options are available for certified organic or specialty types grown under guaranteed contracts.

## Insurance Plans Available

**Yield Protection** - Provides protection against a production loss only. Guarantee is based on individual yield history multiplied by the projected price.

**Revenue Protection** - Provides protection against loss of revenue due to a production loss, price decline or increase, or a combination. Guarantee is determined by multiplying the production guarantee by the greater of the projected price or the harvest price.

**Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion** - Provides protection against loss of revenue due to a production loss and/or price decline. Guarantee is determined by multiplying the production guarantee by the projected price.

A request to change insurance plans must be made to your agent no later than the sales closing date.

## Additional Coverage Options

**Trend Adjusted Yield** - Allows producers to increase their yield guarantee based on the county's historical yield trend. Only available in select counties for select types and practices.

## Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss

- Protect the crop from further damage by providing sufficient care;
- Notify your agent within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage (but not later than fifteen days after the end of the insurance period; and
- You cannot destroy or put the crop to another use without prior approval.

## Loss Example

Assumes an actual production history (APH) average yield of 50 bushels per acre, 75- percent coverage level, one basic unit, and 100-percent share in the crop.

### Yield Protection Example:

50	Bushels per acre APH yield
x 0.75	Coverage level
37.50	Bushels per acre guarantee
- 20	Bushels per acre actual yield
17.5	Bushels per acre loss
x \$12.55	Projected price (estimated)
\$219.63	Gross indemnity per acre

### Revenue Protection Example:

37.5	Bushels per acre guarantee
x \$12.55	Projected price (estimated)
\$470.63	Guarantee per acre
20	Bushels per acre actual yield
x \$12.25	Harvest price (estimated)
\$245.00	Revenue to count per acre
\$470.63	Guarantee per acre
- \$245.00	Revenue to count per acre
\$225.63	Gross indemnity per acre

Your premium will be deducted from an indemnity payment.

## 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 at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at: [www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/agents/](http://www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/agents/).

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