Crop Insured
Sweet potatoes of the Beauregard variety planted for harvest for the fresh market and grown on insurable acreage may be insured.
- Sweet potatoes may only be insured by a person who has grown sweet potatoes commercially in at least 3 out of the past 5 years.
- Insurance will not attach to any acreage that was planted to sweet potatoes in both of the previous two years.
- Sufficient slips must be planted to achieve a planting density of at least 9,800 plants per acre.
- Scouting of the fields must be performed sometime between 40 to 60 days after planting.
- The production guarantee will be reduced if your planted acreage exceeds 110 percent of your highest acreage of the previous 3 crop years.

Counties Available

Insurance Period
Coverage begins when the sweet potatoes are planted and ends at the earliest of: (1) total destruction of the crop; (2) harvest of the crop; (3) abandonment of the crop; (4) final adjustment of a claim; or (5) October 31, 2006.

Definitions
Production Guarantee—Number of hundredweight (cwt.) guaranteed determined by multiplying your average yield (based on your records) times the coverage level percentage you elect times the planted acreage.

Price Election—The price used to calculate your premium or an indemnity. Price elections are posted on the RMA Web site at:
http://www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/pricesinquiry/

Price Election
$14.50 per cwt.

Reporting Requirements
Acreage Report—You must report to your agent all acres of sweet potatoes in the county in which you have a share.

Pre-Harvest Appraisal—If you intend to market any of the crop directly to the public, you must give notice at least 15 days prior to harvest so that a pre-harvest appraisal may be made.

Important Dates
Sales Closing .......................February 28, 2006
Final Planting ..........................June 30, 2006
Acreage Report Due ......................July 15, 2006
Insurance Ends ......................October 31, 2006

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.
Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies
Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield. An average sweet potato yield of 140 cwt. per acre, for example, would result in a guarantee of 84 cwt. per acre at the 60-percent coverage level. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For instance, at the 60-percent coverage level, your premium share would be only 36 percent of the base premium:

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Catastrophic (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of average yield and 55 percent of the price election. CAT coverage costs an administrative fee of $100 per crop per county, regardless of acreage.

Insurance Units
Only basic units are available for sweet potatoes. Optional units are not available.

Late and Prevented Planting
These provisions are not applicable to sweet potatoes.

Loss Example
This example is based on an average yield of 140 cwt. per acre, 65-percent coverage level, and non-irrigated practice.

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\begin{align*}
140 & \quad \text{Cwt. per acre average yield (APH)} \\
\times & \quad 0.60 \quad \text{Coverage level percentage} \\
84 & \quad \text{Cwt. per acre guarantee} \\
- & \quad 20 \quad \text{Cwt. per acre actually produced} \\
64 & \quad \text{Cwt. per acre loss} \\
\times & \quad 14.50 \quad \text{Price election} \\
928 & \quad \text{Indemnity per acre} \\
- & \quad 76 \quad \text{Estimated premium per acre} \\
852 & \quad \text{Net indemnity per acre}
\end{align*}
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