

Prognosis for Iowa

The soybean aphid is firmly established as a pest of soybean in Iowa. After seven years of experience with the pest and observing its damage potential, it would seem reasonable to expect economic damage to occur somewhere in Iowa every year. The damage is likely to be greater during years when drought and other stresses occur in soybeans. Preemptive field scouting and the timely application of control measures when the aphid population reaches the economic threshold are necessary steps to successfully manage the insect and prevent economic damage.

Additional Information

For more information on soybean aphids, consult the Web sites:

www.soybeanaphid.info

www.planthealth.info/aphids_basics.htm