







## Cropland Data Layer (CDL) Objectives

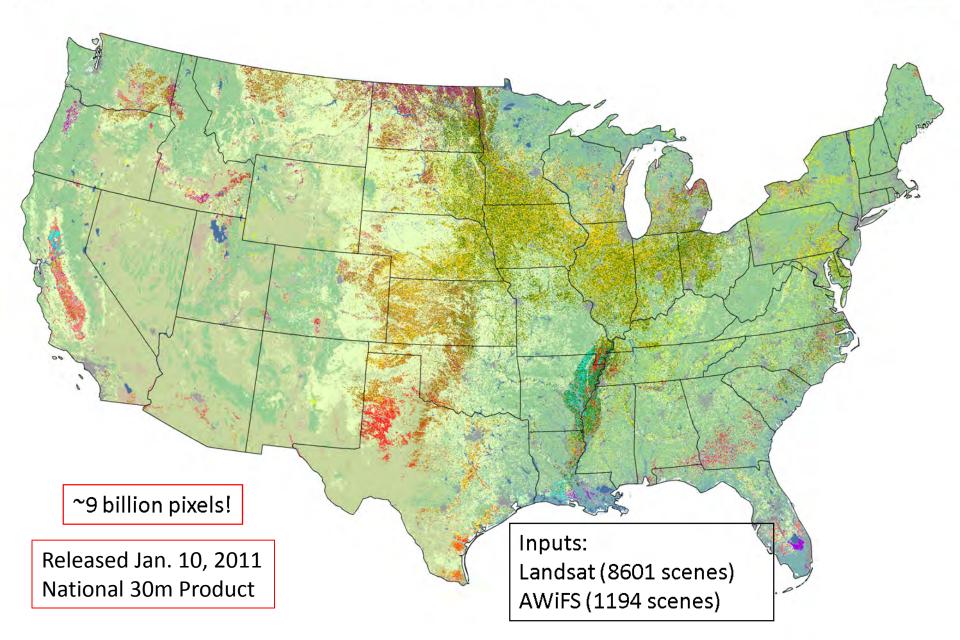
- "Census by Satellite"
  - Annually cover major program crops and regions
  - Crops accurately geo-located
- Deliver in-season remote sensing acreage estimates
  - For June, August, September, and October Official Reports
  - Update planted area
  - Reduce respondent burden
- Provide timely, accurate, useful estimates
  - Measurable error
  - Unbiased/independent estimator
  - State, District, County
- Public domain crop specific crop classification
  - http://nassgeodata.gmu.edu/CropScape
  - NRCS Geospatial Data Gateway
  - http://www.nass.usda.gov/research/Cropland/SARS1a.htm
  - Google CropScape!

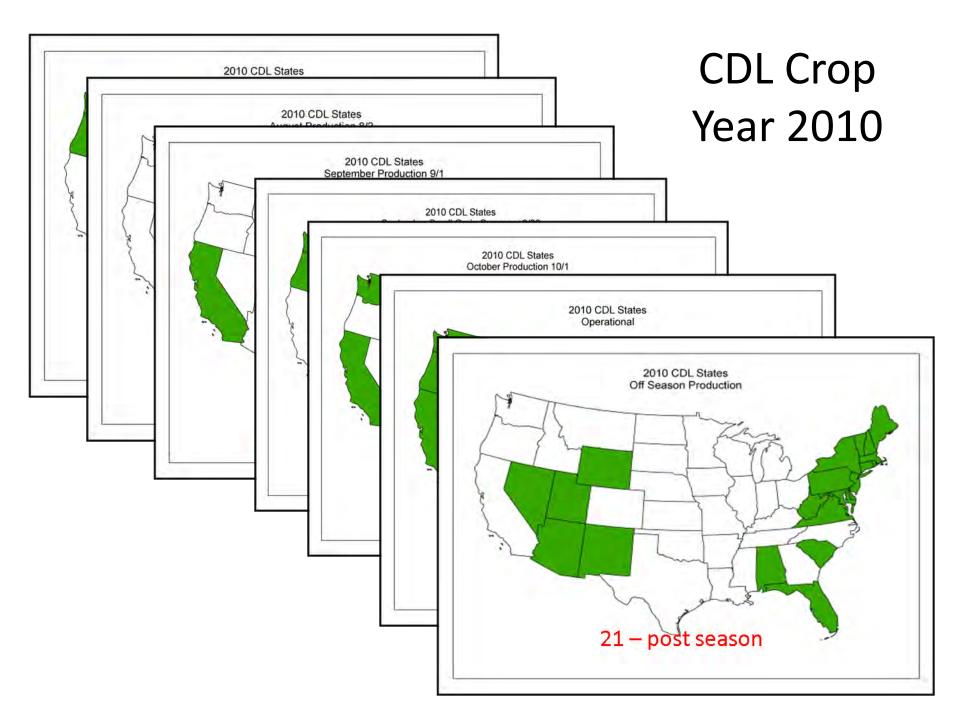




#### 2010 Cropland Data Layers

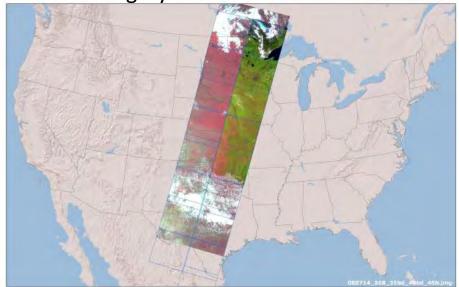




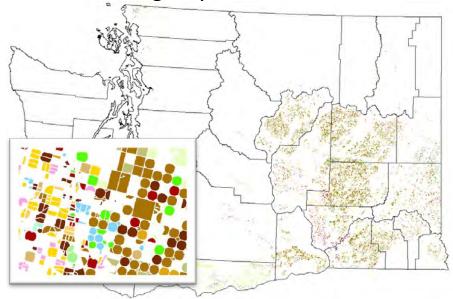


## Inputs

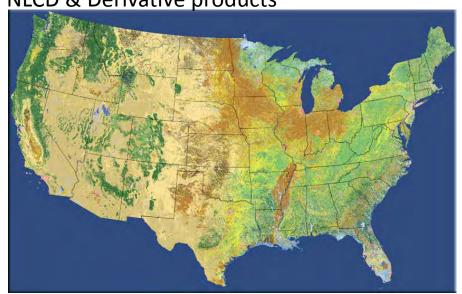
Satellite Imagery - AWiFS & Landsat TM



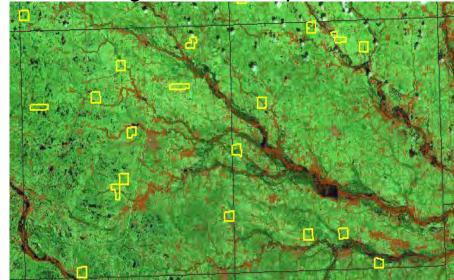
Farm Service Agency – Common Land Unit



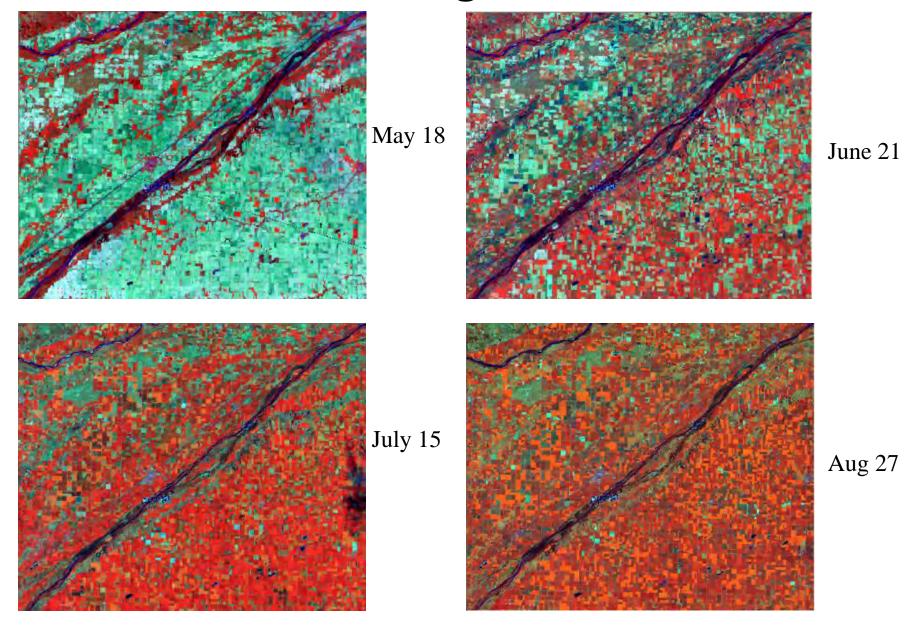
NLCD & Derivative products



NASS June Agriculture Survey



## Satellite Images over time

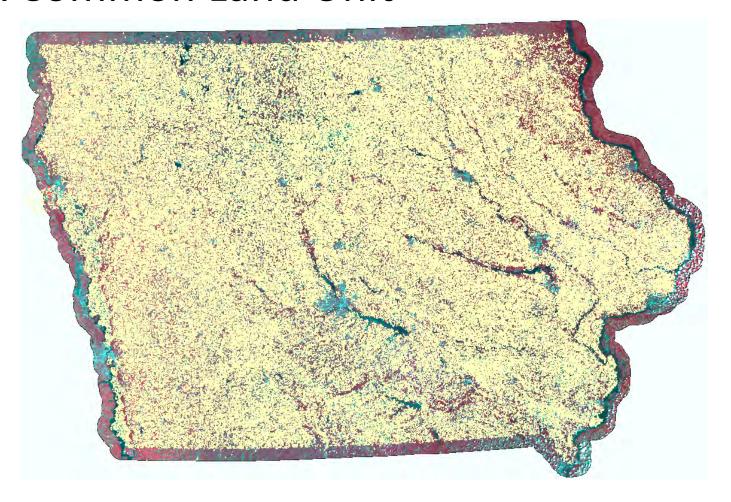


### Sensor Specifications Compared

|                          | <u>TM</u>                                       | <u>AWiFS</u>       |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Altitude                 | 705 km  | 817 km             |  |  |  |
| Equatorial crossing time | 9:45 ± 15 minutes                               | 10:30 ± 5 minutes  |  |  |  |
| Temporal Resolution      | 16 days   | 5 days             |  |  |  |
| Spatial Resolution       | 30 x 30 m (reflective)<br>120 x 120 m (thermal) | 56 x 56 m          |  |  |  |
| Radiometric Resolution   | 8 bit (256)                                     | 10 bit (1024)      |  |  |  |
| Spectral Resolution      | 6 (B, G, R, NIR, SWIR,<br>MIR) + Thermal IR     | 4 (G, R, NIR,SWIR) |  |  |  |
| Swath wide               | 185 km  | 737 km             |  |  |  |
| Scene size               | 184 x 152 km                                    | 370 x 370 km       |  |  |  |

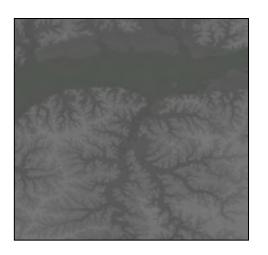


# Agricultural Ground Truth FSA Common Land Unit

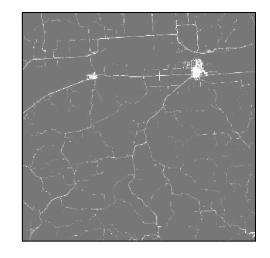


70% sample for training & 30% sample for testing Comprehensive **program crop** coverage

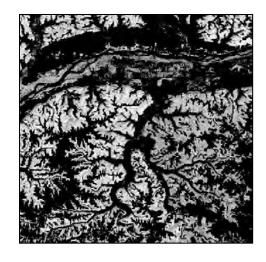
## Ancillary Data – USGS/NASA Products



Elevation



Imperviousness

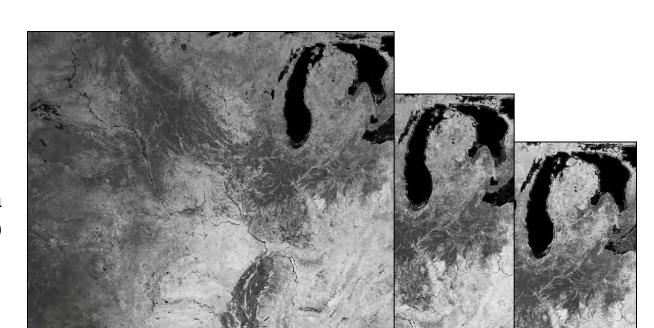


Forest Canopy

#### **2001 NLCD**

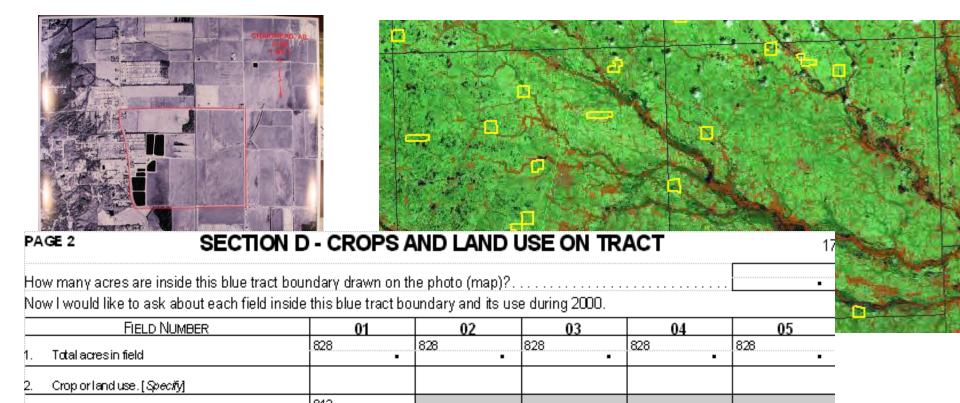
Improve CDL coverage of non-ag classes

NASA MODIS Terra (16-day NDVI composite)



#### NASS June Ag Survey

- Probability based
- Area frame stratification based on land use
- Sample units one square mile



## Data Partnerships

- Foreign Agricultural Service
  - Resourcesat-1 AWiFS



- Farm Service Agency
  - Common Land Unit "ground truth"

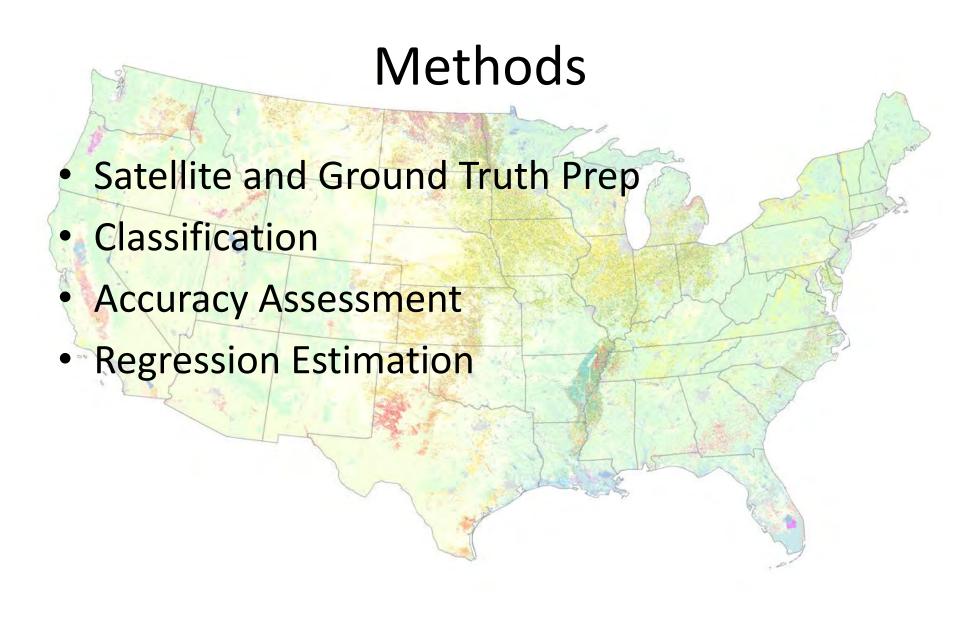


- US Geological Survey
  - National Land Cover Dataset



- US Geological Survey/ NASA
  - Landsat TM 5 & 7





#### Commercial Software Suite





ERDAS Imagine



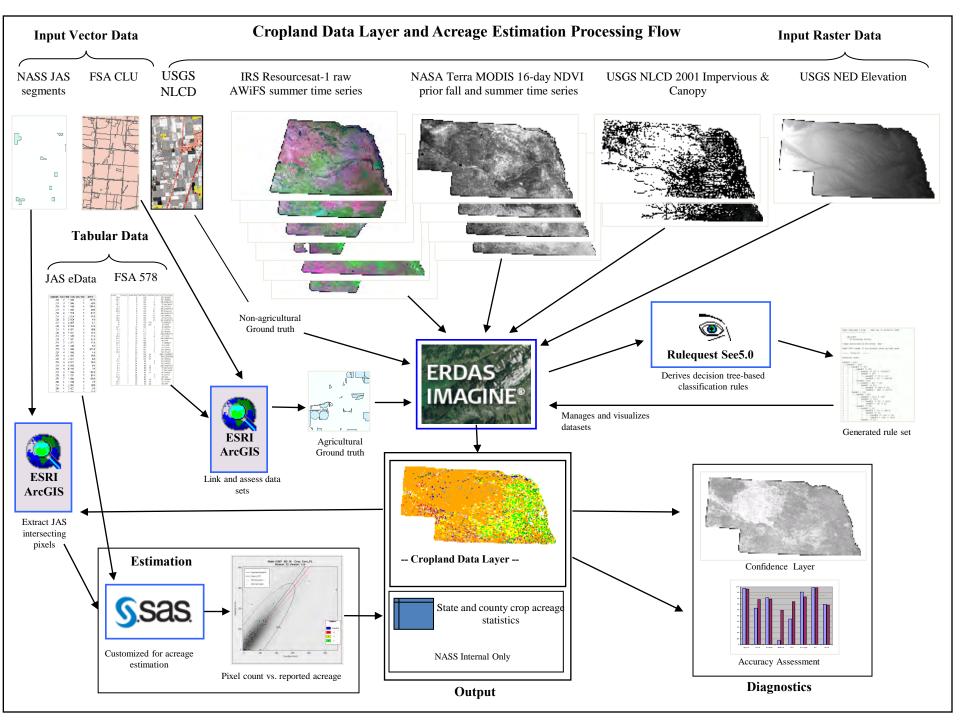
- Image classification
  - Decision tree software
    - See5 www.rulequest.com



- Ground Truth Preparation
  - ESRI ArcGIS



- Acreage Estimation
  - SAS



| Crop-specific covers only | *Correct | Accuracy | Error  | Kappa  |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|
|                           |          |          |        |        |
| OVERALL ACCURACY**        | 2368649  | 83.10%   | 16.90% | 0.7891 |

#### **Accuracy Statistics**

| Cover                | Attribute | *Correct | Producer's | Omission |        | User's   | Commission | Cond'1 |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|--------|----------|------------|--------|
| Type                 | Code      | Pixels   | Accuracy   | Error    | Kappa  | Accuracy | Error      | Kappa  |
|                      |           |          |            |          |        |          |            |        |
| Corn                 | 1         | 460221   | 93.78%     | 6.22%    | 0.9272 | 94.47%   | 5.53%      | 0.9351 |
| Sorghum              | 4         | 63253    | 57.82%     | 42.18%   | 0.5677 | 77.37%   | 22.63%     | 0.7660 |
| Soybeans             | 5         | 1870     | 48.85%     | 51.15%   | 0.4882 | 94.02%   | 5.98%      | 0.9401 |
| Sunflower            | 6         | 26389    | 61.28%     | 38.72%   | 0.6087 | 74.09%   | 25.91%     | 0.7375 |
| Sweet Corn           | 12        | 905      | 54.75%     | 45.25%   | 0.5474 | 92.73%   | 7.27%      | 0.9272 |
| Barley               | 21        | 7877     | 66.47%     | 33.53%   | 0.6636 | 71.55%   | 28.45%     | 0.7145 |
| Durum Wheat          | 22        | 0        | n/a        | n/a      | n/a    | 0.00%    | 100.00%    | 0.0000 |
| Spring Wheat         | 23        | 2286     | 48.46%     | 51.54%   | 0.4839 | 49.02%   | 50.98%     | 0.4895 |
| Winter Wheat         | 24        | 817165   | 92.79%     | 7.21%    | 0.9030 | 95.50%   | 4.50%      | 0.9389 |
| Rye                  | 27        | 285      | 14.57%     | 85.43%   | 0.1455 | 31.39%   | 68.61%     | 0.3135 |
| Oats                 | 28        | 4483     | 33.63%     | 66.37%   | 0.3344 | 47.41%   | 52.59%     | 0.4720 |
| Millet               | 29        | 70479    | 79.66%     | 20.34%   | 0.7900 | 66.96%   | 33.04%     | 0.6606 |
| Speltz               | 30        | 85       | 85.00%     | 15.00%   | 0.8500 | 49.13%   | 50.87%     | 0.4913 |
| Canola               | 31        | 0        | n/a        | n/a      | n/a    | 0.00%    | 100.00%    | 0.0000 |
| Flaxseed             | 32        | 0        | n/a        | n/a      | n/a    | 0.00%    | 100.00%    | 0.0000 |
| Safflower            | 33        | 577      | 31.26%     | 68.74%   | 0.3120 | 19.97%   | 80.03%     | 0.1992 |
| Alfalfa              | 36        | 174154   | 72.85%     | 27.15%   | 0.7109 | 85.82%   | 14.18%     | 0.8472 |
| Other Hay            | 37        | 54825    | 39.87%     | 60.13%   | 0.3862 | 80.78%   | 19.22%     | 0.7995 |
| Sugarbeets           | 41        | 4381     | 80.64%     | 19.36%   | 0.8061 | 83.04%   | 16.96%     | 0.8301 |
| Dry Beans            | 42        | 12029    | 68.64%     | 31.36%   | 0.6844 | 54.83%   | 45.17%     | 0.5459 |
| Potatoes             | 43        | 12742    | 85.17%     | 14.83%   | 0.8511 | 91.00%   | 9.00%      | 0.9096 |
| Other Crops          | 44        | 0        | 0.00%      | 100.00%  | 0.0000 | n/a      | n/a        | n/a    |
| Misc. Vegs. & Fruits | 47        | 0        | n/a        | n/a      | n/a    | 0.00%    | 100.00%    | 0.0000 |
| Watermelons          | 48        | 25       | 6.35%      | 93.65%   | 0.0634 | 39.68%   | 60.32%     | 0.3968 |

**Producer's Accuracy:** relates to the probability that a ground truth pixel will be correctly mapped and measures errors of omission.

Errors of Omission: occur when a pixel is excluded from the correct category

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## **Accuracy Assessments**

|    | Cover Att              | ribute<br>Code | *Corre           | ls Accura |       | mission<br>Error | Kappa            | User's<br>Accuracy | Commission<br>Error     | Cond'1<br>Kappa  |
|----|------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|-------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| IA | Corn<br>Soybeans       | 1 5            | 21977:<br>14710: | 19 96.5   |       | 3.42%<br>3.76%   | 0.9226<br>0.9392 | 97.86%<br>95.78%   | 2.14%<br>4.22%          | 0.9509           |
| IL | Corn<br>Soybeans       | 1<br>5         | 22582<br>13390   |           |       | 1.94%<br>3.64%   | 0.9527<br>0.9438 | 98.58%<br>97.96%   | 1.42%<br>2.04%          | 0.9650<br>0.9681 |
| NE | Corn<br>Soybeans       | 1<br>5         | 18564:<br>8492   |           |       | 2.71%<br>4.17%   | 0.9605<br>0.9513 | 97.32%<br>96.95%   | 2.68%<br>3.05%          | 0.9608<br>0.9643 |
| SD | Corn<br>Soybeans       | 1<br>5         | 8032<br>7073     |           |       | 5.71%<br>4.97%   | 0.9342<br>0.9439 | 95.78%<br>97.72%   | 4.22%<br>2.28%          | 0.9513<br>0.9741 |
|    | Crop-specific covers o | nly *0         | Correct          | Accuracy  | Error | Kappa            | ı                |                    |                         |                  |
| IA | OVERALL ACCURACY       | 3              | 3688803          | 95.74%    | 4.26% | 0.9145           | ·                |                    |                         |                  |
| IL | OVERALL ACCURACY       | 3              | 3730093          | 97.05%    | 2.95% | 0.9426           |                  |                    | el accurac<br>very high | cies             |
| NE | OVERALL ACCURACY       | 3              | 3071960          | 94.05%    | 5.95% | 0.8981           |                  |                    |                         |                  |

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OVERALL ACCURACY

SD

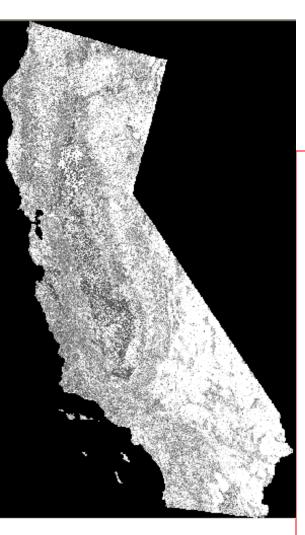
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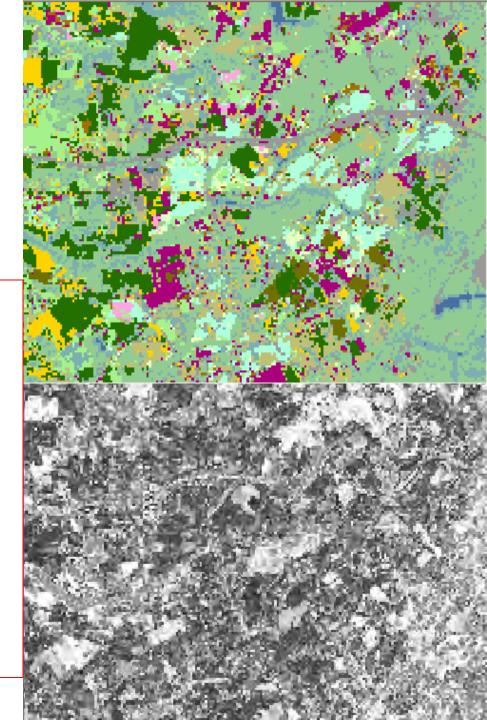
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**Kappa Coefficient**: A statistics measure of agreement, beyond chance, between two maps.

## Confidence Layer



Defined not as a measure of accuracy for a given pixel; but rather how well it fit within the decision tree ruleset.



## Remote Sensing Regression Estimation



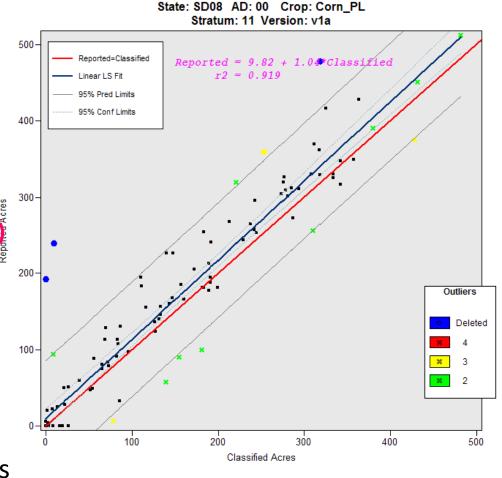
## Regression-based Acreage Estimator

Regression used to relate categorized pixel counts to the ground reference data

- (X) Cropland Data Layer (CDL) classified acres
- (Y) June Agricultural Survey (JAS reported acres

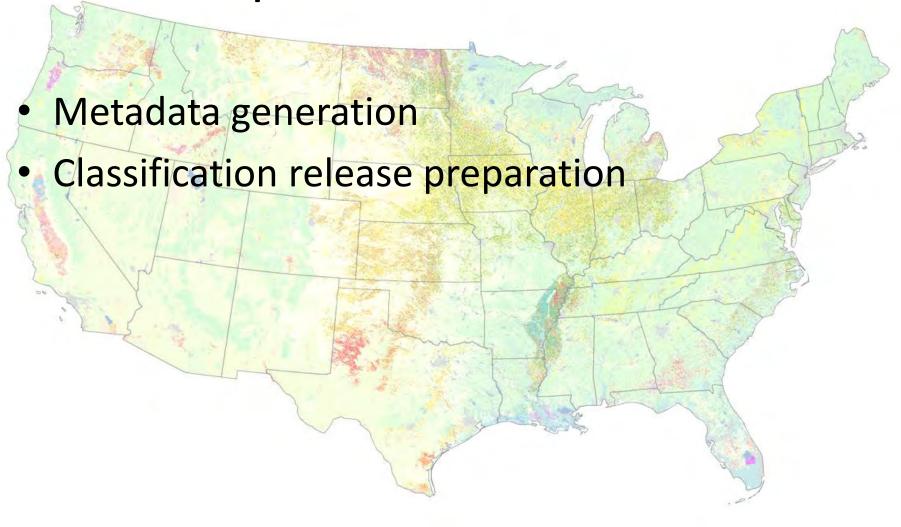
Using both CDL and JAS acreage results in estimates with reduced error rates over JAS alone

Outlier segment detection - 0 removal from regression analysis IMG file description: \_080922\_



Acreage not just about counting pixels

## Outputs/Dissemination



#### CDL Metadata

#### Published on each CDL product

Denominator of Flattening Ratio: 298.257223563

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CLASSIFICATION INPUTS:
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### NASS Geospatial Dissemination Needs

- No online geospatial information access
  - No geospatial crop visualization & browsing
  - No geospatial query capability
  - No geospatial online analytics
- NASS needed...
  - Capabilities for on-line geospatial crop information access, geospatial query and on-line analytics via interactive maps
  - Disseminate all data to decision makers and users via real time retrieval, processing and publishing over the web through standards-based geospatial web services

## CropScape

- Lister Consideration Agriculture Statistics Service

  Cropland Explorer NASS CDL Program

  Find Layers

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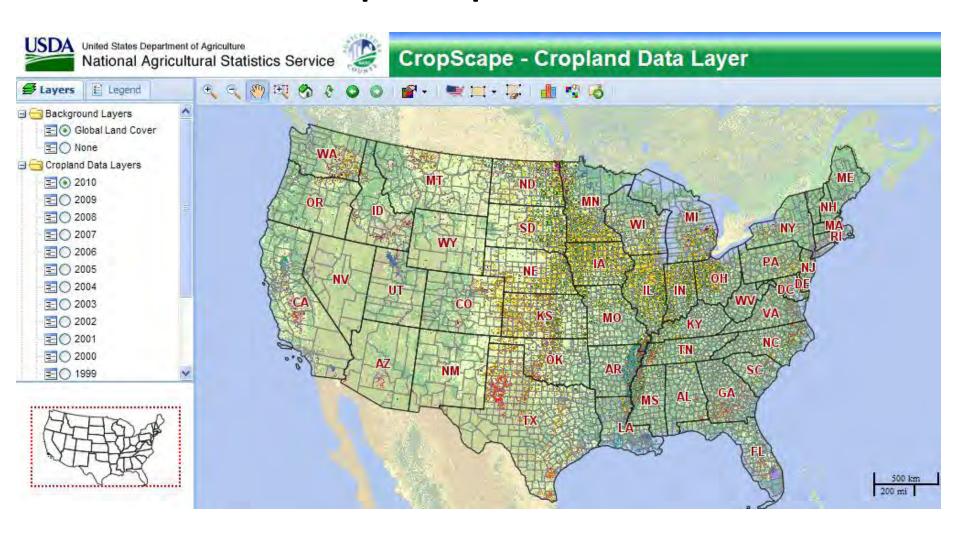
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- Develop CropScape web portal
- A web service based interactive map visualization, dissemination and querying system for U.S. cropland
  - No burden on users
    - No client software development & installation
    - No special software tools needed
  - Equitable cropland information access, automatic and timely delivery, geospatial navigation, retrieval, queries and dissemination
- Collaboration with George Mason University/ Center for Spatial Information Science and Systems

## CropScape Cont.

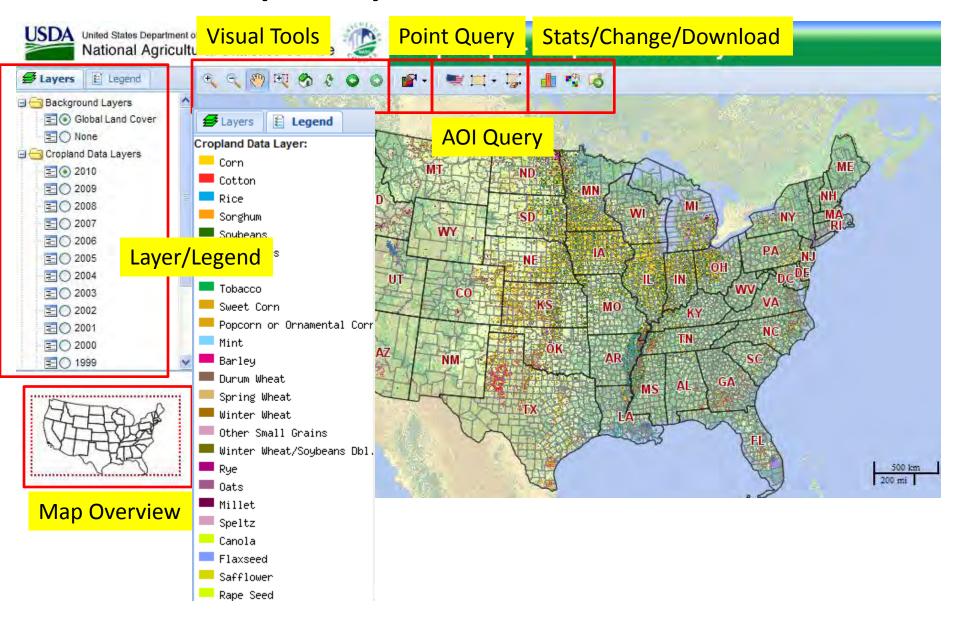
- State of the art CDL visualization, querying and dissemination tool
- Interactive geospatial statistical analysis tools
  - Online/interactive analytics, charting and mapping
  - Geospatial information access, navigation
  - CDL map and statistical result retrieval and dissemination web services
- Open geospatial standards compliant

## CropScape Portal

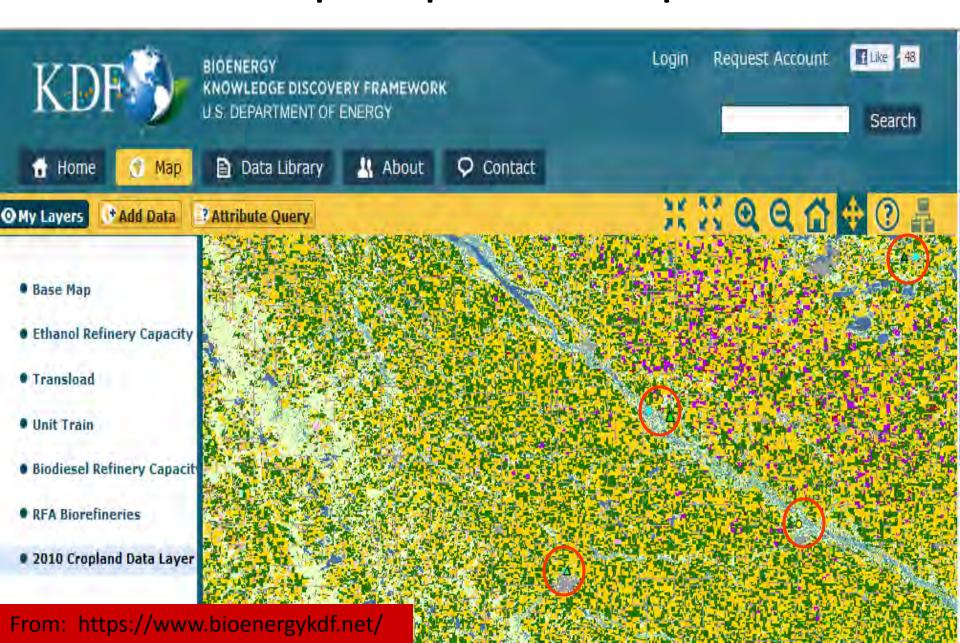


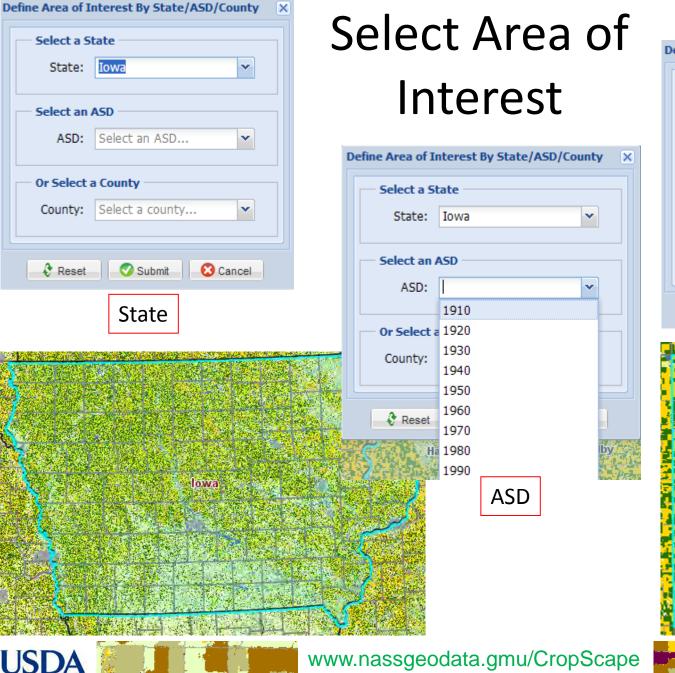
Harmonize ALL historical CDL products to standards: color scheme, categories, projection, metadata

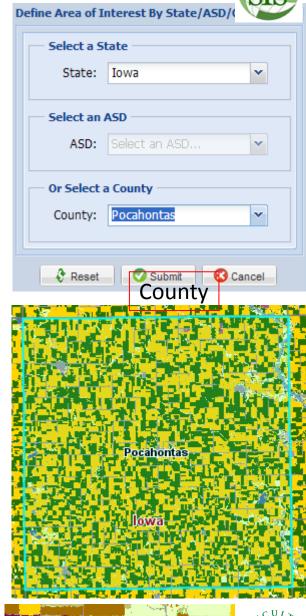
## CropScape Portal Defined



## CropScape Mashups





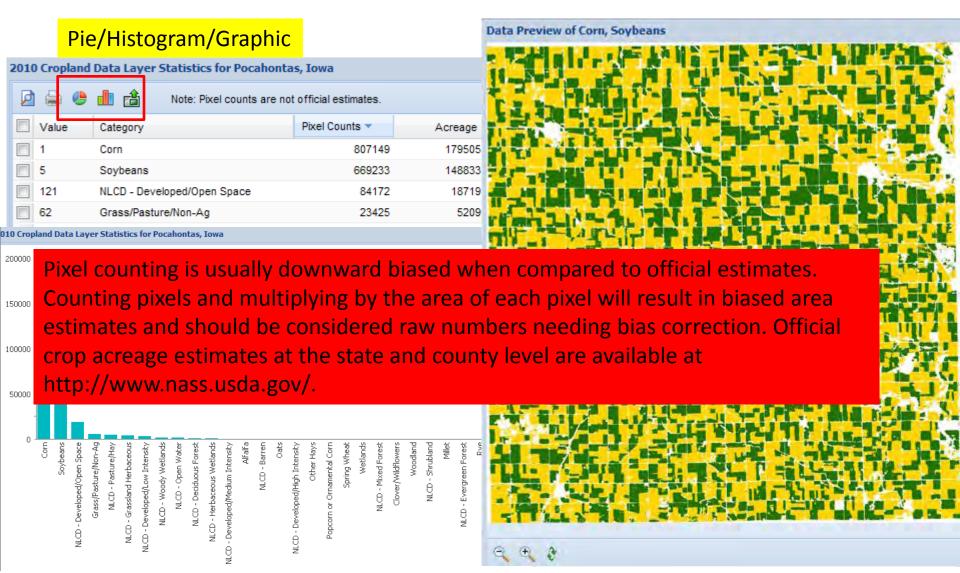






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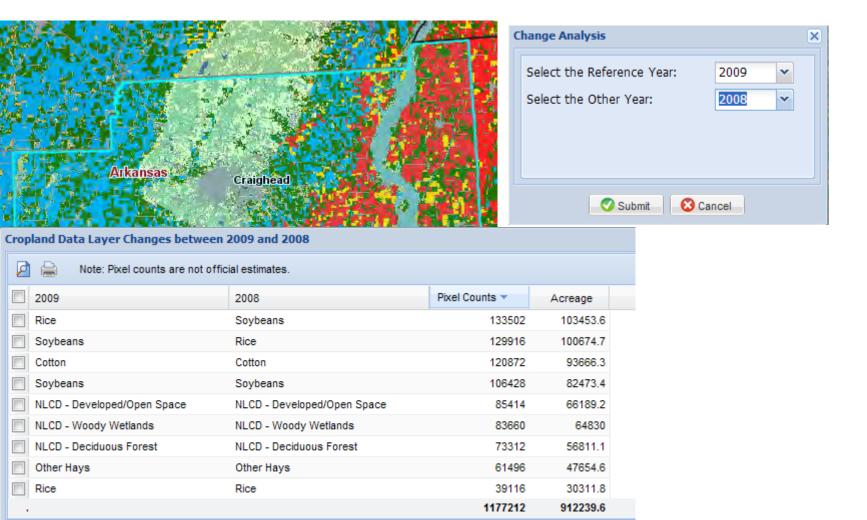








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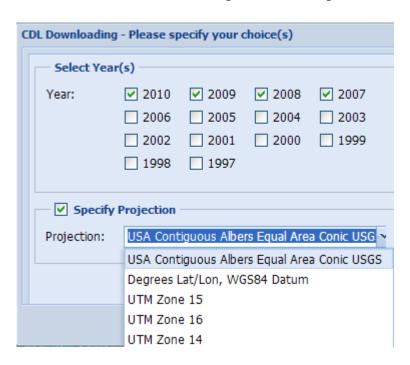




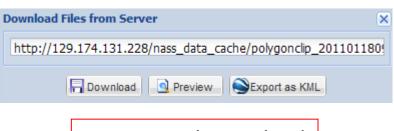


## CropScape Download & Export

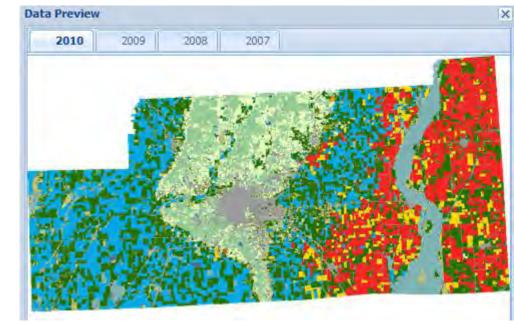




**Specify Years and Projection** 



Preview and Download



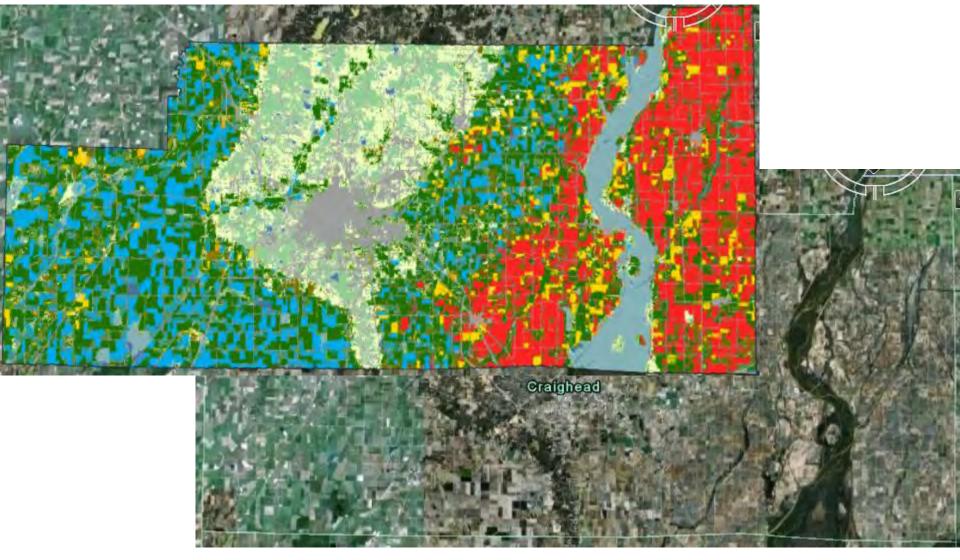






## CropScape w/ Google Earth







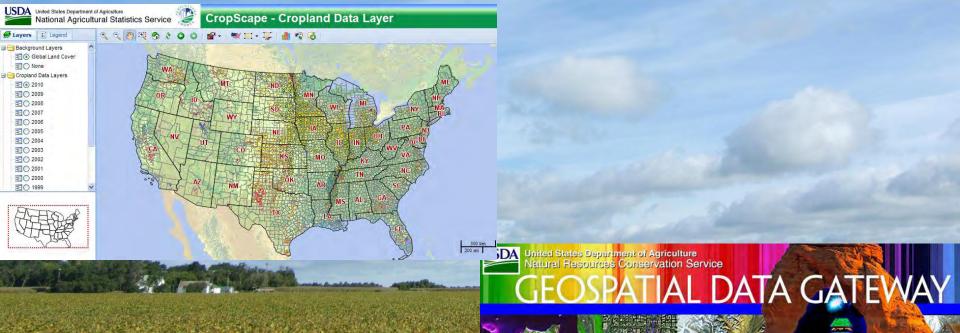


## CropScape Future

- Enhance existing functions
  - Change analysis mapping
  - Online map generation for production & printing
- Add new capabilities
  - Multi-county analysis
  - Client data layer mash-up (capability to add data by user)
  - Multi-year crop acreage statistical change graphics for state, county, or area
- Feasibility study for hosting on commercial cloud computing service, such as Amazon Cloud

#### **CDL** Distribution

- http://nassgeodata.gmu.edu/CropScape
- http://datagateway.nrcs.usda.gov
- http://www.nass.usda.gov/Research\_and\_Science



## Thank you!



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