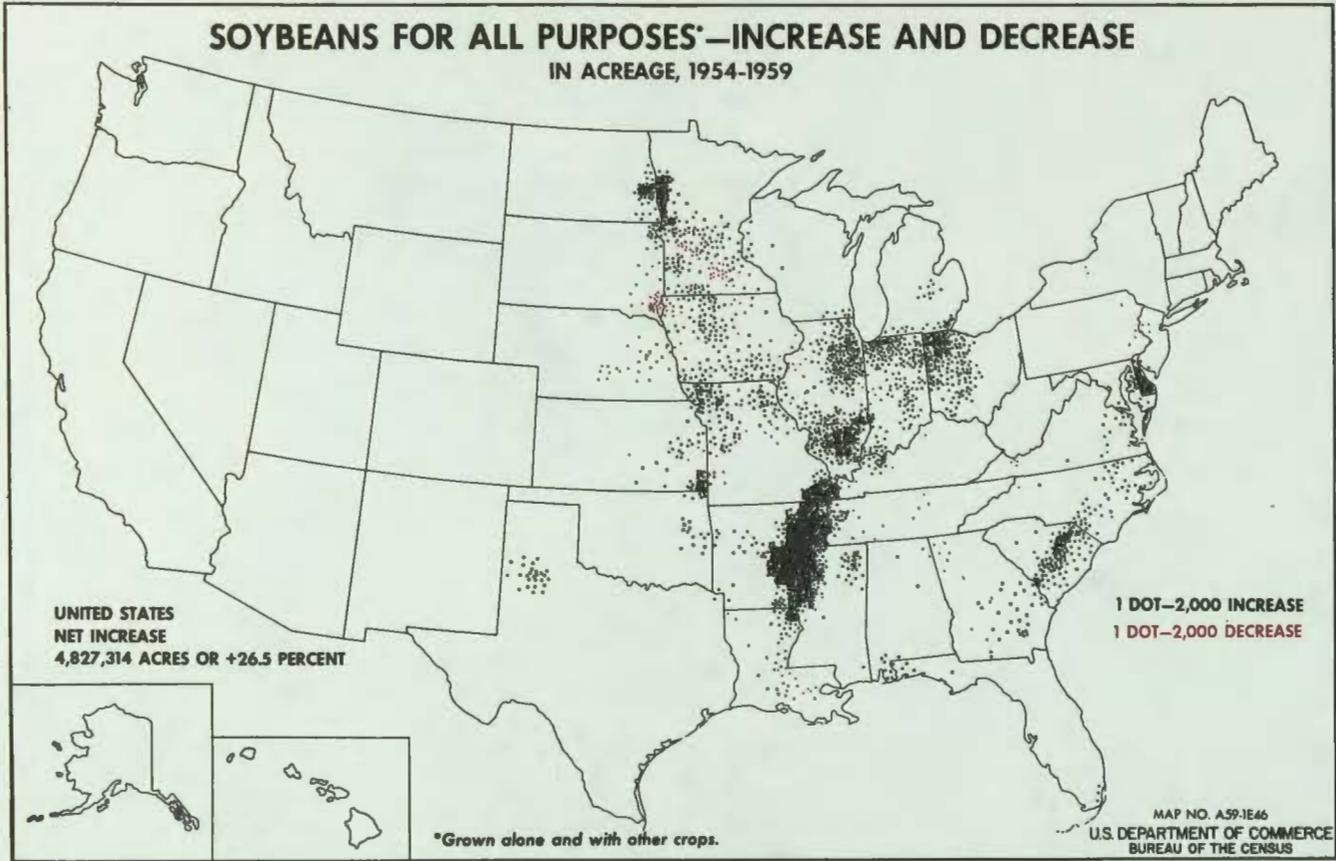


Soybeans is a relatively new crop. In 1909, the census showed less than 2,000 acres harvested. The 23 million acres harvested in 1959 were more than seven times the acreage harvested 30 years earlier, and were twice the acreage harvested in 1949. The

acreage harvested for all purposes in 1959 was 28 percent greater than the acreage harvested in 1954. Significant increases in acreage occurred between 1954 and 1959 in the principal soybean-producing areas and in the southeastern States.



Tobacco was the sixth leading field crop harvested in 1959. It accounted for 5.9 percent of the value of all field crops har-

vested. The acreage in tobacco was equivalent to only one-half of 1 percent of the acreage of all field crops harvested.

