



# Tennessee Farm Facts

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2007 County Estimates: Wheat Sorghum Soybeans Corn

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## Wheat: Acreage, Yield, and Production, by County, 2007

District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain	District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain
	Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels		Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels
Dyer	24,000	19,000	46	875	Giles	5,500	1,600	29	47
Lake	11,000	9,000	47	425	Lincoln	6,000	2,500	39	98
Lauderdale	11,500	9,000	41	370	Macon	2,300	600	42	25
Obion	26,000	19,000	43	815	Marshall	4,800	2,000	35	70
Shelby	9,500	6,500	40	260	Maury	3,500	1,500	34	51
Tipton	14,000	11,500	37	420	Rutherford	3,000	1,100	24	27
District 10	96,000	74,000	43	3,165	Smith	1,700	1,000	51	51
Carroll	7,500	3,000	36	108	Sumner	5,200	3,600	43	154
Chester	1,600	900	36	32	Trousdale	1,100	800	40	32
Crockett	11,200	8,500	44	373	Williamson	2,100	700	40	28
Fayette	11,000	8,000	50	400	Wilson	1,800	600	30	18
Gibson	40,000	32,000	42	1,330	Other <sup>1</sup>	2,500	1,000	38	38
Hardeman	4,700	3,000	30	90	District 40	46,000	20,000	38	760
Hardin	6,000	2,500	34	85	Bledsoe	2,000	600	35	21
Haywood	20,000	13,500	37	500	Coffee	6,400	2,500	33	83
Henderson	3,000	1,500	38	57	Franklin	12,000	7,200	39	280
Henry	13,000	7,500	45	340	Grundy	1,100	700	37	26
McNairy	1,400	900	33	30	Marion	1,700	1,100	28	31
Madison	9,500	7,200	43	310	Warren	3,200	900	27	24
Weakley	28,000	22,000	41	895	Other <sup>1</sup>	7,600	1,000	35	35
Other <sup>1</sup>	1,100	500	40	20	District 50	34,000	14,000	36	500
District 20	158,000	111,000	41	4,570	Blount	2,000	800	38	30
Hickman	1,500	1,000	46	46	Loudon	3,300	1,600	35	56
Lawrence	5,800	3,700	41	150	Monroe	4,000	1,000	43	43
Montgomery	7,400	4,500	37	168	Polk	3,800	1,600	41	65
Robertson	30,000	21,500	42	909	Rhea	1,500	600	38	23
Other <sup>1</sup>	3,300	1,300	36	47	Other <sup>1</sup>	23,400	3,400	38	128
District 30	48,000	32,000	41	1,320	District 60	38,000	9,000	38	345
Bedford	4,900	2,500	41	103	State	420,000	260,000	41	10,660
Cannon	1,600	500	38	19					

<sup>1</sup> Unlisted counties combined with "Other".

## Sorghum: Acreage, Yield, and Production, by County, 2007

District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain	District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain
	Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels		Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels
District 10	10,000	9,700	78	755	Other <sup>1</sup>	3,000	1,300	44	57
District 20	9,000	8,000	65	518	State	22,000	19,000	70	1,330

<sup>1</sup> Districts 30, 40, 50, 60 combined into "Other".

### Soybeans: Acreage, Yield, and Production, by County, 2007

District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain	District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain
	Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels		Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels
Dyer	104,000	102,000	21	2,100	Jackson	800	600	25	15
Lake	47,000	46,000	26	1,200	Lincoln	13,500	12,500	16	200
Lauderdale	59,000	58,000	20	1,180	Macon	1,100	900	23	21
Obion	89,000	88,000	23	2,000	Marshall	3,200	2,600	12	32
Shelby	30,000	27,000	19	500	Mauzy	8,200	7,000	16	110
Tipton	51,000	49,000	18	870	Moore	600	500	16	8
District 10	380,000	370,000	21	7,850	Rutherford	7,400	6,500	21	135
Benton	5,100	4,700	16	75	Smith	1,800	1,200	28	33
Carroll	15,000	14,000	19	260	Sumner	8,100	7,300	13	95
Chester	5,800	5,500	13	70	Trousdale	800	700	26	18
Crockett	32,000	29,000	14	400	Williamson	4,900	4,200	14	60
Decatur	4,100	3,500	13	45	Wilson	900	800	18	14
Fayette	33,000	30,000	14	405	Other <sup>1</sup>	400	300	17	5
Gibson	82,000	78,000	19	1,485	District 40	80,000	71,000	17	1,230
Hardeman	16,000	15,000	16	235	Bledsoe	900	700	23	16
Hardin	21,000	19,000	15	280	Coffee	22,000	20,000	18	365
Haywood	43,000	38,000	14	515	Franklin	20,500	19,000	15	288
Henderson	19,000	17,000	12	200	Grundy	1,700	1,500	17	26
Henry	33,000	29,000	14	395	Marion	4,500	4,000	25	99
McNairy	13,000	12,300	20	245	Putnam	700	500	20	10
Madison	24,000	23,000	13	290	Warren	7,200	6,800	17	114
Weakley	69,000	67,000	17	1,150	Other <sup>1</sup>	2,500	1,500	21	32
District 20	415,000	385,000	16	6,050	District 50	60,000	54,000	18	950
Cheatham	1,400	1,100	15	17	Blount	3,100	2,600	23	60
Hickman	2,700	2,300	14	33	Bradley	1,000	800	9	7
Humphreys	6,000	5,200	21	109	Cocke	1,500	1,300	26	34
Lawrence	15,000	13,600	16	220	Greene	800	600	30	18
Montgomery	16,000	13,800	13	173	Hamblen	900	700	26	18
Perry	1,000	800	13	10	Jefferson	900	700	27	19
Robertson	34,000	30,000	13	375	Loudon	1,600	1,600	16	25
Stewart	1,700	1,400	15	21	McMinn	3,000	2,700	21	58
Wayne	1,600	1,400	11	16	Monroe	4,200	3,600	20	72
Other <sup>1</sup>	600	400	15	6	Polk	3,900	3,200	17	55
District 30	80,000	70,000	14	980	Rhea	1,700	700	9	7
Bedford	8,400	7,400	11	83	Other <sup>1</sup>	2,400	1,500	18	27
Cannon	7,200	6,800	24	163	District 60	25,000	20,000	20	400
De Kalb	4,200	3,700	25	93	State	1,040,000	970,000	18	17,460
Giles	8,500	8,000	18	145					

<sup>1</sup> Unlisted counties combined with "Other".

### Corn: Acreage, Yield, and Production, by County, 2007

District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain	District and County	Planted for All Purposes	Harvested For Grain	Yield Per Acre	Production For Grain
	Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels		Acres		Bushels	1,000 Bushels
Dyer	47,000	45,000	125	5,610	Moore	1,000	900	87	78
Lake	20,000	19,000	155	2,940	Rutherford	7,000	5,100	90	460
Lauderdale	26,000	25,000	122	3,040	Smith	2,000	1,800	115	207
Obion	88,000	84,000	119	9,960	Sumner	8,300	7,400	91	670
Shelby	14,000	13,000	103	1,340	Trousdale	1,500	1,300	64	83
Tipton	25,000	24,000	90	2,150	Williamson	3,800	3,200	85	272
District 10	220,000	210,000	119	25,040	Wilson	1,100	700	110	77
Benton	5,500	5,100	101	515	Other <sup>1</sup>	850	500	108	54
Carroll	36,000	34,000	99	3,350	District 40	85,000	73,000	87	6,370
Chester	4,700	4,200	81	340	Bledsoe	1,800	1,300	100	130
Crockett	15,000	13,000	120	1,555	Coffee	18,500	17,000	79	1,335
Decatur	3,300	3,100	79	245	Cumberland	1,400	500	90	45
Fayette	20,000	19,200	113	2,160	Franklin	20,500	18,000	78	1,395
Gibson	72,000	68,000	129	8,775	Grundy	2,400	2,200	80	175
Hardeman	9,500	9,100	96	870	Marion	2,600	2,100	100	209
Hardin	10,500	9,800	81	790	Overton	1,200	500	98	49
Haywood	23,000	22,000	104	2,280	Sequatchie	700	600	80	48
Henderson	13,500	12,500	110	1,370	Warren	5,100	4,300	90	389
Henry	44,000	41,000	98	4,000	White	3,100	1,200	90	108
McNairy	11,500	10,500	100	1,045	Other <sup>1</sup>	2,700	1,300	75	97
Madison	21,500	20,500	88	1,795	District 50	60,000	49,000	81	3,980
Weakley	75,000	72,000	114	8,175	Blount	2,500	1,400	85	119
District 20	365,000	344,000	108	37,265	Bradley	1,900	800	76	61
Cheatham	1,800	1,600	69	110	Cocke	1,900	1,000	108	108
Dickson	1,100	900	69	62	Grainger	1,300	550	85	47
Hickman	3,200	2,900	69	200	Greene	5,900	2,800	120	335
Humphreys	6,700	6,400	99	631	Hamblen	1,600	1,000	135	135
Lawrence	14,000	12,500	106	1,320	Hawkins	900	800	125	100
Montgomery	22,000	20,500	105	2,150	Jefferson	2,600	1,300	132	171
Perry	1,900	1,700	69	117	Johnson	750	500	120	60
Robertson	39,000	37,000	95	3,500	Loudon	2,800	1,200	77	92
Stewart	3,500	3,200	78	250	McMinn	5,000	1,400	121	169
Wayne	1,000	700	69	48	Meigs	1,300	850	100	85
Other <sup>1</sup>	800	600	70	42	Monroe	4,000	900	97	87
District 30	95,000	88,000	96	8,430	Polk	2,800	1,900	75	142
Bedford	8,000	7,000	63	441	Rhea	1,300	1,200	75	90
Cannon	5,300	4,700	92	431	Sullivan	1,400	700	100	70
Davidson	950	900	64	58	Washington	3,800	1,100	102	112
De Kalb	2,700	2,500	104	260	Other <sup>1</sup>	3,250	1,600	89	142
Giles	12,500	11,500	94	1,080	District 60	45,000	21,000	101	2,125
Lincoln	13,500	12,500	92	1,150	State	870,000	785,000	106	83,210
Macon	2,500	2,200	112	246					
Marshall	5,000	4,000	65	258					
Maury	9,000	6,800	80	545					

<sup>1</sup> Unlisted counties combined with "Other".

## Forum Focuses on Requirements for Farmer to Consumer Sales

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** - Tennessee's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Farmers Market Forum will be held March 31 at the Smith County Agriculture Complex in Carthage. The event's focus is opportunities and requirements for producers who plan to sell their farm products directly to the consumer.

The event is free of charge, sponsored by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture. Registration for the day's program, which includes lunch, opens at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 4:30 p.m.

"When a producer sells a product right off the farm or at a local farmers market — and especially when he adds value to that product before he sells it — there's an opportunity to grab a much bigger piece of the food dollar than he gets when those products are processed, packaged and marketed by other people," says Laura Fortune, farmers market specialist with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture. "It's a strategy that's becoming more attractive and potentially profitable to farmers as consumers become more interested in buying local foods from farmers they know."

"There are requirements and standards, however, that every producer needs to know and follow to make his endeavors legal and safe, whether that product is sold at the farm gate, as part of a farmers market or to a retail establishment," says Fortune. "This forum will address all the regulatory issues that a producer will certainly have to navigate in order to successfully process, package, market and sell his products straight to a consumer or retail outlet."

The forum will feature several speakers from TDA's Regulatory Services Division, including John Sanford and Buddy Woodson, administrators for the state's food and dairy programs, and Bob Williams, administrator for Weights and Measures.

Other speakers include Megan Bruch, U.T. Center for Profitable Agriculture; Peggy Marchetti, Tennessee Farmers Market Association; and Tiffany Mullins, Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation.

"We want to be sure that producers who come to the forum will get to hear from other farmers who have already gone through the regulatory process and have found success at the other end," says Fortune. "We'll have Josh Gunn of Green Hills Farms in Springfield, who has found a good niche market providing grass fed beef to local restaurants and consumers around the South."

"Will Hatcher Wallace from Hatcher Family Dairy will share how they've found a great market by processing their own milk and selling straight off the farm to their community and local retail stores."

Anyone interested in participating in the forum and luncheon is encouraged to pre-register by contacting Laura Fortune at (615) 837-5349 or [Laura.Fortune@state.tn.us](mailto:Laura.Fortune@state.tn.us). For more information about Tennessee farmers markets or farm products, visit [www.picktnproducts.org](http://www.picktnproducts.org).