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**Tennessee Dark Air-cured Tobacco Production Hits Record High,
Burley Tobacco Harvested Acreage Drops to Record Low**

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is estimated at 23.2 million pounds, up 10 percent from the previous year. **Dark air-cured** tobacco production is estimated at 7.42 million pounds, up 86 percent from last year.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is estimated at 9.01 million pounds, down 50 percent from 2017. Yield was estimated at 1,700 pounds per acre, up 200 pounds from the 2017 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 5,300 acres, down 6,700 acres from last year's crop. **U.S.** production is estimated at 100.4 million pounds, down 38 percent from last year. Burley growers harvested 61,050 acres, down 25 percent from 2017. Yields were estimated at 1,645 pounds per acre, down 332 pounds from last year.

Corn production in **Tennessee** is estimated at 116 million bushels, down 5 percent from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 168 bushels per acre, down 3 bushels from the 2017 level. Planted acreage was 730,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from last year. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 690,000 acres, down 20,000 acres from 2017. **U.S.** corn production is estimated at 14.4 billion bushels, down 1 percent from 2017. Yields averaged 176.4 bushels per acre, down 0.2 bushels from 2017. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 81.7 million acres, down 1 percent from 2017.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is estimated at 76.8 million bushels, down 7 percent from 2017. Yield was estimated at 46.0 bushels per acre, down 4.0 bushels from a year ago. Planted acreage was estimated at 1.7 million acres, up 10,000 acres from 2017. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.67 million acres, also up 10,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 4.54 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last year. Yields averaged 51.6 bushels per acre, up 2.3 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is estimated at 88.1 million acres, down 2 percent from 2017.

Tennessee cotton production total 780,000 bales, up 7 percent from last year. Cotton yields averaged 1,055 pounds per acre, up 22 pounds per acre from the previous year. Planted acreage was estimated at 360,000 acres, up 15,000 acres from last year. Producers harvested 355,000 acres, also up 15,000 acres from 2017. **U.S.** all cotton production is estimated at 18.4 million 480-pound bales, down 12 percent from 2017. Yields were estimated at 838 pounds per acre, down 67 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is estimated at 17.6 million 480-pound bales, down 13 percent from 2017. Pima cotton production is forecast at 794,000 480-pound bales, up 14 percent from 2017.

Other hay production in **Tennessee** is estimated at 4.17 million tons, up 12 percent from last year.