2021 Tennessee Annual Crop Production

Corn production in Tennessee is estimated at 163 million bushels, down 2% from the November forecast and up 18% from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 170 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from the previous forecast and unchanged bushels from the 2020 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 960,000 acres, up 145,000 acres from 2020. U.S. corn production is estimated at 15.1 billion bushels, up slightly from the November forecast and up 7% from 2020. Yields averaged 177.0 bushels per acre, unchanged bushels from the previous forecast and up 5.6 bushels from 2020. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 85.4 million acres, up slightly from the November forecast and up 4% from 2020.

Soybean production for Tennessee is estimated at 76.0 million bushels, up 3% from the November forecast and down 6% from 2020. Yield was estimated at a record high 50.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from both the November forecast and last year. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.52 million acres, down 100,000 acres from the previous year. U.S. soybean production is forecast at 4.44 billion bushels, up slightly from the November forecast and up 5% from last year. Yields averaged 51.4 bushels per acre, up 0.2 bushels from the previous forecast and up 0.4 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is estimated at 86.3 million acres, down slightly from the November forecast and up 5% from 2020.

Tennessee cotton production totals 600,000 bales, unchanged from the December forecast and down 2% from last year. Cotton yields averaged 1,067 pounds per acre, unchanged pounds from last month and up 1 pound per acre from the previous year. Producers harvested 270,000 acres, unchanged from the December forecast and down 5,000 acres from 2020. U.S. all cotton production is estimated at 17.6 million 480-pound bales, down 4% from the December forecast and up 21% from 2020. Yields were estimated at 849 pounds per acre, down 36 pounds from last month and up 2 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is estimated at 17.3 million 480-pound bales, up 23% from 2020. Pima cotton production is forecast at 367,000 480-pound bales, down 33% from 2020.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is estimated at 4.35 million pounds, unchanged from the October forecast and up 12% from 2020. Yield was estimated at 1,500 pounds per acre, 50.0 pounds from October forecast and down 50.0 pounds from the 2020 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 2,900 acres, up 400 acres from last year's crop. U.S. production is estimated at 84.3 million pounds, up 5% from last year. Burley growers harvested 41,010 acres, unchanged from 2020. Yields were estimated at 2,055 pounds per acre, up 96 pounds from last year.

Production of Tennessee dark fire-cured tobacco is estimated at 18.6 million pounds, up 14% from the previous year. Dark air-cured tobacco production is estimated at 9.00 million pounds, up 15% from last year.

Other hay production in Tennessee is estimated at 3.97 million tons, down 2% from last year.