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## **Soybean Acreage Up, Corn Unchanged**

Soybeans planted in Tennessee were estimated at 1.85 million acres, up 210,000 acres from 2014. Acres harvested for grain, at 1.82 million acres, was 210,000 acres above a year ago. U.S. soybean planted area for 2015 was estimated at 85.1 million acres, up 2 percent from last year. Area for harvest, at 84.4 million acres, is up 2 percent from 2014.

Acreage planted to corn in Tennessee was estimated at 920,000 acres, unchanged from 2014. Acres harvested for grain was estimated at 850,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from last year. The U.S. corn planted for all purposes in 2015 was estimated at 88.9 million acres, down 2 percent from last year. Growers expect to harvest 81.1 million acres for grain, down 2 percent from last year.

Upland cotton acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 170,000, down 105,000 acres from 2014. The U.S. total upland cotton acreage is estimated at 8.85 million acres, down 18 percent from the previous year.

Farmers in Tennessee intend to set an estimated 13,000 acres of burley tobacco for harvest. This was 2,500 acres below the 2014 level. Dark fire-cured tobacco acreage set was estimated at 7,600 acres, unchanged from the previous year. Dark air-cured tobacco acreage was estimated at 1,200 acres, up 50 from a year ago. Burley producing states acreage for harvest was estimated at 84,000 acres, 17 percent below last year.

Winter wheat seeded acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 470,000 acres, 60,000 acres below the previous year. Acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 410,000 acres, 65,000 acres below 2014. The U.S. winter wheat planted area was estimated at 40.6 million acres, down 4 percent from 2014. Area harvested for grain was forecast at 33.3 million acres, up 3 percent from last year.

Alfalfa hay acreage in Tennessee was estimated at 20,000 acres, up 4,000 from the 2014 crop. All other hay was estimated at 1.70 million acres, down 50,000 from a year ago. The U.S. all hay acreage was estimated at 56.5 million acres, down 1 percent from 2014.

**Planted and Harvested Acres, June 2015 - Tennessee and United States**

	Tennessee				United States			
	Planted <sup>1</sup>		Harvested <sup>1</sup>		Planted <sup>1</sup>		Harvested <sup>1</sup>	
	2014 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2014 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <sup>2</sup> <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2014 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2014 <i>(1,000 acres)</i>	2015 <sup>2</sup> <i>(1,000 acres)</i>
Corn	920	920	840	850	90,597	88,897	83,136	81,101
Cotton <sup>4</sup>	275	170	270	--	11,037	8,998	9,347	--
Soybeans	1,640	1,850	1,610	1,820	83,701	85,139	83,061	84,449
Wheat, Winter <sup>3</sup>	530	470	475	410	42,399	40,620	32,304	33,329
Hay:								
All	--	--	1,766	1,720	--	--	57,092	56,539
Alfalfa	--	--	16	20	--	--	18,445	18,337
Other, All	--	--	1,750	1,700	--	--	38,647	38,202
	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>	<i>(acres)</i>
Tobacco:								
All	--	--	24,250	21,800	--	--	378,360	320,950
Burley	--	--	15,500	13,000	--	--	101,500	84,000
Dark Fire-Cured	--	--	7,600	7,600	--	--	18,630	17,450
Dark Air-Cured	--	--	1,150	1,200	--	--	6,150	6,200

<sup>1</sup> Commodities with planted and harvested estimates not available are denoted by "--". <sup>2</sup> Forecasted. <sup>3</sup> Includes area planted in preceding fall. <sup>4</sup>U.S. acreage includes American Pima cotton.

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