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2015 Annual Tennessee Crop Production

Corn production in **Tennessee** is estimated at 117 million bushels, up 3 percent from the November forecast and down 17 percent from the previous crop. Yield was estimated at 160 bushels per acre, unchanged from the previous forecast and down 8 bushels from the 2014 level. Acres for harvest as grain were estimated at 730,000 acres, down 110,000 acres from 2014. **U.S.** corn production is estimated at 13.6 billion bushels, down slightly from the November forecast and down 4 percent from 2014. Yields averaged 168.4 bushels per acre, down 0.9 bushels from the previous forecast and down 2.6 bushels from 2014. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 80.7 million acres, up slightly from the November forecast and down 3 percent from 2014.

Soybean production for **Tennessee** is estimated at 79.1 million bushels, down 3 percent from the November forecast and up 7 percent from 2014. Yield was estimated at 46.0 bushels per acre, down 1.0 bushel from November and unchanged from a year ago. Acreage for harvest as beans was estimated at 1.72 million acres, up 110,000 acres from the previous year. **U.S.** soybean production is forecast at 3.93 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the November forecast and up slightly from last year. Yields averaged 48.0 bushels per acre, down 0.3 bushels from previous forecast and up 0.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest is estimated at 81.8 million acres, down 1 percent from the November forecast and down 1 percent from 2014.

Tennessee cotton production totals 302,000 bales, unchanged from the December forecast and down 39 percent from last year. Cotton yields averaged 1,035 pounds per acre, unchanged from last month and up 157 pounds per acre from the previous year. Producers harvested 140,000 acres, unchanged from the November forecast and down 130,000 acres from 2014. **U.S.** all cotton production is estimated at 12.9 million 480-pound bales, down 1 percent from the December forecast and down 21 percent from 2014. Yields were estimated at 769 pounds per acre, up 13 pounds from last month and down 69 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is estimated at 12.5 million 480-pound bales, down 21 percent from 2014. Pima cotton production is forecast at 435,000 480-pound bales, down 23 percent from 2014.

Tennessee burley tobacco production is estimated at 21.6 million pounds, up 13 percent from the October forecast and down 20 percent from 2014. Yield was estimated at 1,800 pounds per acre, up 200 pounds from October forecast and up 50 pounds from the 2014 crop. Harvested acreage was estimated at 12,000 acres, down 3,500 acres from last year's crop. **U.S.** production is estimated at 145 million pounds, down 32 percent from last year. Burley growers harvested 78,900 acres, down 22 percent from 2014. Yields were estimated at 1,834 pounds per acre, down 266 pounds from last year.

Production of **Tennessee dark fire-cured** tobacco is estimated at 23.6 million pounds, up 7 percent from the previous year. **Dark air-cured** tobacco production is estimated at 3.30 million pounds, up 10 percent from last year.

Other hay production in **Tennessee** is estimated at 3.85 million tons, unchanged from last year.