



USDA Designates 27 Tennessee Counties as Primary Natural Disaster Areas

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This Secretarial natural disaster designation allows the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) to extend much-needed emergency credit to producers recovering from natural disasters through [emergency loans](#). Emergency loans can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation or the refinance of certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability.

Impacted Area: Tennessee

Triggering Disaster: Drought

Application Deadline: Oct. 2, 2023

Primary Counties Eligible:

Cheatham, Coffee, Crockett, Decatur, Dickson, Fayette, Franklin, Giles, Grainger, Grundy, Hamblen, Hardeman, Hardin, Henderson, Hickman, Lake, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Madison, Maury, Montgomery, Obion, Perry, Shelby, Tipton, Wayne

Contiguous Counties Also Eligible:

Tennessee:

Bedford, Benton, Cannon, Carroll, Chester, Claiborne, Cocke, Davidson, Dyer, Gibson, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Haywood, Houston, Humphreys, Jefferson, Knox, Lauderdale, McNairy, Marion, Marshall, Moore, Robertson, Rutherford, Sequatchie, Stewart, Union, Warren, Weakley, Williamson

Alabama: Jackson, Lauderdale, Limestone and Madison

Arkansas: Crittenden and Mississippi

Kentucky: Christian, Fulton, Hickman and Todd

Mississippi: Alcorn, Benton DeSoto, Marshall, Tippah and Tishomingo

Missouri: New Madrid and Pemiscot

More Resources

On farmers.gov, the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster Assistance-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), and [Farm Loan Discovery Tool](#) can help you determine program or loan options. To file a Notice of Loss or to ask questions about available programs, contact your local [USDA Service Center](#).

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