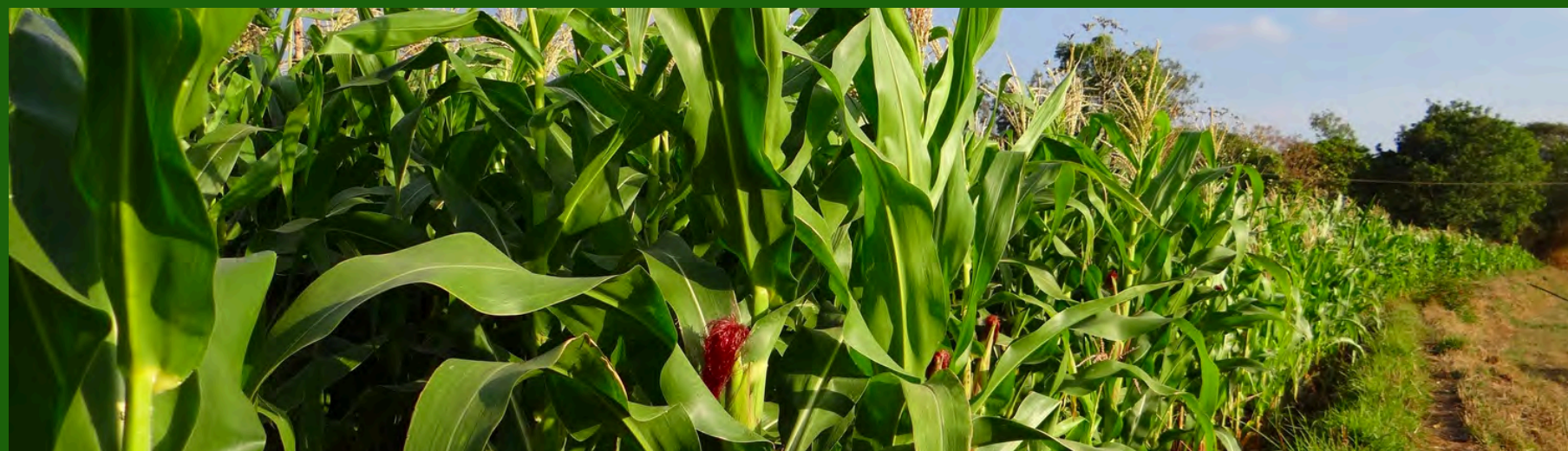


Agriculture Fact Sheet

Corn 2024



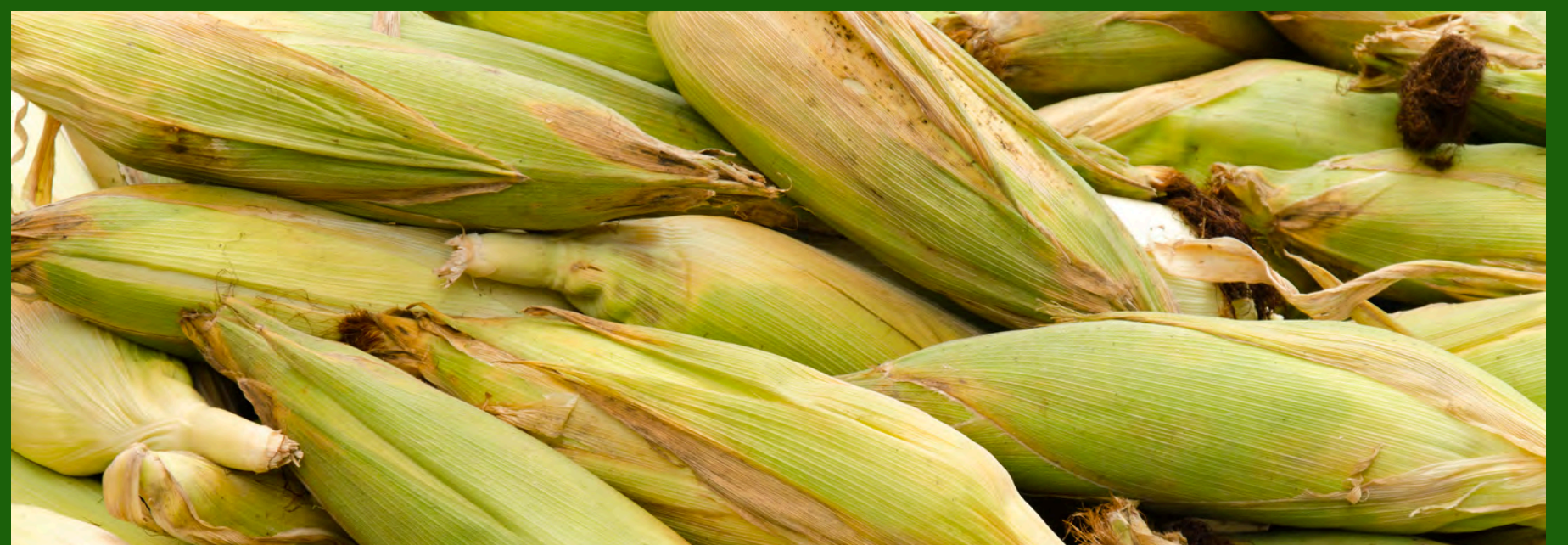
- In 2024, Mississippi had 1,495 farms producing more than 87.4 million bushels of corn.
- The production value of corn in 2024 was \$373.8 million.
- The top producing corn counties are Washington County, Leflore County, Yazoo County, and Bolivar County.
- Corn was first used for food 10,000 years ago by indigenous people living in what is now Mexico.
- The United States produces about 20 percent of the world's corn.



- Corn can be grown in most mild and tropical regions of the world.
- One bushel of corn produces:
 - 32 pounds of starch
 - 33 pounds of sweetener
 - 2.5 gallons of ethanol/alcohol
 - 1.6 pounds of corn oil
 - 13.5 pounds of 20 percent protein gluten feed

- Corn has an incredibly long shelf life. Archeologists have been able to pop 1,000-year-old kernels.

- Corn is used in:
 - Animal Feed
 - Syrups and Sweeteners
 - Ethanol
 - Starches
 - Ceramics
 - Paints
 - Seed



Source: Mississippi State University & USDA-NASS



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