



## Snapshot of Chickasaw County's Local Food System

<b>Production</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Mississippi</b>
Number of farms	575 (1.5% of MS farms)	38,076
Proportion of farmers farming less than 10 years	11.1%	18.3%
Proportion of principal farmers younger than 35	5.2%	4.2%
Proportion of farms with direct-to-consumer sales (total direct sales)	1.7% (\$305,000)	3.2% (\$4,284,000)
Proportion of farms growing fruits and vegetables	4.5%	5.5%
Change in farmland acres 2007-2012	-7.0%	-4.6%
Proportion of county land in farmland	51.7%	36.4%
<b>Retail Infrastructure</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Mississippi</b>
Grocery stores/1,000 pop	0.18	0.16
Full service restaurants/1,000 pop	0.41	0.55
Farmers markets/1,000 pop (total markets)	0.00 (0 total markets)	0.03 (83 total markets)
<b>Consumption, Access, and Health</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Mississippi</b>
Proportion of population with inadequate fruit and vegetable consumption	89.4%	82.9%
Rates of diabetes and obesity (adults 18+)	Diabetes (14.2%); Obesity (36.5%)	Diabetes (11.7%); Obesity (34.6%)
<b>Equity</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Mississippi</b>
Proportion of population below poverty level	25.3%	19.4%
Proportion of households receiving SNAP	22.9%	17.4%
Proportion of workforce employed in foodservice (average annual salary from foodservice)	*Suppressed (*Suppressed)	6.9% (\$13,032)
Proportion of workforce employed in farming (average annual salary from farming)	11.9% (\$29,800)	4.7% (\$29,178)

\*Suppressed - In some cases data are suppressed by agencies to protect individually identifiable information, or because of a lack of conclusive information. For more information on this county's agricultural statistics, visit its [2012 Census of Agriculture profile](#)

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