

Does Your Farm Sell Produce?

WHY COMPLETE THIS SURVEY?

Produce farms in Mississippi may be under the new Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule. This new rule assists Mississippi farmers in reducing the risk of food contamination. Completing this survey will help the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce to determine if your farm is covered by the Produce Safety Rule as well as what requirements, if any, apply.



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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Accurately complete the short survey.
2. Mail to: *Produce Safety Division,
Mississippi Department of
Agriculture and Commerce,
P.O. Box 1609, Jackson, MS 39215*
If preferred, you may send this survey in an envelope.
3. If you have questions regarding this survey, or about the Produce Safety Rule, please contact the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce Produce Safety Division at 601.359.1104

*For more information, please visit:
www.producesafety.mdac.ms.gov*

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Farm Name: _____

Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____

Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

1. Do you grow, pack, harvest, or hold produce?

(circle all that apply): Grow Pack

Harvest Hold (e.g. cooler, warehouse)

2. List all crops grown, packed, harvested, or held on your farm:

3. What is your average annual gross produce sales (average over the previous 3 years)?

____ Less than \$25k/year ____ \$25k-\$250k/year

____ \$250k-\$500k/year ____ More than \$500k/year

4. When is your produce harvesting season?

(circle all months that apply): Jan Feb Mar

Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

5. Where/to whom do you sell your produce?

(check all that apply): ____ Farmers Market/Roadside Stand

____ Broker/Wholesaler ____ Directly to a Restaurant

____ U-Pick/On-Farm Store ____ Retailer Distribution Center

____ Directly to a Grocery Store

6. Which practices are utilized on your farm?

(check all that apply)

____ Greenhouse/high tunnel ____ Drip irrigation

____ Irrigation from lake/pond ____ Compost/manure

____ Overhead irrigation ____ Third party audits (e.g. GAP)

7. Has someone on your farm completed the 8-hour Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) Grower Training conducted by the Alcorn State University Farm Management Educational Program? (circle one)

Yes

No