

Jackson Regional Office — Jackson, MS

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Grain Sorghum

Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee

Crop Insured

Grain Sorghum is insurable if:

- A premium rate is available; or
- Planted for harvest as grain.

In counties or parishes where premium rates are not provided by an actuarial table, the crop may be insurable by written agreement if specific criteria are met.

Counties Available

Grain Sorghum is insurable in most parishes and counties. For a list of available counties and parishes, see actuarial documents at: www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma/fields/ms_rso/. The crop may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact an insurance agent for more details.

Causes of Loss

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions including natural perils such as hail frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture;
- Earthquake;
- Failure of the irrigation water supply, if applicable, due to an unavoidable cause of loss occurring within the insurance period;
- Fire, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance period;
- Insects, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures;
- Plant disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures;
- Volcanic Eruption; or
- Wildlife.

Insurance Period

Coverage usually begins when the crop is planted and ends at the earliest of:

- Total destruction of the crop;

- Harvest of the crop;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- Abandonment of the crop; or
- December 10, 2014.

Important Dates

Sales Closing (AR,LA,MS).....February 28, 2014
Cancellation Date (AR,LA,MS)...February 28, 2014
Sales Closing (KY,TN).....March 15, 2014
Cancellation Date (KY,TN).....March 15, 2014
Final Planting Date (AR,LA,MS).....May 15, 2014
Final Planting Date(KY,TN).....June 10, 2014
Acreage Report Date (All).....July 15, 2014

Reporting Requirements

You must report to your agent all Grain Sorghum in the county or parish in which you have a share.

Definitions

Cancellation date - The calendar date specified in the crop provisions on which coverage for the crop will automatically renew unless canceled in writing by either you or us or terminated in accordance with the policy terms.

Production Guarantee - The number of bushels guaranteed per acre. Multiply your APH per acre, by the coverage level percentage you select based on your production records.

Projected Price - The price for this crop determined in accordance with the Commodity Exchange Price Provisions. The applicable projected price is used for each crop for which revenue protection is available, regardless of whether you elect to obtain revenue protection or yield protection for such crop.

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is available at 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the established price. Additional coverage

is available at 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, or 75 percent of your average yield and up to 100 percent of the price election. Premium subsidies are available and vary based on coverage level.

Replant Provisions

A replanting payment is allowed if your grain sorghum crop is damaged by a covered cause of loss to the extent that the remaining stand will not produce at least 90 percent of your bushel guarantee and it is practical to replant. The maximum payment will be the lesser of 20 percent of the production guarantee or 7 bushels, multiplied by the projected price, multiplied by your insured share. Provision is not available under catastrophic coverage.

Late and Prevented Planting Provisions

These provisions provide coverage on acreage that is planted late or that cannot be planted by the final planting date or within the late planting period. Please consult a crop insurance agent for details.

Loss Example

Assume 100-percent share in 50 acres of grain sorghum in the unit with a production guarantee of 40 bushels per acre and your projected price is \$5.65, your harvest price is \$5.55, and your production to count is 1000 bushels.

Yield Protection

50	Acres
40	Bushel production
x <u>\$5.65</u>	Projected price
\$11,300.00	Insurance guarantee

1000	Bushel production
x <u>\$5.65</u>	Projected price
\$5,650	Value of production

\$11,300.00	Insurance guarantee
<u>-\$5,650.00</u>	Value of production
\$5,650.00	Indemnity payment

Revenue Protection

50	Acres
40	Bushel production
x <u>\$5.65</u>	Projected price
\$11,300.00	Insurance guarantee

1000	Bushel production
x <u>\$5.55</u>	Harvest price
\$5,550	Value of production

\$11,300.00	Insurance guarantee
<u>-\$5,550.00</u>	Value of production
\$5,750.00	Indemnity payment

Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at: www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/agents/.

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