

**Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Regulatory Services Division,  
Plant Certification / Apiary Section Summary  
2008-2011**

**Four Year Apiary Comparison Statistics:**

Total registered beekeepers in 2008: 1296	Total Colonies inspected by local area inspectors in 2008: 1019
Total registered beekeepers in 2009: 1418	Total Colonies inspected by local area inspectors in 2009: 959
Total registered beekeepers in 2010: 1859	Total Colonies inspected by local area inspectors in 2010: 1282
Total registered beekeepers in 2011: 2301	Total Colonies inspected by local area inspectors in 2011: NA
New beekeepers registered in 2008: 380	Total Colonies inspected by State Apiarist in 2008: 1785
New beekeepers registered in 2009: 393	Total Colonies inspected by State Apiarist in 2009: 1635
New beekeepers registered in 2010: 568	Total Colonies inspected by State Apiarist in 2010: 1953
New beekeepers registered in 2011: 417	Total Colonies inspected by State Apiarist in 2011: NA
Total registered apiaries in 2008: 1156	Total Colonies inspected in 2008: 2804
Total registered apiaries in 2009: 1878	Total Colonies inspected in 2009: 2594
Total registered apiaries in 2010: 2497	Total Colonies inspected in 2010: 3235
Total registered apiaries in 2011: 3022	Total Colonies inspected in 2011: NA
Total registered colonies IN 2008: 8,068	Value of Crops Benefited by Honey Bee Pollination
Total registered colonies IN 2009: 13,003	In the U.S. it is in excess of \$14.6 Billion annually
Total registered colonies IN 2010: 16,135	In Tennessee it is in excess of \$300 Million annually
Total registered colonies IN 2011: 17,890	
Value of Honey Bee Colonies (Number of colonies * \$470.00)	
Value of Honey Bee colonies in 2008: \$3,791,960.00	
Value of Honey Bee colonies in 2009: \$6,111,410.00	
Value of Honey Bee colonies in 2010: \$7,583,450.00	
Value of Honey Bee colonies in 2011: \$8,408,350.00	
Estimated Pounds of Honey Produced (Number of colonies * 60 pounds)	
Estimated Pounds of Honey Produced in 2008: 484,080 pounds	
Estimated Pounds of Honey Produced in 2009: 780,180 pounds	
Estimated Pounds of Honey Produced in 2010: 968,100 pounds	
Estimated Pounds of Honey Produced in 2011: 1,073,400 pounds	