

	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimated	FY 2026 Requested	FY 2026 Recommended
<b><u>Expenditure By Object</u></b>				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	39,117,339	42,279,929	45,246,340	42,557,393
Travel	915,770	1,874,701	2,205,001	1,500,701
Contractual Services	2,489,271	2,708,857	2,708,857	2,658,857
Commodities	1,035,500	1,118,098	1,118,098	1,068,098
Capital Outlay - Equipment	63,349	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>43,621,229</b>	<b>47,981,585</b>	<b>51,278,296</b>	<b>47,785,049</b>
<b><u>To Be Funded As Follows:</u></b>				
State Appropriations	32,306,867	33,536,601	36,833,312	33,358,966
State Support Special Funds	1,150,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,150,000
Federal Funds	6,772,314	10,104,201	10,104,201	10,133,828
County Funding & Sales	3,392,048	3,090,783	3,090,783	3,142,255
<b>Totals</b>	<b>43,621,229</b>	<b>47,981,585</b>	<b>51,278,296</b>	<b>47,785,049</b>
<b><u>Summary Of Headcounts</u></b>				
Permanent	495	490	504	490
Time-Limited	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>490</b>
<b><u>Summary Of Funding</u></b>				
General Funds	32,306,867	33,536,601	36,833,312	33,358,966
State Support Funds	1,150,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,150,000
Special Funds	10,164,362	13,194,984	13,194,984	13,276,083
<b>Totals</b>	<b>43,621,229</b>	<b>47,981,585</b>	<b>51,278,296</b>	<b>47,785,049</b>

### **Agency Description and Programs**

The Cooperative Extension Service is an educational agency charged with disseminating research-based information that is practical and useful to all Mississippians. The state, through Mississippi State University, the county, the county board of supervisors, and the federal government, through the Extension Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, cooperate in conducting the work of the Cooperative Extension Service. The educational efforts are conducted primarily through local extension agents in each county, supported by area and state specialists and supervisory and administrative staff.

#### 1. Agriculture

This program provides practical and valuable research-generated knowledge and technology to individuals, non-industrial landowners, farmers, and agribusinesses. Educational programs are conducted to enhance the ability of individuals and the group's ability to make decisions for improved agricultural profitability. The Extension Service strengthens the competitiveness of Mississippi agriculture, securing the adoption of new knowledge and technology that leads to efficiencies in the production, marketing, and distribution of food and fiber products. The goal is to ensure an abundant and safe supply of products for the United States and worldwide consumers. These programs are delivered by county coordinators and well-trained agents serving all eighty-two (82) counties.

#### 2. Family and Consumer Education

This program teaches families how to expand, increase, and manage their dollars. Research-based educational programs are conducted in budgeting, savings and money management, and money-saving skills in food buying, food production, housing, energy conservation, and other related areas.

3. Business and Community Development

This program provides the latest research-based knowledge and technology through educational programs to strengthen the capabilities of individuals, communities, and state and local governments to deal more effectively with public policy issues and local needs or problems.

4. 4-H Youth Development

This program provides practical learning opportunities, mainly in agriculture, home economics, and related areas, to the youth of Mississippi. This program uses methods and techniques to enhance self-image and develop leadership and communication skills.

5. Natural Resources and Environment

This program provides practical and valuable research-generated knowledge and technology to individuals, non-industrial landowners, agribusinesses, and natural resource managers. The Extension Service strengthens Mississippi’s natural resources by securing the adoption of new knowledge and technology that leads to efficiencies in the sustained and wise use of forestry, wildlife, and fisheries resources for economic income.

	FY 2024 Actual	FY 2025 Estimated	FY 2026 Requested	FY 2026 Recommended
<b><u>Summary By Program</u></b>				
1. Agriculture				
Total Funds	16,211,347	16,760,159	17,985,349	16,754,363
2. Family & Consumer Education				
Total Funds	7,884,682	10,989,734	11,585,615	10,987,819
3. Business & Community Dev				
Total Funds	5,032,896	5,059,299	5,439,674	4,933,679
4. 4-H Youth Development				
Total Funds	11,399,012	11,680,034	12,541,531	11,635,686
5. Natural Resources & Environment				
Total Funds	3,093,292	3,492,359	3,726,127	3,473,502