THE FOOD DOLLAR UP-DATE AUGUST 2017  
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The american farmers/ranchers share of the american food dollar spent during visits to local grocery stores and supermarkets is somewhat limited. Recent information from U.S.D.A. And National Farmers Union indicates they receive about 15.6 cents of the american retail food dollar.  
  
  
Where does the remainder go???? It goes for non-farm related items such as: Marketing, Processing, Packaging, Distribution, Transportation, Advertisement, Wholesaling and Retailing. Agriculture supports many non-farm jobs.  
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Item --------------------- Retail --------- F/R Share  
1 lb. Bacon ---------------$ 5.36 ---------- $ 0.85  
1 lb Top Sirloin Steak -----$ 8.99 ---------- $ 2.13  
2 lb Bread ----------------$ 2.99 ---------- $ 0.10  
5 lb Fresh Carrots --------$ 2.79 ---------- $ 1.29  
18 oz Box of Cereal -------$ 4.79 ---------- $ 0.05  
4 oz Wheat Bagel -------- $ 0.96 ---------- $ 0.01  
1 lb Tomatoes ------------ $ 3.99 ---------- $ 0.44  
1 doz Eggs --------------- $ 1.39 ---------- $ 0.63  
5 lb Flour ---------------- $ 6.29 ---------- $ 0.36  
1 lb Boneless Ham --------$ 3.99 ---------- $ 0.85  
1lb Lettuce --------------- $ 1.69 ---------- $ 0.23  
1 gal Fat Free Milk -------- $ 4.49 ----------$ 1.49  
8 oz Potato Chips -------- $ 3.29 ---------- $ 0.17  
5 lb Russet Potatoes ----- $ 3.29 ---------- $ 0.17  
2 liter Soda -------------- $ 1.20 ----------- $ 0.06  
  
  
Select fresh and locally grown meats, eggs, fruits and Vegetables at local farmers markets. A visit to these local markets allows american families to become acquainted with area farmers. Several markets are held on town squares, church parking lots and farm supply stores.  
Sevier Farmers Co-op 8:00 am till 12:00 noon on Wednesday and Saturday  
Seymour First Baptist Church 8:00 am till 12:00 noon on Saturday  
Many farmers markets are listed on the Pick Tennessee Products web-page, check it out for a market near you. Enjoy the experiences and become acquainted with a farmer or a farm family.