

CRANBERRIES

Massachusetts' cranberry production totaled 1.4 million barrels in 2003, a four percent decrease from the previous year's production. Growers harvested 14,400 acres, 100 acres fewer than the previous year. This year's crop yield was 97.2 barrels per acre, a decrease of 3.9 barrels per acre from the 2002 crop.



Cranberry handlers were contacted in the fall of 2003 for their expected price paid to Massachusetts' growers for their 2003 crop. The Massachusetts' 2003 preliminary price for fresh cranberries was \$52.70 per barrel. The Massachusetts' 2003 preliminary price for processed cranberries was \$30.50 per barrel.

CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, by State, 2001 - 2003

State	Acres Harvested	Yield per Acre	Production		Utilization		Price per Barrel ^{1/2/}			Value of Utilized Production
			Total	Utilized	Fresh	Processed	Fresh	Processed	All	
	Acres	Barrels ^{2/}	1,000 Barrels ^{2/}				Dollars			1,000 Dollars
2001										
Massachusetts	12,000	118.0	1,416	1,414	176	1,238	40.50	21.60	24.00	33,869
New Jersey	3,100	182.6	566	412	--	412	--	33.10	23.10	9,517
Oregon	2,400	152.1	365	355	7	348	43.30	22.10	22.50	7,994
Washington	1,600	88.8	142	136	34	102	43.30	23.20	28.20	3,838
Wisconsin	15,100	188.1	2,840	2,466	209	2,257	40.90	22.10	23.70	58,428
United States	34,200	155.8	5,329	4,783	426	4,357	41.00	22.10	23.80	113,646
2002										
Massachusetts	14,500	100.1	1,452	1,452	154	1,298	48.80	28.90	31.00	45,027
New Jersey	3,100	138.7	430	430	--	430	--	29.00	29.00	12,470
Oregon	2,800	154.3	432	432	9	423	46.80	30.10	30.40	13,153
Washington	1,600	101.3	162	155	30	125	50.90	29.70	33.80	5,240
Wisconsin	15,900	201.8	3,208	3,208	177	3,031	49.30	28.60	29.70	95,413
United States	37,900	150.0	5,684	5,677	370	5,307	49.20	28.90	30.20	171,303
2003 ^{3/}										
Massachusetts	14,400	97.2	1,400	1,400	100	1,300	52.70	30.50	32.10	44,920
New Jersey	3,200	150.0	480	480	--	480	--	29.60	29.60	14,208
Oregon	2,800	169.6	475	475	9	466	54.20	31.90	32.30	15,353
Washington	1,600	115.6	185	185	30	155	50.60	30.20	33.50	6,199
Wisconsin	17,400	205.2	3,570	3,570	195	3,375	49.80	30.70	31.70	113,324
United States	39,400	155.1	6,110	6,110	334	5,776	50.90	30.60	31.80	194,004

^{1/} Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds less returns for processing non-cranberry products, capital stock dividends, capital stock retains and other retains.

^{2/} A barrel weighs 100 pounds.

^{3/} Updated price and value statistics for the 2003 crop is tentatively scheduled for release on July 7, 2004.

