

SWEET CORN (for Fresh Market)

Sweet corn production in New England totaled 2.6 million crates in 2003, nine percent above 2002 production. Growers in the six-State region harvested 15,800 acres, 100 more acres than were harvested the previous year. The sweet corn condition was good to fair for most of the season despite delayed plantings. Yields averaged 167 crates per acre, above the previous year's yield at

155 crates per acre. The value of sweet corn production for New England was placed at \$35.8 million in 2003, an increase of 16 percent from the previous year. New England growers received an average of \$13.59 per crate of sweet corn in 2003, up 88 cents from the 2002 price.

SWEET CORN: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 1994 - 2003

State and Year	Area		Yield per Acre	Production	Value per Cwt	Value of Production	5-Dozen Ear Crate Equivalents ^{1/}		
	Planted	Harvested					Yield per Acre	Production	Value per Crate
	Acres						Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Dollars
Connecticut									
1994	5,800	5,100	65	332	25.00	8,300	155	790	10.51
1995	5,700	4,700	60	282	28.00	7,896	143	671	11.77
1996	5,500	4,800	65	312	27.00	8,424	155	743	11.34
1997	5,400	4,700	60	282	24.00	6,768	143	671	10.09
1998	5,400	4,500	65	293	27.00	7,911	155	698	11.33
1999	5,700	3,800	50	190	24.00	4,560	119	452	10.09
2000	5,300	4,300	60	258	25.00	6,450	143	614	10.50
2001	5,400	4,600	55	253	24.50	6,199	131	602	10.30
2002	4,900	3,900	70	273	25.00	6,825	167	650	10.50
2003	4,400	3,600	60	216	27.50	5,940	143	514	11.56
Maine									
1994	2,700	2,500	55	138	29.90	4,125	132	329	12.54
1995	2,800	2,500	55	138	29.90	4,125	132	329	12.54
1996	3,100	2,600	60	156	30.00	4,680	143	371	12.61
1997	3,000	2,400	55	132	33.00	4,356	131	314	13.87
1998	2,900	2,300	55	127	33.00	4,191	131	302	13.88
1999	3,000	2,500	55	138	31.00	4,278	132	329	13.00
2000	2,700	2,100	55	116	33.00	3,828	131	276	13.87
2001	2,500	2,000	55	110	32.50	3,575	131	262	13.65
2002	2,400	2,000	55	110	34.00	3,740	131	262	14.27
2003	2,200	2,000	60	120	32.50	3,900	143	286	13.65
Massachusetts									
1994	8,500	7,500	70	525	27.00	14,175	167	1,250	11.34
1995	8,000	6,600	65	429	27.00	11,583	155	1,021	11.34
1996	8,000	7,000	70	490	28.00	13,720	167	1,167	11.76
1997	8,200	7,100	70	497	26.00	12,922	167	1,183	10.92
1998	8,100	6,400	65	416	30.00	12,480	155	990	12.61
1999	8,300	6,300	70	441	31.00	13,671	167	1,050	13.02
2000	8,200	6,500	60	390	33.00	12,870	143	929	13.85
2001	8,000	6,700	65	436	33.50	14,606	155	1,038	14.07
2002	7,800	6,700	70	469	30.00	14,070	167	1,117	12.60
2003	7,300	6,600	75	495	31.50	15,593	179	1,179	13.23
New Hampshire									
1994	2,400	2,200	65	143	32.00	4,576	155	340	13.46
1995	2,400	2,100	65	137	33.00	4,521	155	326	13.87
1996	2,400	2,100	75	158	32.00	5,056	179	376	13.45
1997	2,400	1,900	60	114	36.00	4,104	143	271	15.14
1998	2,200	1,800	60	108	38.00	4,104	143	257	15.97
1999	2,300	1,800	60	108	36.00	3,888	143	257	15.13
2000	2,200	1,800	60	108	40.00	4,320	143	257	16.81
2001	2,100	1,800	55	99	40.00	3,960	131	236	16.78
2002	1,900	1,500	50	75	42.50	3,188	119	179	17.81
2003	2,000	1,800	70	126	42.00	5,292	167	300	17.64

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	Acres		Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Crates	1,000 Crates	Dollars
Rhode Island									
1994	1,200	1,100	70	77	29.00	2,233	166	183	12.20
1995	1,100	900	70	63	27.00	1,701	167	150	11.34
1996	1,100	1,000	75	75	26.00	1,950	179	179	10.89
1997	1,200	1,100	70	77	27.00	2,079	166	183	11.36
1998	1,100	1,000	80	80	33.00	2,640	190	190	13.89
1999	1,100	800	55	44	32.00	1,408	131	105	13.41
2000	1,000	900	55	50	33.00	1,650	132	119	13.87
2001	1,000	900	75	68	31.00	2,108	179	162	13.01
2002	800	700	65	46	31.00	1,426	155	110	12.96
2003	800	700	90	63	31.00	1,953	214	150	13.02
Vermont									
1994	1,500	1,400	55	77	26.00	2,002	131	183	10.94
1995	1,600	1,300	50	65	25.00	1,625	119	155	10.48
1996	1,500	1,400	65	91	28.00	2,548	155	217	11.74
1997	1,600	1,300	75	98	26.00	2,548	179	233	10.94
1998	1,300	1,100	65	72	28.00	2,016	155	171	11.79
1999	1,200	1,000	55	55	31.00	1,705	131	131	13.02
2000	1,200	900	45	41	33.00	1,353	109	98	13.81
2001	1,200	1,000	50	50	33.50	1,675	119	119	14.08
2002	1,100	900	50	45	34.50	1,553	119	107	14.51
2003	1,200	1,100	80	88	36.00	3,168	190	210	15.09
New England									
1994	22,100	19,800	65	1,292	27.41	35,411	155	3,076	11.51
1995	21,600	18,100	62	1,114	28.23	31,451	147	2,652	11.86
1996	21,600	18,900	68	1,282	28.38	36,378	161	3,052	11.92
1997	21,800	18,500	65	1,200	27.31	32,777	154	2,857	11.47
1998	2,100	17,100	64	1,096	30.42	33,342	153	2,610	12.77
1999	21,600	16,200	60	976	30.24	29,510	143	2,324	12.70
2000	20,600	16,500	58	963	31.64	30,471	139	2,293	13.29
2001	20,200	17,000	60	1,016	31.62	32,123	143	2,419	13.28
2002	18,900	15,700	65	1,018	30.26	30,802	155	2,424	12.71
2003	17,900	15,800	70	1,108	32.35	35,846	167	2,638	13.59

^{1/} Standard weight used for one crate or bag of five dozen ears is 42 pounds.

