

CRANBERRIES

Massachusetts' cranberry production totaled 1.8 million barrels in 2004, a 28 percent increase from the previous years production. This year's production was the largest since 2000.

Growers harvested 14,100 acres, 300 acres less than the previous year. This year's crop yield averaged 127.9 barrels per acre, an increase of over

30 barrels per acre from 2003's crop. Cranberry handlers were contacted in the fall of 2004 for their expected price paid to Massachusetts' growers for their 2004 crop. The Massachusetts' 2004 preliminary price for fresh cranberries was \$56.90 per barrel. The Massachusetts' 2004 preliminary price for processed cranberries was \$32.70 per barrel.



CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, 1998 - 2004

STATE and YEAR	Area Harvested Acres	Yield per Acre Barrels	Production		Utilization		Price per Barrel Dollars	Value of Utilized Production 1,000 Dollars
			Total	Utilized	Fresh	Processed		
1,000 Barrels								
Maine								
1998	70.0	45.7	3.20	3.10	0.70	2.40	55.00	171
1999	130.0	24.1	3.14	3.14	0.27	2.87	30.00	94
2000	137.7	65.5	9.02	9.02	0.87	8.15	32.50	239
2001	250.5	58.0	18.00	17.50	1.60	15.90	41.00	718
2002	219.0	93.4	20.45	20.45	2.63	17.82	47.50	971
2003	226.0	86.6	19.60	19.40	2.54	16.86	60.10	1,167
2004	225.0	90.0	20.25	20.25	1.64	18.61	52.40	1,062

SOURCE: Maine Cranberries - Cranberry Associate, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 207-581-2940.

CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, 1995 - 2004

State and Year	Acres Harvested Acres	Yield per Acre Barrels ^{2/}	Production		Utilization		Price per Barrel ^{1/2/}			Value of Utilized Production 1,000 Dollars
			Total	Utilized	Fresh	Processed	Fresh	Processed	All	
1,000 Barrels ^{2/} Dollars										
Massachusetts										
1995	14,100	112.9	1,592	1,592	97	1,472	3/	3/	54.30	86,446
1996	14,200	121.3	1,722	1,722	70	1,628	3/	3/	70.90	122,090
1997	14,600	143.8	2,100	2,100	93	1,946	3/	3/	66.20	139,020
1998	14,400	130.2	1,875	1,875	91	1,784	3/	3/	30.80	57,750
1999	15,000	125.0	1,875	1,875	138	1,737	3/	3/	16.20	30,375
2000	13,900	140.5	1,953	1,953	214	1,739	41.30	16.20	19.09	37,010
2001	12,000	118.0	1,416	1,414	176	1,238	40.50	21.60	24.00	33,869
2002	14,500	100.1	1,452	1,452	154	1,298	50.30	30.70	32.80	47,595
2003	14,400	97.6	1,406	1,406	107	1,299	56.20	32.10	33.90	47,711
2004	14,100	127.9	1,804	1,804	157	1,647	56.90	32.70	34.80	62,790

^{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/} Fresh Process Prices not available prior to 2000.

