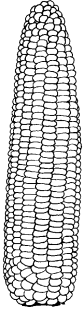


SWEET CORN (for Fresh Market)



New England growers produced 2.3 million crates of sweet corn in 2000; similar to the 1999 production. The planting conditions in New England in 2000 were generally poor. Many crops were seeded late due to the wet and cool weather. Although acreage planted decreased in 2000, growers in the six-state region harvested 16,500 acres, which was 300 more acres than in 1999. Yields were lower in 2000, averaging 139 crates per acre, a decrease of three percent from

1999. The excessive rain and cool temperatures slowed maturity, resulting in lower than normal yields. Disease and insects also caused problems due to the unusually wet growing season. The value of sweet corn production for New England was placed at \$30.5 million in 2000, an increase of 3 percent from the previous year. New England growers received an average of \$13.29 per crate of sweet corn in 2000, up five percent from the 1999 price.

[Sweet corn charts appear on page 50.]

SWEET CORN: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 1991 - 2000

STATE & YEAR	Area		Yield per Acre	Production	Value per Cwt	Value of Production	5-Dozen Ear Crate Equivalents ^{1/}		
	Planted	Harvested					Yield per Acre	Production	Price per Crate
	Acres		Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Crates	1,000 Crates	Dollars
Connecticut									
1991	5,200	4,300	70	301	18.90	5,689	167	717	7.93
1992	5,700	5,100	55	281	20.10	5,648	131	669	8.44
1993	5,800	4,900	60	294	27.50	8,085	143	700	11.55
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
Maine									
1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1992	3,000	2,500	60	150	23.40	3,510	143	357	9.83
1993	2,800	2,300	65	150	26.90	4,037	155	357	11.31
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
Massachusetts									
1991	8,500	6,800	80	544	17.40	9,466	190	1,295	7.31
1992	9,500	8,000	60	480	16.20	7,776	143	1,143	6.80
1993	8,800	7,200	60	432	25.00	10,800	143	1,029	10.50
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

SWEET CORN: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 1991 - 2000

STATE & YEAR	Area		Yield per Acre	Production	Value per Cwt	Value of Production	5-Dozen Ear Crate Equivalents ^{1/}		
	Planted	Harvested					Yield per Acre	Production	Price per Crate
	Acres		Cwt	1,000 Cwt	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Crates	1,000 Crates	Dollars
New Hampshire									
1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1992	2,600	2,100	65	137	25.10	3,439	155	326	10.55
1993	2,600	2,100	60	126	31.00	3,906	143	300	13.02
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
Rhode Island									
1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1992	1,400	1,200	60	72	16.90	1,217	143	171	7.12
1993	1,300	1,100	85	94	21.00	1,974	204	224	8.81
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
Vermont									
1991	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1992	1,700	1,400	65	91	16.60	1,511	155	217	6.96
1993	1,600	1,400	60	84	25.50	2,142	143	200	10.71
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
New England ^{2/}									
1991	13,700	11,100	76	845	17.93	15,155	181	2,012	7.53
1992	23,900	20,300	60	1,211	19.08	23,101	142	2,883	8.01
1993	22,900	19,000	62	1,180	26.22	30,944	148	2,810	11.01
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	21,000	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

^{1/} Standard weight used for one crate or bag of five dozen ears is 42 pounds.^{2/} New England includes CT, MA in 1991; New England includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI & VT beginning in 1992.