

## Peaches



Commercial peach production was valued at 1.13 million dollars in 2005, compared to 1.14 million dollars in 2004. Yield per acre averaged 2.41 tons, down .63 tons from the 2004 peach crop. The number of acres of bearing age trees continued its decline, dropping from 280 acres to 270 acres, a 4 percent decrease from 2004. This represents a drop of 63 percent over the past 10 years.

### Peaches - Production, Price and Value of Production: Louisiana, 2002-2005

Year	Acres of Bearing Age	Yield per Acre	Total Production	Utilized Production	Season Average Prices	Value of Utilized Production
		---Tons---	-----Tons-----	-----Tons-----	--Dollars per Ton-	-1,000 Dollars-
2002	300	2.50	750	700	1,500	1,051
2003	290	2.76	800	750	1,630	1,223
2004	280	3.04	850	800	1,420	1,136
2005	270	2.41	650	650	1,730	1,125

## Pecans

Louisiana's total pecan production was valued at 5.75 million dollars in 2005. Of this total, native and seedling varieties represented 70 percent of the value, while improved varieties represented 30 percent. Production of all pecans totaled 5 million pounds, compared to 9 million pounds the previous year. Of the total, native and seedling varieties represented 80 percent of the poundage, while improved varieties represented 20 percent.

