

## Peaches



Commercial peach production was valued at 952,000 dollars in 2006, compared to 1.13 million dollars in 2005. Yield per acre averaged 2.12 tons, down .29 tons from the 2005 peach crop. The number of acres of bearing age trees continued its decline, dropping from 270 acres to 260 acres, a 3 percent decrease from 2005. This represents a drop of 64 percent over the past 10 years.

### Peaches - Production, Price and Value of Production: Louisiana, 2003-2006

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-
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
2006	260	2.12	550	550	1,730	952

## Pecans

Louisiana's total pecan production was valued at 20.7 million dollars in 2006. Of this total, native and seedling varieties represented 76 percent of the value, while improved varieties represented 24 percent. Production of all pecans totaled 21 million pounds, compared to 5 million pounds the previous year. Of the total, native and seedling varieties represented 83 percent of the poundage, while improved varieties represented 17 percent.

