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The New York fruit industry is a major contributor to the agricultural economy of the state. This report is the result of a major fruit tree and vineyard survey following the 1996 production year.

The survey was done at the request of the New York fruit industry. The grower associations leading the charge were the New York Apple Association, Inc., New York State Horticultural Society, New York Cherry Growers Association, Inc., New York Wine and Grape Foundation and the New York Farm Bureau.

Data for this publication were obtained from surveying fruit growers. The statistics provided by this survey reveal recent trends in plantings and removals, changes in varieties currently in production, new varieties coming into production and the number of farms, trees, vines and acres by kind of fruit.

This report is intended for use by growers, agricultural leaders, agricultural extension service, fruit researchers, policy makers and a host of others. The data provided are vital to both the public and private sector for accurate evaluation of the current fruit industry and in planning for the future. This report shows direct comparisons with the 1990 survey data.

I would like to thank all of the growers who took the time and effort to report their acreage of trees and vines by age, variety, rootstock, and production. A special word of thanks goes out to the fruit grower associations, fruit promotion staff, the fruit researchers, economists, Cornell Cooperative Extension agents and College of Agriculture and Life Science, Cornell State University for their input and support. You made this publication possible and the information gained will benefit the dynamic New York fruit industry.

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