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SUMMARY OF THE 1997 FIELD CROPS SEASON

INTRODUCTION

This annual publication contains statewide estimates of acreage, yield, production, and value of production for major field crops grown in Florida. The period covered for these crops is from 1987 through 1997.

Data are published for the major counties producing corn, cotton, peanuts, soybeans, sugarcane, and tobacco for 1996 and 1997. District totals are published for wheat. Potato county estimates are published for the years 1992 through 1997.

SUMMARY

During the 1997 winter season there was only one major freeze. This freeze came the weekend of January 19. This freeze did its major damage in south Florida where potatoes, vegetables, and sugarcane were damaged. The southwest potato crop was badly damaged by the freeze. There was some damage to the potato crop in Dade County. There was canopy damage in all sugarcane fields. In some fields, only the top leaves were frost-burned and in others the canopy was killed.

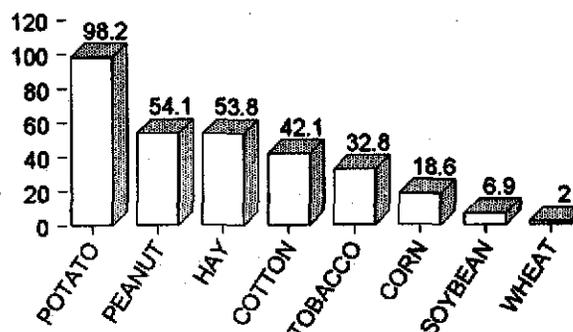
During the 1997 hurricane season, only one hurricane hit Florida. Hurricane Danny, which hit Mobile Bay as a slow-moving storm, did damage in the northwest corner of Escambia County. Corn, soybeans, and cotton were damaged in this area. The other parts of Escambia County and the State were not affected.

Topsoil moisture was mostly adequate for plant growth until September and October when moisture was short and plant development was affected.

Tobacco transplant beds were planted in January. Corn planting started in early March and was virtually complete by the end of April. Tobacco transplanting started in mid-March and was completed by the end of April. Growers started to plant peanuts in early April and were finished by mid-June. Cotton planting started in late April and was completed by late June. Soybean planting started in early May and was completed in early July. Winter wheat harvest started in late May and was completed by mid-June. Tobacco harvest was underway by late June and was completed in late August. The tobacco market opened in late July and closed in late October. Corn-for-grain harvest started in early August. Peanut harvest started in late August and was completed by mid-November. Cotton

harvest started in mid-September and was completed by late December. Soybean harvest started in early October and was completed in late November. Sugarcane planting started in early October and was completed in late January 1998. Sugarcane harvest started in late October and was completed in early April 1998.

VALUES OF SELECTED FLORIDA CROPS, 1997
(Millions of Dollars)



CORN: Acreage planted for all purposes, at 120,000 acres, was 14 percent less than 1996. Acreage for harvest for grain, at 80,000 acres, was down 29 percent from the previous year. The average yield of 80 bushels per acre was down 8 bushels from last year. The average price of \$2.90 per bushel was down 90 cents from a year earlier. The value of production was \$18,560,000, half the return from the 1996 production.

COTTON: The 100,000 acres that were planted to cotton were up 1 percent from the previous year. The harvested acreage of 99,000 acres, was up 1 percent from 1996. The yield averaged 577 pounds per acre, down 60 pounds from the previous year. Production, at 119,100 bales, was down 9 percent from the year before. The average price was 73.7 cents per pound. Growers in Santa Rosa County produced 29.5 percent of the State's cotton crop. Jackson County was second in production with 21.6 percent.

HAY: A total of 598,000 tons of hay was cut from 230,000 acres during 1997, down 4 percent from the previous year. The average yield, 2.6 tons per acre, was the same as a year earlier. The average price per ton of \$90.00 was \$6.00 more than last year.

PEANUTS: The 92,000 acres planted to peanuts were 2 percent more than 1996. Of the total planted acres, 84,000 acres were harvested as dry nuts. The remaining acreage was either harvested as green nuts, cut for hay, used as pasture, or abandoned. The average yield of 2,715 pounds per acre was down 165 pounds from a year earlier. Total production, at 228,060,000 pounds, was down 3 percent from 1996. The average price, at 23.7 cents per pound, was down 4.4 cents from the year before. The value of production, at \$54,040,000, was 19 percent less than 1996.

PECANS: Utilized production from the 1997 pecan crop was 1.8 million pounds. Of the total utilized production, 600 thousand pounds were improved varieties and 1.2 million pounds were native or seedling. The average price for all pecans at 73.3 cents, was up 15.7 cents from the previous year. The value of the crop at \$1,320,000 was up 21 percent from 1996.

POTATOES: The area planted to all potatoes, including both winter and spring crops, was 43,500 acres, down 7 percent from last year. Harvested acreage, at 42,100, was down 5 percent from 1996. The average yield for the total crop was 194 cwt per acre, down 23 cwt from the previous year. Total potato production in 1997 totaled 8.2 million cwt, a decrease of 15 percent from a year earlier. The average price of \$12.00 was down \$1.20 from the previous year.

Planted acreage of winter potatoes totaled 9,000 acres. The harvested acreage was 8,800 acres with a yield of 175 cwt. Production, at 1.5 million cwt, was down 17 percent from 1996. The red-skinned varieties are the dominant type grown for winter harvest in south Florida. Most of the winter crop is sold for table stock.

Spring potatoes in the Hastings area, which includes Flagler, Putnam, and St. John's counties, totaled 25,500 acres planted in 1997. Of this total, 24,500 acres were harvested. The crop yielded 210 cwt per acre with a production of 5.1 million cwt. The white-skinned varieties dominate the production in the Hastings area, with the largest percentage of the potatoes going to the processing market for chips.

The other spring potato group, which includes all spring potatoes grown outside the Hastings area, totaled 9,000 acres planted and 8,800 acres harvested,

an increase of 800 acres harvested from a year earlier. The crop yielded 170 cwt per acre and produced 1.5 million cwt.

SOYBEANS: The 40,000 acres planted to soybeans were 5,000 acres greater than the year before. Acres harvested for beans totaled 38,000 acres, 5,000 acres more than in 1996. The yield of 26 bushels per acre was 6 bushels less than the previous year. The season average price of \$7.00 per bushel was the same as a year earlier. Value of production totaled \$6.9 million, a 6 percent decrease from 1996.

SUGARCANE: The area of sugarcane harvested for sugar and seed totaled 440,000 acres, 2,000 acres more than the previous season. Of this total, 421,000 acres were cut for sugar and the remaining 19,000 acres were used for seed. The average yield was 36.9 tons per acre, 3.8 tons more per acre than the 1996 season. The value of production for the 1997 crop will be published in February 1999. The value of the 1996 crop for sugar and seed combined was placed at \$426.2 million, down 8 percent from 1995.

TOBACCO: Acreage harvested in 1997 totaled 7,300 acres, a decrease of 200 acres from the previous year. The average yield was 2,610 pounds per acre, down 70 pounds from a year earlier. The total production of 19.1 million pounds was down 5 percent from 1996. The average price for all grades sold was \$1.72 per pound, down 9 cents from the previous year. The crop was valued at \$32.8 million, down 10 percent from a year earlier. The first market opened the week of July 25th and the last market closed the week of October 17th. The markets were open 13 weeks in 1997, 1 less week than in 1996.

WHEAT: Acreage planted to winter wheat totaled 17,000 acres, up 31 percent from 1996. Of the total acres planted, 15,000 acres were harvested for grain, up 5,000 acres from the previous year. The average yield of 39 bushels per acre was up 1 bushel from a year earlier. Total production was 585,000 bushels, up 54 percent from the 1996 crop. The average price of \$3.40 per bushel was down \$1.00 from the previous year. The value of production was \$2.0 million, up 19 percent from last year.

FIELD CROPS: Acreage, yield, production, and value, Florida, crop years 1987 through 1997.^{1/}

Crop and year	Area		Yield	Production	Season average price	Value of production
	Planted	Harvested				
	1,000 acres				Dollars	1,000 dollars
CORN^{2/}			Bushels	1,000 bushels		
1987	140	105	69	7,245	1.85	13,403
1988	100	65	58	3,770	3.00	11,310
1989	115	80	74	5,920	2.30	13,616
1990	105	75	71	5,325	2.70	14,378
1991	110	75	68	5,100	2.60	13,260
1992	150	110	75	8,250	2.30	18,975
1993	140	100	65	6,500	2.55	16,575
1994	120	80	85	6,800	2.40	16,320
1995	100	60	90	5,400	3.20	17,280
1996	140	112	88	9,856	3.80	37,453
1997	120	80	80	6,400	2.90	18,560
COTTON^{3/}			Pounds	1,000 bales		
1987	29.5	29.0	646	39.0	.630	11,794
1988	33.0	29.0	566	34.2	.520	8,536
1989	25.5	25.0	557	29.0	.650	9,048
1990	37.0	36.0	640	48.0	.680	15,667
1991	50.0	49.0	719	73.4	.554	19,519
1992	50.0	49.5	701	72.3	.561	19,469
1993	54.0	53.5	696	77.6	.555	20,673
1994	69.0	68.0	735	104.1	.722	36,077
1995	110.0	109.0	472	107.2	.800	41,165
1996	99.0	98.2	637	130.4	.686	42,938
1997	100.0	99.0	577	119.1	.737	42,120
COTTONSEED				1,000 tons		
1987	--	--	--	14.4	80.00	1,152
1988	--	--	--	12.0	105.00	1,260
1989	--	--	--	10.4	90.00	936
1990	--	--	--	17.0	100.00	1,700
1991	--	--	--	28.0	53.50	1,498
1992	--	--	--	25.0	91.00	2,275
1993	--	--	--	27.0	101.00	2,727
1994	--	--	--	33.0	80.00	2,640
1995	--	--	--	38.0	^{4/}	^{4/}
1996	--	--	--	46.0	109.0	5,014
1997	--	--	--	45.0	123.0	5,520

^{1/} All 1997 estimates are preliminary. ^{2/} Planted for all purposes; harvested for grain. ^{3/} Production in 480 pound net weight bales. ^{4/} Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

FIELD CROPS: Acreage, yield, production, and value, Florida, crop years 1987 through 1997 ^{1/}

Crop and year	Area		Yield	Production	Season average price	Value of production
	Planted	Harvested				
	1,000 acres				Dollars	1,000 dollars
HAY, ALL			Tons	1,000 tons		
1987	--	275	2.50	688	72.00	49,536
1988	--	270	2.40	648	68.00	44,064
1989	--	260	2.30	598	76.00	45,448
1990	--	240	2.30	552	78.00	43,056
1991	--	230	2.90	667	86.00	57,362
1992	--	270	2.80	756	82.00	61,992
1993	--	250	2.60	650	85.00	55,250
1994	--	240	3.10	744	95.00	70,680
1995	--	230	2.50	575	83.00	47,725
1996	--	240	2.60	624	84.00	52,416
1997	--	230	2.60	598	90.00	53,820
PEANUTS ^{2/}			Pounds	1,000 pounds		
1987	91	83	2,600	215,800	.270	58,266
1988	98	90	2,540	228,600	.269	61,493
1989	95	87	2,470	214,890	.260	55,871
1990	108	100	2,340	234,000	.300	70,200
1991	126	118	2,370	279,660	.263	73,551
1992	85	77	2,630	202,510	.286	57,918
1993	98	84	2,320	194,880	.296	57,684
1994	92	84	2,470	207,480	.281	58,302
1995	89	81	2,390	193,590	.271	52,463
1996	90	82	2,880	236,160	.281	66,361
1997	92	84	2,715	228,060	.237	54,050
POTATOES	Acres		Cwt	1,000 cwt		
1987	36,500	35,700	196	6,987	16.40	114,420
1988	36,900	36,100	226	8,173	5.65	46,202
1989	43,600	42,600	195	8,304	15.50	129,043
1990	45,500	44,700	219	9,792	14.40	140,734
1991	43,700	43,000	188	8,082	20.40	164,885
1992	41,200	40,100	234	9,370	9.90	92,890
1993	44,700	41,900	181	7,580	17.00	128,945
1994	47,600	46,400	215	9,992	11.90	119,329
1995	46,800	42,900	210	9,003	9.40	84,490
1996	46,800	44,300	217	9,613	13.20	126,861
1997	43,500	42,100	194	8,181	12.00	98,172

^{1/} All 1997 estimates are preliminary. ^{2/} Planted for all purposes; harvested for dry nuts.

FIELD CROPS: Acreage, yield, production, and value, Florida, crop years 1987 through 1997 ^{1/}

Crop and year	Area		Yield	Production	Season average price	Value of production
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres				Dollars	1,000 dollars
SOYBEANS ^{2/}	1,000 acres		Bushels	1,000 bushels		
1987	95	93	25	2,325	5.55	12,904
1988	120	115	29	3,335	7.50	25,013
1989	130	120	22	2,640	5.45	14,388
1990	80	75	19	1,425	5.65	8,051
1991	45	43	27	1,161	5.40	6,269
1992	55	50	30	1,500	5.20	7,800
1993	55	50	25	1,250	6.35	7,938
1994	45	42	31	1,302	5.40	7,031
1995	30	28	26	728	6.50	4,732
1996	35	33	32	1,056	7.00	7,392
1997	40	38	26	988	7.00	6,916
SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR AND SEED			Tons	1,000 tons		
1987	--	417	32.3	13,469	30.90	416,192
1988	--	421	31.6	13,304	32.60	433,710
1989	--	420	31.4	13,188	30.70	404,872
1990	--	434	35.5	15,407	31.50	485,321
1991	--	443	34.9	15,461	31.00	479,291
1992	--	443	33.2	14,707	29.80	438,269
1993	--	444	34.1	15,152	30.40	460,621
1994	--	444	33.6	14,937	30.60	457,072
1995	--	437	34.6	15,122	30.60	462,733
1996	--	438	33.1	14,498	29.40	426,241
1997	--	440	36.9	16,236	^{3/}	^{3/}
SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR			Tons	1,000 tons		
1987	--	402	32.3	12,990	30.90	401,391
1988	--	404	31.6	12,766	32.60	416,172
1989	--	405	31.4	12,717	30.70	390,412
1990	--	419	35.5	14,874	31.50	468,531
1991	--	428	34.9	14,937	31.00	463,047
1992	--	426	33.2	14,143	29.80	421,461
1993	--	425	34.1	14,512	30.40	441,165
1994	--	423	33.6	14,216	30.60	435,010
1995	--	417	34.6	14,445	30.60	442,017
1996	--	417	33.1	13,803	29.40	405,808
1997	--	421	36.9	15,535	^{3/}	^{3/}

^{1/} All 1997 estimates are preliminary. ^{2/} Planted for all purposes; harvested for beans. ^{3/} Estimates of season average price and value of production for the 1997 crop will be available February 1999.

FIELD CROPS: Acreage, yield, production, and value, Florida, crop years 1987 through 1997 ¹¹

Crop and year	Area		Yield	Production	Season average price	Value of production
	Planted	Harvested				
	1,000 acres				Dollars	1,000 dollars
TOBACCO, FLUE-CURED, TYPE 14			Pounds	1,000 pounds		
1987	--	5.60	2,465	13,804	1.641	22,652
1988	--	6.40	2,680	17,152	1.648	28,266
1989	--	6.70	2,650	17,755	1.676	29,757
1990	--	6.90	2,760	19,044	1.730	32,946
1991	--	6.60	2,320	15,312	1.660	25,418
1992	--	7.50	2,610	19,575	1.628	31,868
1993	--	7.10	2,630	18,673	1.638	30,586
1994	--	6.50	2,550	16,575	1.650	27,349
1995	--	7.20	2,455	17,676	1.761	31,127
1996	--	7.50	2,680	20,100	1.808	36,341
1997	--	7.30	2,610	19,053	1.721	32,790
WHEAT			Bushels	1,000 bushels		
1987	60	50	29	1,450	2.60	3,770
1988	75	70	36	2,520	3.30	8,316
1989	80	65	29	1,885	3.50	6,598
1990	65	55	33	1,815	2.80	5,082
1991	50	25	23	575	2.15	1,236
1992	45	20	42	840	3.30	2,772
1993	40	25	33	825	2.70	2,228
1994	25	15	42	630	2.80	1,764
1995	20	12	32	384	3.15	1,210
1996	13	10	38	380	4.40	1,672
1997	17	15	39	585	3.40	1,989

¹¹ All 1997 estimates are preliminary.

**PECANS: Production, price and value, Florida,
crop years 1987 through 1997**

Year	Utilized production			Season average price		
	Varieties		Total	Varieties		Total
	Improved	Native and seedling		Improved	Native and seedling	
	1,000 pounds			Cents		
1987	3,100	2,400	5,500	72.0	63.0	68.1
1988	3,400	2,600	6,000	61.0	37.0	50.6
1989	4,000	3,000	7,000	59.0	43.0	52.1
1990	2,000	1,600	3,600	110.0	80.0	96.7
1991	2,000	1,500	3,500	101.0	87.0	95.0
1992	1,700	800	2,500	170.0	110.0	151.0
1993	3,200	4,300	7,500	49.0	44.0	46.1
1994	400	1,500	1,900	100.0	80.0	84.2
1995	600	500	1,100	95.0	75.0	85.9
1996	500	1,400	1,900	65.0	55.0	57.6
1997	600	1,200	1,800	100.0	60.0	73.3

Year	Value of utilized production		
	Varieties		Total
	Improved	Native and seedling	
	1,000 dollars		
1987	2,232	1,512	3,744
1988	2,074	962	3,036
1989	2,360	1,290	3,650
1990	2,200	1,280	3,480
1991	2,020	1,305	3,325
1992	2,890	880	3,770
1993	1,568	1,892	3,460
1994	400	1,200	1,600
1995	570	375	945
1996	325	770	1,095
1997	600	720	1,320

CORN: Acreage, yield and production, by district and county, Florida, 1996

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for grain		
		Area	Yield	Production
		Acres		Bushels
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	2,000	1,900	89.5	170,000
Escambia	8,500	8,000	131.5	1,052,000
Gadsden	2,000	1,900	90.0	171,000
Holmes	3,100	2,800	75.0	210,000
Jackson	25,000	24,200	88.1	2,133,000
Jefferson	5,100	4,700	77.2	363,000
Leon	2,400	2,300	63.9	147,000
Okaloosa	1,500	1,400	84.3	118,000
Santa Rosa	1,700	1,600	82.5	132,000
Walton	2,700	2,600	76.9	200,000
Washington	4,600	4,000	83.0	332,000
Other	1,200	700	84.3	59,000
Total	59,800	56,100	90.7	5,087,000
DISTRICT 30				
Columbia	5,200	5,000	68.0	340,000
Hamilton	11,800	11,100	73.9	820,000
Madison	7,500	6,900	72.5	500,000
Suwannee	10,600	8,400	88.9	747,000
Other	3,900	2,700	53.7	145,000
Total	39,000	34,100	74.8	2,552,000
DISTRICT 50				
Alachua	8,500	6,400	75.2	481,000
Gilchrist	8,300	1,100	81.8	90,000
Levy	3,600	3,200	108.1	346,000
Other	5,600	3,100	87.7	272,000
Total	26,000	13,800	86.2	1,189,000
DISTRICT 80				
Total	15,200	8,000	128.5	1,028,000
STATE TOTAL	140,000	112,000	88.0	9,856,000

CORN: Acreage, yield and production, by county, 1997

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for grain	Yield per acre	Production
	Acres			Bushels
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	1,700	1,300	109.2	142,000
Escambia	7,200	5,600	120.4	674,000
Gadsden	1,700	1,300	66.9	87,000
Holmes	2,600	2,000	109.0	218,000
Jackson	20,200	16,900	94.4	1,596,000
Jefferson	4,300	3,000	44.3	133,000
Leon	2,000	1,500	47.3	71,000
Okaloosa	1,300	1,000	70.0	70,000
Santa Rosa	1,500	1,100	80.0	88,000
Walton	2,300	1,600	61.9	99,000
Washington	3,900	2,800	89.3	250,000
Other	1,000	500	92.0	46,000
Total	49,700	38,600	90.0	3,474,000
DISTRICT 30				
Columbia	5,800	4,400	54.5	240,000
Hamilton	8,400	6,000	81.5	489,000
Madison	7,200	6,300	45.4	286,000
Suwannee	10,600	8,400	74.0	622,000
Other	3,300	1,800	66.1	119,000
Total	35,300	26,900	65.3	1,756,000
DISTRICT 50				
Alachua	7,300	4,400	84.3	371,000
Gilchrist	7,200	800	78.8	63,000
Levy	4,000	2,000	99.0	198,000
Other	3,500	1,800	77.8	140,000
Total	22,000	9,000	85.8	772,000
DISTRICT 80				
Other	13,000	5,500	72.4	398,000
Total	13,000	5,500	72.4	398,000
STATE TOTAL	120,000	80,000	80.0	6,400,000

PEANUTS: Acreage, yield and production, by district and county, Florida, 1996

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for dry peanuts		
		Area	Yield	Production
		Acres		Pounds
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	3,500	3,300	2,785	9,195,000
Gadsden	700	700	2,010	1,408,000
Holmes	4,900	4,500	2,535	11,401,000
Jackson	32,500	29,900	2,595	77,660,000
Jefferson	1,000	900	2,310	2,078,000
Leon	400	300	3,345	1,003,000
Okaloosa	1,300	1,200	2,980	3,578,000
Santa Rosa	13,200	12,200	3,605	43,952,000
Walton	6,000	5,500	2,745	15,101,000
Washington	1,700	1,600	3,115	4,980,000
Other	700	600	2,485	1,491,000
Total	65,900	60,700	2,830	171,847,000
DISTRICT 30				
Columbia	2,000	1,900	1,985	3,770,000
Madison	800	700	3,340	2,339,000
Suwannee	4,800	4,500	3,055	13,755,000
Other	600	500	3,130	1,566,000
Total	8,200	7,600	2,820	21,430,000
DISTRICT 50				
Alachua	1,500	1,300	3,190	4,150,000
Gilchrist	500	400	2,250	900,000
Levy	9,000	8,300	3,250	26,960,000
Marion	3,900	3,600	2,985	10,750,000
Other	1,000	100	1,230	123,000
Total	15,900	13,700	3,130	42,883,000
STATE TOTAL	90,000	82,000	2,880	236,160,000

PEANUTS: Acreage, yield and production, by district and county, Florida, 1997

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for dry peanuts		
		Area	Yield	Production
		Acres		Pounds
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	3,900	3,600	2,400	8,644,000
Gadsden	900	800	2,835	2,267,000
Holmes	5,000	4,600	1,890	8,697,000
Jackson	31,500	29,100	2,535	73,820,000
Jefferson	1,000	900	2,915	2,625,000
Okaloosa	1,300	1,200	2,265	2,718,000
Santa Rosa	13,100	12,100	2,925	35,376,000
Walton	6,200	5,700	2,180	12,417,000
Washington	1,400	1,300	3,380	4,394,000
Other	600	500	2,550	1,274,000
Total	64,900	59,800	2,545	152,232,000
DISTRICT 30				
Columbia	3,300	3,100	1,625	5,045,000
Madison	1,100	1,000	2,735	2,736,000
Suwannee	5,000	4,600	3,480	16,004,000
Other	600	500	3,220	1,611,000
Total	10,000	9,200	2,760	25,396,000
DISTRICT 50				
Alachua	1,600	1,500	3,205	4,807,000
Gilchrist	700	700	2,300	1,611,000
Levy	9,200	8,500	3,655	31,086,000
Marion	4,600	4,200	3,040	12,768,000
Other	1,000	100	1,600	160,000
Total	17,100	15,000	3,360	50,432,000
STATE TOTAL	92,000	84,000	2,715	228,060,000

POTATOES: Acreage, production, and value, Florida, crop years 1992 through 1997

Crop year	Area		Yield per acre	Production	Value per cwt	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		Cwt	1,000 cwt	Dollars	1,000
WINTER:						
1992	8,100	8,100	200	1,620	22.00	35,640
1993	8,700	8,400	180	1,512	28.10	42,487
1994	8,400	7,800	180	1,404	39.10	54,896
1995	8,300	6,900	170	1,173	23.30	27,331
1996	8,800	8,800	210	1,848	24.60	45,461
1997	9,000	8,800	175	1,540	16.85	25,949
SPRING (HASTINGS):						
1992	26,000	25,000	240	6,000	5.05	30,300
1993	28,000	26,000	180	4,680	11.00	51,480
1994	29,500	29,000	220	6,380	6.50	41,470
1995	28,500	27,000	220	5,940	5.90	35,046
1996	28,500	27,500	230	6,325	9.50	60,088
1997	25,500	24,500	210	5,145	10.60	54,645
SPRING (OTHER):						
1992	7,100	7,000	250	1,750	15.40	26,950
1993	8,000	7,500	185	1,388	25.20	34,978
1994	9,700	9,600	230	2,208	10.40	22,963
1995	10,000	9,000	210	1,890	11.70	22,113
1996	9,500	8,000	180	1,440	14.80	21,312
1997	9,000	8,800	170	1,496	11.75	17,578

POTATOES: Acreage harvested by selected counties, Florida, crop years 1992 through 1997

Counties	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	Acres					
Dade	4,900	4,700	4,300	3,100	4,600	4,700
Flagler	1,975	2,500	2,600	2,000	1,500	1,500
Putnam	4,800	4,900	5,400	5,000	5,000	4,500
St. Johns	18,225	18,600	21,000	20,000	21,000	18,500
Other	10,200	11,200	13,100	12,800	12,200	12,900
WINTER TOTAL	8,100	8,400	7,800	6,900	8,800	8,800
SPRING TOTAL	32,000	33,500	38,600	36,000	35,500	33,300
STATE TOTAL	40,100	41,900	46,400	42,900	44,300	42,100

POTATOES: Production sold, monthly, Florida, crop years 1992 through 1997

Crop year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ¹¹	Total
1,000 cwt							
1992	32	225	909	2,772	3,608	1,777	9,323
1993	38	204	542	1,162	3,475	2,119	7,540
1994	14	251	1,238	2,335	4,403	1,698	9,939
1995	--	105	408	1,807	4,868	1,769	8,957
1996	19	182	564	1,368	4,964	2,467	9,564
1997	11	409	651	2,182	4,236	660	8,138
Percent							
1992	.3	2.4	9.8	29.7	38.7	19.1	100.0
1993	.5	2.7	7.2	15.4	46.1	28.1	100.0
1994	.1	2.5	12.5	23.5	44.3	17.1	100.0
1995	--	1.2	4.6	20.2	54.3	19.7	100.0
1996	.2	1.9	5.9	14.3	51.9	25.8	100.0
1997	--	5.0	8.0	26.8	52.1	8.1	100.0

¹¹ Includes small quantities sold in July.

POTATOES: Average value per cwt for all sales, monthly, Florida, crop years 1992 through 1997

Crop year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Average
Dollars							
1992	25.00	25.00	24.20	14.80	4.60	3.60	9.90
1993	25.00	24.20	29.10	28.40	17.00	6.80	17.00
1994	43.60	42.20	35.80	9.30	6.05	8.80	11.90
1995	--	27.70	27.30	14.40	6.70	6.40	9.40
1996	29.70	26.80	23.90	18.65	9.70	9.60	13.20
1997	--	24.00	14.90	11.15	10.95	11.35	12.00

SOYBEANS: Acreage, yield and production, by district and county, Florida 1996

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for beans		
		Area	Yield	Production
	Acres		Bushels	
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	5,400	5,100	33.7	172,000
Escambia	3,600	3,400	36.8	125,000
Gadsden	700	600	30.0	18,000
Holmes	2,200	2,100	27.6	58,000
Jackson	12,100	11,400	33.2	379,000
Jefferson	1,200	1,100	34.5	38,000
Okaloosa	900	800	32.5	26,000
Santa Rosa	2,100	2,000	31.0	62,000
Walton	1,700	1,600	28.8	46,000
Washington	1,700	1,600	27.5	44,000
Other	200	200	30.0	6,000
Total	31,800	29,900	32.6	974,000
Other, State	3,200	3,100	26.5	82,000
STATE TOTAL	35,000	33,000	32.0	1,056,000

SOYBEANS: Acreage, yield and production, by district and county, Florida 1997

District and county	Planted for all purposes	Harvested for beans		
		Area	Yield	Production
	Acres		Bushels	
DISTRICT 10				
Calhoun	6,000	5,700	27.5	157,000
Escambia	4,100	3,900	29.5	115,000
Gadsden	800	700	25.7	18,000
Holmes	2,500	2,400	22.1	53,000
Jackson	13,500	12,900	22.4	289,000
Jefferson	1,400	1,300	32.3	42,000
Okaloosa	1,000	900	33.3	30,000
Santa Rosa	3,000	2,900	31.0	90,000
Walton	1,700	1,600	33.8	54,000
Washington	1,800	1,700	22.4	38,000
Other	500	500	26.0	13,000
Total	36,300	34,500	26.1	899,000
Other, State	3,700	3,500	25.4	89,000
STATE TOTAL	40,000	38,000	26.0	988,000

**TOBACCO, FLUE-CURED, TYPE 14: Acreage, yield, and production,
by district and county, Florida, 1996**

District and county	Area harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres		Pounds
DISTRICT 10			
Gadsden	100	2,340	234,000
Jefferson	130	3,285	427,000
Other	200	2,410	482,000
Total	430	2,660	1,143,000
DISTRICT 30			
Baker	100	2,630	263,000
Columbia	720	2,715	1,954,000
Hamilton	1,180	2,600	3,070,000
Lafayette	630	3,050	1,920,000
Madison	870	2,660	2,316,000
Suwannee	1,900	2,670	5,072,000
Taylor	110	2,420	266,000
Other	100	2,850	285,000
Total	5,610	2,700	15,146,000
DISTRICT 50			
Alachua	860	2,675	2,299,000
Bradford	100	2,490	249,000
Gilchrist	170	2,480	422,000
Union	190	2,780	528,000
Other	140	2,235	313,000
Total	1,460	2,610	3,811,000
STATE TOTAL	7,500	2,680	20,100,000

**TOBACCO, FLUE-CURED, TYPE 14: Acreage, yield, and production,
by district and county, Florida, 1997**

District and county	Area harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres		Pounds
DISTRICT 10			
Gadsden	100	3,000	300,000
Jefferson	170	2,425	412,000
Other	110	3,135	345,000
Total	380	2,780	1,057,000
DISTRICT 30			
Baker	120	2,090	251,000
Columbia	710	2,830	2,008,000
Hamilton	1,090	2,760	3,007,000
Lafayette	660	2,860	1,887,000
Madison	760	2,615	1,988,000
Suwannee	1,730	2,775	4,799,000
Taylor	100	2,640	264,000
Other	100	2,360	236,000
Total	5,270	2,740	14,440,000
DISTRICT 50			
Alachua	1,030	2,180	2,245,000
Bradford	100	2,090	209,000
Gilchrist	210	2,140	449,000
Union	230	2,130	490,000
Other	80	2,040	163,000
Total	1,650	2,155	3,556,000
STATE TOTAL	7,300	2,610	19,053,000

COTTON: Acreage, yield, and production, by district and county, Florida 1996-97

District and county	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997
	Acres				Pounds		Bales	
DISTRICT 10								
Calhoun	7,100	6,600	7,100	6,500	568	576	8,400	7,800
Escambia	12,800	14,200	12,800	14,000	694	566	18,500	16,500
Gadsden	1,900	1,100	1,900	1,100	632	524	2,500	1,200
Holmes	4,200	3,300	4,200	3,300	640	524	5,600	3,600
Jackson	25,900	26,500	25,900	26,200	523	550	28,200	30,000
Jefferson	2,400	2,100	2,400	2,100	520	503	2,600	2,200
Okaloosa	3,700	4,500	3,700	4,400	778	633	6,000	5,800
Santa Rosa	24,600	26,000	24,600	25,700	751	654	38,500	35,000
Walton	3,600	4,600	3,600	4,600	720	543	5,400	5,200
Washington	900	1,200	900	1,200	640	480	1,200	1,200
Total	87,100	90,100	87,100	89,100	644	585	116,900	108,500
DISTRICT 30								
Columbia	500	400	500	400	576	600	600	500
Hamilton	2,400	2,700	2,400	2,700	760	587	3,800	3,300
Madison	1,800	1,700	1,800	1,700	507	565	1,900	2,000
Suwanee	1,600	"	1,600	"	780	"	2,600	"
Total	6,300	4,800	6,300	4,800	678	580	8,900	5,800
DISTRICT 50								
Alachua	2,050	1,800	2,050	1,800	445	427	1,900	1,600
Gilchrist	450	"	450	"	533	"	500	"
Total	2,500	1,800	2,500	1,800	461	427	2,400	1,600
ALL DISTRICTS								
Other	3,100	3,300	2,300	3,300	459	465	2,200	3,200
STATE TOTAL	99,000	100,000	98,200	99,000	637	577	130,400	119,100

" Included in other to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

SUGARCANE FOR SUGAR: Acreage, yield, and production, by county, Florida, 1996-97

County	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997
	Acres		Tons		Tons	
Glades	19,000	19,000	31.7	35.7	602,000	678,000
Hendry	70,000	71,000	32.7	36.3	2,289,000	2,576,000
Martin	12,000	12,000	32.4	36.5	389,000	438,000
Palm Beach	316,000	319,000	33.3	37.1	10,523,000	11,843,000
STATE TOTAL	417,000	421,000	33.1	36.9	13,803,000	15,535,000

WHEAT: Acreage, yield, and production, by district, 1996-97

District and county	Area planted		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997
	Acres				Bushels			
DISTRICT 10	12,400	16,100	9,500	14,500	37.7	39.0	358,000	566,000
DISTRICT 30	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
DISTRICT 50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OTHER	600	900	500	500	44.0	38.0	22,000	19,000
STATE TOTAL	13,000	17,000	10,000	15,000	39.0	39.0	380,000	585,000

**FLORIDA: Usual planting and harvesting dates,
by crops and principal producing areas**

Crop	Usual planting dates	Usual harvesting dates			Principal producing areas, Agricultural Statistics Districts or counties
		Begin	Most active	End	
Corn:					
Grain	Mar 1-Apr 25	Jul 15	Aug 1-Sep 10	Oct 1	10, 30, 50
Silage	Mar 1-Apr 25	Jun 10	Jul 1-Aug 5	Aug 10	10, 30, 50
Forage	Mar 1-Apr 25	Aug 15	Sep 1-Oct 25	Nov 25	10, 30, 50
Cotton	Apr 1-May 15	Sep 15	Oct 1-Nov 1	Dec 1	10, 30
Peanuts for nuts	Apr 1-May 15	Aug 15	Sep 15-Oct 15	Nov 15	10, 30, 50
Potatoes	Sep 15-Mar 1	Jan 15	Feb 1-Jun 15	Jul 1	30, 50, 80
Soybeans	May 1-Jul 1	Oct 1	Oct 15-Nov 15	Nov 25	10, 30
Sugarcane for sugar	Aug 15-Feb 15	Nov 1	Nov 15-Mar 1	Apr 1	Glades, Hendry Palm Beach Martin
Tobacco: Type 14	Mar 1-Apr 15	Jun 1	Jul 1-Aug 1	Aug 25	10, 30, 50
Wheat, Winter for grain	Nov 15-Dec 15	May 1	May 15-May 31	Jun 15	10, 30
Hay	--	May 10	--	Nov 20	Statewide