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2001 BLUEBERRY STATISTICS

Total value of the 2001 blueberry crop at \$36.7 million broke the record high of \$36.6 million reached in 1999. Utilized production, at 37.0 million pounds, increased 9 percent from last year. The overall season average price was .99 dollars per pound; the average fresh market price was 1.09 dollars per pound, while the processing price was .64 dollars per pound.

The area harvested, at 7,400 acres, was 100 acres less than last year. Average yield was 5,000 pounds per acre, compared with 4,530 pounds per acre a year earlier.

Atlantic and Burlington Counties accounted for 93% of area harvested and 98% of the State's utilized production. The top blueberry producing county in New Jersey was Atlantic County with 5,400 acres harvested and an average yield of 5,910 pounds per acre. Utilized production for Atlantic was 31.9 million pounds. Burlington County producers harvested 1,500 acres with an average yield of 2,930 pounds per acre and utilized production of 4.4 million pounds.

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