

Floriculture Crops, 2002

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The 2002 wholesale value of sales by commercial flower and foliage producers in Pennsylvania totaled \$180.7 million, down \$5.2 million from 2001. Pennsylvania ranked seventh nationally in wholesale sales of floriculture crops.

The wholesale value of cut flowers sold in 2002 totaled \$3.8 million, down \$0.8 million from 2001. The value of sales at wholesale of potted flowering plants was \$42.9 million, up \$0.3 million from 2001. Pennsylvania ranked fifth nationally for the value of sales at wholesale of potted flowering plants. Sales of foliage plants for indoor or patio use were \$4.2, up \$0.8 million from 2001. Sales of all bedding and garden plants in flats, pots

and baskets totaled \$75.7 million, down \$1.6 million from 2001.

The total covered growing area for Pennsylvania in 2002 was 24.2 million square feet, down from 24.6 million square feet in 2001. The types of covered growing area were: glass greenhouses, 4.8 million square feet; fiberglass and other rigid greenhouses, 3.1 million square feet; film plastic (single/multi) greenhouses, 15.8 million square feet; and shade and temporary cover, 554,000 square feet. Growers also used 617 acres of open grown in 2002. There were 794 growers in 2002, compared to 823 growers in 2001.

Pennsylvania: Number of Growers,
Reported Gross Value of Sales, 2001-2002

Value of Sales	2001	2002
	<i>Number</i>	
\$10,000 - \$19,999	122	99
\$20,000 - \$39,999	138	146
\$40,000 - \$49,999	69	72
\$50,000 - \$99,999	239	231
\$100,000 - \$499,999	193	190
\$500,000 or More	62	56
TOTAL	823	794
	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
Expanded wholesale value ¹	185,921	180,740

¹ Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

Pennsylvania: Growing Area by Type of Cover,
All Operations with \$100,000+ Sales, 2001-2002

Type of Cover	2001	2002
	<i>Number</i>	
Total number of growers	255	246
	<i>1,000 Square Feet</i>	
Glass greenhouses	3,409	3,959
Fiberglass & other rigid greenhouses	2,186	2,353
Film plastic (single/multi) greenhouses	12,592	11,648
TOTAL GREENHOUSE COVER	18,187	17,960
Shade and temporary cover	463	290
TOTAL COVERED AREA	18,650	18,250
	<i>Acres</i>	
Open ground	323	375

Pennsylvania: Growing Area by Type of Cover,
All Operations with \$10,000+ Sales, 2001-2002

Type of Cover	2001	2002
	<i>Number</i>	
Total number of growers	823	794
	<i>1,000 Square Feet</i>	
Glass greenhouses	4,156	4,754
Fiberglass & other rigid greenhouses	3,015	3,092
Film plastic (single/multi) greenhouses	16,840	15,790
TOTAL GREENHOUSE COVER	24,011	23,636
Shade and temporary cover	582	554
TOTAL COVERED AREA	24,593	24,190
	<i>Acres</i>	
Open ground	547	617

Pennsylvania: Floriculture Crops - Wholesale Value of Sales
by Category for Operations with \$100,000+ Sales, 2001-2002

Category	2001	2002
	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
Total cut flowers	4,587	3,773
Total potted flowering plants	42,571	42,901
Total foliage for indoor or patio use	3,394	4,242
Total bedding/garden plants ¹	77,246	75,683
Annual bedding/garden plants	61,113	59,715
Herbaceous perennial plants	16,133	15,968
Propagative materials	31,122	29,535
TOTAL wholesale value (reported crops)	158,920	156,134

¹ Includes annual bedding plants and herbaceous perennials.