

CRANBERRIES

Massachusetts cranberry production in 2000 was 1.95 million barrels, an increase of four percent from the previous year's output, placing Massachusetts second in overall cranberry production. Wisconsin produced 47 percent of the nation's cranberries in 2000, while Massachusetts produced 36 percent of the total crop, which is a six percentage point increase from 1999.



Harvested acreage in Massachusetts decreased by 1,100 acres from 1999 to 13,900 in 2000. The crop survived the mild winter with very little damage, and very few insect problems were reported during the growing season. The cranberry industry agreed to a producer allotment regulation for the 2000 crop in response to the dramatic drop in berry prices in the previous two years. Bog yields increased from 1999 by 12 percent to 140.3 barrels per acre. The preliminary value of the 2000 crop was placed at \$38.8 million, averaging \$19.90 per barrel which is a \$3.10 increase from the 1999 price per barrel.

CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, 1991 - 2000

STATE & YEAR	Area Harvested	Yield per Acre	Production		Utilization		Utilized Price per Barrel ^{1/}	Value of Utilized Production
			Total	Utilized	For Fresh Market	For Processing		
	Acres	Barrels	1,000 Barrels ^{2/}				Dollars	1,000 Dollars
Maine ^{3/}								
1998	70.0	45.7	3.20	3.10	0.70	2.40	55.00	171
1999	130.0	24.1	3.14	3.14	0.27	2.87	30.00	94
2000	137.7	65.5	9.02	9.02	0.87	8.15	32.50	239
Massachusetts								
1991	12,700	155.6	1,976	1,976	75	1,869	49.80	98,405
1992	13,200	143.0	1,887	1,887	100	1,757	53.60	101,143
1993	13,100	143.5	1,880	1,880	92	1,753	51.80	97,384
1994	13,500	144.6	1,952	1,952	99	1,831	50.60	98,771
1995	14,100	112.9	1,592	1,592	97	1,472	54.30	86,446
1996	14,200	121.3	1,722	1,722	70	1,628	70.90	122,090
1997	14,600	143.8	2,100	2,100	93	1,946	66.20	139,020
1998	14,400	130.2	1,875	1,875	91	1,784	30.80	57,750
1999	15,000	125.0	1,875	1,875	138	1,737	16.80	31,503
2000	13,900	140.3	1,950	1,950	214	1,736	19.90	38,805

^{1/} Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds excluding returns from non-cranberry products and before any deductions for capital stock and other retains.

^{2/} Standard weight used for one barrel of cranberries is 100 pounds

^{3/} Source of Maine Cranberries: Cranberry Associate, University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 207-581-2940

