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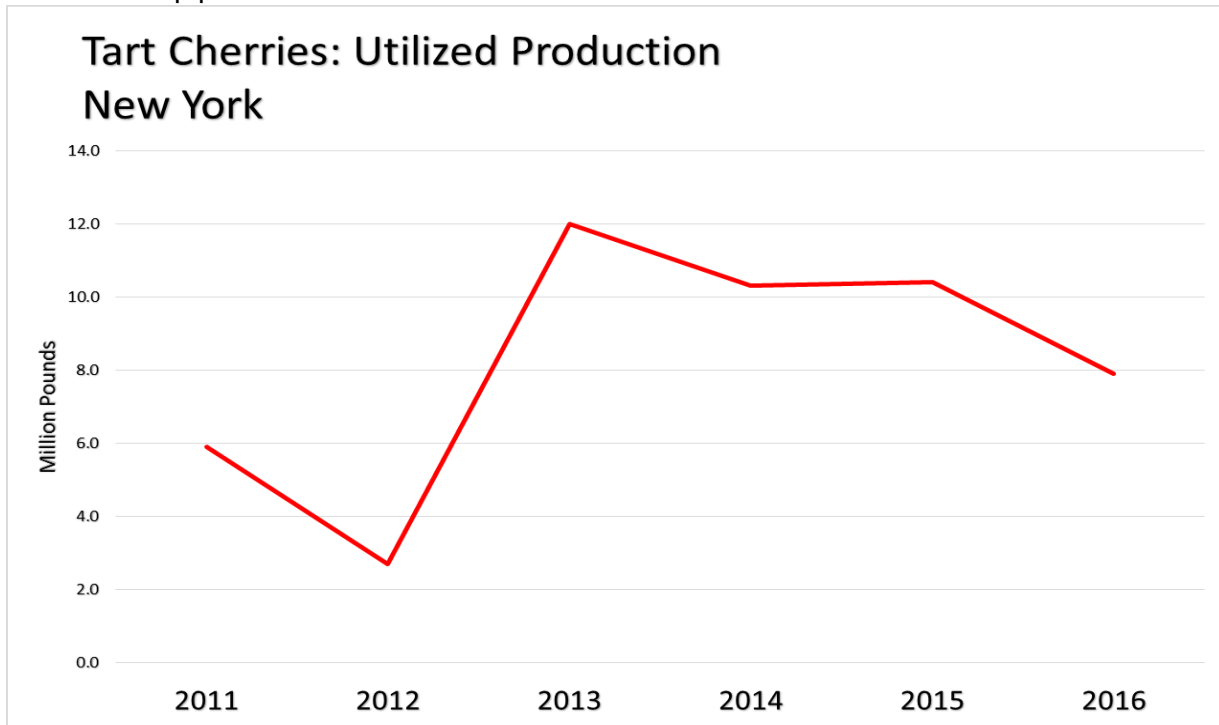


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New York Tart Cherry Production Down Due to Freeze

New York utilized tart cherry production for 2016 is estimated at 7.9 million pounds, down 24 percent from 2015 according to Blair Smith, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office. Production was lower due to a freeze event during the bloom period which limited crop potential in some areas.



Bearing Acreage totaled 1,600 acres, unchanged from 2015 and 2014 acreage.

Price per pound totaled 0.304 dollars, up 20 percent from 2015, and slightly above prices in 2014.

Value of utilized production totaled 2.4 million dollars, down 9 percent from 2015 and down 23 percent from 2014.

The complete "Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts" report and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

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