

Fruit and Berries

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The Commonwealth's five major fruit crops are comprised of apples, peaches, pears, tart cherries and grapes. These crops produced a total utilized weight of 685 million pounds, up 1 percent from 2009.

Apples - The 2010 commercial apple crop, utilized production, in Pennsylvania totaled 473 million pounds, down 2 percent from utilized production in 2009. The crop was valued at 75.0 million dollars, up 12 percent from the 2009 value. Pennsylvania ranked 4th nationally in utilized apple production.

Grapes - Pennsylvania's 2010 grape crop, utilized production, was 82,000 tons, up 32 percent from 2009. The total value of utilized production was 24.9 million dollars. The Commonwealth's utilized grape production ranked 4th nationally.

Pears - The utilized production of pears in Pennsylvania totaled 2,300 tons, down 60 percent from 2009. The utilized crop was valued at 2.5 million dollars. The Commonwealth ranked 5th nationally in utilized pear production.

Peaches - Utilized peach production in Pennsylvania totaled 20,800 tons in 2010, down 25 percent from 2009. The season-average price of \$1150 per ton was up \$110 from 2009. The total value of utilized production was 23.9 million dollars. Nationally, Pennsylvania ranked 5th in utilized peach production.

Tart Cherries - Utilized tart cherry production in Pennsylvania totaled 2.1 million pounds, down 46 percent from last year's crop. The season average price was 0.257 dollars per pound, compared with 0.250 dollars per pound in 2009. The total value of utilized production was 540 thousand dollars. Nationally, Pennsylvania ranked 6th in utilized production of tart cherries.

Pennsylvania: Fruit and Nuts, 2007 and 2002

Data taken from the 2007 Census of Agriculture published February 4, 2009

Commodity	Total		Bearing age acres		Nonbearing age acres	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Noncitrus, All						
2007	2,613	46,131	2,265	41,358	1,117	4,772
2002	2,299	49,859	1,776	42,219	1,259	7,640

Pennsylvania: Land in Berries, 2007

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State	Total		Irrigated	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Pennsylvania	1,549	2,543	476	961

