

Grapes

Number & Location of Vineyards: The number of commercial grape vineyards (2+ acres) decreased from 274 in 1997 to 239 in 2002, a 13 percent decrease. Of the total 239 vineyards in 2002, 179 or 75 percent were in Erie County.

Acreage in Vineyard: The acreage in commercial and non-commercial grape vineyards in 2002 was 11,019.9, a 4 percent decrease over 1997's acreage of 11,462.0. Of the total 250 commercial vineyards, 123 with 20 acres or more accounted for 92 percent of all commercial grape acreage. Divided Canopy acreage decreased from 2,038.2 acres in 1997 to 1,631.2 acres in 2002. Single

Canopy High accounted for 9,181.7 acres or 83 percent of the total acreage.

Age of Grape Acreage: The percent breakdown of 2002 grape acres by age group was: 1 to 3 years old, 4 percent; 4 to 6 years old, 2 percent; 7 years and older, 94 percent.

Varieties: Acres of Concord grapes for juice totaled 8,448.6 or 77 percent of the total 11,019.9 acres. Other leading varieties and the percent of total acres were: Concord for wine, 7 percent; and Niagara for juice and Catawba for wine, 2 percent.

Pennsylvania: Grapes (Commercial and Non-commercial) - Comparison of Vineyards and Acres by Region, 1992, 1997 and 2002

Region	Number of Vineyards			Number of Acres		
	1992	1997	2002	1992	1997	2002
I	19	12	16	104.0	123.1	109.6
II	26	35	37	190.5	366.1	400.9
III	18	12	11	58.9	32.2	47.0
IV	15	14	7	32.8	62.8	63.4
V	246	219	179	10,627.1	10,877.8	10,399.0
Pennsylvania	324	292	250	11,013.3	11,462.0	11,019.9

Pennsylvania: Total Grape Acres, 1978-2002

