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2009 MASSACHUSETTS PRODUCTION – LARGE DECREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

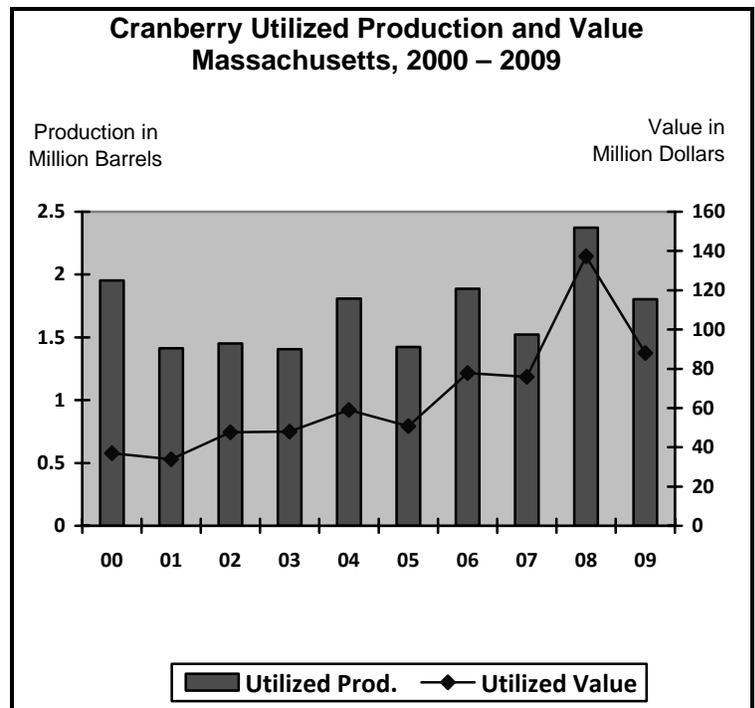
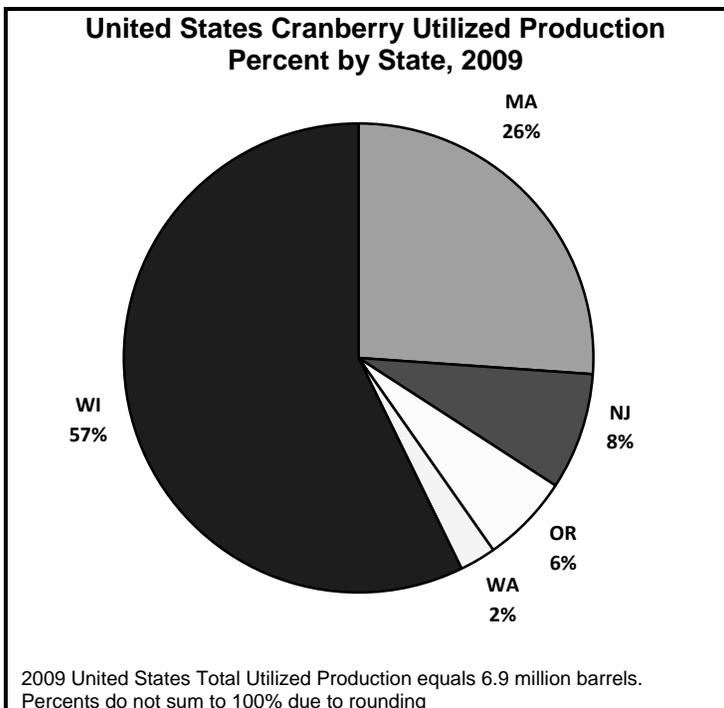
Massachusetts: Cranberry production in Massachusetts totaled 1.8 million barrels in 2009, nearly 25 percent less than last year's record setting crop. Growers harvested 13,000 acres of cranberries, unchanged from the previous year. The crop yield averaged 138.7 barrels per acre. Massachusetts cranberry growers experienced less than optimal growing conditions during 2009. Wet weather in late June and early July was a major factor in the reduced crop size compared to the previous season.

Cranberry handlers were contacted in the fall of 2009 to report price expected to be paid to Massachusetts growers for 2009 grown berries. Massachusetts 2009 preliminary price for fresh cranberries averaged \$74.50 per barrel and processed cranberries averaged \$47.60 per barrel. The next price update for the 2009 crop will be

published in the *Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Summary* which is scheduled for release on July 7, 2010.

United States – Five Major States: The nation's cranberry crop weighed in at 6.9 million barrels, a decrease of 12 percent from the previous year's production. Wisconsin continues to be the largest cranberry producing state with nearly 4.0 million barrels in total production. Total cranberry acreage harvested in the United States was 38,500 acres, an increase of 300 acres from the previous year. The United States 2009 preliminary price for fresh cranberries averaged \$76.90 per barrel and processed cranberries averaged \$51.20 per barrel.

The source of this report is the *Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Preliminary Summary* report published by the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service January 22, 2010.



CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, by State, 2007 – 2009

| Year and State | Area Harvested | Yield per Acre | Production | | Utilization | | Price per Barrel ^{1 2} | | | Value of Utilized Production |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| | | | Total | Utilized | Fresh | Processed | Fresh | Processed | All | |
| | Acres | | Barrels ² | | | | Dollars | | | 1,000 Dollars |
| 2007 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Massachusetts | 13,000 | 117.1 | 1,522,000 | 1,522,000 | 101,000 | 1,421,000 | 70.10 | 48.40 | 49.80 | 75,856 |
| New Jersey ³ | 3,100 | 171.0 | 531,000 | 531,000 | | 531,000 | | 46.10 | 46.10 | 24,479 |
| Oregon ³ | 2,700 | 183.3 | 495,000 | 495,000 | | 495,000 | | 59.60 | 59.60 | 29,502 |
| Washington | 1,700 | 103.5 | 176,000 | 176,000 | 29,000 | 147,000 | 66.60 | 46.30 | 49.60 | 8,737 |
| Wisconsin | 17,600 | 218.0 | 3,830,000 | 3,830,000 | 230,000 | 3,600,000 | 66.60 | 49.50 | 50.50 | 193,518 |
| UNITED STATES | 38,100 | 172.0 | 6,554,000 | 6,554,000 | 360,000 | 6,194,000 | 67.60 | 49.70 | 50.70 | 332,092 |
| 2008 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Massachusetts | 13,000 | 182.6 | 2,374,000 | 2,374,000 | 128,000 | 2,246,000 | 74.00 | 57.10 | 58.00 | 137,719 |
| New Jersey ³ | 3,100 | 165.2 | 512,000 | 512,000 | | 512,000 | | 52.50 | 52.50 | 26,880 |
| Oregon ³ | 2,700 | 148.1 | 400,000 | 400,000 | | 400,000 | | 91.50 | 91.50 | 36,600 |
| Washington | 1,700 | 64.1 | 109,000 | 109,000 | 23,000 | 86,000 | 71.30 | 52.00 | 56.10 | 6,112 |
| Wisconsin | 17,700 | 252.5 | 4,470,000 | 4,470,000 | 220,000 | 4,250,000 | 71.00 | 54.60 | 55.40 | 247,670 |
| UNITED STATES | 38,200 | 205.9 | 7,865,000 | 7,865,000 | 371,000 | 7,494,000 | 72.10 | 57.10 | 57.80 | 454,981 |
| 2009 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Massachusetts | 13,000 | 138.7 | 1,803,000 | 1,803,000 | 83,000 | 1,720,000 | 74.50 | 47.60 | 48.80 | 88,056 |
| New Jersey ³ | 3,100 | 179.0 | 555,000 | 555,000 | | 555,000 | | 55.60 | 55.60 | 30,858 |
| Oregon ³ | 2,700 | 157.4 | 425,000 | 425,000 | | 425,000 | | 44.10 | 44.10 | 18,743 |
| Washington | 1,700 | 95.3 | 162,000 | 162,000 | 28,000 | 134,000 | 77.70 | 56.00 | 59.80 | 9,680 |
| Wisconsin | 18,000 | 219.4 | 3,950,000 | 3,950,000 | 220,000 | 3,730,000 | 77.70 | 52.80 | 54.20 | 214,038 |
| UNITED STATES | 38,500 | 179.1 | 6,895,000 | 6,895,000 | 331,000 | 6,564,000 | 76.90 | 51.20 | 52.40 | 361,375 |

¹ Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds less returns for processing non-cranberry products, capital stock dividends, capital stock retains, and other retains.

² A barrel weighs 100 pounds.

³ Small quantities of fresh cranberries are included in processed to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

SOURCE: *Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts – 2009 Preliminary Summary*, January 22, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

MAINE CRANBERRIES: Acres, Yield, Production, Utilization, Price and Value, 2007 – 2009

| Year | Area Harvested | Yield per Acre | Production | | Utilization | | Price Per Barrel ¹ | Value of Utilized Production |
|------|----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | | | Total | Utilized | Fresh | Processing | | |
| | Acres | Barrels ¹ | 1,000 Barrels ¹ | | | | Dollars | 1,000 Dollars |
| 2007 | 214.9 | 57.9 | 12.45 | 12.45 | 2.67 | 9.78 | 81.80 | 1,019 |
| 2008 | 196.7 | 115.6 | 22.73 | 22.73 | 2.70 | 20.03 | 94.20 | 2,142 |
| 2009 | 198.5 | 131.2 | 26.05 | 24.75 | 2.23 | 22.52 | 49.90 | 1,234 |

¹ A barrel weighs 100 pounds.

SOURCE: January 2010, Cranberry Associate University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 207-581-2940.

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