

TOBACCO

Final 2001 estimates of **broadleaf tobacco** placed total marketed output in the Connecticut River Valley at 3.8 million pounds, more than triple the previous year's production which was reduced due to disease, but eight percent below the 1999 output. Broadleaf acreage in Massachusetts sustained damage from a mid-July hail storm and farmers were forced to harrow under about 25 percent of the planted acreage. Broadleaf yields averaged 1,786 pounds per acre in the two States. The value of broadleaf tobacco marketed was placed at \$21.4 million, compared with \$5.3 million a year earlier. Growers received an average of \$5.59 per pound in the two States, with improved quality contributing to a \$0.67 increase in price received per pound.

In 2001, producers harvested 2.1 million pounds of **shade tobacco** in Connecticut and Massachusetts, an increase of 13 percent from a year earlier. A dry fall provided excellent curing conditions, and yields averaged 1,605 pounds per acre across the two States.

The value of the 2000 shade crop produced in the Connecticut River Valley was placed at \$46.6 million, an average of \$25.30 per pound.

[Tobacco charts appear on page 50.]

TOBACCO: Acreage, Yield, Production and Value, 1992 - 2001

STATE and YEAR	Broadleaf Tobacco (Type 51)					Shade Tobacco (Type 61)					All Tobacco			
	Area Hvstd	Yield per Acre	Production ^{1/}	Price per Pound	Value of Production	Area Hvstd	Yield per Acre	Production ^{1/}	Price per Pound	Value of Production	Area Hvstd	Yield per Acre	Production ^{1/}	Value of Production
	Acres	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Acres	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars	Acres	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	1,000 Dollars
Connecticut														
1992	650	1,790	1,164	2.80	3,259	720	1,520	1,094	17.00	18,598	1,370	1,648	2,258	21,857
1993	695	1,870	1,300	3.00	3,900	850	1,450	1,233	17.00	20,961	1,545	1,639	2,533	24,861
1994	745	1,890	1,408	3.05	4,294	910	1,400	1,274	2/	2/	1,655	1,621	2,682	2/
1995	1,000	1,980	1,980	3.85	7,623	990	1,560	1,544	2/	2/	1,990	1,771	3,524	2/
1996	1,220	1,840	2,245	6.20	13,919	1,040	1,490	1,550	2/	2/	2,260	1,679	3,795	2/
1997	1,315	1,760	2,314	6.00	13,884	1,230	1,475	1,814	2/	2/	2,545	1,622	4,128	2/
1998	1,435	1,600	2,296	5.40	12,398	1,380	1,435	1,980	2/	2/	2,815	1,519	4,276	2/
1999	1,530	1,650	2,525	4.50	11,363	1,510	1,950	2,945	2/	2/	3,040	1,799	5,470	2/
2000	600	1,500	900	4.90	4,410	1,000	1,550	1,550	2/	2/	1,600	1,531	2,450	2/
2001	1,300	1,790	2,327	5.55	12,915	1,000	1,630	1,630	2/	2/	2,300	1,720	3,957	2/
Massachusetts														
1992	170	1,880	320	2.80	896	300	1,400	420	17.00	7,140	470	1,574	740	8,036
1993	190	2,075	394	3.00	1,182	230	1,495	344	17.00	5,848	420	1,757	738	7,030
1994	210	1,905	400	3.10	1,240	280	1,400	392	2/	2/	490	1,616	792	2/
1995	240	1,920	461	4.05	1,867	275	1,660	457	2/	2/	515	1,783	918	2/
1996	410	1,600	656	6.55	4,297	390	1,425	556	2/	2/	800	1,515	1,212	2/
1997	725	1,825	1,323	9.50	12,569	450	1,310	590	2/	2/	1,175	1,628	1,913	2/
1998	925	1,445	1,337	5.67	7,581	340	1,325	451	2/	2/	1,265	1,413	1,788	2/
1999	970	1,695	1,644	5.10	8,384	350	1,951	683	2/	2/	1,320	1,763	2,327	2/
2000	300	565	170	5.00	850	250	1,160	290	2/	2/	550	836	460	2/
2001	840	1,780	1,495	5.65	8,447	300	1,520	456	2/	2/	1,140	1,711	1,951	2/
New England ^{3/}														
1992	820	1,810	1,484	2.80	4,155	1,020	1,484	1,514	17.00	25,738	1,840	1,629	2,998	29,893
1993	885	1,914	1,694	3.00	5,082	1,080	1,460	1,577	17.00	26,809	1,965	1,665	3,271	31,891
1994	955	1,893	1,808	3.06	5,534	1,190	1,400	1,666	2/	2/	2,145	1,620	3,474	2/
1995	1,240	1,969	2,441	3.89	9,490	1,265	1,582	2,001	2/	2/	2,505	1,773	4,442	2/
1996	1,630	1,780	2,901	6.28	18,216	1,430	1,473	2,106	2/	2/	3,060	1,636	5,007	2/
1997	2,040	1,783	3,637	7.27	26,453	1,680	1,431	2,404	2/	2/	3,720	1,624	6,041	2/
1998	2,360	1,539	3,633	5.50	19,979	1,720	1,413	2,431	2/	2/	4,080	1,486	6,064	2/
1999	2,500	1,668	4,169	4.74	19,747	1,860	1,951	3,628	2/	2/	4,360	1,788	7,797	2/
2000	900	1,189	1,070	4.92	5,260	1,250	1,472	1,840	25.30	46,552	2,150	1,353	2,910	51,812
2001	2,140	1,786	3,822	5.59	21,362	1,300	1,605	2,086	4/	4/	3,440	1,717	5,908	4/

^{1/} Any leaf that is not harvested, or harvested and destroyed for any reason, is excluded from production.
^{2/} CT and MA Shade type 61 price and value of production not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.
^{3/} New England includes CT and MA.
^{4/} Not available until following year.