Cranberries

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1992 Cranberry Production Down 1 Percent

The forecast for the 1992 cranberry crop is 4.19 million barrels, down 1 percent from 1991 but up 24 percent from 1990.

The Massachusetts crop is forecast at 1.90 million barrels, down 4 percent from last year but 44 percent more than 1990. Prospects are good despite the fact that many factors have adversely affected the crop. Many bogs close to the ocean sustained salt spray damage from Hurricane Bob in 1991. This year's cool spring resulted in a long bloom period, an uneven set and now a great disparity in berry size. A series of frosts from the first of April until mid-May also hit scattered areas throughout the growing region. Weeds were also bad this year with many acres of cranberries hurt by wild bean and an outbreak of dodder. The cool summer weather has kept insect pressure light. Most areas have experienced adequate rainfall.

New Jersey expects a crop of 358,000 barrels, 9 percent more than 1991 and 11 percent more than 1990. Prospects are good despite the frost damage of May 19-20. Bloom was heavy but came 1 to 3 weeks later than normal in some areas. Fruit set was average. No unusual disease problems have been reported.

In Oregon, the crop is forecast at 255,000 barrels, 26 percent more than the 1991 crop and 21 percent more than 1990. The crop is in excellent condition. The mild winter and warm spring extended the growing season and was excellent for bloom and fruit development. Water for irrigation and harvest is the only concern outside of ordinary pest problems.

A crop of 160,000 barrels is forecast for Washington, up 1 percent from last year and 3 percent more than two years ago. The western part of the State had an extremely mild winter, with virtually no frost damage to the crop. Bloom was early and extended with good pollination, although a few growers reported lighter than normal bloom. Berry set was mostly good. Some blackvine weevil problems were reported as usual. Water is short this year. Irrigation is limited, and harvest could be delayed, even though development appears to be up to three weeks ahead of normal. Some dry berries are already being reported.

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Production in Wisconsin is expected to be 1.52 million barrels, 2 percent less than 1991 but 10 percent more than 1990. The crop is from 10 days to 3 weeks late, mainly due to cold weather this summer. The cool temperature also reduced the berry size. There have been varying degrees of winter, frost, and hail damage across the State as well. In general, set was good but the continued cool weather has slowed growth.

1991 Production Up 24 Percent

Production of cranberries in the United States in 1991 totaled 4.22 million barrels, up 24 percent from 1990. The area harvested, at 28,300 acres, increased 2 percent from the previous year. The average yield of 149.1 barrels per acre was up 27.1 barrels per acre from the 1990 average of 122.0 barrels per acre. The average price per barrel increased $2.90 from 1990 to $49.00. The value of production was up 32 percent to $207 million, reflecting the increase in production and price.

Cranberries: Production, by State and United States, 1990-91 and Forecasted 1992

State	Total Production		
	1990	1991	1992
	Barrels		
MA	1,318,000	1,976,000	1,900,000
NJ	323,000	327,000	358,000
OR	210,000	203,000	255,000
WA	155,000	158,000	160,000
WI	1,385,000	1,555,000	1,519,000
US	3,391,000	4,219,000	4,192,000

Cranberries: Area Harvested, Yield, Production and Utilization, Price, and Value, by State and United States 1990-91

Year and State	Area Harvested	Yield per Acre	Production Total	Production Utilized
	Acres	Barrels		
1990				
MA	12,400	106.3	1,318,000	1,318,000
NJ	3,200	100.9	323,000	323,000
OR	1,400	150.0	210,000	210,000
WA	1,400	110.7	155,000	155,000
WI	9,400	147.3	1,385,000	1,385,000
US	27,800	122.0	3,391,000	3,391,000
1991				
MA	12,600	156.8	1,976,000	1,976,000
NJ	3,200	102.2	327,000	327,000
OR	1,400	145.0	203,000	203,000
WA	1,400	112.9	158,000	158,000
WI	9,700	160.3	1,555,000	1,555,000
US	28,300	149.1	4,219,000	4,219,000

Year and State	Utilization Fresh	Utilization Processed	Utilization Shrinkage 1/	Price per Barrel 2/	Value of Utilized Production
	Barrels			Dollars	1,000 Dollars
1990					
MA	78,000	1,240,000		47.60	62,737
NJ		315,000	8,000	45.00	14,535
OR	1,000	209,000		44.80	9,408
WA	20,200	133,800	1,000	44.80	6,944
WI	117,000	1,254,000	14,000	45.30	62,741
US	216,200	3,151,800	23,000	46.10	156,365
1991					
MA	75,000	1,869,000	32,000	49.90	98,602
NJ		320,000	7,000	47.50	15,533
OR		203,000		47.30	9,602
WA	14,500	142,000	1,500	47.30	7,473
WI	147,000	1,378,000	30,000	48.60	75,573
US	236,500	3,912,000	70,500	49.00	206,783

1/ Cranberries paid for by processors and lost because of dehydration and berry breakdown after delivery.

2/ Weighted average of co-op and independent sales. Co-op prices represent pool proceeds excluding returns from non-cranberry products and before deductions for capital stock and other retains.

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