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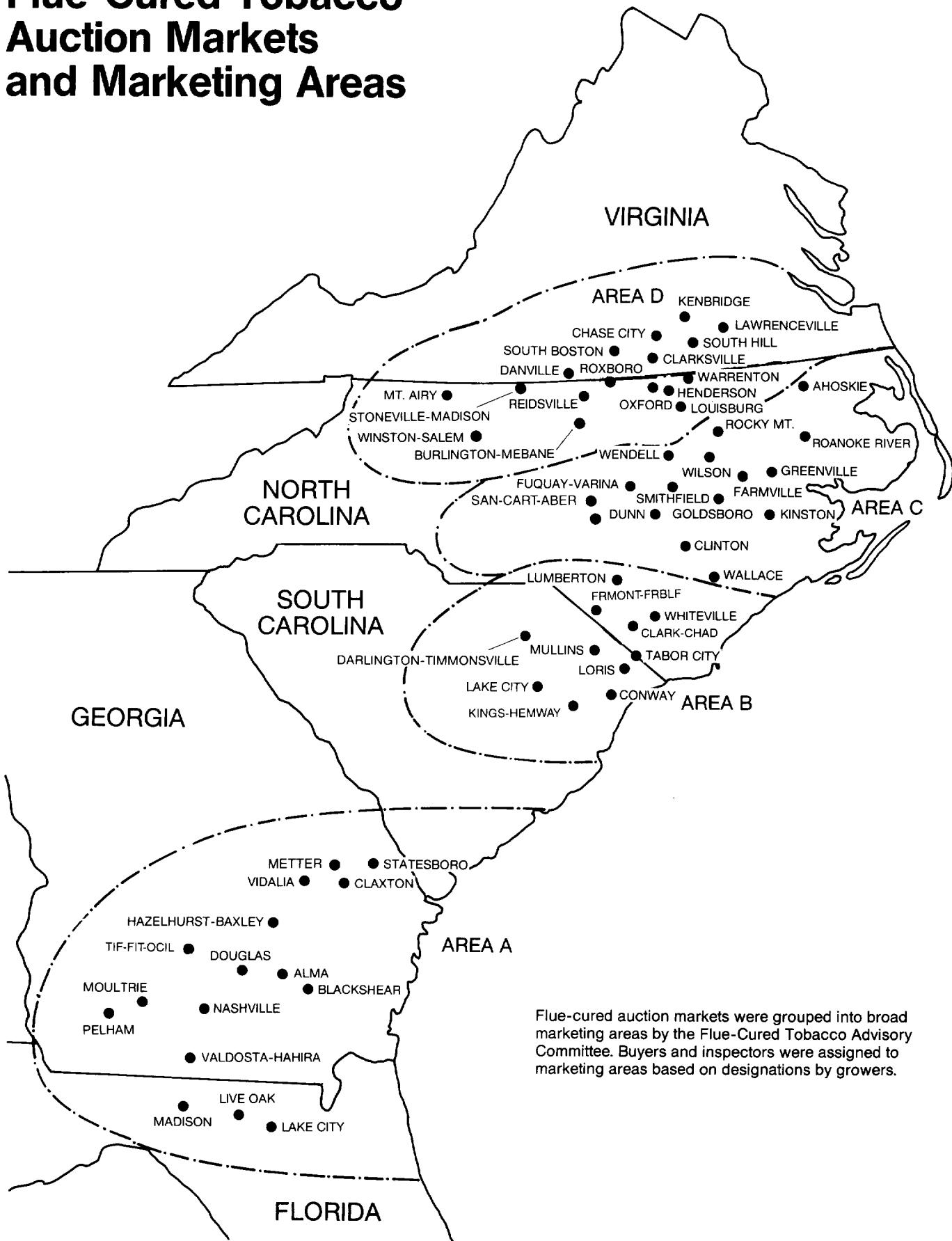
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Tobacco Market Review

Flue-Cured, 1996 Crop



Flue-Cured Tobacco Auction Markets and Marketing Areas



Flue-cured auction markets were grouped into broad marketing areas by the Flue-Cured Tobacco Advisory Committee. Buyers and inspectors were assigned to marketing areas based on designations by growers.

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REVIEW OF THE 1996 MARKETING SEASON

Marketing of the 1996 crop of flue-cured tobacco was dominated by weather conditions for the second year in a row. During the early growing period, excellent weather in most areas gave the promise of a very large crop; however, that changed when Hurricane Bertha hit in mid-July, followed by tropical rains in August, and climaxed with Hurricane Fran in early September. Demand was good on early auctions, especially for new crop lower stalk tobacco, and improved when upper stalk offerings began to sell. Demand peaked after Fran with a bid of \$192 per hundred paid for nearly all offerings. Early sales contained an estimated 7.8 million pounds of carry-over tobacco this season, and only 95 percent of the effective quota was sold. A record high general average price was set, and loan receipts were the lowest ever. Quality was down from the 1995 crop. The 1996 basic quota was 873.3 million pounds, down 6.6 percent, but the effective quota was up 2.1 percent to 944.3 million pounds, due to a shortage from the 1995 season.

SALES AND AVERAGES

Producers' sales for 1996 totaled 896.9 million pounds, up 5.3 percent from 1995. The producers' average of \$183.68 was up \$4.36 from the 1995 average of \$179.32, and was \$2.61 over the previous record high of \$181.07 paid for the 1984 crop. Total value of \$1,647.4 million was up 7.8 percent from the 1995 figure of \$1,527.5 million. These figures are based on auction sales only, including carry-over tobacco, and do not reflect assessments.

GRADE BID AVERAGES

A comparison of grade bid averages to 1995 showed 84 percent higher, 8 percent lower, and 8 percent unchanged. Bid averages for ripe leaf and smoking leaf were mostly \$4 to \$8 higher, ranging from \$186 to \$192 per hundred. Unripe leaf rose \$5 to \$10, selling from \$185 to \$189. Cutters were generally \$2 to \$4 higher, bringing \$176 to \$182. Most lugs were up \$1 to \$4, though some lost \$1 to \$3 per hundred. Lugs sold from \$166 to \$177 in most cases. Primings were unchanged to \$1 higher, some as much as \$5 higher, with a range in bid averages from \$161 to \$166. Nondescript tobacco recorded the largest gains, as most were up \$10 to \$27 from last season, selling from \$164 to \$189 per hundred. Grade bid averages in the Old Belt generally out performed other areas, as they sold 65 percent of their net sales after the practical top rose to \$192 per hundred pounds.

COMPOSITION OF OFFERINGS

Substantial changes were noted in the composition of tobacco offered for sale in 1996. Less upper stalk tobacco was marketed, due in part to the small amount of carry-over available this season. Lugs, primings, and nondescript increased a combined 9 percentage points. Group percentages follow: leaf 53; smoking leaf 9; cutters 9; lugs 17; primings 7; and nondescript 4 percent. Sales classed as good quality or better slipped 6 points, with an increase in fair quality tobacco. Quality percentages were: fine 1; good 22; fair 56; and low quality 15 percent. Offerings considered as premature to mellow made up 78 percent of sales, about the same as last season. The three heaviest volume grades and their percentages were B4K (14.4); B4F (6.4); and X4F (5.2). Rounding out the top ten grades were B5K (5.0); B3K (4.7); B3F (4.1); B4KM (3.9); H4K (3.3); X3F (2.9); and P4F (2.7). These ten grades made up 52.6 percent of all sales during the 1996 season.

LOAN RATES

Loan rates by grade for 1996 were based on an average support level of \$1.601 per pound, compared to \$1.597 for the 1995 season. The Flue-Cured Stabilization Corporation deducted one cent per pound from the support price to offset overhead costs. The support level for 1997 was set at \$1.621 per pound by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1996.

STABILIZATION RECEIPTS

Loan receipts were extremely light this season, especially after Hurricane Fran. The Stabilization Corporation accepted only 1.597 million pounds or 0.16 percent of gross sales. This compared to 11.477 million pounds or 1.24 percent from the 1995 crop. Percentages of loan receipts by grade group follow:

GROUP	1996 CROP	1995 CROP
Leaf (B)	89.6	80.4
Smoking Leaf (H)	3.8	13.8
Cutters (C)	3.3	1.9
Lugs (X)	2.8	2.9
Primings (P)	**	0.1
Mixed (M)	**	**
Nondescript (N)	0.4	0.9

** Less than one-tenth of 1 percent.

MARKETING REGULATIONS

The marketing of flue-cured tobacco is regulated by the grower designation plan which began in 1974. In 1996, the "no-net-cost" assessment was 0.1995 cents per pound for growers, and 0.9995 cents for buyers. The "marketing assessment" was 1.601 cents per pounds, shared equally. These assessments totaled 2.8 cents per pound, with growers paying 1.000 cents and buyers 1.800 cents. For the 1995 crop, these assessments totaled 2.6 cents, with 0.8 paid by growers and 1.8 by buyers. Growers were required to certify that any pesticides (including plant regulators, defoliants, or desiccants) they used had been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and that they had not planted a discount variety. The USDA-FSA checked for compliance by random sampling. Thirty-eight grades continued to be restricted for use, as they were last season, and the special "M" prefix was used on lots that contained 25 percent or more of an adjacent stalk position. When the "M" prefix was used on lots from the "B" or "H" groups, the advance support price was lowered 3 cents per pound from the otherwise applicable rate for the same grade. The 1996 user fee for grading services of the USDA-AMS Tobacco Division remained at 83 cents per hundred pounds.

PRELIMINARY 1997 INFORMATION

The 1997 basic marketing quota was released by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1996. The quota was announced at 973.8 million pounds, up from the 1996 figure of 873.3 million. The 1997 effective quota is expected to be 1,020.1 million pounds, about an 8 percent gain from 1996. The national acreage allotment of 466,379 acres compares to 418,391 acres for 1996. The yield goal remains at 2,088 pounds per acre. The 1997 "marketing assessment" is 1.621 cents per pound, shared equally by growers and buyers. The "no-net-cost" assessment will be 0.1895 cents per pound, each for producers and purchasers for crop year 1997.

**SUMMARY OF STANDARD FLUE-CURED TOBACCO GRADES 1/
Key to Standard Grade marks for Flue-cured Tobacco**

Groups	Qualities	Color symbols		Combination symbols
B - Leaf	1 - Choice	L - Lemon	KL - Variegated lemon	XL - Lugs side
H - Smoking leaf	2 - Fine	F - Orange	KF - Variegated orange	PO - Oxidized primings
C - Cutters	3 - Good	FR - Orange red	KD - Variegated dark red	XO - Oxidized lugs or cutters
X - Lugs	4 - Fair	R - Red	KV - Variegated greenish	BO - Oxidized leaf or smoking leaf
P - Primings	5 - Low	K - Variegated	KM - Variegated mixed	GL - Thin-bodied nondescript
M - Mixed	6 - Poor	KR - Variegated red or scorched	G - Green	GF - Medium-bodied nondescript
N - Nondescript		V - Greenish	GR - Green red	LP - Lemon (primings side)
S - Scrap		LL - Whitish-lemon	GK - Green variegated	FP - Orange (primings side)
			GG - Gray green	KK - Excessively scorched
<u>Special factor</u>		<u>Special symbol</u>		
W - Wet		S - Slick		
U - Unsound				
Sand or Dirt				
M - Mixed				

Special factors "sand" or "dirt" may be applied to all priming grades and to first quality nondescript from the priming side. Special factor "M" is applied to all grades containing 25 percent of an adjacent group.

Individual flue-cured grades

63 Grades of leaf:	Leaf - Continued:	Leaf - Continued:	Cutters - Continued:	Lugs - Continued:	Mixed - Continued	
BIL	B5V	B5G	C2F	X4KR	M4KM	
B2L	B3S 2/	B6G 2/	C3F	X3V	M5KM	
B3L	B4S 2/	B5GR 2/	C4F	X4V	M4GK	
B4L	B5S 2/	B4GK	C5F	X3S 2/	M5GK	
B5L	B3KL	B5GK	C5FP 2/	X4S 2/	13 Grades of Nondescript:	
B6L 2/	B4KL	B6GK 2/	C4KR	X4KL	N1L	
B1F	B5KL	B5GG 2/	C4V	X4KF	N1XL	
B2F	B6KL 2/	10 Grades of Smoking leaf:		X4KV	N1K	
B3F	B3KF	H3F	C4KL	X3KM	N1R	
B4F	B4KF	H4F	C4KF	X4KM	N1GL	
B5F	B5KF	H5F	C4KM	X4GK	N1GF	
B6F 2/	B6KF 2/	H6F 2/	C4KK 2/	X4G	N1KV	
B1FR	B3KD 2/	H4FR	C4G	X5G	N1GR	
B2FR	B4KD 2/	H5FR	C4GK	10 Grades of primings:		
B3FR	B5KD 2/	H6FR 2/	26 Grades of Lugs:		P2L	
B4FR	B6KD 2/	H4K	X1L	P3L	N1XO	
B5FR	B4KV	H5K	X2L	P4L	N1BO	
B6FR 2/	B5KV	H6K 2/	X3L	P5L	N2	
B5R 2/	B6KV 2/	23 Grades of Cutters:		X4L	P2F	
B3K	B3KM	C1L	X5L	P3F		
B4K	B4KM	C2L	X3LL 2/	P4F		
B5K	B5KM	C3L	X4LL 2/	P5F		
B6K 2/	B6KM 2/	C4L	X1F	P4G		
B3KR	B3KK 2/	C5L	X2F	P5G		
B4KR	B4KK 2/	C4LL 2/	X3F	7 Grades of Mixed:		
B5KR	B5KK 2/	C5LL 2/	X4F	M4F		
B3V	B6KK 2/	C5LP 2/	X5F	M5F		
B4V	B4G	C1F	X3KR	M4KR		

1/ Tobacco not covered by the standard grades is designated "No-G," "No-G-F" or "No-G-Nested"

2/ Restricted for use since 1995 marketing season.

Table 1.--Allotted sales opportunities compared to producers' sales, 1996 crop 1/

Week ending	Marketing Area A			Marketing Area B			Marketing Area C			Marketing Area D			Total Flue-cured 2/		
	Sets of buyers opp.	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers opp.	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers opp.	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers opp.	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers opp.	Sales opp.	Prod. sales
1,000 pounds															
July 26	7	7,351	8,105	10	3,371	4,147	20			13			50 3/	11,082	12,252
Aug 02	10,725	11,367	16,386	16,491	22,880	21,772				4,637	4,322		54,628	53,952	
Aug 09	10,718	9,691	16,394	14,479	30,339	26,551				20,379	8,546		77,830	59,267	
Aug 16	10,784	9,173	16,600	14,889	30,745	30,102				20,559	9,521		78,688	63,685	
Aug 23	10,786	10,756	16,603	16,717	30,745	30,994				20,629	12,760		78,763	71,227	
Aug 30	10,788	10,790	16,606	16,733	30,989	31,073				20,657	17,712		79,040	76,308	
Sep 06	8,150	8,150	12,484	8,292	23,373	23,480				15,512	15,615		59,519	55,537	
Sep 13	10,788	9,903	16,606	19,210	30,989	28,877				20,657	18,594		79,040	76,584	
Sep 20	10,788	9,946	16,606	15,530	30,989	26,616				20,657	18,913		79,040	71,005	
Sep 27	10,919	10,910	16,616	16,712	31,126	32,230				20,783	20,885		79,444	80,737	
Oct 04	10,954	11,009	16,616	16,531	31,127	31,370				20,760	20,923		79,457	79,833	
Oct 11	10,920	10,983	16,623	15,392	31,127	29,197				20,762	21,100		79,432	76,672	
Oct 18	9,421	7,943	14,004	9,140	27,538	15,106				17,875	18,149		68,838	50,338	
Oct 25	13,492	2,247	20,121	3,090	39,373	4,469				25,765	25,821		98,751	35,627	
Nov 01					4/	600				4/	21,797		4/	22,397	
Nov 08										4/	10,078		4/	10,078	
Nov 15										4/	1,252		4/	1,252	

1/ Based on grower designation. Sales scheduled by Tobacco Division, AMS, USDA, as recommended by the Flue-cured Tobacco Advisory Committee.

2/ Producers' sales derived from weekly market news reports.

3/ Number of sets reduced as markets closed.

4/ Sales opportunity was not predetermined.

Table 2.--Initial and final designation of the 1996 crop 1/

Market	Initial	Final	Market	Initial	Final
Marketing Area A			Marketing Area C		
Georgia:	Pounds	Pounds	North Carolina:	Pounds	Pounds
Alma	17,467,396	18,019,265	Ahoskie	5,198,203	5,145,882
Blackshear	10,484,138	10,223,073	Clinton	21,352,070	21,728,294
Claxton	6,870,647	7,086,324	Farmville	28,345,982	29,278,229
Douglas	12,336,423	13,033,162	Fuquay-Varina	23,285,297	23,366,839
Moultrie	17,997,439	18,504,246	Goldsboro	27,638,301	28,058,893
Nashville	11,343,400	11,485,866	Greenville	32,728,971	33,987,763
Pelham	5,906,175	5,723,449	Kinston	48,955,772	48,372,796
Statesboro	5,967,851	6,181,353	Roanoke River	29,413,700	29,302,150
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,781,356	5,011,548	Rocky Mount	11,205,721	12,209,310
Val-Hira	7,637,453	7,654,731	San-Cart-Aber	17,765,473	17,325,526
Vidalia	9,893,170	9,635,266	Smithfield	37,360,478	38,567,713
Total Georgia	110,685,448	112,558,283	Wallace	6,038,469	5,889,707
Florida:			Wendell	2,600,474	2,429,844
Lake City	5,985,724	6,307,726	Wilson	75,593,163	81,728,621
Live Oak	9,428,310	9,347,557	Total area C:	371,482,074	377,391,567
Madison	5,097,339	5,113,176			
Total Florida	20,511,373	20,768,459			
Total area A:	131,196,821	133,326,742			

Marketing Area B			Marketing Area D		
South Carolina:			North Carolina:		
Conway	5,909,243	5,869,038	Burl-Meb	4,554,699	5,529,128
Darl-Tim	11,444,694	11,573,857	Henderson	20,572,070	21,171,120
Kings-Hemway	15,299,702	16,472,238	Louisburg	22,746,358	23,279,699
Lake City	29,965,935	30,698,488	Mount Airy	13,580,372	14,519,100
Loris	4,509,363	4,213,125	Oxford	11,675,847	11,764,223
Mullins	35,181,839	36,109,891	Reidsville	17,544,969	19,077,928
Total S.C.	102,310,776	104,936,637	Roxboro	15,988,832	17,526,009
North Carolina:			Stone-Mad	10,805,233	11,102,165
Clark-Chad	12,734,249	12,514,843	Winston-Salem	36,450,969	39,409,437
Frmont-Frblf	31,692,375	34,807,596	Total N.C.	153,919,349	163,378,809
Lumberton	15,875,466	16,087,659	Virginia:		
Tabor City	15,861,888	15,735,048	Chase City	2,593,838	2,506,641
Whiteville	17,659,273	18,559,731	Clarksville	8,356,699	8,567,314
Total N.C.	93,823,251	97,704,877	Danville	49,797,590	51,812,043
Total area B:	196,134,027	202,641,514	Kenbridge	1,050,797	1,039,049
			Lawrenceville	6,248,225	6,367,615
			South Boston	14,719,977	15,574,682
			South Hill	10,756,328	11,265,395
			Total Virginia	93,523,454	97,132,739
			Total area D:	247,442,803	260,511,548
			Total flue-cured	946,255,725	973,871,371

1/ Growers allowed to designate 103 percent of their effective quota.

Table 3.--Opening and closing dates, and number of warehouse firms by type, state, and market

Type 11 - Old Belt

States and markets	1996				1995			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
Virginia:			Number	Number			Number	Number
Chase City	Aug. 08	Nov. 07	9	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 26	11	3
Clarksville	Aug. 05	Nov. 12	24	3	Jul. 20	Oct. 23	25	3
Danville	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	56	6	Jul. 19	Oct. 24	53	6
Kenbridge	Aug. 14	Oct. 30	4	2	Jul. 31	Oct. 24	4	2
Lawrenceville	Aug. 05	Oct. 28	17	3	Jul. 20	Oct. 25	22	3
South Boston	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	48	5	Jul. 19	Oct. 23	46	5
South Hill	Aug. 01	Nov. 06	31	4	Jul. 19	Oct. 26	30	4
Total Virginia			25					26
North Carolina:								
Burl-Meb	Aug. 06	Nov. 05	14	1	Jul. 25	Oct. 11	14	1
Henderson	Aug. 01	Oct. 31	51	5	Jul. 19	Oct. 26	56	5
Louisburg	Aug. 01	Oct. 28	48	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 24	54	3
Mt. Airy	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	43	2	Jul. 19	Oct. 30	56	2
Oxford	Aug. 01	Nov. 07	31	4	Jul. 19	Oct. 26	34	4
Reidsville	Aug. 01	Nov. 07	55	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 23	53	3
Roxboro	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	48	5	Jul. 19	Oct. 25	50	5
Stone-Mad	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	30	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 24	39	3
Winston-Salem	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	58	7	Jul. 19	Oct. 24	54	8
Total N.C.			33					34
Total type 11			58					60

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:								
Ahoskie	Aug. 01	Oct. 24	13	1	Jul. 20	Oct. 19	14	1
Clinton	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	45	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 27	39	3
Farmville	Jul. 30	Oct. 23	47	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 11	46	3
Fuquay-Varina	Jul. 30	Oct. 22	46	4	Jul. 19	Oct. 10	46	4
Goldsboro	Jul. 30	Oct. 22	47	5	Jul. 19	Oct. 17	50	5
Greenville	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	45	7	Jul. 19	Oct. 11	47	7
Kinston	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	44	7	Jul. 19	Oct. 12	48	7
Roanoke River	Jul. 30	Oct. 24	47	6	Jul. 19	Oct. 19	50	6
Rocky Mount	Jul. 30	Oct. 28	29	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 18	30	3
San-Cart-Aber 1/	Jul. 30	Oct. 29	51	5	Jul. 19	Oct. 12	25	5
Smithfield	Jul. 30	Oct. 24	47	6	Jul. 19	Oct. 12	47	6
Wallace	Jul. 31	Oct. 08	19	1	Jul. 19	Oct. 02	21	1
Wendell	Aug. 05	Oct. 10	9	2	Jul. 26	Oct. 10	9	2
Wilson	Jul. 30	Oct. 28	49	11	Jul. 19	Oct. 23	52	11
Total type 12			64					64

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 3.--Opening and closing dates, and number of warehouse firms by type, state, and market
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Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

States and markets	1996				1995			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
South Carolina:			Number	Number			Number	Number
Conway	Jul. 30	Oct. 21	13	2	Jul. 19	Oct. 04	19	2
Darl-Tim	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	26	5	Jul. 18	Oct. 12	29	5
Kings-Hemway	Jul. 25	Oct. 21	40	5	Jul. 18	Oct. 18	52	5
Lake City	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	49	4	Jul. 18	Oct. 18	52	4
Loris	Jul. 31	Oct. 17	11	2	Jul. 20	Oct. 11	13	2
Mullins	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	49	5	Jul. 18	Oct. 17	50	5
Total S.C.			23				23	
North Carolina:								
Clark-Chad	Jul. 25	Oct. 15	27	3	Jul. 19	Oct. 12	29	3
Frmont-Frbflf	Jul. 25	Oct. 17	46	10	Jul. 18	Oct. 05	46	10
Lumberton	Jul. 25	Oct. 16	35	4	Jul. 18	Oct. 10	47	4
Tabor City	Jul. 25	Oct. 16	35	3	Jul. 18	Oct. 12	38	3
Whiteville	Jul. 25	Oct. 22	46	6	Jul. 18	Oct. 12	48	6
Total N.C.			26				26	
Total type 13			49				49	

Type 14 - Eastern North Carolina

Georgia:								
Alma	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	48	2	Jul. 18	Oct. 03	35	2
Blackshear	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	31	2	Jul. 19	Oct. 05	19	2
Claxton	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	20	1	Jul. 19	Oct. 04	15	1
Douglas	Jul. 23	Oct. 24	36	3	Jul. 18	Oct. 10	28	3
Moultrie	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	51	4	Jul. 18	Oct. 02	35	4
Nashville	Jul. 23	Oct. 17	27	2	Jul. 18	Oct. 05	26	2
Pelham	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	16	2	Jul. 19	Sep. 27	12	2
Statesboro	Jul. 24	Oct. 23	17	1	Jul. 20	Oct. 02	12	1
Tif-Fit-Ocil	Jul. 25	Oct. 16	13	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 05	11	2
Val-Hira	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	23	2	Jul. 19	Oct. 05	18	2
Vidalia	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	25	2	Jul. 18	Oct. 03	19	2
Total Georgia			23				23	
Florida:								
Lake City	Jul. 23	Oct. 21	15	1	Jul. 19	Oct. 10	18	1
Live Oak	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	23	2	Jul. 18	Oct. 02	20	2
Madison	Jul. 25	Oct. 21	13	1	Jul. 20	Oct. 05	11	1
Total Florida							4	
Total type 14			27				27	
Total 11-14			198				200	

1/ San-Cart-Aber is the new name assigned to the merger of Sanford and Cart-Aber markets for the 1996 season.

Table 4.--Movement of tobacco across state lines 1/

State in which produced and crop year	Total sold out of State	Sold in:				
		Florida	Georgia	South Carolina	North Carolina	Virginia
Thousand pounds						
1996 Crop						
Alabama	820	63	757	---	---	---
Florida	2,689	---	2,689	---	---	---
Georgia	3,073	3,073	---	---	---	---
South Carolina	12,793	---	695	---	12,098	---
North Carolina	21,984	---	4	2,115	---	19,865
Virginia	6,871	---	---	---	6,871	---
Total	48,230	3,136	4,145	2,115	18,969	19,865
1995 Crop						
Alabama	781	32	749	---	---	---
Florida	2,562	---	2,562	---	---	---
Georgia	2,494	2,490	---	---	4	---
South Carolina	12,831	---	468	---	12,363	---
North Carolina	21,266	---	---	1,761	---	19,505
Virginia	7,616	---	---	---	7,616	---
Total	47,550	2,522	3,779	1,761	19,983	19,505

1/ Based on reports of the Farm Service Agency, USDA.

Table 5.--Producers' sales, value, and average price by types, 1991-96 crops 1/

Type 11 - Old Belt				Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina			
Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
1991	284,703,858	493,645,487	173.39	1991	306,350,494	530,256,108	173.09
1992	280,539,708	493,748,869	176.00	1992	311,062,604	539,201,056	173.34
1993	275,801,125	466,537,168	169.16	1993	310,545,952	528,607,306	170.22
1994	255,550,138	436,411,748	170.77	1994	278,445,985	477,975,177	171.66
1995	247,191,007	446,609,818	180.67	1995	321,210,002	579,458,109	180.40
1996	246,080,631	460,319,259	187.06	1996	332,328,689	609,046,658	183.27
Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina				Type 14 - Georgia and Florida			
Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
1991	189,869,314	326,207,545	171.81	1991	101,766,870	171,831,968	168.85
1992	188,253,945	320,134,328	170.05	1992	121,291,907	204,032,569	168.22
1993	190,609,995	316,225,645	167.48	1993	115,117,580	190,085,708	165.12
1994	173,518,369	294,699,117	169.84	1994	99,872,206	164,892,155	165.10
1995	180,794,475	321,203,591	177.66	1995	102,652,702	180,275,217	175.62
1996	187,439,181	340,500,717	181.66	1996	131,045,377	237,506,796	181.24
Types 11-14 - Total flue-cured							
Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
1991	882,690,536	1,521,941,108	172.42	1994	807,386,698	1,373,978,197	170.18
1992	901,148,164	1,557,116,822	172.79	1995	851,848,186	1,527,546,735	179.32
1993	892,074,652	1,504,455,827	168.65	1996	896,893,878	1,647,373,430	183.68

1/ Auction sales only. Does not include nonauction sales or direct deliveries.

Table 6.--Gross sales, value, and average price: resales, average price, and percentage of gross sales by types, 1991-96 crops 1/

Type 11 - Old Belt

Crop year	Gross			Resales		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Percentage of gross sales Percent
1991	317,609,835	550,548,812	173.34	32,905,977	172.93	10.4
1992	304,180,759	534,907,404	175.85	23,641,051	174.10	7.8
1993	298,316,895	504,731,441	169.19	22,515,770	169.63	7.6
1994	276,477,878	472,324,154	170.84	20,927,740	171.60	7.6
1995	264,833,416	478,483,449	180.67	17,642,409	180.66	6.7
1996	264,507,025	494,349,010	186.89	18,426,394	184.68	7.0

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

1991	343,435,618	594,610,574	173.14	37,085,124	173.53	10.8
1992	336,392,053	583,085,070	173.33	25,329,449	173.25	7.5
1993	336,457,532	573,238,062	170.37	25,911,580	172.24	7.7
1994	301,746,745	518,371,960	171.79	23,300,760	173.37	7.7
1995	347,810,879	627,670,236	180.46	26,600,877	181.24	7.7
1996	359,993,946	659,982,431	183.33	27,665,257	184.11	7.7

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

1991	210,939,135	362,445,995	171.82	21,069,821	171.99	10.0
1992	206,724,528	351,667,472	170.11	18,470,583	170.72	8.9
1993	210,480,935	352,741,583	167.59	19,870,940	168.67	9.4
1994	189,859,398	322,595,120	169.91	16,341,029	170.71	8.6
1995	198,587,831	353,164,023	177.84	17,793,356	179.62	9.0
1996	204,799,497	372,564,181	181.92	17,360,316	184.69	8.5

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

1991	115,202,404	194,861,355	169.15	13,435,534	171.41	11.7
1992	136,824,612	230,292,301	168.31	15,532,705	169.06	11.4
1993	129,934,608	215,067,933	165.52	14,817,028	168.60	11.4
1994	110,939,341	183,397,436	165.31	11,067,135	167.21	10.0
1995	113,617,187	199,826,231	175.88	10,964,485	178.31	9.7
1996	144,064,371	261,347,963	181.41	13,018,994	183.13	9.0

Types 11-14 Total flue-cured

1991	987,186,992	1,702,466,736	172.46	104,496,456	172.76	10.6
1992	984,121,952	1,699,952,247	172.74	82,973,788	172.15	8.4
1993	975,189,970	1,645,779,019	168.76	83,115,318	170.03	8.5
1994	879,023,362	1,496,688,670	170.27	71,636,664	171.30	8.2
1995	924,849,313	1,659,143,939	179.40	73,001,127	180.27	7.9
1996	973,364,839	1,788,243,585	183.72	76,470,961	184.21	7.9

1/ Auction sales only. Does not include nonauction sales or direct deliveries.

Table 7.--Producers' sales, value, and average price by type, state, and market 1/

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
Virginia:						
Chase City	2,402,264	4,492,727	187.02	3,503,794	6,300,415	179.82
Clarksville	8,205,616	15,383,454	187.47	8,734,894	15,834,749	181.28
Danville	49,575,441	92,817,975	187.23	46,413,963	84,175,990	181.36
Kenbridge	975,460	1,844,464	189.09	1,338,242	2,403,745	179.62
Lawrenceville	6,210,881	11,503,675	185.22	7,506,813	13,545,654	180.44
South Boston	14,926,575	27,965,757	187.36	14,408,825	25,823,263	179.22
South Hill	11,002,657	20,546,941	186.75	9,949,370	17,902,596	179.94
Total Virginia	93,298,894	174,554,993	187.09	91,855,901	165,986,412	180.70
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	4,233,250	7,989,490	188.73	3,748,150	6,863,099	183.11
Henderson	19,725,871	36,733,176	186.22	23,534,488	42,464,841	180.44
Louisburg	20,751,142	38,476,368	185.42	24,780,184	44,951,455	181.40
Mt. Airy	14,071,997	26,416,719	187.73	12,144,211	21,795,997	179.48
Oxford	10,832,124	20,206,177	186.54	11,711,678	21,078,704	179.98
Reidsville	17,946,430	33,684,802	187.70	17,588,026	31,914,975	181.46
Roxboro	16,815,799	31,395,087	186.70	16,721,676	30,337,053	181.42
Stone-Mad	10,296,805	19,295,323	187.39	10,164,679	18,246,099	179.50
Winston-Salem	38,108,319	71,567,124	187.80	34,942,014	62,971,183	180.22
Total North Carolina	152,781,737	285,764,266	187.04	155,335,106	280,623,406	180.66
Total Type 11	246,080,631	460,319,259	187.06	247,191,007	446,609,818	180.67

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	3,696,323	6,839,583	185.04	4,094,450	7,326,189	178.93
Clinton	18,996,252	34,646,867	182.39	12,442,581	22,118,779	177.77
Farmville	26,275,511	48,367,411	184.08	22,562,763	40,648,389	180.16
Fuquay-Varina	21,038,744	38,730,541	184.09	19,799,684	35,884,563	181.24
Goldsboro	24,701,057	44,990,547	182.14	24,632,438	44,253,456	179.66
Greenville	30,059,503	55,022,363	183.04	28,654,777	51,406,622	179.40
Kinston	42,205,424	77,018,507	182.48	41,996,365	75,670,596	180.18
Roanoke River	26,534,330	48,711,367	183.58	26,557,483	48,125,968	181.21
Rocky Mount	11,309,347	20,956,542	185.30	11,189,997	20,228,919	180.78
San-Cart-Aber 2/	16,976,538	31,478,403	185.42	15,013,936	26,954,527	179.53
Smithfield	31,287,315	57,069,848	182.41	28,786,876	52,105,667	181.00
Wallace	5,043,407	9,161,596	181.65	4,476,915	8,057,066	179.97
Wendell	2,193,989	3,997,628	182.21	2,802,510	5,102,787	182.08
Wilson	72,010,949	132,055,455	183.38	78,199,227	141,574,581	181.04
Total Type 12	332,328,689	609,046,658	183.27	321,210,002	579,458,109	180.40

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 7.--Producers' sales, value, and average price by type, state, and market 1/--Continued

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	5,769,283	10,585,278	183.48	5,785,393	10,309,987	178.21
Darlington	11,229,782	20,478,874	182.36	10,744,932	19,058,886	177.38
Kings-Hemway	16,338,675	29,706,372	181.82	18,211,183	32,660,895	179.35
Lake City	30,190,262	54,880,668	181.78	28,931,417	51,319,347	177.38
Loris	4,064,662	7,414,240	182.41	3,879,714	6,873,894	177.18
Mullins	34,944,236	63,598,508	182.00	33,558,182	59,670,991	177.81
Total S. C.	102,536,900	186,663,940	182.05	101,110,821	179,894,000	177.92
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	10,166,964	18,225,862	179.27	9,950,925	17,628,665	177.16
Fayette-Frblf	30,949,768	56,214,470	181.63	27,070,255	48,047,166	177.49
Lumberton	13,924,928	25,142,428	180.56	12,855,894	22,828,352	177.57
Tabor City	14,152,883	25,713,212	181.68	14,314,236	25,227,242	176.24
Whiteville	15,707,738	28,540,805	181.70	15,492,344	27,578,176	178.01
Total N. C.	84,902,281	153,836,777	181.19	79,683,654	141,309,591	177.34
Total Type 13	187,439,181	340,500,717	181.66	180,794,475	321,203,591	177.66

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	17,846,309	32,448,376	181.82	12,774,632	22,424,850	175.62
Blackshear	10,019,943	18,197,617	181.61	6,838,745	12,047,498	176.17
Claxton	6,915,749	12,547,657	181.44	5,098,581	9,033,675	177.18
Douglas	12,682,100	22,885,035	180.45	10,818,120	18,820,504	173.97
Moultrie	18,151,023	32,833,740	180.89	13,991,526	24,569,129	175.60
Nashville	11,358,701	20,562,956	181.03	10,488,067	18,536,336	176.74
Pelham	5,560,513	10,045,211	180.65	4,705,444	8,227,773	174.86
Statesboro	6,123,085	11,252,567	183.77	3,328,062	5,741,479	172.52
Tifton-Ocilla	4,844,807	8,788,069	181.39	3,607,655	6,370,149	176.57
Valdosta	7,548,044	13,587,095	180.01	7,349,321	12,891,096	175.41
Vidalia	9,513,806	17,290,668	181.74	6,390,573	11,243,054	175.93
Total Georgia	110,564,080	200,438,991	181.29	85,390,726	149,915,543	175.56
Florida:						
Lake City	6,160,232	11,125,549	180.60	6,011,036	10,546,198	175.45
Live Oak	9,196,908	16,665,799	181.21	7,377,746	13,104,679	177.62
Madison	5,124,157	9,276,457	181.03	3,873,194	6,708,797	173.21
Total Florida	20,481,297	37,067,805	180.98	17,261,976	30,359,674	175.88
Total Type 14	131,045,377	237,506,796	181.24	102,652,702	180,275,217	175.62
Total Types 11-14	896,893,878	1,647,373,430	183.68	851,848,186	1,527,546,73	179.32

1/ Auction sales only. Does not include nonauction sales or direct deliveries.

2/ San-Cart-Aber was formed from a merger of the Sanford and Carthage-Aberdeen markets, for the 1996 season.

Table 8.--Gross sales, value, and average price by type, state, and market 1/

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
Virginia:						
Chase City	2,437,320	4,558,187	187.02	3,575,858	6,422,477	179.61
Clarksville	8,533,239	15,985,165	187.33	9,029,345	16,369,188	181.29
Danville	54,868,545	102,637,065	187.06	50,705,239	91,983,245	181.41
Kenbridge	980,424	1,853,311	189.03	1,343,490	2,412,125	179.54
Lawrenceville	6,310,609	11,685,309	185.17	7,680,271	13,854,780	180.39
South Boston	15,487,682	28,986,364	187.16	15,268,143	27,351,134	179.14
South Hill	11,272,785	21,029,853	186.55	10,201,430	18,333,896	179.72
Total Virginia	99,890,604	186,735,254	186.94	97,803,776	176,726,845	180.70
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	4,378,990	8,250,686	188.42	3,816,277	6,984,849	183.03
Henderson	21,104,532	39,241,098	185.94	24,584,928	44,366,605	180.46
Louisburg	21,821,485	40,412,030	185.19	26,262,080	47,638,498	181.40
Mt. Airy	15,319,265	28,714,572	187.44	13,805,685	24,771,917	179.43
Oxford	11,290,325	21,036,374	186.32	12,132,408	21,836,386	179.98
Reidsville	19,347,169	36,267,595	187.46	19,135,041	34,712,316	181.41
Roxboro	17,940,965	33,479,345	186.61	17,422,261	31,598,176	181.37
Stone-Mad	11,336,750	21,243,844	187.39	11,192,150	20,120,877	179.78
Winston-Salem	42,076,940	78,968,212	187.68	38,678,810	69,726,980	180.27
Total N. C.	164,616,421	307,613,756	186.87	167,029,640	301,756,604	180.66
Total Type 11	264,507,025	494,349,010	186.89	264,833,416	478,483,449	180.67

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	3,889,509	7,197,283	185.04	4,331,682	7,753,056	178.98
Clinton	20,264,237	36,989,818	182.54	13,603,907	24,186,306	177.79
Farmville	28,654,234	52,728,392	184.02	24,786,526	44,639,081	180.09
Fuquay-Varina	22,454,629	41,313,823	183.99	20,852,975	37,789,943	181.22
Goldsboro	26,942,023	49,195,220	182.60	26,837,663	48,254,658	179.80
Greenville	32,263,575	59,034,806	182.98	31,142,156	55,889,128	179.46
Kinston	45,321,101	82,815,536	182.73	45,282,104	81,660,620	180.34
Roanoke River	28,803,959	52,862,496	183.53	28,917,092	52,393,877	181.19
Rocky Mount	11,901,245	22,048,625	185.26	11,511,065	20,812,633	180.81
San-Cart-Aber 2/	18,042,198	33,438,857	185.34	16,278,571	29,248,801	179.68
Smithfield	34,396,428	62,721,227	182.35	31,674,956	57,339,736	181.03
Wallace	5,176,869	9,407,744	181.73	4,724,063	8,503,465	180.00
Wendell	2,274,690	4,143,691	182.17	2,848,921	5,186,770	182.06
Wilson	79,609,249	146,084,913	183.50	85,019,198	154,012,162	181.15
Total Type 12	359,993,94	659,982,431	183.33	347,810,879	627,670,236	180.46

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 8.--Gross sales, value, and average price by type, state, and market 1/
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Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	6,097,594	11,198,796	183.66	6,086,511	10,849,094	178.25
Darl-Tim	12,336,385	22,545,898	182.76	11,878,083	21,091,911	177.57
Kings-Hemway	17,180,276	31,253,378	181.91	19,488,419	34,957,475	179.38
Lake City	33,304,693	60,628,015	182.04	32,529,076	57,780,479	177.63
Loris	4,323,445	7,894,082	182.59	4,150,234	7,356,567	177.26
Mullins	38,570,732	70,322,020	182.32	37,058,781	65,995,513	178.08
Total S.C.	111,813,125	203,842,189	182.31	111,191,104	198,031,039	178.10
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	11,405,735	20,524,680	179.95	10,962,122	19,464,924	177.57
Frmont-Frblf	33,840,016	61,490,085	181.71	30,061,032	53,375,833	177.56
Lumberton	14,812,741	26,779,897	180.79	13,604,612	24,163,411	177.61
Tabor City	15,395,983	28,036,033	182.10	15,560,504	27,461,099	176.48
Whiteville	17,531,897	31,891,297	181.90	17,208,457	30,667,717	178.21
Total N.C.	92,986,372	168,721,992	181.45	87,396,727	155,132,984	177.50
Total Type 13	204,799,497	372,564,181	181.92	198,587,831	353,164,023	177.84

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	20,153,066	36,706,463	182.14	14,376,577	25,291,692	175.92
Blackshear	10,924,213	19,853,825	181.74	7,619,798	13,443,461	176.43
Claxton	7,432,668	13,491,632	181.52	5,606,229	9,943,142	177.36
Douglas	14,188,825	25,660,683	180.85	12,103,092	21,105,184	174.38
Moultrie	19,875,982	36,010,217	181.17	15,433,722	27,140,309	175.85
Nashville	12,365,609	22,419,603	181.31	11,481,554	20,318,913	176.97
Pelham	6,050,185	10,939,489	180.81	5,275,034	9,246,703	175.29
Statesboro	6,619,522	12,137,234	183.36	3,730,256	6,457,460	173.11
Tif-Fit-Ocil	5,354,552	9,726,548	181.65	3,999,594	7,070,157	176.77
Val-Hira	7,994,535	14,390,706	180.01	7,848,359	13,776,727	175.54
Vidalia	10,632,297	19,339,825	181.90	7,161,926	12,608,988	176.06
Total Georgia	121,591,454	220,676,225	181.49	94,636,141	166,402,736	175.83
Florida:						
Lake City	6,697,900	12,125,762	181.04	6,395,901	11,232,237	175.62
Live Oak	10,187,342	18,459,545	181.20	8,291,638	14,749,298	177.88
Madison	5,587,675	10,086,431	180.51	4,293,507	7,441,960	173.33
Total Florida	22,472,917	40,671,738	180.98	18,981,046	33,423,495	176.09
Total Type 14	144,064,371	261,347,963	181.41	113,617,187	199,826,231	175.88
Total Types 11- 14	973,364,839	1,788,243,585	183.72	924,849,313	1,659,143,93	179.40

1/ Auction sales only. Does not include nonauction sales or direct deliveries.

2/ San-Cart-Aber is the new name assigned to the merger of Sanford and Cart-Aber markets for the 1996 season.

Table 9.--Resales, average price, and percentage of gross sales by type, state, and market 1/

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Resales	Average Price	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross
Virginia:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
Chase City	35,056	186.73	1.44	72,064	169.38	2.02
Clarksville	327,623	183.66	3.84	294,451	181.50	3.26
Danville	5,293,104	185.51	9.65	4,291,276	181.93	8.46
Kenbridge	4,964	178.22	0.51	5,248	159.68	0.39
Lawrenceville	99,728	182.13	1.58	173,458	178.21	2.26
South Boston	561,107	181.89	3.62	859,318	177.80	5.63
South Hill	270,128	178.77	2.40	252,060	171.11	2.47
Total Virginia	6,591,710	184.78	6.60	5,947,875	180.58	6.08
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	145,740	179.22	3.33	68,127	178.71	1.79
Henderson	1,378,661	181.91	6.53	1,050,440	181.04	4.27
Louisburg	1,070,343	180.85	4.90	1,481,896	181.32	5.64
Mt. Airy	1,247,268	184.23	8.14	1,661,474	179.11	12.03
Oxford	458,201	181.19	4.06	420,730	180.09	3.47
Reidsville	1,400,739	184.39	7.24	1,547,015	180.82	8.08
Roxboro	1,125,166	185.24	6.27	700,585	180.01	4.02
Stone-Mad	1,039,945	187.37	9.17	1,027,471	182.47	9.18
Winston-Salem	3,968,621	186.49	9.43	3,736,796	180.79	9.66
Total North Carolina	11,834,684	184.62	7.19	11,694,534	180.71	7.00
Total Type 11	18,426,394	184.68	6.97	17,642,409	180.66	6.66

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	193,186	185.16	4.97	237,232	179.94	5.48
Clinton	1,267,985	184.78	6.26	1,161,326	178.03	8.54
Farmville	2,378,723	183.33	8.30	2,223,763	179.46	8.97
Fuquay-Varina	1,415,885	182.45	6.31	1,053,291	180.90	5.05
Goldsboro	2,240,966	187.63	8.32	2,205,225	181.44	8.22
Greenville	2,204,072	182.05	6.83	2,487,379	180.21	7.99
Kinston	3,115,677	186.06	6.87	3,285,739	182.30	7.26
Roanoke River	2,269,629	182.90	7.88	2,359,609	180.87	8.16
Rocky Mount	591,898	184.51	4.97	321,068	181.80	2.79
San-Cart-Aber 2/	1,065,660	183.97	5.91	1,264,635	181.42	7.77
Smithfield	3,109,113	181.77	9.04	2,888,080	181.23	9.12
Wallace	133,462	184.43	2.58	247,148	180.62	5.23
Wendell	80,701	180.99	3.55	46,411	180.95	1.63
Wilson	7,598,300	184.64	9.54	6,819,971	182.37	8.02
Total Type 12	27,665,257	184.11	7.68	26,600,877	181.24	7.65

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 9.--Resales, average price, and percentage of gross sales by type, state, and market 1/
--Continued**

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

Market and State	1996			1995		
	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross
South Carolina:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
Conway	328,311	186.87	5.38	301,118	179.04	4.95
Darl-Tim	1,106,60	186.79	8.97	1,133,151	179.41	9.54
Kings-Hemway		183.82	4.90	1,277,236	179.81	6.55
Lake City	3,114,43	184.54	9.35	3,597,659	179.59	11.06
Loris	258,783	185.42	5.99	270,520	178.42	6.52
Mullins	3,626,49	185.40	9.40	3,500,599	180.67	9.45
Total South Carolina	9,276,22	185.19	8.30	10,080,283	179.93	9.07
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	1,238,77	185.57	10.86	1,011,197	181.59	9.22
Frmont-Frblf	2,890,24	182.53	8.54	2,990,777	178.17	9.95
Lumberton	887,813	184.44	5.99	748,718	178.31	5.50
Tabor City	1,243,10	186.86	8.07	1,246,268	179.24	8.01
Whiteville	1,824,15	183.67	10.40	1,716,113	180.03	9.97
Total North Carolina	8,084,09	184.13	8.69	7,713,073	179.22	8.83
Total Type 13	17,360,3	184.69	8.48	17,793,356	179.62	8.96

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	2,306,757	184.59	11.45	1,601,945	178.34	11.14
Blackshear	904,270	183.15	8.28	781,053	178.73	10.25
Claxton	516,919	182.62	6.95	507,648	179.15	9.06
Douglas	1,506,725	184.22	10.62	1,284,972	177.80	10.62
Moultrie	1,724,959	184.15	8.68	1,442,196	178.28	9.34
Nashville	1,006,908	184.39	8.14	993,487	179.43	8.65
Pelham	489,672	182.63	8.09	569,590	178.89	10.80
Statesboro	496,437	178.20	7.50	402,194	178.02	10.78
Tif-Fit-Ocil	509,745	184.11	9.52	391,939	178.60	9.80
Val-Hira	446,491	179.98	5.58	499,038	177.47	6.36
Vidalia	1,118,491	183.21	10.52	771,353	177.08	10.77
Total Georgia	11,027,374	183.52	9.07	9,245,415	178.33	9.77
Florida:						
Lake City	537,668	186.03	8.03	384,865	178.25	6.02
Live Oak	990,434	181.11	9.72	913,892	179.96	11.02
Madison	463,518	174.74	8.30	420,313	174.43	9.79
Total Florida	1,991,620	180.95	8.86	1,719,070	178.23	9.06
Total Type 14	13,018,994	183.13	9.04	10,964,485	178.31	9.65
Total Types 11-14	76,470,961	184.21	7.86	73,001,127	180.27	7.89

1/ Auction sales only. Does not include nonauction sales or direct deliveries.

2/ San-Cart-Aber was formed from a merger of the Sanford and Carthage-Aberdeen markets, for the 1996 season.

Table 10.--Rank of markets by volume of producers' sales, by separate types and by all types, 1996 crop 1/

Type, market, and State	Sales Mil. lb.	Rank by Separate types	Rank by all types	Type, market, and State	Sales Mil. lb.	Rank by Separate types	Rank by all types
Type 11							
Danville, Va.	49.6	1	2	Mullins, S.C.	34.9	1	5
Winston-Salem, N.C.	38.1	2	4	FrMont-FrBlf., N.C.	30.9	2	7
Louisburg, N.C.	20.8	3	14	Lake City, S.C.	30.2	3	8
Henderson, N.C.	19.7	4	15	Kings-Hemway, S.C.	16.3	4	22
Reidsville, N.C.	17.9	5	18	Whiteville, N.C.	15.7	5	23
Roxboro, N.C.	16.8	6	21	Tabor City, N.C.	14.2	6	25
South Boston, Va.	14.9	7	24	Lumberton, N.C.	13.9	7	27
Mount Airy, N.C.	14.1	8	26	Darl-Tim, S.C.	11.2	8	31
South Hill, Va.	11.0	9	32	Clark-Chad, N.C.	10.2	9	35
Oxford, N.C.	10.8	10	33	Conway, S.C.	5.8	10	45
Stone-Mad, N.C.	10.3	11	34	Loris, S.C.	4.1	11	51
Clarksville, Va.	8.2	12	39				
Lawrenceville, Va.	6.2	13	42				
Burl-Meb, N.C.	4.2	14	50				
Chase City, Va.	2.4	15	53				
Kenbridge, Va.	1.0	16	55				
Type 12							
				Type 14			
Wilson, N.C.	72.0	1	1	Moultrie, Ga.	18.2	1	17
Kinston, N.C.	42.2	2	3	Alma, Ga.	17.8	2	19
Smithfield, N.C.	31.3	3	6	Douglas, Ga.	12.7	3	28
Greenville, N.C.	30.1	4	9	Nashville, Ga.	11.4	4	29
Roanoke Rivr, N.C.	26.5	5	10	Blackshear, Ga.	10.0	5	36
Farmville, N.C.	26.3	6	11	Vidalia, Ga.	9.5	6	37
Goldsboro, N.C.	24.7	7	12	Live Oak, Fl.	9.2	7	38
Fuquay, N.C.	21.0	8	13	Val-Hira, Ga.	7.5	8	40
Clinton, N.C.	19.0	9	16	Claxton, Ga.	6.9	9	41
San-Cart-Aber, N.C.	17.0	10	20	Lake City, Fl.	6.2	10	43
Rocky Mount, N.C.	11.3	11	30	Statesboro, Ga.	6.1	11	44
Wallace, N.C.	5.0	12	48	Pelham, Ga.	5.6	12	46
Ahoskie, N.C.	3.7	13	52	Madison, Fl.	5.1	13	47
Wendell, N.C.	2.2	14	54	Tif-Fit-Ocil, Ga.	4.8	14	49

1/ In instances where producers' sales for two or more markets, when rounded to million pounds were identical, rank was determined from sales on an exact poundage basis.

Table 11.--Season auction bid averages and support rates by grades, per 100 pounds 1/

Group and grade 2/	1996 crop Season averages					1996 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
LEAF							LEAF
B1L	192	192	(193)	---	192	191	B1L
B2L	191	190	191	191	190	189	B2L
B3L	190	188	188	190	188	186	B3L
B4L	191	186	186	188	187	183	B4L
B5L	192	185	183	187	185	176	B5L
B6L 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6L 4/
B1F	192	192	192	(192)	192	191	B1F
B2F	191	191	191	191	191	189	B2F
B3F	190	189	189	189	189	186	B3F
B4F	191	189	188	189	189	183	B4F
B5F	192	189	186	189	189	176	B5F
B6F 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6F 4/
B1FR	---	(194)	192	---	193	190	B1FR
B2FR	191	191	198	189	191	187	B2FR
B3FR	190	190	191	188	190	185	B3FR
B4FR	190	190	191	190	190	181	B4FR
B5FR	191	191	189	190	190	175	B5FR
B6FR 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6FR 4/
B5R 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5R 4/
B3K	191	189	189	190	190	180	B3K
B4K	191	190	189	190	190	178	B4K
B5K	191	191	189	190	190	171	B5K
B6K 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6K 4/
B3KR	190	188	188	188	189	179	B3KR
B4KR	191	189	188	189	189	174	B4KR
B5KR	191	191	189	189	190	166	B5KR
B3V	191	185	186	188	187	177	B3V
B4V	191	186	185	187	186	171	B4V
B5V	191	186	185	187	186	164	B5V
B3S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B3S 4/
B4S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B4S 4/
B5S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5S 4/
B3KL	190	187	186	189	188	169	B3KL
B4KL	191	185	184	186	187	165	B4KL
B5KL	191	183	182	185	185	155	B5KL
B6KL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KL 4/
B3KF	190	189	189	189	189	169	B3KF
B4KF	191	189	188	189	189	165	B4KF
B5KF	191	190	187	189	189	155	B5KF
B6KF 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KF 4/
B3KD 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B3KD 4/
B4KD 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B4KD 4/
B5KD 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5KD 4/
B6KD 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KD 4/
B4KV	191	187	186	187	189	159	B4KV
B5KV	191	188	186	187	188	149	B5KV
B6KV 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KV 4/
B3KM	189	187	186	188	187	173	B3KM
B4KM	190	186	184	188	187	170	B4KM
B5KM	190	188	183	188	187	163	B5KM
B6KM 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KM 4/
B3KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B3KK 4/
B4KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B4KK 4/
B5KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5KK 4/
B6KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6KK 4/
B4G	192	187	186	184	187	152	B4G
B5G	192	187	186	183	186	144	B5G
B6G 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6G 4/
B5GR 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5GR 4/
B4GK	191	185	184	185	186	150	B4GK
B5GK	189	185	183	183	185	142	B5GK
B6GK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B6GK 4/
B5GG 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	B5GG 4/

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Table 11.--Season auction bid averages and support rates by grades, per 100 pounds 1/

Group and grade 2/	1996 crop Season averages					1996 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
S.LEAF							S.LEAF
H3F	191	189	189	190	190	186	H3F
H4F	192	190	189	189	190	183	H4F
H5F	192	190	188	189	190	176	H5F
H6F 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6F 4/
H4FR	191	191	191	190	191	181	H4FR
H5FR	192	192	192	190	191	175	H5FR
H6FR 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6FR 4/
H4K	192	190	190	191	191	178	H4K
H5K	192	191	191	190	191	171	H5K
H6K 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6K 4/
CUTTERS							CUTTERS
C1L	183	187	(192)	---	187	177	C1L
C2L	183	181	179	---	181	176	C2L
C3L	185	180	181	177	181	171	C3L
C4L	185	177	177	178	179	165	C4L
C5L	185	176	172	179	177	159	C5L
C5LP 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5LP 4/
C1F	181	188	186	---	184	177	C1F
C2F	181	183	182	---	181	176	C2F
C3F	184	180	180	179	181	171	C3F
C4F	186	179	179	179	181	165	C4F
C5F	188	179	177	180	181	159	C5F
C5FP 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5FP 4/
C4KR	186	180	176	180	180	160	C4KR
C4V	185	178	175	176	177	157	C4V
C4LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4LL 4/
C5LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5LL 4/
C4S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4S 4/
C4KL	184	179	173	179	181	154	C4KL
C4KF	187	181	179	181	182	154	C4KF
C4KM	185	178	177	179	179	156	C4KM
C4KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4KK 4/
C4G	186	176	175	176	177	142	C4G
C4GK	184	177	175	174	176	138	C4GK
LUGS							LUGS
X1L	176	175	(181)	---	176	171	X1L
X2L	179	166	167	167	169	163	X2L
X3L	176	168	165	167	169	159	X3L
X4L	179	168	164	166	168	148	X4L
X5L	183	169	163	164	167	134	X5L
X1F	179	175	175	---	177	171	X1F
X2F	177	167	170	167	172	163	X2F
X3F	178	169	167	167	172	159	X3F
X4F	181	170	168	169	173	148	X4F
X5F	184	171	166	166	173	134	X5F
X3KR	178	170	168	169	172	155	X3KR
X4KR	185	176	169	170	176	147	X4KR
X3V	176	169	166	166	168	152	X3V
X4V	177	168	165	164	167	144	X4V
X3LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X3LL 4/
X4LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X4LL 4/
X3S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X3S 4/
X4S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X4S 4/
X4KL	179	170	(168)	167	171	133	X4KL
X4KF	184	176	171	167	175	133	X4KF
X4KV	182	171	167	166	171	129	X4KV
X3KM	179	169	166	169	170	147	X3KM
X4KM	181	170	168	169	170	138	X4KM
X4G	176	167	165	164	166	128	X4G
X5G	177	166	164	163	166	123	X5G
X4GK	179	169	166	166	169	127	X4GK

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Table 11.--Season auction bid averages and support rates by grades, per 100 pounds 1/

Group and grade 2/	1996 crop Season averages					1996 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
PRIMINGS							PRIMINGS
P2L	167	163	----	164	166	146	P2L
P2LS	----	----	----	----	----	131	P2LS
P3L	167	162	161	161	164	136	P3L
P3LS	----	----	----	160	161	122	P3LS
P4L	167	161	160	160	163	132	P4L
P4LS	169	----	----	160	166	119	P4LS
P5L	168	161	159	159	162	0	P5L
P5LS	----	----	----	----	----	0	P5LS
P2F	169	163	(160)	160	167	146	P2F
P2FS	----	----	----	----	----	131	P2FS
P3F	169	162	161	161	166	136	P3F
P3FS	(171)	----	----	160	164	122	P3FS
P4F	170	161	160	160	165	132	P4F
P4FS	167	----	----	160	163	119	P4FS
P5F	171	163	159	159	164	0	P5F
P5FS	169	----	----	160	164	0	P5FS
P4G	168	161	159	159	162	116	P4G
P4GS	----	----	----	159	159	104	P4GS
P5G	168	163	159	158	161	0	P5G
P5GS	----	----	----	----	----	0	P5GS
MIXED							MIXED
M4F	----	(167)	----	----	175	143	M4F
M5F	----	----	----	----	(189)	132	M5F
M4KR	----	----	----	----	----	130	M4KR
M4KM	----	169	----	----	170	128	M4KM
M5KM	----	(180)	----	----	174	125	M5KM
M4GK	171	----	----	----	170	117	M4GK
M5GK	----	(160)	----	(156)	159	111	M5GK
NONDES.							NONDES.
N1L	175	166	162	158	168	0	N1L
N1LS	----	----	----	----	----	0	N1LS
N1XL	183	169	166	164	172	0	N1XL
N1K	190	191	190	190	191	143	N1K
N1R	188	187	192	(192)	188	126	N1R
N1GL	174	166	162	158	164	0	N1GL
N1GLS	----	----	----	----	----	0	N1GLS
N1GF	185	185	174	183	183	116	N1GF
N1KV	190	188	186	187	188	118	N1KV
N1GR	187	190	(179)	(178)	185	114	N1GR
N1GG	----	(183)	----	----	186	105	N1GG
N1PO 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	N1PO 4/
N1POS 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	N1POS 4/
N1XO	176	165	163	161	164	0	N1XO
N1BO	191	189	187	187	189	125	N1BO
N2	173	174	170	167	171	0	N2
NO-G	153	148	150	158	151	0	NO-G
NO-G-F	188	187	183	187	185	0	NO-G-F
NO-G-F-S	----	----	----	----	----	0	NO-G-F-S
NO-G-N	----	----	----	----	----	0	NO-G-N
W-unsafe	173	181	(177)	----	175	0	W-unsafe
U- unsound	184	186	183	173	183	0	U- unsound
S- scrap	----	----	----	----	----	0	S- scrap

1/ Averages based on auction sales. Averages are shown in parentheses when at least 10 but less than 20 lots were recorded. Dashes indicate that less than 10 lots were recorded.

2/ For key to standard trademarks, see brief of classification on page 5.

3/ Commodity Credit Corporation loans made available through the Flue-cured Cooperative Stabilization Corporation, Raleigh, North Carolina.

4/ These grades suspended for use since the 1995 crop.

Table 12.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/

Group grade	Type 11 - 1996 Crop							
	Week ending							
Aug. 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	Aug. 23	Aug. 30	Sep. 6	Sep. 13	Sep. 20	
B3L	---	---	---	187	187	187	188	192
B4L	---	---	---	184	185	187	192	
B1F	---	---	---	192	---	192	192	
B2F	---	---	---	190	190	190	192	
B3F	187	187	187	187	187	187	188	192
B4F	184	184	---	184	184	186	188	192
B5F	---	---	---	---	184	188	192	
B3FR	---	186	---	---	186	187	189	192
B4FR	182	184	---	---	---	184	189	192
B3K	182	184	182	182	184	186	188	192
B4K	181	184	183	184	184	185	188	192
B5K	182	184	183	181	184	184	187	192
B3KR	181	184	184	184	184	186	189	192
B4KR	181	184	182	182	184	186	188	192
B4V	---	---	---	---	184	185	188	192
B3KL	---	---	---	---	184	185	187	192
B4KL	---	---	---	---	184	184	187	192
B3KF	182	184	184	---	184	184	188	192
B4KF	181	184	---	181	183	184	187	192
B5KF	181	181	178	181	183	182	185	192
B4KV	---	---	---	---	184	184	186	192
B5KV	---	---	---	---	---	177	184	192
B3KM	181	184	---	184	184	185	188	192
B4KM	181	184	---	183	184	185	187	192
B5KM	---	---	---	---	182	184	187	192
B4GK	182	---	---	---	182	184	187	192
B5GK	---	---	---	---	182	---	186	---
H3F	187	187	---	---	187	187	188	192
H4F	184	184	184	---	184	186	189	192
H4FR	183	---	---	---	---	---	188	192
H4K	181	184	184	---	183	185	188	192
H5K	181	184	---	---	---	185	187	192
C3L	---	172	172	182	184	185	188	192
C4L	---	167	172	180	184	184	187	192
C5L	---	---	173	177	184	184	187	192
C3F	181	173	173	182	184	185	187	192
C4F	173	169	172	180	184	184	187	192
C5F	---	163	170	178	184	184	187	192
C4KR	---	163	172	181	184	184	187	192
C4KF	---	---	---	177	184	184	186	192
C4KM	---	---	173	180	183	184	187	192
X3L	162	163	170	176	183	184	186	192
X4L	---	163	169	175	183	184	185	192
X3F	164	165	171	177	183	184	186	192
X4F	162	163	170	175	183	184	186	192
X5F	---	162	167	174	182	182	184	192
X4KF	---	---	---	174	182	182	184	192
X4KM	---	163	168	174	182	183	186	192
P4L	159	160	165	172	182	183	183	---
P3F	160	161	167	173	182	183	184	192
P4F	159	160	165	171	181	182	184	192
P5F	157	160	163	169	179	180	181	192
P4G	159	160	164	170	180	180	183	189
N1L	153	160	160	167	178	179	179	191
N1XL	---	---	---	168	181	179	179	191
N1K	180	165	---	175	182	177	182	191
N1GL	---	159	161	167	175	177	178	190
N1XO	---	160	161	169	176	177	177	190
N2	---	134	129	158	171	171	165	184

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**Table 12.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages
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Type 11 - 1996 Crop

Week ending

Group grade	Sep. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 2/8	Season 1996	1995
B3L	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	190	187
B4L	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	191	184
B1F	192	192	---	192	192	192	192	192	192
B2F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	190
B3F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	187
B4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	184
B5F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	183
B3FR	192	192	---	192	192	192	----	190	186
B4FR	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	190	184
B3K	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	184
B4K	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	184
B5K	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	182
B3KR	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	184
B4KR	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	183
B4V	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	191	182
B3KL	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	190	184
B4KL	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	191	180
B3KF	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	184
B4KF	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	183
B5KF	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	180
B4KV	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	181
B5KV	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	191	178
B3KM	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	183
B4KM	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	182
B5KM	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	190	181
B4GK	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	180
B5GK	186	192	192	192	192	192	191	189	176
H3F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	187
H4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	184
H4FR	192	192	192	192	192	192	----	191	184
H4K	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	184
H5K	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	182
C3L	192	192	----	----	----	----	----	185	180
C4L	192	192	192	192	191	----	----	185	178
C5L	192	192	----	----	----	----	----	185	176
C3F	192	192	192	192	----	192	----	184	180
C4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	192	186	179
C5F	192	192	192	192	188	----	192	188	178
C4KR	192	192	----	----	----	----	----	186	179
C4KF	192	192	----	----	192	----	----	187	178
C4KM	192	192	192	----	191	192	----	185	179
X3L	192	----	----	----	----	----	----	176	174
X4L	192	192	----	----	----	----	----	179	173
X3F	192	192	192	192	----	----	----	178	175
X4F	192	192	191	192	191	192	192	181	175
X5F	192	192	191	----	189	192	192	184	172
X4KF	192	192	188	----	----	----	----	184	171
X4KM	192	----	192	----	----	----	----	181	174
P4L	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	167	169
P3F	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	169	172
P4F	192	192	----	----	----	----	----	170	171
P5F	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	171	167
P4G	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	168	169
N1L	185	----	----	----	----	----	----	175	161
N1XL	191	192	192	188	192	188	188	183	165
NIK	191	192	192	192	192	191	188	190	176
N1GL	192	----	----	----	----	----	----	174	162
N1XO	190	192	192	----	----	192	----	176	166
N2	184	188	188	187	165	176	159	173	133

1/ Averages based on auction sales. Dashes indicate that less than 20 lots were recorded for the week.

2/ No averages shown after Nov. 8, due to limited sales.

Table 13.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/

Group grade	Type 12 - 1996 Crop							
	Week ending							
Aug. 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	Aug. 23	Aug. 30	Sep. 6	Sep. 13	Sep. 20	
B2L	----	190	----	189	189	190	190	192
B3L	----	187	185	186	187	187	189	192
B4L	----	186	183	183	184	185	188	192
B5L	----	183	178	182	184	185	189	192
B1F	----	192	----	----	192	192	192	192
B2F	----	190	----	190	190	190	190	192
B3F	187	187	185	187	187	187	189	192
B4F	184	186	183	184	184	186	188	192
B5F	----	182	180	182	184	186	188	192
B3FR	----	187	----	----	186	187	188	192
B4FR	----	----	----	----	185	186	189	192
B3K	183	186	181	183	184	186	189	192
B4K	182	186	180	183	184	185	189	192
B5K	181	184	177	180	184	185	189	191
B3KR	183	186	180	183	184	186	189	192
B4KR	182	185	178	183	184	185	189	192
B5KR	----	181	177	181	184	183	190	192
B3V	----	183	179	183	184	185	188	192
B4V	----	176	175	181	184	186	188	192
B3KL	----	----	177	182	184	186	188	192
B4KL	----	179	173	182	184	185	188	192
B3KF	----	----	178	182	184	185	189	192
B4KF	181	184	174	181	184	185	188	192
B5KF	173	184	166	178	182	184	190	192
B4KV	----	181	171	178	183	183	188	192
B5KV	----	169	166	172	182	181	187	192
B3KM	181	185	177	182	184	185	189	192
B4KM	181	181	175	181	184	185	189	192
B5KM	----	180	173	181	183	184	190	192
B4GK	----	175	173	180	183	183	187	192
H3F	----	187	----	187	187	187	188	192
H4F	----	187	----	184	184	186	189	192
H5F	----	----	----	182	184	----	188	192
H4K	----	187	----	183	184	186	188	192
H5K	----	185	----	182	184	185	189	192
C3L	----	173	173	180	184	185	189	192
C4L	167	168	172	179	184	184	189	192
C5L	161	168	172	178	183	183	188	192
C3F	----	174	173	180	184	185	188	192
C4F	166	172	172	179	183	184	188	192
C5F	163	170	172	178	183	183	188	192
C4KR	----	177	172	180	184	184	187	192
C4V	160	169	172	179	183	184	188	192
C4KF	----	169	168	179	184	183	----	192
C4KM	164	170	172	179	183	182	188	192
X4L	160	166	171	177	183	184	188	192
X3F	161	166	172	177	183	184	188	192
X4F	160	166	170	176	182	183	188	192
X5F	160	165	168	174	182	181	187	192
X4KR	160	168	170	175	182	182	188	192
X4KM	160	166	170	176	182	182	188	192
P4L	160	163	168	173	183	----	----	----
P4F	160	163	166	174	179	----	----	----
P5F	159	161	164	168	180	----	----	192
N1XL	158	160	163	171	179	174	176	192
N1K	----	179	----	----	181	182	186	189
N1XO	158	160	164	167	174	178	186	176
N1BO	----	----	166	172	179	181	187	184
N2	140	149	145	152	165	148	178	172

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 13.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages
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Group and grade	Type 12 - 1996 Crop						Season	1995
	Sep. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Week ending		
B2L	192	192	192	192	192		190	189
B3L	192	192	192	192	192		188	186
B4L	192	192	192	192	---		186	184
B5L	192	191	192	---	---		185	181
B1F	192	193	193	192	192		192	192
B2F	192	192	192	192	192		191	190
B3F	192	192	192	192	192		189	187
B4F	192	192	192	192	192		189	184
B5F	192	192	192	192	---		189	182
B3FR	192	192	192	192	---		190	186
B4FR	192	192	192	192	192		190	184
B3K	192	192	192	192	192		189	184
B4K	192	192	192	192	192		190	184
B5K	192	192	192	192	192		191	183
B3KR	192	192	192	192	192		188	184
B4KR	192	192	192	192	192		189	184
B5KR	192	192	192	192	192		191	183
B3V	192	192	---	---	---		185	183
B4V	192	192	192	192	---		186	182
B3KL	192	192	192	---	---		187	181
B4KL	192	192	192	192	---		185	180
B3KF	192	192	192	192	---		189	184
B4KF	192	192	192	192	192		189	183
B5KF	192	192	192	192	192		190	181
B4KV	192	192	192	192	192		187	182
B5KV	192	192	192	192	192		188	179
B3KM	192	192	192	192	192		187	183
B4KM	192	192	192	192	192		186	182
B5KM	192	192	192	192	192		188	179
B4GK	192	192	192	192	192		185	180
H3F	192	192	192	192	192		189	187
H4F	192	192	192	192	192		190	184
H5F	192	192	192	192	---		190	182
H4K	192	192	192	192	192		190	184
H5K	192	192	192	192	192		191	183
C3L	192	192	192	192	---		180	180
C4L	192	192	192	192	---		177	176
C5L	192	192	192	---	---		176	174
C3F	192	192	192	192	---		180	179
C4F	192	192	192	192	---		179	177
C5F	192	192	192	192	---		179	175
C4KR	192	192	192	192	---		180	177
C4V	---	192	192	---	---		178	176
C4KF	192	192	---	192	---		181	177
C4KM	192	192	192	192	---		178	176
X4L	192	192	192	---	---		168	169
X3F	192	192	---	---	---		169	171
X4F	192	192	192	192	---		170	171
X5F	192	192	192	192	---		171	170
X4KR	---	---	---	---	---		176	171
X4KM	192	192	192	---	---		170	170
P4L	---	---	---	---	---		161	164
P4F	---	---	---	192	---		161	165
P5F	---	---	---	---	---		163	159
N1XL	182	---	192	---	---		169	164
N1K	191	192	192	192	192		191	178
N1XO	185	190	188	---	---		165	164
N1BO	189	191	192	192	---		189	178
N2	179	180	180	173	185		174	131

1/ Averages based on auction sales. Dashes indicate that less than 20 lots were recorded for the week.

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 25, due to limited sales.

Table 14.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/

Group grade	Type 13 - 1996 Crop Week ending							
	Jul. 26	Aug. 2	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	Aug. 23	Aug. 30	Sep. 6	Sep. 13
B3L	----	----	----	----	186	186	187	188
B4L	----	----	----	184	183	184	184	188
B3F	----	----	----	187	187	187	187	189
B4F	----	184	----	183	184	184	185	188
B5F	----	----	----	178	182	184	185	188
B3K	----	183	181	181	183	184	185	188
B4K	181	181	178	180	182	184	185	188
B5K	180	181	172	176	180	184	184	188
B3KR	----	181	----	181	182	184	185	188
B4KR	181	181	179	178	182	184	185	188
B5KR	----	----	----	----	179	183	184	188
B3V	----	----	----	180	183	184	185	188
B4V	----	----	----	176	180	184	184	188
B3KF	----	----	----	179	180	184	185	188
B4KF	----	181	168	175	180	184	184	188
B5KF	----	179	167	173	178	181	183	188
B4KV	----	----	----	172	178	184	184	187
B5KV	----	----	----	168	176	181	183	185
B3KM	----	181	174	177	181	184	185	188
B4KM	----	176	171	176	181	184	185	188
B5KM	----	----	170	173	180	183	184	189
B4G	----	----	----	174	179	183	184	188
B4GK	----	----	164	174	178	183	184	189
B5GK	----	----	----	169	176	182	184	189
H3F	----	----	----	----	187	187	187	188
H4F	----	----	----	184	184	184	185	188
H5F	----	----	----	177	181	184	184	188
H4K	----	----	----	181	182	184	185	188
H5K	----	----	----	----	179	183	184	189
C4L	----	166	167	173	179	184	183	188
C5L	----	161	166	172	178	183	183	187
C3F	----	----	173	173	180	184	184	188
C4F	----	167	167	172	179	184	184	188
C5F	----	162	166	172	178	184	183	188
C4KR	----	163	166	172	178	184	184	188
C4V	----	162	166	172	177	184	184	189
C4KF	----	----	165	171	176	184	183	188
C4KM	----	163	166	172	179	184	183	189
X3L	162	161	165	171	177	182	----	----
X4L	160	160	164	170	177	182	182	188
X5L	158	160	162	168	176	182	----	----
X3F	161	161	165	171	176	183	----	188
X4F	160	161	164	170	176	183	182	189
X5F	159	160	162	167	173	181	181	187
X4KF	----	161	162	167	173	180	179	----
X4KV	155	160	162	168	173	182	180	187
X3KM	----	161	165	171	178	182	----	----
X4KM	160	160	163	170	176	182	181	189
X4G	158	160	162	168	174	181	----	----
X5G	155	160	161	165	172	180	----	----
X4GK	160	160	162	168	175	181	181	----
P4F	158	160	161	167	173	----	181	----
P5F	155	159	160	164	171	----	----	----
N1L	152	159	158	162	166	171	----	----
N1XL	153	158	159	163	168	176	178	183
N1K	----	----	162	----	174	180	181	188
N1XO	152	158	158	162	168	177	180	188
N1BO	----	----	----	166	174	175	182	187
N2	152	151	133	154	157	160	180	172

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**Table 14.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages
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Type 13 - 1996 Crop
Week ending

Group grade	Sep. 20	Sep. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25/25	Season 1996	Season 1995
B3L	192	192	192	192	----	----	188	186
B4L	192	192	192	192	----	----	186	184
B3F	192	192	192	192	192	----	189	187
B4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	188	184
B5F	192	192	192	192	192	192	186	181
B3K	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	184
B4K	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	183
B5K	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	182
B3KR	192	192	192	192	192	----	188	183
B4KR	192	192	192	192	192	192	188	182
B5KR	192	192	192	192	192	----	189	181
B3V	192	192	192	192	192	----	186	181
B4V	192	192	192	192	192	----	185	180
B3KF	192	192	195	192	192	----	189	181
B4KF	192	192	192	192	192	----	188	180
B5KF	192	192	192	192	192	----	187	178
B4KV	192	192	192	192	192	----	186	179
B5KV	192	192	192	192	192	----	186	177
B3KM	192	192	192	192	192	----	186	181
B4KM	192	192	192	192	192	192	184	179
B5KM	192	192	192	192	192	----	183	177
B4G	192	192	192	192	192	----	186	177
B4GK	192	192	192	192	192	----	184	177
B5GK	192	192	192	192	----	----	183	175
H3F	192	192	192	192	----	----	189	187
H4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	184
H5F	192	192	192	192	192	192	188	182
H4K	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	183
H5K	192	192	192	192	192	192	191	182
C4L	192	192	192	----	----	----	177	173
C5L	---	---	192	----	----	----	172	171
C3F	192	192	192	192	----	----	180	177
C4F	192	192	192	192	192	----	179	174
C5F	192	192	192	192	192	----	177	172
C4KR	---	192	----	----	----	----	176	173
C4V	192	192	192	----	----	----	175	172
C4KF	192	192	192	192	----	----	179	173
C4KM	192	192	192	192	192	----	177	172
X3L	---	---	---	----	----	----	165	167
X4L	192	192	192	----	----	----	164	167
X5L	---	192	----	----	----	----	163	166
X3F	192	---	192	----	----	----	167	168
X4F	192	192	192	192	192	192	168	168
X5F	192	192	192	192	192	----	166	167
X4KF	192	---	192	----	----	----	171	167
X4KV	---	----	----	----	----	----	167	168
X3KM	---	----	----	----	----	----	166	167
X4KM	192	192	192	192	----	----	168	167
X4G	---	---	192	----	----	----	165	166
X5G	---	---	----	----	----	----	164	165
X4GK	---	---	----	----	----	----	166	167
P4F	---	---	----	----	----	----	160	162
P5F	---	---	----	----	----	----	159	157
N1L	187	---	191	----	----	----	162	159
N1XL	191	---	----	192	183	----	166	162
N1K	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	178
N1X0	192	192	191	192	190	----	163	161
N1BO	192	191	192	192	192	----	187	176
N2	191	184	175	186	187	191	170	138

1/ Averages based on auction sales. Dashes indicate that less than 20 lots were recorded for the week.

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 25, due to limited sales.

Table 15.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages

Group grade	Type 14 - 1996 Crop Week ending												Season		
	Jul 26	Aug 2	Aug 9	Aug 16	Aug 23	Aug 30	Sep. 6	Sep. 13	Sep. 20	Sep. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct.2/ 18	1996	1995
B3L	—	—	—	—	187	187	187	192	192	192	192	192	192	190	187
B4L	—	—	—	184	184	184	186	189	192	192	192	192	192	188	184
B5L	—	—	—	—	183	184	186	189	—	192	—	192	—	187	182
B3F	—	—	—	187	187	187	189	192	192	192	192	192	192	189	187
B4F	—	—	—	183	184	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	192	189	184
B5F	—	—	—	181	183	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	192	189	182
B3K	—	—	—	185	184	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	192	190	184
B4K	—	—	—	181	183	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	192	190	183
B5K	—	—	—	—	176	181	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	190	183
B3KR	—	—	—	—	—	184	184	187	188	192	192	—	192	—	188
B4KR	—	—	—	181	184	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	192	189	183
B5KR	—	—	—	—	—	184	186	187	192	192	192	192	192	189	182
B3V	—	—	—	—	—	182	184	187	189	192	192	—	—	—	188
B4V	—	—	—	—	175	182	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	187	181
B4KL	—	—	—	—	178	182	183	186	189	192	—	192	192	186	179
B3KF	—	—	—	—	—	184	184	—	188	192	192	192	192	189	182
B4KF	—	—	—	—	177	183	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	189	181
B5KF	—	—	—	160	173	179	184	185	188	192	192	192	192	189	180
B4KV	—	—	—	—	173	179	184	185	188	192	192	192	192	187	179
B5KV	—	—	—	—	171	181	183	184	188	192	192	192	192	187	177
B3KM	—	—	—	—	180	183	184	186	189	192	192	192	192	188	182
B4KM	—	—	—	173	177	182	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	188	181
B5KM	—	—	—	—	176	181	184	186	189	192	192	192	192	188	178
B4G	—	—	—	—	173	178	184	185	189	192	192	—	—	184	177
B4GK	—	—	—	173	174	180	184	184	189	192	192	192	192	185	176
B5GK	—	—	—	163	169	176	183	183	188	192	192	192	192	183	173
H3F	—	—	—	—	—	187	187	187	188	192	192	192	192	190	187
H4F	—	—	—	—	184	184	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	189	184
H5F	—	—	—	—	182	183	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	189	182
H4FR	—	—	—	—	—	184	184	187	187	192	192	192	192	190	184
H4K	—	—	—	—	—	182	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	191	184
H5K	—	—	—	—	177	183	184	187	188	192	192	192	192	190	183
C4L	—	166	167	173	180	184	185	189	191	192	192	192	192	178	175
CSL	—	161	166	172	180	184	185	188	192	192	192	192	192	179	173
C4F	—	169	168	173	180	184	186	188	192	192	192	192	192	179	174
CSF	—	—	167	172	180	183	185	188	192	192	192	192	192	180	173
C4KF	—	—	—	171	179	183	183	188	192	192	192	192	192	181	174
C4KM	—	165	167	172	180	183	185	188	192	192	192	192	192	179	173
C4GK	—	167	165	170	178	181	183	187	—	—	—	—	—	174	170
X4L	160	160	164	171	177	183	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	166	166
X5L	159	160	161	167	177	183	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	164	164
X4F	160	160	165	171	178	183	185	187	192	192	192	192	192	169	168
X5F	158	160	163	168	176	182	183	188	192	190	192	192	192	166	166
X4V	160	160	163	170	177	180	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	164	166
X4KF	160	160	161	167	176	182	—	183	—	—	—	—	—	167	165
X4KV	158	160	161	168	175	181	175	—	—	—	—	—	—	166	166
X4KM	161	160	164	171	178	182	177	188	192	192	192	192	192	169	167
X4G	158	159	162	169	177	180	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	164	165
X4GK	160	160	163	169	174	182	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	166	166
P4L	159	160	162	169	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	160	162
P3F	160	160	165	171	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	161	163
P4F	159	160	163	170	176	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	160	162
PSF	156	159	161	168	172	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	159	162
N1XL	157	159	160	165	172	182	164	—	192	—	—	—	—	164	163
NIK	—	—	—	172	176	183	184	189	192	192	192	192	192	190	181
NIKV	—	—	—	—	171	183	183	192	192	192	192	192	192	187	177
NIXO	155	159	159	166	173	180	—	187	192	—	—	—	—	161	163
NIBO	—	—	—	167	177	184	184	188	192	192	192	192	192	187	175
N2	151	156	155	157	163	178	162	185	192	192	190	192	192	167	157

1/ Averages based on auction sales. Dashes indicate that less than 20 lots were recorded for the week.

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 18, due to limited sales.

Table 16.--Warehouse charges by states, 1996 crop

State	Type	Auction fee 1/	Commission on gross sales 1/	Additional charges
			Percent	
Florida	14	15 cents on all piles of 100 pounds or less	2-3/4	Weighing and handling 10 cents per pile on all piles of 100 pounds or less,
Georgia	14	and 25 cents on all piles over 100 pounds	3-1/2 2/	and 10 cents for each additional 100 pounds.
North Carolina	11-13		2-1/2	
South Carolina	13		2-1/2	
Virginia	11	25 cents per pile	2-1/2	Weighing 10 cents per 100 pounds.

1/ Maximum permitted under State law.

2/ Georgia is commission only - no auction fee or additional charges.

Table 17.--Average weight per lot, 1991-96 crops

Crop	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	Types 11-14
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1991	204	198	197	190	199
1992	207	201	199	194	201
1993	204	203	204	195	202
1994	204	201	199	194	201
1995	202	201	197	195	200
1996	208	203	199	198	203

Table 18.--Tobacco received by the Stabilization Corporation, 1993 - 1996 crops

Crop	Type 11		Type 12		Type 13	
	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales
	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent
1993	64,857	23.52	46,066	14.83	70,498	36.99
1994	32,847	12.85	26,595	9.55	24,558	14.15
1995	4,192	1.70	3,160	0.98	3,050	1.69
1996	37	0.02	1,204	0.36	262	0.14

Crop	Type 14		Type 11-14 1/	
	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales
	1,000 lb.	Percent	1,000 lb.	Percent
1993	23,419	20.34	204,840	22.96
1994	13,670	13.69	97,670	12.10
1995	1,074	1.05	11,477	1.35
1996	95	0.07	1,597	0.18

1/ Details may not add to totals due to rounding.

Table 19.--Percentage distribution by groups and types, 1992-96 crops 1/

Crop Year	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)									
1992	--	63.1	4.8	5.8	13.5	11.0	--	1.5	0.3
1993	--	65.2	1.9	6.0	14.0	10.7	--	1.9	0.3
1994	--	59.1	3.8	10.0	15.7	9.9	--	1.4	0.1
1995	--	59.7	10.4	11.7	13.5	2.8	--	1.6	0.3
1996	--	51.2	12.7	7.1	15.1	9.9	--	3.5	0.5
(Type 12)									
1992	--	68.1	1.1	6.9	14.6	7.5	--	1.6	0.2
1993	--	64.1	0.5	6.5	17.0	9.2	--	2.6	0.1
1994	--	63.4	1.9	9.9	17.4	6.0	--	1.4	--
1995	--	69.4	2.5	11.7	14.1	0.5	--	1.5	0.3
1996	--	59.0	5.4	10.2	19.0	2.7	--	3.2	0.5
(Type 13)									
1992	--	58.3	2.7	10.9	15.9	8.2	--	3.5	0.5
1993	--	65.5	3.3	4.5	16.7	6.1	--	3.5	0.4
1994	--	63.1	7.1	7.9	12.6	7.2	--	1.8	0.3
1995	--	58.9	10.4	11.3	14.0	1.9	--	2.9	0.6
1996	--	51.9	9.3	9.1	16.7	6.4	--	5.8	0.8
(Type 14)									
1992	--	55.4	3.3	6.2	14.5	12.1	--	7.4	1.1
1993	--	56.4	2.4	4.6	16.8	12.4	--	6.9	0.5
1994	--	47.4	8.9	5.5	15.5	13.0	--	9.1	0.6
1995	--	56.0	3.3	8.5	23.4	4.1	--	4.2	0.5
1996	--	52.1	9.8	7.2	13.5	9.5	--	7.2	0.7

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

Table 20.--Percentage distribution by qualities and types, 1992-96 crops 1/

Crop Year	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.
(Type 11)								
1992	--	0.7	33.5	56.3	7.4	0.3	1.5	0.3
1993	--	0.5	18.8	58.9	18.7	0.9	1.9	0.3
1994	--	0.9	27.4	57.2	12.5	0.5	1.4	0.1
1995	0.1	0.8	30.0	53.4	13.8	--	1.6	0.3
1996	0.2	1.2	23.1	58.5	13.0	--	3.5	0.5
(Type 12)								
1992	--	0.1	30.6	55.8	11.0	0.7	1.6	0.2
1993	--	0.1	15.4	60.2	19.7	1.9	2.6	0.1
1994	--	0.2	22.3	61.6	13.8	0.7	1.4	--
1995	--	0.7	34.7	51.2	11.6	--	1.5	0.3
1996	0.3	1.9	30.2	52.4	11.5	--	3.2	0.5
(Type 13)								
1992	--	0.4	20.7	58.9	15.3	0.7	3.5	0.5
1993	--	0.1	11.6	57.5	24.5	2.4	3.5	0.4
1994	--	0.2	22.8	60.7	13.6	0.6	1.8	0.3
1995	--	0.5	24.0	55.2	16.8	--	2.9	0.6
1996	0.1	0.5	17.3	58.3	17.3	--	5.8	0.8
(Type 14)								
1992	--	--	10.5	57.2	22.0	1.8	7.4	1.1
1993	--	0.1	8.0	52.6	28.4	3.5	6.9	0.5
1994	--	0.3	9.5	53.3	24.2	3.0	9.1	0.6
1995	--	0.1	13.9	59.2	22.1	--	4.2	0.5
1996	--	1.0	10.2	55.5	25.4	--	7.2	0.7

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

2/ Restricted for use since 1995 crop.

Table 21.--Percentage distribution by colors and types, 1992-96 crops 1/

Crop Year	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 2/	G-GK	Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)											
1992	4.3	27.3	1.4	47.8	--	0.9	0.7	14.3	1.5	1.5	0.3
1993	3.8	22.5	0.3	39.9	--	1.1	5.8	21.4	3.0	1.9	0.3
1994	6.1	31.4	0.3	39.8	--	0.9	0.8	17.8	1.4	1.4	0.1
1995	7.2	33.3	1.5	42.5	--	1.1	1.9	9.6	1.0	1.6	0.3
1996	5.6	40.5	0.5	36.3	--	0.7	1.3	9.6	1.6	3.5	0.5
(Type 12)											
1992	6.1	16.5	0.6	45.8	--	0.6	0.9	25.3	2.4	1.6	0.2
1993	3.5	13.8	0.1	33.9	--	1.1	4.9	34.2	5.8	2.6	0.1
1994	5.6	21.2	0.1	42.0	--	1.1	1.7	25.1	1.8	1.4	--
1995	8.3	27.6	0.5	36.9	--	1.1	1.0	21.6	1.2	1.5	0.3
1996	10.2	35.5	0.4	31.4	--	1.3	1.1	15.3	1.1	3.2	0.5
(Type 13)											
1992	3.4	24.7	1.0	36.4	--	2.8	1.0	22.1	4.6	3.5	0.5
1993	1.1	17.7	0.9	43.3	--	2.0	2.5	22.9	5.7	3.5	0.4
1994	3.4	27.7	0.4	45.3	--	1.7	0.5	16.6	2.3	1.8	0.3
1995	7.1	32.2	1.2	43.3	--	2.0	0.6	9.1	1.0	2.9	0.6
1996	7.3	30.5	0.4	36.5	--	2.9	0.9	12.0	2.9	5.8	0.8
(Type 14)											
1992	7.6	18.9	0.2	30.1	0.1	0.7	1.8	27.2	4.9	7.4	1.1
1993	7.4	15.8	0.1	30.5	--	1.3	6.5	25.7	5.3	6.9	0.5
1994	7.5	24.0	0.2	33.2	--	0.7	2.0	18.9	3.8	9.1	0.6
1995	5.2	25.4	0.9	28.4	--	2.4	2.4	26.7	3.9	4.2	0.5
1996	6.9	27.6	0.8	27.8	--	2.0	3.0	19.8	4.2	7.2	0.7

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

2/ Includes unripe colors KL, KF, KD, KV, KM.

Table 22.--Percentage distribution by groups, qualities, and colors for types 11-14, 1992-96 crops 1/

(Group)									
Crop Year	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.
1992	--	62.6	2.9	7.2	14.5	9.5	--	2.9	0.4
1993	--	63.3	1.8	5.6	15.9	9.7	--	3.4	0.3
1994	--	59.9	4.5	8.9	15.6	8.4	--	2.5	0.2
1995	--	62.3	6.7	11.2	15.2	2.0	--	2.2	0.4
1996	--	54.0	9.1	8.6	16.5	6.7	--	4.5	0.6

(Quality)									
Crop Year	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.	
1992	--	0.3	26.3	56.7	12.6	0.8	2.9	0.4	
1993	--	0.2	14.4	57.8	21.9	2.0	3.4	0.3	
1994	--	0.4	22.3	59.0	14.7	0.9	2.5	0.2	
1995	--	0.6	28.0	53.9	14.9	--	2.2	0.4	
1996	0.2	1.2	22.1	56.0	15.4	--	4.5	0.6	

(Color)											
Crop Year	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 3/	G-GK	Nondescript	Mics.
1992	5.3	21.7	0.9	42.0	--	1.1	1.0	21.7	3.0	2.9	0.4
1993	3.8	17.6	0.3	36.9	--	1.3	5.1	26.5	4.8	3.4	0.3
1994	5.5	26.1	0.3	40.8	--	1.1	1.2	20.2	2.1	2.5	0.2
1995	7.3	30.0	1.0	38.8	--	1.5	1.4	16.0	1.5	2.2	0.4
1996	7.7	34.7	0.5	33.4	--	1.6	1.4	13.5	2.1	4.5	0.6

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

2/ Restricted for use since 1995 crop.

3/ Includes unripe colors KL, KF, KD, KV, KM.

Table 23.--Percentage distribution by grades and types, 1996 crop 1/

Group and Grade	1996 Crop				Group and Grade	1996 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
Leaf:									
B1L	.007	.035	.005	.001	H3F	1.509	1.750	.587	1.346
B2L	.043	.228	.027	.048	H4F	3.984	1.053	2.088	1.834
B3L	.188	.83	.132	.234	H5F	.307	.100	.448	.428
B4L	.216	.709	.347	.346	H6F	--	--	--	--
B5L	.027	.106	.149	.141	H4FR	.143	.108	.056	.177
B6L	--	--	--	--	H5FR	.008	.006	.016	.052
B1F	.151	.238	.022	.005	H6FR	--	--	--	--
B2F	.559	1.257	.299	.716	H4K	4.94	1.579	3.792	3.386
B3F	3.635	7.017	1.902	1.993	H5K	1.797	.852	2.322	2.57
B4F	6.565	7.070	6.396	4.569	H6K	--	--	--	--
B5F	.357	.654	.84	2.051	Total H	12.688	5.448	9.309	9.793
B6F	--	--	--	--	Cutters:	--	--	--	--
B1FR	--	.002	.01	--	C1L	.008	.012	.005	--
B2FR	.028	.005	.011	.106	C2L	.021	.054	.03	--
B3FR	.152	.177	.105	.098	C3L	.228	.577	.196	.068
B4FR	.188	.150	.217	.275	C4L	.495	1.522	.527	.638
B5FR	.015	.006	.015	.047	C5L	.182	.646	.361	.6
B6FR	--	--	--	--	C5LP	--	--	--	--
B5R	--	--	--	--	C1F	.034	.016	.006	--
B3K	5.117	4.842	6.599	1.168	C2F	.131	.069	.088	.004
B4K	17.157	12.686	15.503	11.307	C3F	.702	.819	.591	.086
B5K	4.436	4.117	5.101	7.528	C4F	2.668	2.778	2.307	1.22
B6K	--	--	--	--	C5F	1.302	1.278	2.197	1.334
B3KR	1.027	2.580	.782	.181	C5FP	--	--	--	--
B4KR	1.323	3.551	1.751	1.373	C4KR	.199	.403	.315	.035
B5KR	.104	.430	.203	.222	C4V	.126	.229	.586	.315
B3V	.074	.156	.404	.129	C4LL	--	--	--	--
B4V	.197	.179	.729	.493	C5LL	--	--	--	--
B5V	.011	.013	.052	.063	C4S	--	--	--	--
B3S	--	--	--	--	C4KL	.141	.080	.028	.19
B4S	--	--	--	--	C4KF	.183	.107	.192	.273
B5S	--	--	--	--	C4KM	.563	1.517	1.33	1.987
B3KL	.192	.133	.026	.13	C4KK	--	--	--	--
B4KL	.178	.181	.044	.178	C4G	.018	.041	.113	.144
B5KL	.007	.017	.006	.043	C4GK	.076	.096	.237	.291
B6KL	--	--	--	--	Total C	7.078	10.244	9.107	7.184
B3KF	.619	.290	.461	.212	Lugs:	--	--	--	--
B4KF	2.535	1.331	2.03	3.217	X1L	.009	.015	.003	--
B5KF	.93	.835	.857	2.399	X2L	.051	.132	.01	.008
B6KF	--	--	--	--	X3L	.85	2.274	1.053	.582
B3KD	--	--	--	--	X4L	.609	1.930	2.245	1.23
B4KD	--	--	--	--	X5L	.086	.205	.491	.36
B5KD	--	--	--	--	X1F	.03	.019	.006	--
B6KD	--	--	--	--	X2F	.101	.100	.017	.019
B4KV	.638	.230	.345	.783	X3F	3.814	3.729	1.672	.894
B5KV	.436	.308	.286	1.452	X4F	6.382	5.001	5.125	3.634
B6KV	--	--	--	--	X5F	1.394	.917	1.776	1.587
B3KM	1.499	2.962	1.017	1.226	X3KR	.07	.148	.054	.013
B4KM	1.862	4.687	3.712	6.429	X4KR	.082	.166	.081	.021
B5KM	.097	.545	.608	1.541	X3V	.119	.320	.396	.297
B6KM	--	--	--	--	X4V	.192	.398	.774	.697
B3KK	--	--	--	--	X3LL	--	--	--	--
B4KK	--	--	--	--	X4LL	--	--	--	--
B5KK	--	--	--	--	X3S	--	--	--	--
B6KK	--	--	--	--	X4S	--	--	--	--
B4G	.052	.026	.177	.144	X4KL	.05	.034	.004	.105
B5G	.019	.007	.029	.064	X4KF	.237	.137	.197	.343
B6G	--	--	--	--	X4KV	.272	.574	.311	.79
B5GR	--	--	--	--	X3KM	.149	.931	.331	.374
B4GK	.414	.274	.577	.708	X4KM	.32	1.442	1.167	1.126
B5GK	.135	.071	.159	.463	X4G	.126	.166	.412	.582
B6GK	--	--	--	--	X5G	.069	.081	.197	.356
B5GG	--	--	--	--	X4GK	.122	.232	.396	.434
TOTAL B	51.191	58.935	51.938	52.084	TOTAL X	15.135	18.948	16.718	13.452

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23.--Percentage distribution by grades and type, 1996 1/ --Continued

Group and Grade	1996 Crop				Group and Grade	1996 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
Primings:									
P2L	.135	.005	.001	.032	Nondescript :				
P2L sand	--	--	--	--	N1L	.578	.057	.287	.506
P3L	1.158	.371	.427	.612	N1L sand	.001	--	--	.001
P3L sand	.001	--	--	.012	N1XL	.488	.220	.442	.634
P4L	1.055	.504	1.027	1.528	NIK	.487	.888	.952	1.182
P4L sand	.010	--	--	.011	NIR	.011	.037	.005	.004
P5L	.168	.058	.182	.411	N1GL	.200	.110	.286	.667
P5L sand	.001	--	--	.001	N1GL sand	--	--	--	--
P2F	.143	.005	.004	.032	N1GF	.060	.035	.037	.054
P2F sand	--	--	--	--	N1KV	.084	.084	.090	.238
P3F	1.968	.281	.551	.567	N1GR	.005	.003	.003	.003
P3F sand	.004	--	--	.013	N1GG	.002	.003	.001	--
P4F	3.735	1.131	2.688	3.898	N1PO	--	--	--	--
P4F sand	.017	--	.002	.055	N1PO sand	--	--	--	--
PSF	.996	.210	.903	1.333	N1XO	.485	.414	2.116	2.051
PSF sand	.005	--	--	.011	NIBO	.350	.500	.543	.417
P4G	.384	.090	.445	.703	N2	.738	.842	.988	1.465
P4G sand	.001	--	.002	.012	Total N	3.489	3.194	5.749	7.222
P5G	.129	.016	.136	.294	No-grade 2/	.280	.338	.703	.547
P5G sand	.001	--	--	--	No-G-F sand	--	--	--	--
Total P	9.911	2.672	6.369	9.527	W - unsafe	.045	.014	.003	.003
Mixed:					U - unsound	.167	.179	.100	.180
M4F	.001	.002	.001	--	S - scrap	--	--	--	--
M5F	.001	--	.001	--					
M4KR	--	--	--	--					
M4KM	.001	.019	.001	--					
M5KM	.001	.002	--	.003					
M4GK	.011	.001	--	--					
M5GK	.001	.004	--	.004					
Total M	0.017	0.028	0.003	0.008	Grand Total	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.001. Details may not add to totals due to rounding

2/ Includes grades No-G, No-G-F, and No-G-Nested.

Table 24.--Percentage breakdown of marketings by selected groupings, 1995 and 1996 crops

Crop	Type 11		Type 12		Type 13		Type 14	Types 11-14
	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995	1996	1995
Premature to mellow	83.6	85.6	78.8	74.4	77.6	85.8	65.1	62.3
Unripe	10.9	11.5	16.4	22.6	12.9	9.7	22.8	29.1
Immature	1.6	1.0	1.1	1.2	2.9	1.0	4.2	3.9
Nondescript	3.5	1.6	3.2	1.5	5.8	2.9	7.2	4.2
No-grade 1/	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.5
Total:	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.00	100.0	100.0	100.0

1/ Includes tobacco defined as decayed, off-type, and nested; also unsafe keeping order and unsound. Also includes grade No-G-F.

Table 25.--Group averages by maturity, 1996 crop.

GROUP	MATURE TO MELLOW	PREMATURE			UNRIPE	IMMATURE
		dollars per hundred pounds				
Leaf (B)	189.72	----	----	187.83	185.91	
Smoking Leaf (H)	190.58	----	----	----	----	
Cutters (C)	180.31	----	----	179.39	176.45	
Lugs (X)	171.57	----	----	170.90	167.18	
Primings (P)	----	164.27	----	----	161.99	
Total	185.22	164.27	184.30		173.13	
Nondescript	174.59					
No-grade 1/	167.19					

1/ Includes tobacco defined as decayed, off-type, and nested; also includes "W", "U", and scrap.

Table 26.--Percentage distribution by grades for all types, 1994-96 crop 1/

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1994	1995	1996		1994	1995	1996
Wrappers:				B5KM	.700	.572	.579
A1L	---	---	---	B6KM	.017	---	---
A1F	---	---	---	TOTAL BKM	8.197	7.512	6.311
TOTAL A	---	---	---	B3KK	.067	---	---
Leaf:				B4KK	.246	---	---
B1L	---	.005	.015	B5KK	.041	---	---
B2L	.013	.038	.101	B6KK	.002	---	---
B3L	.066	.251	.394	TOTAL BKK	.357	---	---
B4L	.137	.365	.427	B4G	.047	.076	.085
B5L	.041	.091	.097	B5G	.015	.025	.024
B6L	---	---	---	B6G	.001	---	---
TOTAL BL	.259	.750	1.034	TOTAL BG	.063	.101	.109
B1F	.014	.047	.129	B5GR	.001	---	---
B2F	.104	.331	.756	B4GK	.415	.438	.449
B3F	1.262	4.630	4.115	B5GK	.176	.190	.170
B4F	4.465	5.466	6.386	B6GK	.018	---	---
B5F	.549	.738	.822	TOTAL BGK	.609	.628	.619
B6F	.006	---	---	B5GG	.003	---	---
TOTAL BF	6.401	11.212	12.207	TOTAL B	59.912	62.295	54.038
B1FR	---	---	.003	S. LEAF			
B2FR	.004	.014	.029	H3F	.202	1.199	1.362
B3FR	.040	.444	.142	H4F	.879	1.358	2.274
B4FR	.122	.306	.195	H5F	.156	.162	.288
B5FR	.011	.036	.017	H6F	.001	---	---
B6FR	.003	---	---	TOTAL HF	1.238	2.720	3.924
TOTAL BFR	.181	.800	.386	H4FR	.049	.164	.118
B5R	.002	---	---	H5FR	.018	.025	.016
B3K	8.533	8.636	4.741	H6FR	---	---	---
B4K	16.508	15.985	14.423	TOTAL HFR	.067	.189	.134
B5K	4.730	4.957	4.953	H4K	2.106	2.733	3.345
B6K	.512	---	---	H5K	.952	1.055	1.720
TOTAL BK	30.283	29.578	24.118	H6K	.156	---	---
B3KR	2.161	2.235	1.353	TOTAL HK	3.215	3.787	5.065
B4KR	4.221	2.551	2.157	TOTAL H	4.521	6.696	9.123
B5KR	.418	.256	.251	CUTTERS:			
TOTAL BKR	6.799	5.042	3.761	C1L	---	.003	.008
B3V	.095	.250	.181	C2L	.011	.038	.031
B4V	.170	.331	.353	C3L	.137	.388	.311
B5V	.019	.046	.029	C4L	.537	1.222	.862
TOTAL BV	.284	.627	.563	C5L	.398	.831	.438
B3S	.061	---	---	TOTAL CL	1.083	2.483	1.649
B4S	.027	---	---	C5LP	.010	---	---
B5S	.003	---	---	C1F	.004	.007	.017
TOTAL BS	.091	---	---	C2F	.021	.049	.082
B3KL	.145	.103	.127	C3F	.443	.738	.621
B4KL	.194	.157	.150	C4F	2.261	3.199	2.402
B5KL	.033	.069	.016	C5F	1.894	2.241	1.495
B6KL	.002	---	---	TOTAL CF	4.622	6.234	4.616
TOTAL BKL	.373	.328	.292	C5FP	.006	---	---
B3KF	.747	.736	.414	C4KR	.351	.260	.266
B4KF	3.121	2.595	2.134	C4V	.244	.300	.289
B5KF	1.145	1.299	1.109	C4LL	.002	---	---
B6KF	.108	---	---	C5LL	.001	---	---
TOTAL BKF	5.121	4.630	3.657	TOTAL CLL	.003	---	---
B3KD	.003	---	---	C4S	.084	---	---
B4KD	.039	---	---	C4KL	.087	.129	.104
B5KD	.091	---	---	C4KF	.184	.153	.174
B6KD	.033	---	---	C4KM	1.945	1.452	1.264
TOTAL BKD	.167	---	---	C4KK	.067	---	---
B4KV	.353	.551	.462	C4G	.049	.062	.066
B5KV	.312	.535	.518	C4GK	.159	.107	.151
B6KV	.057	---	---	TOTAL C	8.893	11.180	8.579
TOTAL BKV	.722	1.087	.980	LUGS:			
B3KM	2.535	3.028	1.832	X1L	.005	.002	.008
B4KM	4.945	3.913	3.899	X2L	.020	.040	.062
			X3L	.698	1.350	1.321	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 26.--Percentage distribution by grades for all types, 1994 - 96 crop 1/-Continued

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1994	1995	1996		1994	1995	1996
X4L	1.152	1.685	1.496	P4F	3.517	.794	2.676
X5L	.213	.290	.256	P4F sand	.009	.004	.014
TOTAL XL	2.088	3.368	3.144	P5F	.912	.162	.769
X1F	.007	.004	.017	P5F sand	.002	---	.003
X2F	.044	.068	.070	TOTAL PF	5.762	1.225	4.403
X3F	1.808	2.757	2.868	P4G	.447	.088	.350
X4F	4.750	4.684	5.229	P4G sand	.001	---	.002
X5F	1.447	1.133	1.350	P5G	.111	.022	.119
TOTAL XF	8.055	8.645	9.534	P5G sand	---	---	---
X3KR	.110	.066	.084	TOTAL PG	.558	.110	.471
X4KR	.144	.060	.100	TOTAL P	8.400	2.020	6.698
TOTAL XKR	.254	.126	.184	MIXED:			
X3V	.185	.219	.273	M4F	.001	---	.001
X4V	.390	.369	.465	M5F	---	---	.001
TOTAL XV	.575	.588	.738	TOTAL MF	.001	---	.002
X3LL	---	---	---	M4KR	---	---	---
X4LL	.002	---	---	M4KM	.001	.002	.007
TOTAL XLL	.002	---	---	M5KM	.002	.001	.002
X3S	.035	---	---	TOTAL MKM	.003	.003	.008
X4S	.014	---	---	M4GK	---	---	.003
TOTAL XS	.049	---	---	M5GK	---	.002	.002
X4KL	.040	.132	.043	TOTAL MGK	---	.003	.006
X4KF	.186	.331	.212	TOTAL M	.004	.006	.016
X4KV	.453	.283	.460	NONDESCRIPT:			
X3KM	1.054	.497	.481	N1L	.237	.079	.332
X4KM	2.185	.806	.998	N1L sand	---	---	---
TOTAL XKM	3.239	1.303	1.478	N1XL	.309	.304	.412
X4G	.211	.243	.272	N1K	.156	.487	.828
X5G	.109	.071	.145	N1R	.004	.047	.017
TOTAL XG	.320	.314	.417	N1GL	.167	.093	.261
X4GK	.294	.144	.266	N1GL sand	---	---	---
TOTAL X	15.555	15.234	16.475	N1GF	.013	.048	.045
PRIMINGS:				N1KV	.033	.119	.109
P2L	.071	.016	.047	N1GR	---	.004	.004
P2L sand	---	---	---	N1GG	---	.001	.002
P3L	.646	.227	.655	N1PO	.565	---	---
P3L sand	---	---	.002	N1PO sand	---	---	---
P4L	1.137	.387	.941	N1XO	.461	.388	1.060
P4L sand	.005	.001	.005	N1BO	.203	.161	.452
P5L	.219	.054	.172	N2	.361	.466	.939
P5L sand	.001	---	.001	TOTAL N	2.508	2.199	4.462
TOTAL PL	2.080	.685	1.823	No-Grade 2/	.207	.370	.610
P2F	.120	.018	.050	GRAND TOTAL	100.000	100.000	100.000
P2F sand	---	---	---				
P3F	1.202	.245	.888				
P3F sand	---	.001	.003				

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2/ Includes tobacco defined as decayed, off-type, nested, unsafe keeping order, and unsound. Also includes grade No-G-F sand, which totaled 0.000 percent in 1996.

Table 27.--Average price by grade groups and types, 1996 and 1995 crops

Type	1996						1995					
	Group						Group					
	B	H	C	X	P	N	B	H	C	X	P	N
11	191	192	186	180	169	180	184	184	179	174	170	160
12	189	190	179	170	162	179	184	185	176	170	162	158
13	188	190	177	166	160	171	183	184	173	167	160	162
14	189	190	179	167	160	169	182	184	173	164	154	167
11-14	189	191	180	171	164	175	183	184	176	169	163	162

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