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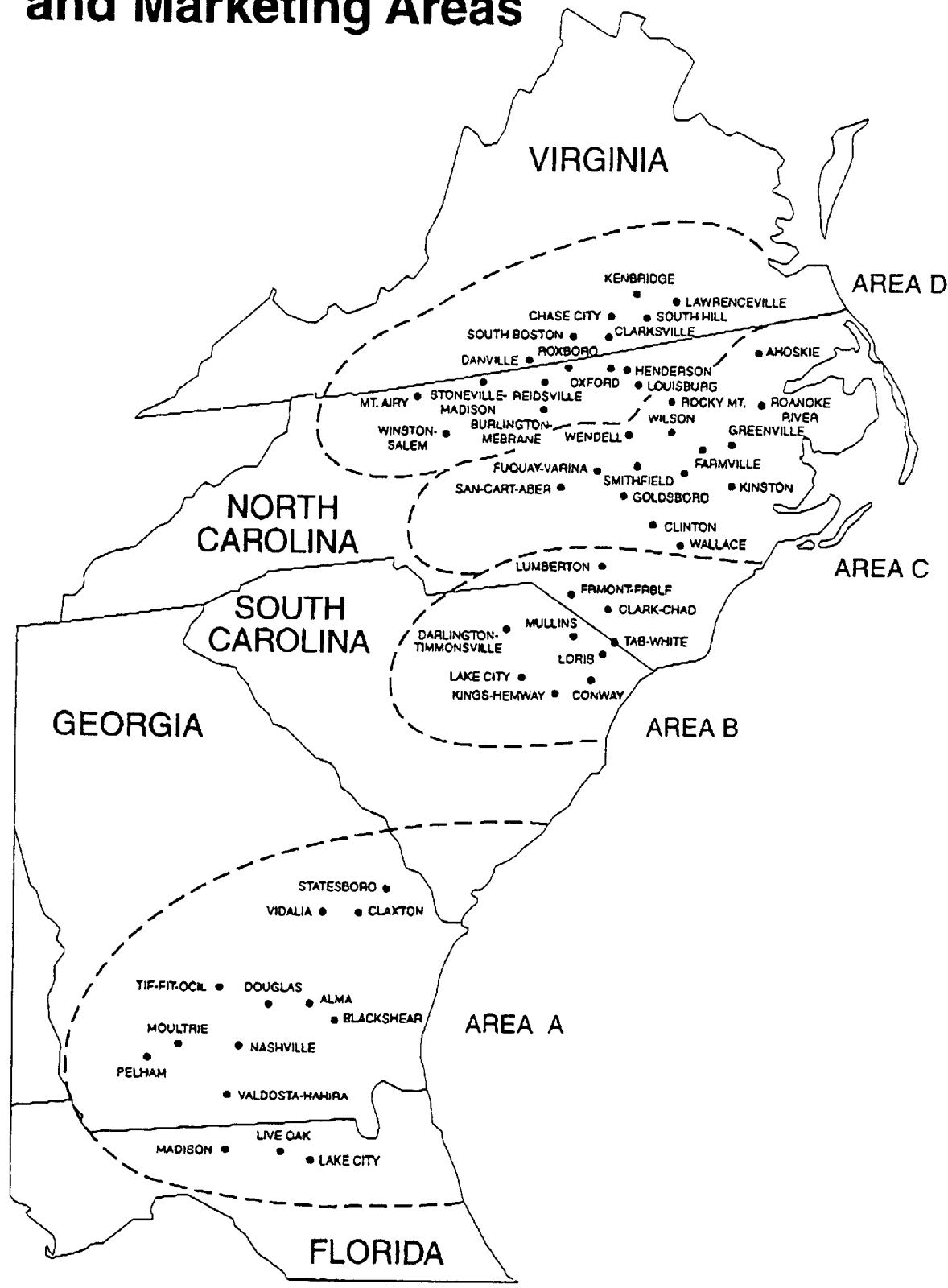
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# Tobacco Market Review

## Flue-Cured, 1997 Crop



# Flue-Cured Tobacco Auction Markets and Marketing Areas



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## REVIEW OF THE 1997 MARKETING SEASON

The 1997 flue-cured tobacco auction season was a "buyers market," as opposed to the past two years when supply was short of demand. An increase in the basic quota to 973.8 million pounds, and under marketings of 45.9 million, gave an effective quota of more than one billion pounds for 1997. Loan receipts were dramatically higher than the past two years, but this was expected since reserve coop stocks were very low going into the season. Early sales contained an estimated 23.8 million pounds of leaf carried over from the 1996 production. Some extended dry periods hampered farmers, but led more to curing problems than to a loss in production. The practical top bid was considered to be \$187, down from the \$192 of last season. Bid averages by grade were down from 1996 levels, some substantially, but quality of the crop was slightly improved.

## SALES AND AVERAGES

Producers' sales for 1997 totaled 1,008,059,348 pounds, up 12.4 percent from 1996. The producers' average of \$172.35 was down \$11.33 from the 1996 average of \$183.68 per hundred pounds. Total value of \$1,737.4 million was up 5.5 percent from the 1996 level of \$1,647.4 million. These figures are based on auction sales only, including carry-over, and do not reflect assessments.

## GRADE BID AVERAGES

All grade bid averages were down from levels set for the 1996 crop. Ripe leaf (B) and smoking leaf (H) tobacco lost \$1 to \$13, selling mostly between \$177 and \$187 this season. Unripe leaf was down \$8 to \$28, and brought \$165 to \$178. Cutters (C) dropped mostly \$2 to \$13, ranging between \$155 and \$179 per hundred. Lug (X) grades were off \$4 to \$29, averaging between \$143 and \$162 in most cases. Primings (P) declined \$8 to \$27, selling from \$137 to \$156. Nondescript tobacco plunged \$28 to \$68 this season, bringing \$103 to \$156 per hundred pounds.

## COMPOSITION OF OFFERINGS

An analysis of the different quality factors showed tobacco sold this season to be slightly better than the 1996 crop. On a stalk position basis, leaf and smoking leaf combined for 66 percent of all sales, up 3 points from 1996. Cutters declined 2 points to 7 percent; lugs gained 2 points to 18 percent; and primings were down only 1 point to 6 percent this year. Also, nondescript sales made up only 2 percent, a decrease of better than 2 points. From a quality standpoint, "fair" and "good" increased to 60 and 24 percent, respectively, up a combined 6 percentage points this season. "Low" quality dropped 3 points to 13 percent. Measuring ripeness, 79 percent was considered to be mature to mellow, about the same as last year; however, less tobacco graded lemon or orange colors, with variegated (K) gaining substantially. The three heaviest volume grades and their percentages were: B4K (17.3); B3K (9.3); and B4F (7.9). Rounding out the top ten grades were: X4F (5.7); B5K (4.7); B4KM (3.8); X3F (2.8); B3F (2.7); P4F (2.7); and B4KF (2.5). These ten grades made up 59.4 percent of all sales during the 1997 season.

## LOAN RATES

Loan rates by grade for 1997 were based on an average support level of \$1.621 per pound, compared to \$1.601 for the 1996 season. The Flue-Cured Stabilization Corporation deducted one cent per pound from the support price to offset overhead costs. The support level for 1998 was set at \$1.628 per pound by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1997.

## STABILIZATION RECEIPTS

Loan receipts were up sharply this season, especially after the very low totals from the previous two crops. The Stabilization Corporation accepted 194.3 million pounds, or 19.3 percent of net sales. This compared to 1.6 million pounds from the 1996 crop. Percentages of loan receipts by grade group follow:

GROUP	1997 CROP	1996 CROP
Leaf (B)	79.6	89.6
Smoking Leaf (H)	5.9	3.8
Cutters (C)	2.6	3.3
Lugs (X)	9.9	2.8
Primings (P)	1.0	**
Mixed (M)	**	**
Nondescript (N)	1.0	0.4

\*\* Less than one-tenth of one percent.

## MARKETING REGULATIONS

The marketing of flue-cured tobacco is regulated by the grower designation plan which began in 1974. In 1997, the "no-net-cost" assessment was 0.1895 cents per pound for both growers and buyers. The "marketing assessment" was 1.621 cents per pound, shared equally. These assessments totaled 2.0 cents per pound, with growers paying 1.0 cent and buyers 1.0 cent. For the 1996 crop, these assessments totaled 2.8 cents, with 1.0 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 5 cents per pound from the otherwise applicable rate for the same grade. The 1997 user fee for grading services of the USDA-AMS Tobacco Division remained at 83 cents per hundred pounds.

## PRELIMINARY 1998 INFORMATION

The 1998 basic marketing quota was released by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1997. The quota was announced at 807.6 million pounds, down from the 1997 figure of 973.8 million. The 1998 effective quota is expected to be 813.0 million pounds, or 20 percent below 1997. The national acreage allotment of 386,782 acres compares to 466,379 acres for 1997. The yield goal remains at 2,088 pounds per acre. The 1998 "marketing assessment" and "no-net-cost assessment" are expected to total 1.0 cent per pound for both growers and buyers.

**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	
B1F	B5KL	B5GG 2/	C4V	X4KF	
B2F	B6KL 2/	10 Grades of Smoking leaf:		C4S 2/	
B3F	B3KF	H3F	C4KL	X4KV	
B4F	B4KF	H4F	C4KF	X3KM	
B5F	B5KF	H5F	C4KM	X4KM	
B6F 2/	B6KF 2/	H6F 2/	C4KK 2/	X4G	
B1FR	B3KD 2/	H4FR	C4G	X5G	
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	N1PO 2/
B5FR	B4KV	H5K	X2L	P4L	N1XO
B6FR 2/	B5KV	H6K 2/	X3L	P5L	N1BO
B5R 2/	B6KV 2/	23 Grades of Cutters:		X4L	N2
B3K	B3KM	C1L	X5L	P2F	
B4K	B4KM	C2L	X3LL 2/	P3F	
B5K	B5KM	C3L	X4LL 2/	P4F	
B6K 2/	B6KM 2/	C4L	X1F	P5F	
B3KR	B3KK 2/	C5L	X2F	P4G	
B4KR	B4KK 2/	C4LL 2/	X3F	7 Grades of Mixed:	
B5KR	B5KK 2/	C5LL 2/	X4F	M4F	
B3V	B6KK 2/	C5LP 2/	X5F	MSF	
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, 1997 crop 1/**

Week ending	Marketing Area A				Marketing Area B				Marketing Area C				Marketing Area D				Total Flue-cured 2/	
	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales	Sets of buyers	Sales opp.	Prod. sales
1,000 pounds																		
July 25	6	7,253	7,757	11	8,516	7,527	20			13			50	3/	15,769	15,284		
Aug 01	11,106	11,036		19,593	15,978		27,881	9,425					58,580		36,439			
Aug 08	10,638	9,769		18,746	15,123		35,350	15,765		17,502	8,211		82,236		48,868			
Aug 15	10,553	7,138		18,552	14,288		35,683	22,083		23,125	6,773		87,913		50,282			
Aug 22	10,581	8,574		18,545	17,989		35,683	26,080		23,125	10,728		87,934		63,371			
Aug 29	10,552	10,192		18,565	18,627		35,813	32,590		23,147	14,480		88,077		75,889			
Sep 05	7,907	7,836		13,950	13,944		27,019	26,896		17,381	15,466		66,257		64,142			
Sep 12	9,152	9,204		16,101	16,224		31,081	31,031		20,083	18,633		76,417		75,092			
Sep 19	9,198	9,214		16,222	16,161		31,156	31,225		20,079	19,804		76,655		76,404			
Sep 26	9,562	9,546		16,872	17,010		32,294	32,414		20,868	21,090		79,596		80,060			
Oct 03	9,552	9,185		16,881	16,973		32,405	32,185		20,760	20,862		79,598		79,205			
Oct 10	9,987	8,799		17,626	17,610		33,878	33,782		21,819	22,560		83,310		82,751			
Oct 17	7,939	4,760		13,900	13,076		25,712	26,356		16,996	16,733		64,547		60,925			
Oct 24	11,172	39		19,823	11,643		36,430	37,163		24,501	25,892		91,926		74,737			
Oct 31		21,475	5,422		39,543	33,402		27,841	27,892				88,859		66,716			
Nov 07		21,778	93		39,555	15,730		30,347	27,628				91,680		43,451			
Nov 14					22,998	3,332		21,718	10,185				44,716		13,517			

1/ Based on grower designation. Sales scheduled by Tobacco Programs, 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.

**Table 2.--Initial and final designation of the 1997 crop 1/**

Market	Initial	Final	Market	Initial	Final
Marketing Area A			Marketing Area C		
Georgia:	Pounds	Pounds	North Carolina:	Pounds	Pounds
Alma	16,566,790	16,879,970	Ahoskie	6,220,923	5,462,718
Blackshear	9,502,758	9,320,364	Clinton	22,697,625	22,155,637
Claxton	6,489,428	6,745,441	Farmville	31,313,078	32,490,745
Douglas	12,765,794	13,024,331	Fuquay-Varina	27,390,312	27,642,438
Moultrie	17,514,918	18,554,127	Goldsboro	29,618,308	30,345,406
Nashville	10,929,637	11,106,518	Greenville	34,882,599	37,032,574
Pelham	5,108,757	4,555,252	Kinston	56,024,572	57,825,541
Statesboro	5,224,222	5,077,624	Roanoke River	32,451,782	33,597,128
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,443,855	4,708,757	Rocky Mount	12,705,348	12,952,704
Val-Hira	7,688,527	7,411,474	San-Cart-Aber	17,414,333	16,839,712
Vidalia	8,414,790	8,326,699	Smithfield	43,892,514	48,659,413
Total Georgia	104,649,476	105,710,557	Wallace	6,236,910	6,271,192
Florida:			Wendell	2,995,354	3,231,038
Lake City	6,264,109	6,333,651	Wilson	88,976,570	88,544,248
Live Oak	8,972,854	9,096,269	Total area C:	412,820,228	423,050,494
Madison	4,839,535	5,171,531			
Total Florida	20,076,498	20,601,451			
Total area A:	124,725,974	126,312,008			

Marketing Area B			Marketing Area D		
South Carolina:			North Carolina:		
Conway	6,420,879	6,166,798	Burl-Meb	4,626,934	4,733,755
Darl-Tim	12,340,203	12,685,073	Henderson	24,161,704	25,040,016
Kings-Hemway	16,948,126	17,481,473	Louisburg	25,117,833	25,080,032
Lake City	32,038,892	32,401,843	Mount Airy	14,676,792	14,604,040
Loris	4,818,542	4,995,990	Oxford	13,722,849	14,502,705
Mullins	37,253,021	38,835,466	Reidsville	19,110,693	19,920,202
Total S.C.	109,819,663	112,566,643	Roxboro	18,043,160	18,036,153
North Carolina:			Stone-Mad	10,905,672	10,485,309
Clark-Chad	13,592,785	13,839,102	Winston-Salem	39,480,606	40,537,778
Frmont-Frblf	36,556,960	38,263,449	Total N.C.	169,846,243	172,939,990
Lumberton	18,202,496	17,628,540	Virginia:		
Tab-White 2/	37,703,220	40,253,484	Chase City	2,836,991	2,790,561
Total N.C.	106,055,461	109,984,575	Clarksville	7,186,329	7,619,482
Total area B:	215,875,124	222,551,218	Danville	54,160,008	55,251,729
			Kenbridge	970,188	781,618
			Lawrenceville	6,640,137	6,829,162
			South Boston	15,485,279	16,489,091
			South Hill	13,471,865	14,324,321
			Total Virginia	100,750,797	104,085,964
			Total area D:	270,597,040	277,025,954
			Total flue-cured	1,024,018,366	1,048,939,674

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

2/ Tab-White is the new name assigned to the merger of Tabor City and Whiteville markets for the 1997 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt								
States and markets	1997				1996			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
Virginia:			Number	Number			Number	Number
Chase City	Aug. 12	Nov. 10	9	2	Aug. 08	Nov. 07	9	2
Clarksville	Aug. 06	Nov. 13	20	2	Aug. 05	Nov. 12	24	3
Danville	Aug. 05	Nov. 18	57	6	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	56	6
Kenbridge	Aug. 13	Nov. 06	5	1	Aug. 14	Oct. 30	4	2
Lawrenceville	Aug. 06	Oct. 30	17	3	Aug. 05	Oct. 28	17	3
South Boston	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	43	5	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	48	5
South Hill	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	36	4	Aug. 01	Nov. 06	31	4
Total Virginia			23					25
North Carolina:								
Burl-Meb	Aug. 06	Nov. 12	16	1	Aug. 06	Nov. 05	14	1
Henderson	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	5	Aug. 01	Oct. 31	51	5
Louisburg	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	2	Aug. 01	Oct. 28	48	3
Mt. Airy	Aug. 05	Nov. 17	46	2	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	43	2
Oxford	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	40	4	Aug. 01	Nov. 07	31	4
Reidsville	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	3	Aug. 01	Nov. 07	55	3
Roxboro	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	51	5	Aug. 01	Nov. 12	48	5
Stone-Mad	Aug. 05	Nov. 17	32	3	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	30	3
Winston-Salem	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	7	Aug. 01	Nov. 14	58	7
Total N.C.			32					33
Total type 11			55					58

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina								
North Carolina:	1997				1996			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
Ahoskie	Jul. 30	Nov. 12	28	1	Aug. 01	Oct. 24	13	1
Clinton	Jul. 29	Nov. 06	54	3	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	45	3
Farmville	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	58	3	Jul. 30	Oct. 23	47	3
Fuquay-Varina	Jul. 29	Nov. 04	54	4	Jul. 30	Oct. 22	46	4
Goldsboro	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	59	5	Jul. 30	Oct. 22	47	5
Greenville	Jul. 29	Nov. 05	56	7	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	45	7
Kinston	Jul. 29	Nov. 04	55	7	Jul. 30	Oct. 17	44	7
Roanoke River	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	57	6	Jul. 30	Oct. 24	47	6
Rocky Mount	Jul. 29	Nov. 10	38	2	Jul. 30	Oct. 28	29	3
San-Cart-Aber	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	59	4	Jul. 30	Oct. 29	51	5
Smithfield	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	60	7	Jul. 30	Oct. 24	47	6
Wallace	Jul. 29	Oct. 29	18	1	Jul. 31	Oct. 08	19	1
Wendell	Aug. 04	Nov. 06	13	2	Aug. 05	Oct. 10	9	2
Wilson	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	60	11	Jul. 30	Oct. 28	49	11
Total type 12			63					64

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

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

States and markets	1997				1996			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
		Number	Number			Number	Number	
South Carolina:								
Conway	Jul. 24	Oct. 14	16	2	Jul. 30	Oct. 21	13	2
Darl-Tim	Jul. 24	Oct. 21	26	5	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	26	5
Kings-Hemway	Jul. 23	Oct. 20	43	5	Jul. 25	Oct. 21	40	5
Lake City	Jul. 23	Oct. 23	51	4	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	49	4
Loris	Jul. 28	Oct. 28	13	2	Jul. 31	Oct. 17	11	2
Mullins	Jul. 23	Oct. 23	51	5	Jul. 25	Oct. 24	49	5
Total S.C.		23					23	
North Carolina:								
Clark-Chad	Jul. 23	Nov. 03	40	3	Jul. 25	Oct. 15	27	3
Frmont-Frbflf	Jul. 23	Oct. 29	55	10	Jul. 25	Oct. 17	46	10
Lumberton	Jul. 23	Oct. 30	56	4	Jul. 25	Oct. 16	35	4
Tab-White 1/	Jul. 23	Oct. 30	56	9	Jul. 25	Oct. 22	46	9
Total N.C.		26					26	
Total type 13		49					49	

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:								
Alma	Jul. 22	Oct. 21	40	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	48	2
Blackshear	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	22	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	31	2
Claxton	Jul. 23	Oct. 09	15	1	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	20	1
Douglas	Jul. 22	Oct. 16	29	3	Jul. 23	Oct. 24	36	3
Moultrie	Jul. 22	Oct. 16	41	4	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	51	4
Nashville	Jul. 22	Oct. 14	25	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 17	27	2
Pelham	Jul. 23	Oct. 08	12	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	16	2
Statesboro	Jul. 24	Oct. 07	12	1	Jul. 24	Oct. 23	17	1
Tif-Fit-Ocil	Jul. 23	Oct. 02	11	2	Jul. 25	Oct. 16	13	2
Val-Hira	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	19	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	23	2
Vidalia	Jul. 22	Oct. 08	20	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 22	25	2
Total Georgia		23					23	
Florida:								
Lake City	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	16	1	Jul. 23	Oct. 21	15	1
Live Oak	Jul. 22	Oct. 09	21	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	23	2
Madison	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	13	1	Jul. 25	Oct. 21	13	1
Total Florida		4					4	
Total type 14		27					27	
Total 11-14		194					198	

1/ Tab-White is the new name assigned to the merger of Tabor City and Whiteville markets for the 1997 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
Thousand pounds					
1997 Crop					
Alabama	790	82	708	---	---
Florida	2,540	---	2,540	---	---
Georgia	3,001	3,001	---	---	---
South Carolina	14,152	---	789	---	13,363
North Carolina	24,049	---	---	2,718	---
Virginia	7,835	---	---	---	21,331
Total	52,367	3,083	4,037	2,718	21,198
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	---
Virginia	6,871	---	---	---	19,865
Total	48,230	3,136	4,145	2,115	18,969
					19,865

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

**Table 5.--Producers' sales, value, and average price by types, 1992-97 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
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
1997	267,560,256	459,794,826	171.85	1997	409,827,853	707,577,461	172.65
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
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
1997	217,671,313	376,426,963	172.93	1997	112,999,926	193,620,294	171.35
Types 11-14 - Total flue-cured							
Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
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
1994	807,386,698	1,373,978,197	170.18	1997	1,008,059,348	1,737,419,544	172.35

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, 1992-97 crops 1/**

Type 11 - Old Belt

Crop year	Gross			Resales		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Percentage of gross sales Percent
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
1997	288,945,019	496,068,852	171.68	21,384,763	169.63	7.4

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

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
1997	442,542,630	764,890,434	172.84	32,714,777	175.19	7.4

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina

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
1997	238,484,854	412,746,751	173.07	20,813,541	174.50	8.7

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

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
1997	125,743,425	215,677,327	171.52	12,743,499	173.08	10.1

Types 11-14 Total flue-cured

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
1997	1,095,715,928	1,889,383,364	172.43	87,656,580	173.36	8.0

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	1997			1996		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
<b>Virginia:</b>						
Chase City	2,746,610	4,840,120	176.22	2,402,264	4,492,727	187.02
Clarksville	7,489,229	13,046,617	174.21	8,205,616	15,383,454	187.47
Danville	53,648,286	92,408,434	172.25	49,575,441	92,817,975	187.23
Kenbridge	777,096	1,317,477	169.54	975,460	1,844,464	189.09
Lawrenceville	6,728,158	11,687,478	173.71	6,210,881	11,503,675	185.22
South Boston	16,055,603	27,554,367	171.62	14,926,575	27,965,757	187.36
South Hill	13,832,159	24,069,584	174.01	11,002,657	20,546,941	186.75
<b>Total Virginia</b>	<b>101,277,141</b>	<b>174,924,077</b>	<b>172.72</b>	<b>93,298,894</b>	<b>174,554,993</b>	<b>187.09</b>
<b>North Carolina:</b>						
Burl-Meb	4,556,930	7,900,562	173.37	4,233,250	7,989,490	188.73
Henderson	23,971,474	41,330,310	172.41	19,725,871	36,733,176	186.22
Louisburg	24,109,689	41,115,459	170.54	20,751,142	38,476,368	185.42
Mt. Airy	14,325,134	24,147,084	168.56	14,071,997	26,416,719	187.73
Oxford	13,918,445	23,992,676	172.38	10,832,124	20,206,177	186.54
Reidsville	19,337,720	33,346,274	172.44	17,946,430	33,684,802	187.70
Roxboro	17,483,201	30,104,128	172.19	16,815,799	31,395,087	186.70
Stone-Mad	9,930,869	16,841,834	169.59	10,296,805	19,295,323	187.39
Winston-Salem	38,649,653	66,092,422	171.00	38,108,319	71,567,124	187.80
<b>Total North Carolina</b>	<b>166,283,115</b>	<b>284,870,749</b>	<b>171.32</b>	<b>152,781,737</b>	<b>285,764,266</b>	<b>187.04</b>
<b>Total Type 11</b>	<b>267,560,256</b>	<b>459,794,826</b>	<b>171.85</b>	<b>246,080,631</b>	<b>460,319,259</b>	<b>187.06</b>

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	4,896,119	8,174,542	166.96	3,696,323	6,839,583	185.04
Clinton	21,600,669	36,893,209	170.80	18,996,252	34,646,867	182.39
Farmville	31,731,724	55,289,627	174.24	26,275,511	48,367,411	184.08
Fuquay-Varina	26,122,995	45,192,428	173.00	21,038,744	38,730,541	184.09
Goldsboro	29,843,283	51,101,322	171.23	24,701,057	44,990,547	182.14
Greenville	36,387,259	62,619,190	172.09	30,059,503	55,022,363	183.04
Kinston	56,464,045	97,811,554	173.23	42,205,424	77,018,507	182.48
Roanoke River	32,570,368	56,549,125	173.62	26,534,330	48,711,367	183.58
Rocky Mount	12,753,313	22,047,723	172.88	11,309,347	20,956,542	185.30
San-Cart-Aber	16,114,118	27,338,245	169.65	16,976,538	31,478,403	185.42
Smithfield	46,831,217	80,113,383	171.07	31,287,315	57,069,848	182.41
Wallace	5,971,012	10,278,935	172.15	5,043,407	9,161,596	181.65
Wendell	3,144,430	5,288,448	168.18	2,193,989	3,997,628	182.21
Wilson	85,397,301	148,879,730	174.34	72,010,949	132,055,455	183.38
<b>Total Type 12</b>	<b>409,827,853</b>	<b>707,577,461</b>	<b>172.65</b>	<b>332,328,689</b>	<b>609,046,658</b>	<b>183.27</b>

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	1997			1996		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	6,044,524	10,625,545	175.79	5,769,283	10,585,278	183.48
Darlington	12,419,595	21,458,576	172.78	11,229,782	20,478,874	182.36
Kings-Hemway	17,339,913	30,406,753	175.36	16,338,675	29,706,372	181.82
Lake City	31,870,474	54,992,503	172.55	30,190,262	54,880,668	181.78
Loris	4,797,414	8,209,857	171.13	4,064,662	7,414,240	182.41
Mullins	38,167,377	66,220,399	173.50	34,944,236	63,598,508	182.00
Total S. C.	110,639,297	191,913,633	173.46	102,536,900	186,663,940	182.05
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	13,500,571	23,259,768	172.29	10,166,964	18,225,862	179.27
Frmont-Frblf	37,183,670	63,786,828	171.55	30,949,768	56,214,470	181.63
Lumberton	17,105,905	29,436,138	172.08	13,924,928	25,142,428	180.56
Tab-White /2	39,241,870	68,030,596	173.36	29,860,621	54,254,017	181.69
Total N. C.	107,032,016	184,513,330	172.39	84,902,281	153,836,777	181.19
Total Type 13	217,671,313	376,426,963	172.93	187,439,181	340,500,717	181.66

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	15,359,117	26,705,393	173.87	17,846,309	32,448,376	181.82
Blackshear	8,245,018	14,370,117	174.29	10,019,943	18,197,617	181.61
Claxton	6,035,821	10,408,501	172.45	6,915,749	12,547,657	181.44
Douglas	11,805,749	20,316,287	172.09	12,682,100	22,885,035	180.45
Moultrie	16,737,298	28,578,301	170.75	18,151,023	32,833,740	180.89
Nashville	9,655,739	16,620,086	172.13	11,358,701	20,562,956	181.03
Pelham	4,106,635	6,926,251	168.66	5,560,513	10,045,211	180.65
Statesboro	4,093,980	6,885,701	168.19	6,123,085	11,252,567	183.77
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,117,309	7,029,070	170.72	4,844,807	8,788,069	181.39
Val-Hira	6,203,648	10,037,872	161.81	7,548,044	13,587,095	180.01
Vidalia	7,444,413	12,599,662	169.25	9,513,806	17,290,668	181.74
Total Georgia	93,804,727	160,477,241	171.08	110,564,080	200,438,991	181.29
Florida:						
Lake City	5,787,371	9,913,634	171.30	6,160,232	11,125,549	180.60
Live Oak	8,441,769	14,672,185	173.80	9,196,908	16,665,799	181.21
Madison	4,966,059	8,557,234	172.31	5,124,157	9,276,457	181.03
Total Florida	19,195,199	33,143,053	172.66	20,481,297	37,067,805	180.98
Total Type 14	112,999,926	193,620,294	171.35	131,045,377	237,506,796	181.24
Total Types 11-14	1,008,059,348	1,737,419,544	172.35	896,893,878	1,647,373,430	183.68

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

2/ Tab-White was formed from a merger of the Tabor City and Whiteville markets, for the 1997 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1997			1996		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
<b>Virginia:</b>						
Chase City	2,782,047	4,901,844	176.20	2,437,320	4,558,187	187.02
Clarksville	7,895,442	13,742,826	174.06	8,533,239	15,985,165	187.33
Danville	59,226,290	101,918,373	172.08	54,868,545	102,637,065	187.06
Kenbridge	786,553	1,332,555	169.42	980,424	1,853,311	189.03
Lawrenceville	6,972,881	12,112,097	173.70	6,310,609	11,685,309	185.17
South Boston	16,869,653	28,901,050	171.32	15,487,682	28,986,364	187.16
South Hill	14,247,257	24,764,790	173.82	11,272,785	21,029,853	186.55
<b>Total Virginia</b>	<b>108,780,123</b>	<b>187,673,535</b>	<b>172.53</b>	<b>99,890,604</b>	<b>186,735,254</b>	<b>186.94</b>
<b>North Carolina:</b>						
Burl-Meb	4,626,233	8,015,819	173.27	4,378,990	8,250,686	188.42
Henderson	25,009,427	43,124,770	172.43	21,104,532	39,241,098	185.94
Louisburg	25,430,755	43,401,855	170.67	21,821,485	40,412,030	185.19
Mt. Airy	16,062,175	26,973,801	167.93	15,319,265	28,714,572	187.44
Oxford	14,632,146	25,214,399	172.32	11,290,325	21,036,374	186.32
Reidsville	21,312,385	36,661,721	172.02	19,347,169	36,267,595	187.46
Roxboro	18,879,391	32,496,779	172.13	17,940,965	33,479,345	186.61
Stone-Mad	11,147,747	18,918,984	169.71	11,336,750	21,243,844	187.39
Winston-Salem	43,064,637	73,587,189	170.88	42,076,940	78,968,212	187.68
<b>Total N. C.</b>	<b>180,164,896</b>	<b>308,395,317</b>	<b>171.17</b>	<b>164,616,421</b>	<b>307,613,756</b>	<b>186.87</b>
<b>Total Type 11</b>	<b>288,945,019</b>	<b>496,068,852</b>	<b>171.68</b>	<b>264,507,025</b>	<b>494,349,010</b>	<b>186.89</b>

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	5,099,544	8,532,820	167.33	3,889,509	7,197,283	185.04
Clinton	22,942,668	39,213,813	170.92	20,264,237	36,989,818	182.54
Farmville	33,784,361	58,874,191	174.26	28,654,234	52,728,392	184.02
Fuquay-Varina	27,434,568	47,479,084	173.06	22,454,629	41,313,823	183.99
Goldsboro	31,930,275	54,775,351	171.55	26,942,023	49,195,220	182.60
Greenville	39,267,692	67,580,448	172.10	32,263,575	59,034,806	182.98
Kinston	61,407,874	106,569,523	173.54	45,321,101	82,815,536	182.73
Roanoke River	35,271,259	61,290,269	173.77	28,803,959	52,862,496	183.53
Rocky Mount	13,072,916	22,611,288	172.96	11,901,245	22,048,625	185.26
San-Cart-Aber	17,254,164	29,337,111	170.03	18,042,198	33,438,857	185.34
Smithfield	52,309,694	89,637,454	171.36	34,396,428	62,721,227	182.35
Wallace	6,186,129	10,651,846	172.19	5,176,869	9,407,744	181.73
Wendell	3,300,947	5,554,783	168.28	2,274,690	4,143,691	182.17
Wilson	93,280,539	162,782,453	174.51	79,609,249	146,084,913	183.50
<b>Total Type 12</b>	<b>442,542,630</b>	<b>764,890,434</b>	<b>172.84</b>	<b>359,993,946</b>	<b>659,982,431</b>	<b>183.33</b>

See footnotes at end of table.

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

**Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina**

Market and State	1997			1996		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	6,467,053	11,361,66	175.69	6,097,594	11,198,796	183.66
Darl-Tim	13,686,638	23,692,27	173.11	12,336,385	22,545,898	182.76
Kings-Hemway	18,368,766	32,246,67	175.55	17,180,276	31,253,378	181.91
Lake City	35,957,719	62,138,68	172.81	33,304,693	60,628,015	182.04
Loris	5,149,341	8,823,724	171.36	4,323,445	7,894,082	182.59
Mullins	41,778,929	72,482,16	173.49	38,570,732	70,322,020	182.32
Total S.C.	121,408,446	210,745,1	173.58	111,813,125	203,842,189	182.31
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	14,754,953	25,480,27	172.69	11,405,735	20,524,680	179.95
Frmont-Frbf	41,609,150	71,445,40	171.71	33,840,016	61,490,085	181.71
Lumberton	17,580,102	30,258,24	172.12	14,812,741	26,779,897	180.79
Tab-White 2/	43,132,203	74,817,63	173.46	32,927,880	59,927,330	182.00
Total N.C.	117,076,408	202,001,5	172.54	92,986,372	168,721,992	181.45
Total Type 13	238,484,854	412,746,7	173.07	204,799,497	372,564,181	181.92

**Type 14 - Georgia and Florida**

Georgia:						
Alma	17,330,873	30,174,43	174.11	20,153,066	36,706,463	182.14
Blackshear	9,282,177	16,173,67	174.24	10,924,213	19,853,825	181.74
Claxton	6,483,147	11,174,82	172.37	7,432,668	13,491,632	181.52
Douglas	13,388,814	23,078,33	172.37	14,188,825	25,660,683	180.85
Moultrie	18,606,944	31,852,81	171.19	19,875,982	36,010,217	181.17
Nashville	10,571,033	18,137,19	171.57	12,365,609	22,419,603	181.31
Pelham	4,552,291	7,705,164	169.26	6,050,185	10,939,489	180.81
Statesboro	4,499,665	7,599,345	168.89	6,619,522	12,137,234	183.36
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,666,537	7,989,584	171.21	5,354,552	9,726,548	181.65
Val-Hira	6,951,501	11,319,82	162.84	7,994,535	14,390,706	180.01
Vidalia	8,481,699	14,390,18	169.66	10,632,297	19,339,825	181.90
Total Georgia	104,814,681	179,595,3	171.35	121,591,454	220,676,225	181.49
Florida:						
Lake City	6,325,840	10,835,20	171.28	6,697,900	12,125,762	181.04
Live Oak	9,247,124	16,066,64	173.75	10,187,342	18,459,545	181.20
Madison	5,355,780	9,180,103	171.41	5,587,675	10,086,431	180.51
Total Florida	20,928,744	36,081,94	172.40	22,472,917	40,671,738	180.98
Total Type 14	125,743,425	215,677,3	171.52	144,064,371	261,347,963	181.41
Total Types 11- 14	1,095,715,928	1,889,383	172.43	973,364,839	1,788,243,585	183.72

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

2/ Tab-White is the new name assigned to the merger of Tabor City and Whiteville markets for the 1997 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1997			1996		
	Resales	Average Price	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross
Virginia:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
Chase City	35,437	174.18	1.27	35,056	186.73	1.44
Clarksville	406,213	171.39	5.14	327,623	183.66	3.84
Danville	5,578,004	170.49	9.42	5,293,104	185.51	9.65
Kenbridge	9,457	159.44	1.20	4,964	178.22	0.51
Lawrenceville	244,723	173.51	3.51	99,728	182.13	1.58
South Boston	814,050	165.43	4.83	561,107	181.89	3.62
South Hill	415,098	167.48	2.91	270,128	178.77	2.40
Total Virginia	7,502,982	169.93	6.90	6,591,710	184.78	6.60
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	69,303	166.31	1.50	145,740	179.22	3.33
Henderson	1,037,953	172.88	4.15	1,378,661	181.91	6.53
Louisburg	1,321,066	173.07	5.19	1,070,343	180.85	4.90
Mt. Airy	1,737,041	162.73	10.81	1,247,268	184.23	8.14
Oxford	713,701	171.18	4.88	458,201	181.19	4.06
Reidsville	1,974,665	167.90	9.27	1,400,739	184.39	7.24
Roxboro	1,396,190	171.37	7.40	1,125,166	185.24	6.27
Stone-Mad	1,216,878	170.70	10.92	1,039,945	187.37	9.17
Winston-Salem	4,414,984	169.76	10.25	3,968,621	186.49	9.43
Total North Carolina	13,881,781	169.46	7.71	11,834,684	184.62	7.19
Total Type 11	21,384,763	169.63	7.40	18,426,394	184.68	6.97

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	203,425	176.12	3.99	193,186	185.16	4.97
Clinton	1,341,999	172.92	5.85	1,267,985	184.78	6.26
Farmville	2,052,637	174.63	6.08	2,378,723	183.33	8.30
Fuquay-Varina	1,311,573	174.34	4.78	1,415,885	182.45	6.31
Goldsboro	2,086,992	176.04	6.54	2,240,966	187.63	8.32
Greenville	2,880,433	172.24	7.34	2,204,072	182.05	6.83
Kinston	4,943,829	177.15	8.05	3,115,677	186.06	6.87
Roanoke River	2,700,891	175.54	7.66	2,269,629	182.90	7.88
Rocky Mount	319,603	176.33	2.44	591,898	184.51	4.97
San-Cart-Aber	1,140,046	175.33	6.61	1,065,660	183.97	5.91
Smithfield	5,478,477	173.85	10.47	3,109,113	181.77	9.04
Wallace	215,117	173.35	3.48	133,462	184.43	2.58
Wendell	156,517	170.16	4.74	80,701	180.99	3.55
Wilson	7,883,238	176.36	8.45	7,598,300	184.64	9.54
Total Type 12	32,714,777	175.19	7.39	27,665,257	184.11	7.68

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	1997			1996		
	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross
South Carolina:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
Conway	422,529	174.22	6.53	328,311	186.87	5.38
Darl-Tim	1,267,043	176.29	9.26	1,106,603	186.79	8.97
Kings-Hemway	1,028,853	178.83	5.60	841,601	183.82	4.90
Lake City	4,087,245	174.84	11.37	3,114,431	184.54	9.35
Loris	351,927	174.43	6.83	258,783	185.42	5.99
Mullins	3,611,552	173.38	8.64	3,626,496	185.40	9.40
Total South Carolina	10,769,149	174.87	8.87	9,276,225	185.19	8.30
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	1,254,382	177.02	8.50	1,238,771	185.57	10.86
Frmont-Frblf	4,425,480	173.06	10.64	2,890,248	182.53	8.54
Lumberton	474,197	173.37	2.70	887,813	184.44	5.99
Tab-White 2/	3,890,333	174.46	9.02	3,067,259	184.96	9.32
Total North Carolina	10,044,392	174.11	8.58	8,084,091	184.13	8.69
Total Type 13	20,813,541	174.50	8.73	17,360,316	184.69	8.48

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	1,971,756	175.94	11.38	2,306,757	184.59	11.45
Blackshear	1,037,159	173.89	11.17	904,270	183.15	8.28
Claxton	447,326	171.31	6.90	516,919	182.62	6.95
Douglas	1,583,065	174.47	11.82	1,506,725	184.22	10.62
Moultrie	1,869,646	175.14	10.05	1,724,959	184.15	8.68
Nashville	915,294	165.75	8.66	1,006,908	184.39	8.14
Pelham	445,656	174.78	9.79	489,672	182.63	8.09
Statesboro	405,685	175.91	9.02	496,437	178.20	7.50
Tif-Fit-Ocil	549,228	174.88	11.77	509,745	184.11	9.52
Val-Hira	747,853	171.42	10.76	446,491	179.98	5.58
Vidalia	1,037,286	172.62	12.23	1,118,491	183.21	10.52
Total Georgia	11,009,954	173.64	10.50	11,027,374	183.52	9.07
Florida:						
Lake City	538,469	171.15	8.51	537,668	186.03	8.03
Live Oak	805,355	173.15	8.71	990,434	181.11	9.72
Madison	389,721	159.82	7.28	463,518	174.74	8.30
Total Florida	1,733,545	169.53	8.28	1,991,620	180.95	8.86
Total Type 14	12,743,499	173.08	10.13	13,018,994	183.13	9.04
Total Types 11- 14	87,656,580	173.36	8.00	76,470,961	184.21	7.86

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

2/ Tab-White is the new name assigned to the merger of Tabor City and Whiteville markets for the 1997 season.

**Table 10.--Rank of markets by volume of producers' sales, by separate types and by all types, 1997 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
<b>Type 11</b>							
Danville, Va.	53.6	1	3	Tab-White, N.C.	39.2	1	5
Winston-Salem, N.C.	38.6	2	6	Mullins, S.C.	38.2	2	7
Louisburg, N.C.	24.1	3	15	FrMont-FrBlf, N.C.	37.2	3	8
Henderson, N.C.	24.0	4	16	Lake City, S.C.	31.9	4	11
Reidsville, N.C.	19.3	5	18	Kings-Hemway, S.C.	17.3	5	20
Roxboro, N.C.	17.5	6	19	Lumberton, N.C.	17.1	6	21
South Boston, Va.	16.1	7	24	Clark-Chad, N.C.	13.5	7	29
Mount Airy, N.C.	14.3	8	26	Darl-Tim, S.C.	12.4	8	31
Oxford, N.C..	13.9	9	27	Conway, S.C.	6.0	9	41
South Hill, Va.	13.8	10	28	Loris, S.C.	4.8	10	47
Stone-Mad, N.C.	9.9	11	33				
Clarksville, Va.	7.5	12	37				
Lawrenceville, Va.	6.7	13	39				
Burl-Meb, N.C.	4.6	14	48				
Chase City, Va.	2.7	15	53				
Kenbridge, Va.	0.8	16	54				
<b>Type 12</b>							
				<b>Type 14</b>			
Wilson, N.C.	85.4	1	1	Moultrie, Ga.	16.7	1	22
Kinston, N.C.	56.5	2	2	Alma, Ga.	15.4	2	25
Smithfield, N.C.	46.8	3	4	Douglas, Ga.	11.8	3	32
Greenville, N.C.	36.4	4	9	Nashville, Ga.	9.7	4	34
Roanoke Rivr, N.C.	32.6	5	10	Live Oak, Fl.	8.4	5	35
Farmville, N.C.	31.7	6	12	Blackshear, Ga.	8.2	6	36
Goldsboro, N.C.	29.8	7	13	Vidalia, Ga.	7.4	7	38
Fuquay, N.C.	26.1	8	14	Val-Hira, Ga.	6.2	8	40
Clinton, N.C.	21.6	9	17	Claxton, Ga.	6.0	9	42
San-Cart-Aber, N.C.	16.1	10	23	Lake City, Fl.	5.8	10	44
Rocky Mount, N.C.	12.8	11	30	Madison, Fl.	5.0	11	45
Wallace, N.C.	6.0	12	43	Tif-Fit-Ocil, Ga.	4.1	12	49
Ahoskie, N.C.	4.9	13	46	Pelham, Ga.	4.1	13	50
Wendell, N.C.	3.1	14	52	Statesboro, Ga.	4.1	14	51

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/	1997 crop Season averages					1997 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
LEAF							LEAF
B1L	191	(191)	----	----	191	190	B1L
B2L	189	189	189	188	189	188	B2L
B3L	187	187	186	187	187	186	B3L
B4L	185	184	184	185	184	184	B4L
B5L	179	180	180	180	180	176	B5L
B6L 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6L 4/
B1F	191	191	(191)	(191)	191	190	B1F
B2F	189	189	189	189	189	188	B2F
B3F	187	187	187	187	187	186	B3F
B4F	185	185	185	185	185	184	B4F
B5F	180	180	179	181	180	176	B5F
B6F 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6F 4/
B1FR	----	----	----	----	----	189	B1FR
B2FR	----	----	----	187	187	186	B2FR
B3FR	186	186	186	186	186	185	B3FR
B4FR	183	184	184	185	184	182	B4FR
B5FR	179	181	179	181	180	175	B5FR
B6FR 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6FR 4/
B5R 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5R 4/
B3K	182	183	183	184	183	181	B3K
B4K	180	181	181	183	181	179	B4K
B5K	175	176	176	180	177	171	B5K
B6K 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6K 4/
B3KR	181	181	181	182	181	179	B3KR
B4KR	178	179	179	181	179	175	B4KR
B5KR	171	174	174	179	174	166	B5KR
B3V	180	180	180	181	180	177	B3V
B4V	175	177	177	178	177	171	B4V
B5V	170	175	172	176	173	164	B5V
B3S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3S 4/
B4S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4S 4/
B5S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5S 4/
B3KL	176	178	177	179	177	169	B3KL
B4KL	172	173	175	178	173	165	B4KL
B5KL	172	171	----	----	171	155	B5KL
B6KL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KL 4/
B3KF	176	179	178	179	178	169	B3KF
B4KF	172	175	174	177	174	165	B4KF
B5KF	165	165	165	171	166	155	B5KF
B6KF 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KF 4/
B3KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3KD 4/
B4KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4KD 4/
B5KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5KD 4/
B6KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KD 4/
B4KV	167	169	171	175	169	159	B4KV
B5KV	159	159	161	172	164	149	B5KV
B6KV 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KV 4/
B3KM	178	179	178	180	179	173	B3KM
B4KM	175	176	175	178	176	170	B4KM
B5KM	171	169	170	174	171	163	B5KM
B6KM 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KM 4/
B3KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3KK 4/
B4KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4KK 4/
B5KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5KK 4/
B6KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KK 4/
B4G	164	171	165	169	167	152	B4G
B5G	156	162	154	161	159	144	B5G
B6G 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6G 4/
B5GR 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5GR 4/
B4GK	164	164	164	167	165	150	B4GK
B5GK	156	153	156	162	157	142	B5GK
B6GK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6GK 4/
B5GG 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5GG 4/

See footnotes at end of table.

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

Group and grade 2/	1997 crop Season averages					1997 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
S. LEAF							S. LEAF
H3F	187	187	187	187	187	186	H3F
H4F	185	185	185	185	185	184	H4F
H5F	178	183	180	183	181	176	H5F
H6F 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6F 4/
H4FR	183	184	185	185	184	182	H4FR
H5FR	176	184	183	185	182	175	H5FR
H6FR 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6FR 4/
H4K	180	182	182	184	182	179	H4K
H5K	176	176	179	182	180	171	H5K
H6K 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	H6K 4/
CUTTERS							CUTTERS
C1L	179	---	---	---	179	177	C1L
C2L	178	182	(180)	---	179	175	C2L
C3L	175	177	175	176	176	173	C3L
C4L	172	173	170	171	172	167	C4L
C5L	169	167	163	166	166	159	C5L
C5LP 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5LP 4/
C1F	179	---	---	---	179	177	C1F
C2F	177	179	182	(181)	178	175	C2F
C3F	175	177	175	176	175	173	C3F
C4F	172	173	171	172	172	167	C4F
C5F	169	169	164	168	168	159	C5F
C5FP 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5FP 4/
C4KR	169	169	167	168	169	160	C4KR
C4V	166	168	164	166	166	157	C4V
C4LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4LL 4/
C5LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C5LL 4/
C4S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4S 4/
C4KL	168	170	(165)	162	168	154	C4KL
C4KF	163	163	163	167	163	154	C4KF
C4KM	167	168	164	166	167	156	C4KM
C4KK 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	C4KK 4/
C4G	158	157	155	157	157	142	C4G
C4GK	153	156	156	155	155	138	C4GK
LUGS							LUGS
X1L	173	(172)	---	---	172	171	X1L
X2L	168	164	164	163	165	163	X2L
X3L	164	162	161	162	162	159	X3L
X4L	158	158	157	157	158	148	X4L
X5L	149	150	153	150	150	134	X5L
X1F	173	172	---	---	172	171	X1F
X2F	167	164	164	165	165	163	X2F
X3F	164	162	161	162	162	159	X3F
X4F	157	158	157	157	157	148	X4F
X5F	148	149	151	151	149	134	X5F
X3KR	163	161	159	161	161	155	X3KR
X4KR	157	155	157	155	155	147	X4KR
X3V	161	159	159	159	159	152	X3V
X4V	152	154	156	154	154	144	X4V
X3LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X3LL 4/
X4LL 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X4LL 4/
X3S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X3S 4/
X4S 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	X4S 4/
X4KL	155	156	(156)	150	154	133	X4KL
X4KF	146	146	148	145	146	133	X4KF
X4KV	139	143	147	144	143	129	X4KV
X3KM	160	159	159	158	159	147	X3KM
X4KM	153	154	153	152	153	138	X4KM
X4G	142	145	149	148	145	128	X4G
X5G	131	137	141	139	137	123	X5G
X4GK	141	142	147	145	143	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/	1997 crop Season averages					1997 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
PRIMINGS							PRIMINGS
P2L	159	(160)	159	154	158	146	P2L
P2LS	----	----	----	----	----	131	P2LS
P3L	156	158	156	154	156	136	P3L
P3LS	----	----	----	143	143	122	P3LS
P4L	147	151	151	149	149	132	P4L
P4LS	135	----	----	137	136	119	P4LS
P5L	132	141	143	145	139	0	P5L
P5LS	----	----	----	----	----	0	P5LS
P2F	160	160	----	159	159	146	P2F
P2FS	----	----	----	----	----	131	P2FS
P3F	155	158	155	154	156	136	P3F
P3FS	----	----	----	140	142	122	P3FS
P4F	146	152	150	150	149	132	P4F
P4FS	137	(149)	(137)	136	137	119	P4FS
P5F	131	142	142	143	137	0	P5F
P5FS	----	----	----	----	(119)	0	P5FS
P4G	135	143	144	144	140	116	P4G
P4GS	----	----	----	(128)	122	104	P4GS
P5G	117	137	136	139	130	0	P5G
P5GS	----	----	----	----	----	0	P5GS
MIXED							MIXED
M4F	----	(183)	----	----	(183)	142	M4F
M5F	----	----	----	----	----	132	M5F
M4KR	----	----	----	----	----	130	M4KR
M4KM	----	156	----	----	156	127	M4KM
M5KM	----	131	----	----	131	125	M5KM
M4GK	----	(130)	----	----	128	117	M4GK
M5GK	----	----	----	----	----	111	M5GK
NONDES.							NONDES.
N1L	120	131	127	134	125	0	N1L
N1LS	----	----	----	----	----	0	N1LS
N1XL	125	127	131	135	129	0	N1XL
N1K	151	155	160	167	163	143	N1K
N1R	130	134	131	148	137	126	N1R
N1GL	108	125	129	130	123	0	N1GL
N1GLS	----	----	----	----	----	0	N1GLS
N1GF	128	135	135	146	136	116	N1GF
N1KV	126	137	140	152	143	118	N1KV
N1GR	----	120	----	(124)	124	115	N1GR
N1GG	----	----	----	----	----	105	N1GG
N1PO 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	N1PO 4/
N1POS 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	N1POS 4/
N1XO	119	139	133	136	134	0	N1XO
N1BO	140	154	155	161	156	125	N1BO
N2	89	96	99	114	103	0	N2
NO-G	77	91	106	108	99	0	NO-G
NO-G-F	125	140	124	148	138	0	NO-G-F
NO-G-F-S	----	----	----	----	----	0	NO-G-F-S
NO-G-N	----	----	----	----	----	0	NO-G-N
W-unsafe	119	(164)	175	183	172	0	W-unsafe
U- unsound	139	143	144	135	141	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 - 1997 Crop Week ending							
	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 29	Sep. 5	Sep. 12	Sep. 19	Sep. 26
B3L	----	----	----	----	182	187	187	187
B4L	----	----	----	----	185	185	185	185
B2F	188	----	----	----	189	189	189	189
B3F	187	187	----	----	186	187	187	187
B4F	185	185	185	----	184	185	185	185
B5F	181	----	----	----	178	177	178	179
B4FR	183	----	----	----	----	182	184	183
B3K	182	182	----	----	181	182	182	182
B4K	180	180	179	181	179	180	180	180
B5K	176	175	----	----	----	173	172	175
B3KR	180	180	----	----	----	180	180	180
B4KR	179	177	179	----	175	178	177	178
B3V	----	----	----	----	----	178	179	179
B4V	----	----	171	171	169	173	174	175
B3KF	173	173	----	----	----	174	172	175
B4KF	174	171	169	166	----	167	169	171
B5KF	168	166	----	----	156	157	159	161
B4KV	----	----	----	159	159	162	164	165
B5KV	----	----	----	----	----	151	153	156
B3KM	176	176	----	174	173	175	176	176
B4KM	176	171	170	170	170	172	173	174
B4GK	164	----	----	----	150	160	161	159
H3F	187	187	----	----	----	187	187	187
H4F	185	185	----	----	185	185	185	185
H4K	180	180	179	----	----	180	180	180
H5K	178	175	----	----	----	----	172	177
C3L	----	----	----	----	174	175	175	176
C4L	----	----	----	168	170	171	173	174
C5L	----	----	----	160	164	169	171	173
C3F	----	----	----	174	175	174	175	176
C4F	----	----	168	168	169	171	173	174
C5F	---	----	161	161	163	169	171	171
C4V	----	----	162	160	164	166	167	168
C4KF	----	----	----	157	159	163	164	166
C4KM	----	----	161	160	164	167	169	170
X3L	160	160	160	160	163	167	169	169
X4L	159	155	155	156	158	162	163	163
X3F	161	160	160	160	163	167	170	169
X4F	156	154	153	154	156	159	162	161
X5F	----	146	146	145	147	149	152	149
X3V	----	158	158	157	160	164	165	162
X4V	156	151	149	149	153	155	158	156
X4KF	----	136	142	139	144	149	150	153
X4KV	----	138	137	136	140	140	147	145
X3KM	----	156	156	157	159	164	166	167
X4KM	----	154	151	152	154	156	157	156
X4G	----	142	137	137	142	144	147	148
P3L	156	154	154	154	159	163	166	---
P4L	149	146	147	145	152	155	154	---
P5L	135	129	130	133	137	----	----	----
P3F	155	154	154	154	157	160	164	161
P4F	148	145	146	144	148	149	150	144
P5F	130	129	130	131	136	138	139	131
P4G	142	135	136	130	137	140	132	---
P5G	122	116	116	117	124	118	----	----
N1L	126	110	122	123	124	126	127	128
N1XL	----	107	123	124	130	128	131	136
N1GL	111	104	110	107	106	118	111	104
N2	97	92	103	97	95	101	99	----

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 12.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/  
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Type 11 - 1997 Crop

Group grade	Week ending							Season	
	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 24	Oct. 31	Nov. 7	Nov. 2/ 14	1997	1996
B3L	187	187	187	187	187	187	---	187	190
B4L	185	185	185	185	184	185	185	185	191
B2F	189	189	189	189	190	189	---	189	191
B3F	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	190
B4F	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	191
B5F	180	180	179	181	180	181	---	180	192
B4FR	183	184	184	184	183	183	183	183	190
B3K	182	182	182	182	182	182	182	182	191
B4K	180	180	181	180	180	180	181	180	191
B5K	175	176	175	175	174	175	176	175	191
B3KR	180	181	181	181	181	181	181	181	190
B4KR	179	179	179	179	179	178	179	178	191
B3V	180	180	180	181	180	180	181	180	191
B4V	175	176	178	176	176	176	177	175	191
B3KF	174	177	178	176	175	176	178	176	190
B4KF	172	175	173	172	171	171	173	172	191
B5KF	165	166	170	166	164	165	165	165	191
B4KV	165	169	171	167	166	169	169	167	191
B5KV	156	160	162	164	160	163	161	159	191
B3KM	177	179	180	180	179	179	180	178	189
B4KM	176	177	177	176	175	175	177	175	190
B4GK	166	167	169	166	164	166	165	164	191
H3F	187	187	187	187	187	187	---	187	191
H4F	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	192
H4K	180	180	180	180	180	180	184	180	192
H5K	175	175	175	173	177	181	183	176	192
C3L	175	179	---	---	---	174	---	175	185
C4L	172	173	---	172	---	175	---	172	185
C5L	171	169	---	---	---	---	---	169	185
C3F	175	179	175	179	---	---	---	175	184
C4F	173	174	172	171	170	174	---	172	186
C5F	169	169	164	---	168	---	174	169	188
C4V	165	168	---	---	---	---	---	166	185
C4KF	160	167	155	---	---	---	---	163	187
C4KM	167	166	175	---	---	---	---	167	185
X3L	167	---	---	---	---	---	---	164	176
X4L	157	153	---	---	---	---	---	158	179
X3F	168	165	162	---	---	---	---	164	178
X4F	157	160	155	157	154	151	153	157	181
X5F	145	150	150	152	---	---	---	148	184
X3V	167	---	---	---	---	---	---	161	176
X4V	151	155	---	---	---	---	---	152	177
X4KF	146	160	---	---	---	---	---	146	184
X4KV	141	145	---	---	---	---	---	139	182
X3KM	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	160	179
X4KM	150	154	---	---	---	---	---	153	181
X4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	142	176
P3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	156	167
P4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	147	167
P5L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	132	168
P3F	151	---	---	---	---	---	---	155	169
P4F	146	147	---	---	---	---	---	146	170
P5F	130	---	---	---	---	---	---	131	171
P4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	135	168
P5G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	117	168
N1L	113	---	---	---	---	---	---	120	175
N1XL	118	120	---	---	110	---	108	125	183
N1GL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	108	174
N2	76	97	114	97	78	81	74	89	173

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

2/ No averages shown after Nov. 14, due to limited sales.

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

Group grade	Type 12 - 1997 Crop							
	Week ending							
Aug. 1	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 29	Sep. 5	Sep. 12	Sep. 19	
B3L	----	----	----	186	186	187	187	
B4L	----	----	180	184	183	185	185	
B2F	----	----	----	----	189	189	189	
B3F	186	----	186	186	187	187	187	
B4F	185	----	179	184	185	184	185	
B5F	----	----	----	177	180	179	182	
B4FR	----	----	----	----	184	185	184	
B3K	182	----	----	181	182	183	183	
B4K	180	----	178	180	180	182	182	
B5K	177	176	----	174	174	175	177	
B3KR	----	----	----	179	180	180	182	
B4KR	180	179	175	177	177	180	180	
B5KR	----	----	----	168	170	168	176	
B3V	----	----	----	178	178	179	180	
B4V	----	----	----	171	173	176	178	
B3KF	----	----	----	----	176	173	176	
B4KF	177	179	164	168	171	169	176	
B5KF	----	176	----	159	163	159	164	
B4KV	----	----	----	160	164	163	166	
B5KV	----	155	150	153	154	153	155	
B3KM	181	----	170	176	175	176	181	
B4KM	180	175	170	171	173	173	178	
B5KM	----	----	164	165	167	166	169	
B4GK	----	----	----	157	157	157	167	
H4F	----	----	----	----	----	185	185	
H4K	----	----	----	----	----	----	181	
H5K	180	----	----	----	172	----	182	
C4L	168	168	168	168	172	174	175	
C5L	161	160	160	161	168	171	172	
C4F	168	168	168	168	172	174	175	
C5F	----	161	160	162	167	172	171	
C4V	160	162	161	162	168	171	172	
C4KM	161	160	160	161	168	171	173	
X3L	160	160	160	160	164	169	170	
X4L	156	156	158	157	159	163	165	
X5L	150	150	151	149	149	150	150	
X3F	160	160	160	161	163	170	171	
X4F	154	156	157	156	158	163	164	
X5F	150	149	150	148	149	149	150	
X3V	157	157	158	158	160	166	167	
X4V	153	153	154	153	154	157	163	
X4KF	154	153	151	143	144	148	151	
X4KV	148	147	147	142	141	140	144	
X3KM	158	158	159	158	160	166	166	
X4KM	154	154	154	152	153	157	160	
X4G	148	147	146	142	142	146	151	
X5G	143	142	145	135	135	134	134	
X4GK	152	143	145	140	138	143	145	
P3L	157	158	158	158	159	----	----	
P4L	152	152	153	148	150	147	156	
P3F	157	159	158	158	159	----	----	
P4F	152	153	152	151	151	154	148	
P5F	145	147	144	142	136	125	121	
P4G	147	146	144	138	130	148	----	
N1XL	146	142	144	125	121	123	120	
N1K	---	---	---	----	145	148	154	
N1GL	134	132	137	128	110	107	91	
N1XO	145	143	143	134	136	123	116	
N2	138	133	134	107	106	89	73	
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**Table 13.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages  
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Group grade	Type 12 - 1997 Crop Week ending							Season	
	Sep. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 24	Oct. 31	Nov. 2/ 7	1997	1996
B3L	187	187	187	187	186	186	186	187	188
B4L	185	185	185	185	184	184	184	184	186
B2F	189	189	189	189	190	188	188	189	191
B3F	187	187	187	187	187	187	186	187	189
B4F	185	185	185	185	185	185	184	185	189
B5F	181	183	181	180	181	179	179	180	189
B4FR	184	185	185	184	184	183	---	184	190
B3K	183	184	184	183	182	182	182	183	189
B4K	182	183	182	182	181	180	180	181	190
B5K	177	179	178	177	174	174	173	176	191
B3KR	182	182	182	182	181	180	180	181	188
B4KR	180	181	181	179	178	178	177	179	189
B5KR	176	176	176	174	171	170	171	174	191
B3V	181	183	183	181	180	180	179	180	185
B4V	180	180	181	178	177	174	175	177	186
B3KF	181	182	181	179	178	174	---	179	189
B4KF	179	179	179	177	172	170	170	175	189
B5KF	171	172	172	168	163	161	163	165	190
B4KV	170	176	176	170	170	166	168	169	187
B5KV	162	169	171	169	162	156	157	159	188
B3KM	182	181	182	181	180	177	177	179	187
B4KM	179	181	180	178	176	174	175	176	186
B5KM	173	175	175	172	171	167	170	169	188
B4GK	170	174	172	168	167	166	158	164	185
H4F	185	185	186	185	184	185	184	185	190
H4K	183	183	184	183	181	180	181	182	190
H5K	177	180	179	177	177	174	174	176	191
C4L	176	175	175	---	179	169	169	173	177
C5L	170	---	---	---	---	---	---	167	176
C4F	176	175	172	172	170	168	169	173	179
C5F	172	174	165	---	166	160	---	169	179
C4V	164	---	---	---	---	---	---	168	178
C4KM	173	171	168	161	166	158	---	168	178
X3L	---	---	---	---	159	---	---	162	168
X4L	161	---	---	---	---	152	---	158	168
X5L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	150	169
X3F	174	177	---	---	159	160	---	162	169
X4F	162	161	156	157	151	151	148	158	170
X5F	139	152	155	---	145	135	134	149	171
X3V	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	159	169
X4V	---	---	---	---	---	146	---	154	168
X4KF	134	136	158	133	---	135	135	146	176
X4KV	136	137	137	---	130	130	129	143	171
X3KM	---	160	---	---	---	---	---	159	169
X4KM	164	151	---	141	148	139	138	154	170
X4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	145	167
X5G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	137	166
X4GK	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	142	169
P3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	158	162
P4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	151	161
P3F	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	158	162
P4F	---	---	---	---	---	---	132	152	161
P5F	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	142	163
P4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	143	161
N1XL	119	---	---	---	---	---	94	127	169
N1K	165	170	164	155	149	152	153	155	191
N1GL	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	125	166
N1XO	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	139	165
N2	74	---	122	---	92	78	79	96	174

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

2/ No averages shown after Nov. 7, due to limited sales.

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

Group grade	Type 13 - 1997 Crop							
	Week ending							
Jul. 25	Aug. 1	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 29	Sep. 5	Sep. 12	
B3L	----	----	----	----	187	186	186	
B4L	----	----	----	183	184	184	185	
B3F	----	187	----	186	186	187	187	
B4F	185	185	185	184	184	185	185	
B5F	180	---	176	176	177	179	180	
B4FR	----	----	----	----	183	183	183	
B3K	182	182	----	181	181	182	182	
B4K	180	180	180	179	179	180	180	
B5K	178	178	178	173	172	175	176	
B3KR	180	180	180	179	179	180	180	
B4KR	178	180	178	176	176	178	179	
B3V	----	----	----	177	178	180	180	
B4V	----	----	----	169	173	177	177	
B3KF	180	180	----	----	172	178	180	
B4KF	178	177	168	168	170	172	174	
B5KF	175	169	----	162	159	163	164	
B4KV	----	----	----	161	164	165	170	
B5KV	----	----	153	153	154	159	157	
B3KM	180	177	----	173	174	178	180	
B4KM	175	168	169	170	171	175	177	
B5KM	----	170	171	164	166	169	171	
B4GK	----	157	148	156	161	161	169	
B5GK	----	----	----	149	151	152	160	
H3F	----	----	----	----	187	187	187	
H4F	185	185	----	184	185	185	185	
H5F	----	----	----	179	178	180	180	
H4K	180	181	180	181	180	180	181	
H5K	179	179	177	175	176	175	177	
C3L	----	----	----	174	174	175	176	
C4L	168	168	168	168	170	174	175	
C5L	----	160	160	161	165	172	----	
C3F	----	----	----	174	174	176	176	
C4F	----	168	167	168	170	174	176	
C5F	----	161	160	161	164	171	172	
C4V	----	163	162	161	167	172	174	
C4KM	----	161	161	161	165	170	173	
X3L	161	160	160	160	163	167	----	
X4L	156	157	157	157	160	165	----	
X5L	----	152	152	152	157	----	----	
X3F	161	160	160	160	162	169	173	
X4F	157	156	157	157	160	163	167	
X5F	150	150	151	151	154	152	154	
X3V	159	159	159	159	163	161	----	
X4V	155	154	155	156	159	162	----	
X3KM	160	159	158	158	162	167	----	
X4KM	148	153	153	153	156	160	164	
X4G	153	149	150	147	153	148	----	
X4GK	148	148	146	148	151	151	----	
P3L	157	156	157	157	----	----	----	
P4L	149	150	152	153	----	----	----	
P3F	155	155	156	157	----	----	----	
P4F	150	149	151	153	153	154	----	
P5F	142	141	146	147	150	----	----	
P4G	145	142	147	144	----	----	----	
N1XL	----	143	143	137	141	121	111	
N1K	168	166	----	----	158	154	154	
N1GL	134	128	136	127	144	133	----	
N1XO	125	137	134	132	142	133	----	
N2	128	121	121	94	124	108	134	
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**Table 14.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/  
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Type 13 - 1997 Crop

Group grade	Week ending						Season	
	Sep. 19	Sep. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Oct. 2/ 24	1997	1996
B3L	186	187	187	186	187	---	186	188
B4L	184	185	185	185	185	---	184	186
B3F	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	189
B4F	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	188
B5F	179	181	182	181	181	---	179	186
B4FR	183	184	185	184	185	---	184	191
B3K	183	183	184	183	183	183	183	189
B4K	180	181	182	182	181	181	181	189
B5K	177	178	178	178	176	175	176	189
B3KR	181	181	182	182	181	181	181	188
B4KR	179	179	180	180	180	179	179	188
B3V	180	182	181	181	181	---	180	186
B4V	178	180	180	178	178	---	177	185
B3KF	179	180	178	175	179	---	178	189
B4KF	174	175	178	176	175	175	174	188
B5KF	166	171	167	169	166	164	165	187
B4KV	175	174	173	176	174	---	171	186
B5KV	160	169	169	173	160	---	161	186
B3KM	180	180	181	179	178	180	178	186
B4KM	177	178	179	177	177	175	175	184
B5KM	175	174	177	170	172	174	170	183
B4GK	170	167	171	171	168	166	164	184
B5GK	156	164	171	154	165	---	156	183
H3F	187	187	187	187	187	---	187	189
H4F	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	189
H5F	180	181	180	179	182	182	180	188
H4K	182	183	183	183	183	182	182	190
H5K	177	180	180	178	180	179	179	191
C3L	174	---	175	---	---	---	175	181
C4L	174	---	172	---	---	---	170	177
C5L	---	---	---	---	---	---	163	172
C3F	175	177	175	176	---	---	175	180
C4F	175	175	171	175	173	---	171	179
C5F	169	164	165	160	---	---	164	177
C4V	---	---	---	---	---	---	164	175
C4KM	171	169	---	163	167	---	164	177
X3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	161	165
X4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	157	164
X5L	---	---	---	---	---	---	153	163
X3F	---	---	---	---	---	---	161	167
X4F	155	---	152	152	150	150	157	168
X5F	139	---	136	137	140	137	151	166
X3V	---	---	---	---	---	---	159	166
X4V	---	---	---	---	---	---	156	165
X3KM	---	---	---	---	---	---	159	166
X4KM	---	---	145	141	---	138	153	168
X4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	149	165
X4GK	---	---	---	---	---	---	147	166
P3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	156	161
P4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	151	160
P3F	---	---	---	---	---	---	155	161
P4F	---	---	---	---	---	---	150	160
P5F	---	---	---	---	---	80	142	159
P4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	144	159
N1XL	98	---	101	87	---	---	131	166
N1K	162	157	164	162	161	160	160	190
N1GL	---	---	---	---	---	---	129	162
N1XO	85	99	93	115	75	---	133	163
N2	83	97	97	87	91	82	99	170

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

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 24, due to limited sales.

**Table 15.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages 1/**

Group grade	Type 14 - 1997 Crop												Season 1997	1996		
	Jul. 25	Aug. 1	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 29	Sep. 5	Sep. 12	Sep. 19	Sep. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17			
B4L	—	—	—	—	184	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	—	185	188	
B3F	186	—	186	186	186	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	189	
B4F	185	185	184	184	184	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	185	189	
B5F	180	—	179	178	180	182	181	182	182	183	182	181	181	181	189	
B3FR	—	—	—	—	—	185	186	186	186	186	186	186	186	186	188	
B4FR	182	—	—	—	184	184	184	185	185	185	185	185	184	185	190	
B3K	182	182	—	181	182	183	184	184	184	185	185	184	184	184	190	
B4K	180	180	180	180	180	182	182	183	183	184	184	183	182	183	190	
B5K	177	180	174	173	175	177	179	180	180	182	182	181	175	180	190	
B3KR	180	180	—	179	180	181	182	183	183	183	184	183	182	182	188	
B4KR	180	180	179	177	178	180	182	182	182	183	183	183	180	181	189	
B4V	—	—	177	172	174	179	180	181	181	181	182	181	179	178	187	
B4KF	178	180	176	168	169	174	177	177	179	179	180	179	171	177	189	
B5KF	174	177	167	162	162	168	170	174	173	175	178	173	163	171	189	
B4KV	—	—	165	167	168	170	175	178	177	180	179	177	167	175	187	
B5KV	—	—	169	158	163	163	168	177	171	174	175	176	167	172	187	
B3KM	180	180	178	174	176	180	180	181	181	182	183	181	178	180	188	
B4KM	180	179	172	172	174	178	180	180	180	180	182	181	178	178	188	
B5KM	180	—	170	167	168	175	176	178	178	179	179	177	174	174	188	
B4GK	—	—	161	156	160	165	169	174	175	177	174	173	165	167	185	
B5GK	—	—	156	152	151	160	165	170	172	171	171	170	—	162	183	
H3F	186	—	—	186	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	190	
H4F	184	185	—	184	185	185	185	185	185	185	186	185	186	185	189	
HSF	—	—	—	177	181	183	183	183	184	184	185	184	185	183	189	
H4FR	—	—	—	182	184	—	185	185	185	185	186	186	186	185	190	
H4K	180	181	—	180	182	184	184	184	185	185	185	185	184	184	191	
H5K	179	180	174	175	179	180	183	183	184	184	184	183	181	182	190	
C4L	168	—	167	168	169	174	178	180	177	178	—	—	—	171	178	
C3F	—	—	173	173	175	179	178	178	179	—	—	176	—	176	179	
C4F	171	168	168	168	170	177	178	177	178	176	180	171	—	172	179	
CSF	161	161	161	164	167	174	176	170	174	176	—	—	—	168	180	
C4KM	164	161	162	164	167	173	174	175	175	179	171	163	—	166	179	
X3L	160	160	160	161	166	167	—	172	—	—	—	—	—	—	162	167
X4L	155	155	157	155	160	165	163	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	157	166
X3F	161	160	161	161	166	171	164	171	—	—	—	—	—	—	162	167
X4F	155	155	157	156	160	166	162	173	159	166	168	152	—	157	169	
X5F	151	148	152	151	153	154	149	156	147	—	159	137	—	151	166	
X4V	154	152	154	151	158	156	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	154	164
X4KF	—	145	145	143	151	—	—	—	138	—	—	—	—	—	145	167
X4KV	141	144	146	144	140	141	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	166
X3KM	158	156	158	159	164	—	—	—	149	—	—	—	—	—	158	169
X4KM	150	151	153	152	154	160	158	166	152	—	144	157	—	152	169	
X4G	147	144	149	147	152	149	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	148	164
X5G	—	140	142	136	132	144	—	—	—	—	—	131	123	—	139	163
X4GK	146	145	148	143	143	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	145	166
P3L	152	154	156	155	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	154	161
P4L	148	150	152	149	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	149	160
P3F	152	154	156	155	161	—	—	—	—	136	—	—	—	—	154	161
P4F	150	149	151	151	155	—	—	—	—	132	138	132	—	—	150	160
P5F	142	143	146	139	143	—	—	—	—	—	140	—	—	—	143	159
P4G	145	144	148	142	126	—	—	—	—	—	116	—	—	—	144	159
P5G	144	141	144	132	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	139	158
NIXL	133	136	144	129	140	138	129	144	—	—	136	95	—	135	164	
NIK	173	171	161	—	154	164	163	170	165	175	170	170	158	167	190	
NIGL	135	138	141	123	104	117	—	—	—	—	85	—	—	130	158	
NIKV	—	—	—	—	127	130	149	166	155	148	158	164	133	152	187	
NIXO	140	139	144	129	136	128	153	113	—	103	73	77	—	136	161	
NIBO	154	—	—	154	151	156	152	166	166	168	166	160	148	161	187	
N2	144	127	133	110	120	106	122	101	141	117	97	79	114	114	167	

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

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 17, due to limited sales.

**Table 16.--Warehouse charges by states, 1997 crop**

State	Type	Auction fee 1/	Commission	Additional charges
			on gross sales 1/	
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, and 10 cents for each additional 100 pounds.
Georgia	14	and 25 cents on all piles over 100 pounds	3-1/2 2/	
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, 1992-97 crops**

Crop	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	Types 11-14
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
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
1997	211	209	200	203	207

**Table 18.--Tobacco received by the Stabilization Corporation, 1994 - 1997 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
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
1997	63,401	23.70	81,507	19.89	40,462	18.59

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
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
1997	8,888	7.87	194,259	19.27

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

**Table 19.--Percentage distribution by groups and types, 1993-97 crops 1/**

Crop Year	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)									
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
1997	--	59.3	4.1	8.7	17.1	9.2	--	1.5	0.1
(Type 12)									
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
1997	--	63.6	1.8	6.1	22.8	4.1	--	1.5	0.1
(Type 13)									
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
1997	--	63.4	8.3	7.0	14.5	3.4	--	3.1	0.3
(Type 14)									
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
1997	--	57.6	10.3	4.5	15.1	6.3	--	5.7	0.5

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

**Table 20.--Percentage distribution by qualities and types, 1993-97 crops 1/**

Crop Year	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.
(Type 11)								
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
1997	0.2	0.8	28.3	59.6	9.5	--	1.5	0.1
(Type 12)								
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
1997	0.1	0.4	23.4	62.4	12.1	--	1.5	0.1
(Type 13)								
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	--	5.7	0.8
1997	--	0.2	27.8	56.5	12.1	--	3.1	0.3
(Type 14)								
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
1997	--	0.3	16.0	57.1	20.4	--	5.7	0.5

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, 1993-97 crops 1/**

Crop Year	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 2/	G-GK	Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)											
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
1997	5.0	39.1	0.8	35.1	--	2.4	2.1	11.7	2.2	1.5	0.1
(Type 12)											
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
1997	6.0	28.0	0.4	38.6	--	2.9	3.4	17.0	2.1	1.5	0.1
(Type 13)											
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
1997	5.6	31.3	0.4	41.8	--	2.6	0.7	12.0	2.2	3.1	0.3
(Type 14)											
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
1997	3.4	28.5	1.5	39.6	--	1.5	2.0	14.1	3.2	5.7	0.5

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, 1993-97 crops 1/**

Crop Year	(Group)									Misc.
	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.	
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	
1997	--	61.3	5.2	6.7	18.3	5.8	--	2.5	0.2	

(Quality)

Crop Year	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.
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
1997	--	0.5	24.4	59.6	12.8	--	2.5	0.2

(Color)

Crop Year	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 3/	G-GK	Nondescript	Mics.
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
1997	5.2	31.8	0.7	38.4	--	2.5	2.3	14.1	2.3	2.5	0.2

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, 1997 crop 1/**

Group and Grade	1997 Crop				Group and Grade	1997 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
<b>Leaf:</b>									
B1L	.015	.002	.001	.001	H3F	.515	.160	.330	1.882
B2L	.073	.011	.014	.024	H4F	1.713	.674	2.738	2.267
B3L	.308	.189	.249	.180	H5F	.094	.028	.220	.419
B4L	.502	.588	.624	.220	H6F	--	--	--	--
B5L	.021	.059	.087	.071	H4FR	.111	.042	.079	.225
B6L	--	--	--	--	H5FR	.010	.008	.009	.033
B1F	.094	.074	.007	.003	H6FR	--	--	--	--
B2F	.293	.210	.099	.125	H4K	1.386	.695	3.880	3.264
B3F	3.401	2.649	1.680	2.951	H5K	.286	.212	1.033	2.258
B4F	8.117	7.261	10.804	5.835	H6K	--	--	--	--
B5F	.421	.187	.799	.736	Total H	4.114	1.819	8.289	10.348
B6F	--	--	--	--	Cutters:	--	--	--	--
B1FR	--	--	--	--	C1L	.014	--	--	.001
B2FR	--	--	--	.007	C2L	.077	.016	.006	--
B3FR	.167	.047	.072	.443	C3L	.399	.143	.287	.119
B4FR	.437	.263	.231	.703	C4L	.502	.600	.470	.224
B5FR	.024	.028	.011	.041	C5L	.190	.245	.540	.129
B6FR	--	--	--	--	C5LP	--	--	--	--
B5R	--	--	--	--	C1F	.023	--	--	--
B3K	10.927	8.229	14.463	3.102	C2F	.137	.012	.017	.005
B4K	16.703	18.883	15.218	17.528	C3F	1.194	.308	.693	.286
B5K	2.329	4.842	3.769	9.342	C4F	2.956	1.617	1.756	1.032
B6K	--	--	--	--	C5F	1.471	.932	1.594	.886
B3KR	1.635	1.833	1.733	1.289	C5FP	--	--	--	--
B4KR	1.504	3.162	1.456	2.322	C4KR	.166	.126	.109	.147
B5KR	.098	.382	.074	.197	C4V	.401	.295	.347	.170
B3V	.332	.328	.590	.177	C4LL	--	--	--	--
B4V	.455	.390	.701	.385	C5LL	--	--	--	--
B5V	.016	.026	.052	.036	C4S	--	--	--	--
B3S	--	--	--	--	C4KL	.039	.042	.006	.008
B4S	--	--	--	--	C4KF	.206	.186	.087	.053
B5S	--	--	--	--	C4KM	.779	1.35	.896	1.197
B3KL	.110	.100	.016	.014	C4KK	--	--	--	--
B4KL	.084	.108	.042	.026	C4G	.052	.075	.070	.059
B5KL	.007	.017	.002	.002	C4GK	.145	.104	.095	.199
B6KL	--	--	--	--	Total C	8.753	6.050	6.974	4.515
B3KF	.589	.711	.305	.118	Lugs:	--	--	--	--
B4KF	3.683	2.789	1.338	1.442	X1L	.006	.002	--	--
B5KF	.973	.931	.623	.906	X2L	.028	.056	.046	.022
B6KF	--	--	--	--	X3L	.712	1.298	1.135	.413
B3KD	--	--	--	--	X4L	.551	1.55	1.231	.722
B4KD	--	--	--	--	X5L	.082	.365	.208	.114
B5KD	--	--	--	--	X1F	.006	.018	.001	--
B6KD	--	--	--	--	X2F	.084	.115	.055	.061
B4KV	.792	.838	.326	.490	X3F	3.588	3.021	2.245	1.384
B5KV	.282	.498	.207	1.008	X4F	6.730	6.060	4.363	4.641
B6KV	--	--	--	--	X5F	1.287	1.764	1.355	1.562
B3KM	1.755	2.123	2.339	1.494	X3KR	.051	.093	.067	.077
B4KM	2.213	4.671	3.804	4.555	X4KR	.050	.094	.039	.086
B5KM	.124	.565	.555	.751	X3V	.424	.660	.407	.201
B6KM	--	--	--	--	X4V	.811	1.215	.550	.537
B3KK	--	--	--	--	X3LL	--	--	--	--
B4KK	--	--	--	--	X4LL	--	--	--	--
B5KK	--	--	--	--	X3S	--	--	--	--
B6KK	--	--	--	--	X4S	--	--	--	--
B4G	.066	.089	.157	.102	X4KL	.014	.016	.004	.027
B5G	.005	.022	.034	.028	X4KF	.346	.444	.144	.335
B6G	--	--	--	--	X4KV	1.022	2.108	.177	.542
B5GR	--	--	--	--	X3KM	.267	.824	.641	.837
B4GK	.562	.411	.742	.629	X4KM	.481	2.093	1.190	2.350
B5GK	.166	.109	.191	.310	X4G	.279	.402	.292	.401
B6GK	--	--	--	--	X5G	.106	.183	.137	.319
B5GG	--	--	--	--	X4GK	.168	.363	.224	.486
TOTAL B	59.281	63.629	63.412	57.594	TOTAL X	17.094	22.740	14.510	15.118

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 23.--Percentage distribution by grades and type, 1997 1/ --Continued**

Group and Grade	1997 Crop				Group and Grade	1997 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
<b>Primings:</b>									
P2L	.060	.001	.008	.049	N1L	.358	.093	.150	.136
P2L sand	--	--	--	.002	N1L sand	.001	--	--	--
P3L	.538	.191	.187	.367	N1XL	.296	.339	.403	.392
P3L sand	--	--	--	.028	NIK	.107	.188	.424	1.433
P4L	.776	.551	.386	.571	NIR	.017	.024	.005	.033
P4L sand	.007	--	--	.041	N1GL	.200	.240	.190	.300
P5L	.169	.124	.083	.125	N1GL sand	--	--	--	.001
P5L sand	.001	--	--	--	N1GF	.032	.022	.037	.053
P2F	.068	.004	.001	.044	N1KV	.050	.052	.057	.269
P2F sand	--	--	--	.001	N1GR	.001	.008	.001	.004
P3F	1.44	.514	.367	.658	N1GG	--	--	.001	--
P3F sand	.002	--	--	.028	N1PO	--	--	--	--
P4F	4.279	1.959	1.709	2.735	N1PO sand	--	--	--	--
P4F sand	.026	.002	.005	.057	N1XO	.132	.304	1.286	1.667
P5F	1.156	.465	.424	.889	N1BO	.037	.057	.113	.340
P5F sand	.002	--	--	.003	N2	.241	.223	.437	1.072
P4G	.491	.250	.188	.439	Total N	1.472	1.549	3.103	5.700
P4G sand	.002	--	--	.007	No-grade 2/	.073	.030	.228	.377
P5G	.166	.070	.046	.228	No-G-F sand	--	--	--	--
P5G sand	--	--	.001	--	W - unsafe	.004	.002	.007	.039
Total P	9.182	4.131	3.404	6.271	U - unsound	.027	.024	.073	.038
Mixed:					S - scrap	--	--	--	--
M4F	--	.002	--	--					
M5F	--	--	--	--					
M4KR	--	--	--	--					
M4KM	--	.017	--	--					
M5KM	--	.004	--	--					
M4GK	.001	.003	--	--					
M5GK	--	--	--	--					
Total M	0.001	0.027	0.000	0.000	Grand Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

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, 1996 and 1997 crops**

	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	Types 11-14	
Crop Year	1996	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997
Premature to mellow	83.5	82.4	78.8	75.9	77.6	81.7
Unripe	10.9	13.8	16.4	20.4	12.9	12.7
Immature	1.6	2.2	1.1	2.1	2.9	2.2
Nondescript	3.5	1.5	3.2	1.5	5.8	3.1
No-grade 1/	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.3
Total:	100.0	100.0	100.0	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, 1997 crop.**

GROUP	MATURE TO MELLOW	PREMATURE	UNRIPE		IMMATURE
			dollars per hundred pounds		
Leaf (B)	181.91	----	174.06	163.24	
Smoking Leaf (H)	183.29	----	----	----	
Cutters (C)	170.88	----	166.41	155.52	
Lugs (X)	157.55	----	150.23	142.95	
Primings (P)	----	148.42	----	137.04	
Total	176.40	148.42	167.88	149.95	
Nondescript	132.73				
No-grade 1/	121.89				

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, 1995-97 crop 1/**

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1997	1996	1995		1997	1996	1995
Wrappers:				B5KM	.471	.579	.572
A1L	---	---	---	B6KM	---	---	---
A1F	---	---	---	TOTAL BKM	6.215	6.311	7.512
TOTAL A	---	---	---	B3KK	---	---	---
Leaf:				B4KK	---	---	---
B1L	.005	.015	.005	B5KK	---	---	---
B2L	.031	.101	.038	B6KK	---	---	---
B3L	.232	.394	.251	TOTAL BKK	---	---	---
B4L	.507	.427	.365	B4G	.098	.085	.076
B5L	.056	.097	.091	B5G	.020	.024	.025
B6L	---	---	---	B6G	---	---	---
TOTAL BL	.831	1.034	.750	TOTAL BG	.118	.109	.101
B1FR	.055	.129	.047	B5GR	---	---	---
B2FR	.197	.756	.331	B4GK	.554	.449	.438
B3FR	2.730	4.115	4.630	B5GK	.176	.170	.190
B4FR	7.928	6.386	5.466	B6GK	---	---	---
B5FR	.464	.822	.738	TOTAL BGK	.730	.619	.628
B6FR	---	---	---	B5GG	---	---	---
TOTAL BFR	11.374	12.207	11.212	TOTAL B	61.315	54.038	62.295
B5R	---	---	---	S. LEAF			
B3K	9.284	4.741	8.636	H3F	.591	1.362	1.199
B4K	17.338	14.424	15.985	H4F	1.635	2.274	1.358
B5K	4.709	4.953	4.957	H5F	.151	.288	.162
B6K	---	---	---	H6F	---	---	---
TOTAL BK	31.331	24.118	29.578	TOTAL HF	2.377	3.924	2.720
B3KR	1.664	1.353	2.235	H4FR	.100	.118	.164
B4KR	2.225	2.157	2.551	H5FR	.013	.016	.025
B5KR	.211	.251	.256	H6FR	---	---	---
TOTAL BKR	4.100	3.761	5.042	TOTAL HFR	.113	.134	.189
B3V	.353	.181	.250	H4K	1.939	3.345	2.733
B4V	.467	.353	.331	H5K	.743	1.720	1.055
B5V	.030	.029	.046	H6K	---	---	---
TOTAL BV	.849	.563	.627	TOTAL HK	2.683	5.065	3.787
B3S	---	---	---	TOTAL H	5.173	9.123	6.696
B4S	---	---	---	CUTTERS:			
B5S	---	---	---	C1L	.004	.008	.003
TOTAL BS	---	---	---	C2L	.028	.031	.038
B3KL	.072	.127	.103	C3L	.238	.311	.388
B4KL	.074	.150	.157	C4L	.482	.862	1.222
B5KL	.009	.016	.069	C5L	.265	.438	.831
B6KL	---	---	---	TOTAL CL	1.019	1.649	2.483
TOTAL BKL	.155	.292	.328	C5LP	---	---	---
B3KF	.497	.414	.736	C1F	.006	.017	.007
B4KF	2.532	2.134	2.595	C2F	.047	.082	.049
B5KF	.880	1.109	1.299	C3F	.627	.621	.738
B6KF	---	---	---	C4F	1.919	2.402	3.199
TOTAL BKF	3.909	3.657	4.630	C5F	1.202	1.495	2.241
B3KD	---	---	---	TOTAL CF	3.802	4.616	6.234
B4KD	---	---	---	C5FP	---	---	---
B5KD	---	---	---	C4KR	.138	.266	.260
B6KD	---	---	---	C4V	.313	.289	.300
TOTAL BKD	---	---	---	C4LL	---	---	---
B4KV	.668	.462	.551	C5LL	---	---	---
B5KV	.470	.518	.535	TOTAL CLL	---	---	---
B6KV	---	---	---	C4S	---	---	---
TOTAL BKV	1.138	.980	1.087	C4KL	.028	.104	.129
B3KM	1.951	1.832	3.028	C4KF	.150	.174	.153
B4KM	3.793	3.899	3.913	C4KM	1.076	1.264	1.452
				C4KK	---	---	---
				C4G	.065	.066	.062
				C4GK	.131	.151	.107
				TOTAL C	6.722	8.579	11.180
				LUGS:			
				X1L	.003	.008	.002
				X2L	.040	.062	.040
				X3L	.948	1.321	1.350

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 26.--Percentage distribution by grades for all types, 1995-97 crop 1--Continued**

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1997	1996	1995		1997	1996	1995
X4L	1.064	1.496	1.685	P4F	2.700	2.676	.794
X5L	.212	.256	.290	P4F sand	.019	.014	.004
TOTAL XL	2.267	3.144	3.368	P5F	.726	.769	.162
X1F	.009	.017	.004	P5F sand	.001	.003	---
X2F	.085	.070	.068	TOTAL PF	4.253	4.403	1.225
X3F	2.750	2.868	2.757	P4G	.339	.350	.088
X4F	5.681	5.229	4.684	P4G sand	.002	.002	---
X5F	1.517	1.350	1.133	P5G	.120	.119	.022
TOTAL XF	10.041	9.534	8.645	P5G sand	----	----	----
X3KR	.074	.084	.066	TOTAL PG	.460	.471	.110
X4KR	.069	.100	.060	TOTAL P	5.789	6.698	2.020
TOTAL XKR	.143	.183	.126	MIXED:			
X3V	.466	.273	.219	M4F	.001	.001	---
X4V	.857	.465	.369	M5F	----	.001	---
TOTAL XV	1.323	.738	.588	TOTAL MF	.001	.002	---
X3LL	----	----	----	M4KR	----	----	----
X4LL	----	----	----	M4KM	.006	.007	.002
TOTAL XLL	----	----	----	M5KM	.002	.002	.001
X3S	----	----	----	TOTAL MKM	.008	.008	.003
X4S	----	----	----	M4GK	.001	.003	---
TOTAL XS	----	----	----	M5GK	----	.002	.002
X4KL	.015	.043	.132	TOTAL MGK	.001	.006	.003
X4KF	.341	.212	.331	TOTAL M	.010	.016	.006
X4KV	1.164	.460	.283	NONDESCRIPT:			
X3KM	.634	.481	.497	N1L	.186	.332	.079
X4KM	1.512	.998	.806	N1L sand	----	----	----
TOTAL XKM	2.146	1.479	1.303	N1XL	.348	.412	.304
X4G	.346	.272	.243	N1K	.426	.828	.487
X5G	.176	.145	.071	N1R	.020	.017	.047
TOTAL XG	.522	.417	.314	N1GL	.229	.261	.093
X4GK	.303	.266	.144	N1GL sand	----	----	----
TOTAL X	18.264	16.475	15.234	N1GF	.033	.045	.048
PRIMINGS:				N1KV	.090	.109	.119
P2L	.027	.047	.016	N1GR	.004	.004	.004
P2L sand	----	----	----	N1GG	----	.002	.001
P3L	.318	.655	.227	N1PO	----	----	----
P3L sand	.005	.002	----	N1PO sand	----	----	----
P4L	.587	.941	.387	N1XO	.678	1.060	.388
P4L sand	.009	.005	.001	N1BO	.111	.452	.161
PSL	.129	.172	.054	N2	.416	.939	.466
P5L sand	----	.001	----	TOTAL N	2.542	4.462	2.199
TOTAL PL	1.076	1.823	.685	No-Grade 2/	.186	.610	.370
P2F	.029	.050	.018	GRAND TOTAL	100,000	100,000	100,000
P2F sand	----	----	----				
P3F	.772	.888	.245				
P3F sand	.006	.003	.001				

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

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 1997.

**Table 27.--Average price by grade groups and types, 1997 and 1996 crops**

Type	1997						1996					
	Group						Group					
Type	B	H	C	X	P	N	B	H	C	X	P	N
11	180	183	171	156	145	117	191	192	186	180	169	180
12	180	183	170	155	151	129	189	190	179	170	162	179
13	180	183	168	157	149	132	188	190	177	166	160	171
14	181	184	168	154	148	142	189	190	179	167	160	169
11-14	180	183	170	155	147	133	189	191	180	171	164	175

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