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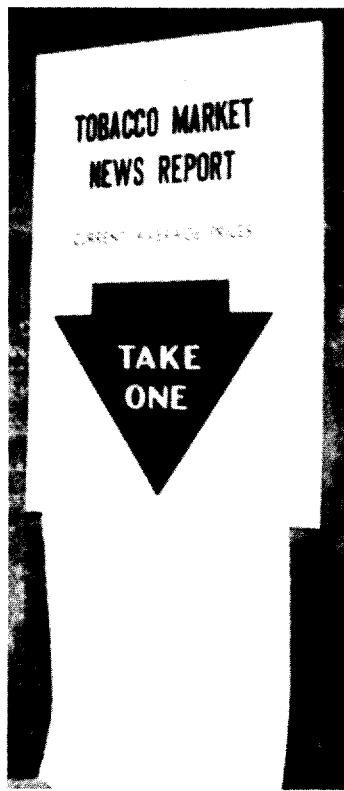
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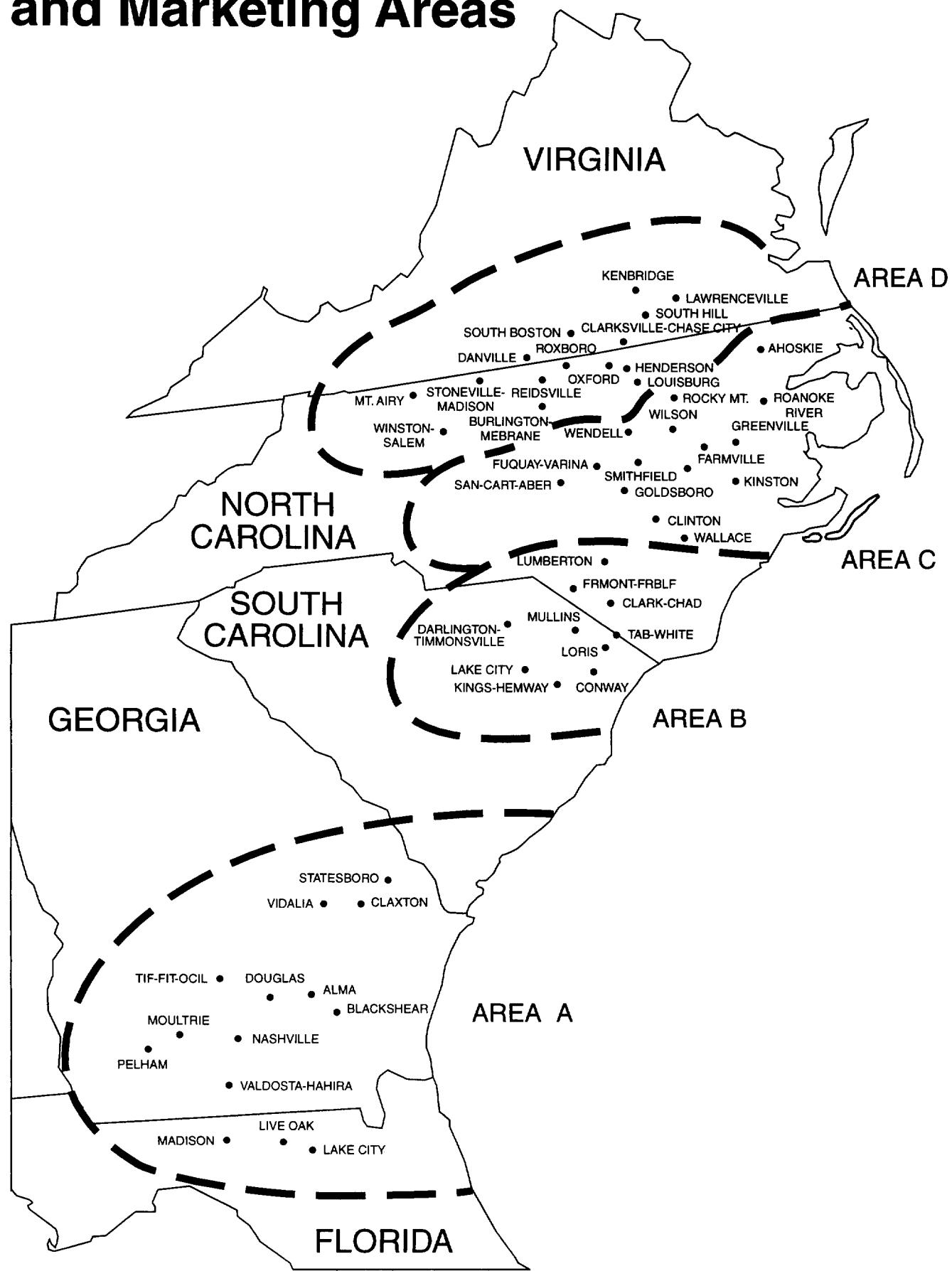
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Tobacco Market Review

Flue-Cured, 1998 Crop



Flue-Cured Tobacco Auction Markets and Marketing Areas



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REVIEW OF THE 1998 MARKETING SEASON

The 1998 flue-cured tobacco auction season opened July 21 and ended November 12, after 64 sales days - two less than the 1997 crop. Adverse weather conditions played a major role in the development of the crop, especially in areas south of the Eastern North Carolina Belt. Demand was generally light during the first several weeks of sales, with substantial amounts being placed under loan. By September, demand improved with bid averages moving higher and loan receipts decreasing. For the season, most bid averages were above 1997 levels, and overall quality was about the same. Some markets in each belt sold a substantial amount of tobacco in bales, with buyers paying a premium over the "sheet" price. The practical top bid was \$191 per hundred, \$4 higher than last year. Due to quota cuts and some loss of production, total volume and total value were down from the 1997 crop. Early auctions contained about 63.2 million pounds of carry-over.

SALES AND AVERAGES

Producers' sales for 1998 totaled 810,637,270 pounds, down 19.6 percent from 1997. The producers' average of \$175.36 was up \$3.01 from the 1997 average of \$172.35 per hundred pounds. Producers' value of \$1,421.5 million was down 18.2 percent from the 1997 level of \$1,737.4 million. These figures are based on auction sales only, including carry-over, and do not reflect assessments.

GRADE BID AVERAGES

Season average bids for ripe leaf and smoking leaf grades were up \$1 to \$4, with most between \$182 and \$188 per hundred pounds. Unripe leaf grades gained \$2 to \$6 from last season, with averages mostly from \$170 to \$181. Cutters were mainly \$1 to \$3 above last year at \$168 to \$176, while lugs gained \$2 to \$5 at \$155 to \$164 this season. The more desirable grades of primings gained \$1 to \$4, averaging between \$150 and \$162. Other primings dropped \$3 to \$6 and sold from \$124 to \$134. Nondescript tobacco showed a mixed trend, ranging from \$14 lower to \$7 higher, with average bids from \$96 to \$150 per hundred pounds.

COMPOSITION OF OFFERINGS

While there were considerable differences between marketing areas, the total flue-cured quality picture changed very little from the 1997 season. No specific category showed a greater than 1 percent variance. The better quality tobacco was shown to be in the Types 11 and 12 areas, as they averaged 32 percent good quality or better. This compares with an average of 14 percent good quality or better in the Types 13 and 14 areas. The Georgia-Florida Belt had the most "mellow" tobacco, with 10 percent grading in smoking leaf grades. From a color standpoint, orange (F) and variegated (K) dominated ripe sales for 1998, with variegated orange (KF) and variegated mixed (KM) leading unripe offerings. Overall, 66 percent of the crop was either leaf or smoking leaf, 7 percent cutters, 17 percent lugs, 6 percent primings, and 2 percent nondescript. About 26 percent was good quality or better, with 59 percent fair and 13 percent low quality. A high degree of ripeness was shown, with 80 percent classed as mature to mellow. The ten heaviest volume grades and their percentages were: B4K (19.2); B3K (9.4); B4F (6.8); X4F (5.1); B5K (4.7); B4KF (3.7); B4KM (3.4); X3F (3.3); P4F (2.6); and B3F (2.6).

LOAN RATES

Loan rates by grade for 1998 were based on an average support level of \$1.628 per pound, compared with \$1.621 for the 1997 season. The Flue-Cured Stabilization Corporation deducted one cent per pound from the support price to offset overhead costs. The support level for 1999 was set at \$1.632 per pound by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1998.

STABILIZATION RECEIPTS

Loan receipts were down from 1997, but were still substantial. The Flue-Cured Stabilization Corporation received 81.6 million pounds, or 10.0 percent of producer or net sales. This compares to 194.3 million pounds or 19.3 percent from the 1997 crop. Percentages of loan receipts by grade group follow:

GROUP	1998 CROP	1997 CROP
Leaf (B)	76.2	79.6
Smoking Leaf (H)	2.8	5.9
Cutters (C)	3.8	2.6
Lugs (X)	11.5	9.9
Primings (P)	3.5	1.0
Mixed (M)	**	**
Nondescript (N)	2.2	1.0

** 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 1998, the "no-net-cost" assessment was 0.186 cents per pound for both growers and buyers. The "marketing assessment" was 1.628 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 1997 crop, these assessments also totaled 2.0 cents, with 1.0 paid by growers and 1.0 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 1998 user fee for grading services of the USDA-AMS Tobacco Division remained at 83 cents per hundred pounds.

PRELIMINARY 1999 INFORMATION

The 1999 basic marketing quota was released by the Secretary of Agriculture in December 1998. The quota was announced at 666.2 million pounds, down from the 1998 figure of 807.6 million. The 1999 effective quota is expected to be 667.0 million pounds, or about 19 percent below 1998. The national acreage allotment of 319,061 acres compares to 386,782 acres for 1998. The yield goal remains at 2,088 pounds per acre. The statutory marketing assessment for growers, buyers, and importers ended with the 1998 crop. The "no-net-cost" assessment for 1999 was set at 2 cents per pound, shared equally by 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	N1L
B1F	B5KL	B5GG 2/	C4V	X4KF	N1XL
B2F	B6KL 2/	10 Grades of Smoking leaf:	C4S 2/	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:	N1GG
B3FR	B5KD 2/	H6FR 2/	26 Grades of Lugs:	P2L	N1PO 2/
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.--Allocated sales opportunities compared to producers' sales, 1998 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
1,000 pounds															
July 24	7	7,724	5,122	11			19			13			50 3/	7,724	5,122
July 31	11,355	5,852		12,401	13,064		16,138	15,977					39,894	34,893	
Aug 07	11,355	5,470		16,572	13,850		32,288	26,385		16,568	16,216		76,783	61,921	
Aug 14	11,430	5,456		16,559	12,483		32,262	24,539		22,064	14,237		82,315	56,715	
Aug 21	11,934	6,567		16,936	12,765		32,771	24,566		22,449	11,453		84,090	55,351	
Aug 28	12,047	7,764		17,051	9,182		32,772	18,883		22,411	11,550		84,282	47,379	
Sep 04	12,003	7,988		16,980	18,614		32,762	31,276		22,449	14,754		84,194	72,632	
Sep 11	9,008	10,230		12,747	14,440		24,559	28,176		16,803	14,463		63,116	67,309	
Sep 18	10,731	11,585		14,872	14,890		28,595	29,280		19,963	18,618		74,161	74,373	
Sep 25	10,750	10,709		14,879	15,159		28,546	29,007		19,915	19,847		74,090	74,722	
Oct 02	10,779	10,236		14,857	15,080		28,505	28,709		20,027	20,021		74,168	74,046	
Oct 09	10,888	10,096		14,805	14,398		28,479	26,582		20,004	20,346		74,176	71,422	
Oct 16	8,985	6,753		12,451	7,570		24,189	17,919		17,399	17,537		63,024	49,779	
Oct 23	9,064	4,771		16,665	2,472		32,328	9,882		23,230	20,679		81,287	37,804	
Oct 30		67					32,318	4,036		23,260	13,595		55,578	17,698	
Nov 06										17,362	7,410		17,362	7,410	
Nov 13											2,219				2,219

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 1998 crop 1/

Market	Initial	Final	Market	Initial	Final
Marketing Area A			Marketing Area C		
Georgia:	Pounds	Pounds	North Carolina:	Pounds	Pounds
Alma	15,239,540	16,591,481	Ahoskie	4,119,403	3,943,491
Blackshear	8,446,492	8,734,875	Clinton	16,397,714	15,429,753
Claxton	5,226,824	5,956,119	Farmville	22,257,561	22,420,087
Douglas	12,237,067	13,153,761	Fuquay-Varina	22,458,520	21,212,277
Moultrie	15,724,375	18,382,404	Goldsboro	25,266,457	26,519,056
Nashville	10,522,790	11,008,742	Greenville	26,845,606	28,287,030
Pelham	4,622,863	2,583,974	Kinston	42,417,936	42,099,573
Statesboro	4,884,444	4,625,571	Roanoke River	26,075,165	26,766,119
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,150,633	4,092,337	Rocky Mount	10,908,211	11,499,400
Val-Hira	6,091,580	5,941,447	San-Cart-Aber	9,709,119	9,721,420
Vidalia	7,115,055	8,424,920	Smithfield	37,552,978	42,279,406
Total Georgia	94,261,663	99,495,631	Wallace	5,315,688	4,893,467
Florida:			Wendell	2,378,819	2,372,742
Lake City	5,563,569	5,702,141	Wilson	64,173,104	66,678,159
Live Oak	8,113,955	7,874,910	Total area C:	315,876,281	324,121,980
Madison	5,218,448	5,645,707			
Total Florida	18,895,972	19,222,758			
Total area A:	113,157,635	118,718,389			

Marketing Area B			Marketing Area D		
South Carolina:			North Carolina:		
Conway	5,871,521	5,134,702	Burl-Meb	4,507,189	4,020,922
Darl-Tim	10,561,858	12,002,441	Henderson	19,634,125	19,482,236
Kings-Hemway	14,003,775	15,457,255	Louisburg	16,593,910	19,472,390
Lake City	26,551,284	27,683,556	Mount Airy	11,161,474	11,567,807
Loris	4,322,194	3,342,145	Oxford	11,524,969	12,031,331
Mullins	30,794,257	31,519,834	Reidsville	15,639,184	15,740,250
Total S.C.	92,104,889	95,139,933	Roxboro	14,684,947	15,424,237
North Carolina:			Stone-Mad	6,341,756	6,687,122
Clark-Chad	10,573,769	9,062,208	Winston-Salem	35,489,913	36,601,790
Frmont-Frblf	26,354,394	25,650,851	Total N.C.	135,577,467	141,028,085
Lumberton	14,124,318	13,838,903			
Tab-White	29,152,943	29,004,049	Virginia:		
Total N.C.	80,205,424	77,556,011	Clark-Chase 2/	8,780,503	8,798,868
Total area B:	172,310,313	172,695,944	Danville	42,932,145	46,036,078
			Kenbridge	442,587	348,119
			Lawrenceville	5,186,047	5,459,669
			South Boston	12,417,797	13,459,837
			South Hill	11,833,703	11,786,015
			Total Virginia	81,592,782	85,888,586
			Total area D:	217,170,249	226,916,671
			Total flue-cured	818,514,478	842,452,984

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

2/ Clark-Chase is the new name assigned to the merger of Clarksville and Chase City markets for the 1998 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt								
States and markets	1998				1997			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
Virginia:			Number	Number			Number	Number
Clark-Chase 1/	Aug. 04	Nov. 04	29	4	Aug. 06	Nov. 13	29	4
Danville	Aug. 04	Nov. 10	51	6	Aug. 05	Nov. 18	57	6
Kenbridge	Aug. 20	Nov. 03	4	1	Aug. 13	Nov. 06	5	1
Lawrenceville	Aug. 05	Oct. 26	14	3	Aug. 06	Oct. 30	17	3
South Boston	Aug. 04	Nov. 10	38	5	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	43	5
South Hill	Aug. 04	Nov. 04	35	4	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	36	4
Total Virginia			23					25
North Carolina:								
Burl-Meb	Aug. 05	Nov. 05	16	1	Aug. 06	Nov. 12	16	1
Henderson	Aug. 04	Nov. 04	50	5	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	5
Louisburg	Aug. 04	Oct. 27	47	2	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	2
Mt. Airy	Aug. 04	Nov. 12	36	2	Aug. 05	Nov. 17	46	2
Oxford	Aug. 04	Nov. 04	36	4	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	40	4
Reidsville	Aug. 04	Nov. 05	53	3	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	3
Roxboro	Aug. 04	Nov. 10	54	4	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	51	5
Stone-Mad	Aug. 05	Nov. 12	22	2	Aug. 05	Nov. 17	32	3
Winston-Salem	Aug. 04	Nov. 10	55	7	Aug. 05	Nov. 13	56	7
Total N.C.			30					32
Total type 11			53					58

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina								
North Carolina:	1998				1997			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
Ahoskie	Jul. 29	Oct. 21	22	1	Jul. 30	Nov. 12	28	1
Clinton	Jul. 29	Oct. 21	44	3	Jul. 29	Nov. 06	54	3
Farmville	Jul. 29	Oct. 21	46	3	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	58	3
Fuquay-Varina	Jul. 29	Oct. 27	49	3	Jul. 29	Nov. 04	54	4
Goldsboro	Jul. 29	Oct. 29	50	5	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	59	5
Greenville	Jul. 29	Oct. 15	43	6	Jul. 29	Nov. 05	56	7
Kinston	Jul. 29	Oct. 20	43	7	Jul. 29	Nov. 04	55	7
Roanoke River	Jul. 29	Oct. 21	44	6	Jul. 29	Nov. 12	57	6
Rocky Mount	Jul. 29	Oct. 28	31	2	Jul. 29	Nov. 10	38	2
San-Cart-Aber	Jul. 29	Oct. 29	29	3	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	59	4
Smithfield	Jul. 29	Oct. 29	51	7	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	60	7
Wallace	Jul. 29	Oct. 20	16	1	Jul. 29	Oct. 29	18	1
Wendell	Aug. 04	Oct. 28	9	2	Aug. 04	Nov. 06	13	2
Wilson	Jul. 29	Oct. 28	47	12	Jul. 29	Nov. 13	60	11
Total type 12			61					63

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	1998				1997			
	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms	Opening dates	Closing dates	Sales days	Warehouse firms
South Carolina:			Number	Number			Number	Number
Conway	Jul. 29	Oct. 19	17	2	Jul. 24	Oct. 14	16	2
Darl-Tim	Jul. 28	Oct. 15	28	5	Jul. 24	Oct. 21	26	5
Kings-Hemway	Jul. 28	Oct. 21	38	5	Jul. 23	Oct. 20	43	5
Lake City	Jul. 28	Oct. 22	48	4	Jul. 23	Oct. 23	51	4
Loris	Jul. 28	Oct. 06	12	2	Jul. 28	Oct. 28	13	2
Mullins	Jul. 28	Oct. 15	43	5	Jul. 23	Oct. 23	51	5
Total S.C.			23				23	
North Carolina:								
Clark-Chad	Jul. 28	Oct. 20	28	3	Jul. 23	Nov. 03	40	3
Frmont-Frbflf	Jul. 28	Oct. 15	42	9	Jul. 23	Oct. 29	55	10
Lumberton	Jul. 28	Oct. 20	44	4	Jul. 23	Oct. 30	56	4
Tab-White	Jul. 28	Oct. 20	44	9	Jul. 23	Oct. 30	56	9
Total N.C.			25				26	
Total type 13			48				49	

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:								
Alma	Jul. 21	Oct. 27	52	2	Jul. 22	Oct. 21	40	2
Blackshear	Jul. 21	Oct. 15	25	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	22	2
Claxton	Jul. 22	Oct. 22	17	1	Jul. 23	Oct. 09	15	1
Douglas	Jul. 21	Oct. 20	37	3	Jul. 22	Oct. 16	29	3
Moultrie	Jul. 21	Oct. 19	49	4	Jul. 22	Oct. 16	41	4
Nashville	Jul. 21	Oct. 14	33	2	Jul. 22	Oct. 14	25	2
Pelham	Jul. 22	Oct. 15	15	1	Jul. 23	Oct. 08	12	2
Statesboro	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	14	1	Jul. 24	Oct. 07	12	1
Tif-Fit-Ocil	Jul. 22	Oct. 20	14	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 02	11	2
Val-Hira	Jul. 22	Oct. 13	20	2	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	19	2
Vidalia	Jul. 21	Oct. 22	23	2	Jul. 22	Oct. 08	20	2
Total Georgia			22				23	
Florida:								
Lake City	Jul. 22	Oct. 20	16	1	Jul. 23	Oct. 15	16	1
Live Oak	Jul. 23	Oct. 20	21	2	Jul. 22	Oct. 09	21	2
Madison	Jul. 21	Oct. 19	13	1	Jul. 24	Oct. 16	13	1
Total Florida			4				4	
Total type 14			26				27	
Total 11-14			188				198	

1/Clark-Chase is the new name assigned to the merger of Clarksville and Chase City markets for the 1998 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
1998 Crop						
Alabama	726	147	579	---	---	---
Florida	2,683	---	2,683	---	---	---
Georgia	2,872	2,872	---	---	---	---
South Carolina	11,005	---	694	---	10,311	---
North Carolina	20,429	---	---	2,079	---	18,350
Virginia	6,350	---	---	---	6,350	---
Total	44,065	3,019	3,956	2,079	16,661	18,350
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	---	21,331
Virginia	7,835	---	---	---	7,835	---
Total	52,367	3,083	4,037	2,718	21,198	21,331

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

Table 5.--Producers' sales, value, and average price by types, 1993-98 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
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
1998	222,959,486	397,751,662	178.40	1998	315,169,130	558,229,666	177.12
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
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
1998	163,928,909	280,389,976	171.04	1998	108,579,745	185,140,780	170.51

Types 11-14 - Total flue-cured

Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Crop	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
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
1995	851,848,186	1,527,546,735	179.32	1998	810,637,270	1,421,512,084	175.36

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, 1993-98 crops 1/

Crop year	Type 11 - Old Belt			Resales		
	Sales	Value	Average price	Pounds	Dollars	Percentage of gross sales
	Pounds	Dollars	Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
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
1998	244,610,418	436,572,803	178.48	21,650,932	179.30	8.9

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina					
1993	336,457,532	573,238,062	170.37	25,911,580	172.24
1994	301,746,745	518,371,960	171.79	23,300,760	173.37
1995	347,810,879	627,670,236	180.46	26,600,877	181.24
1996	359,993,946	659,982,431	183.33	27,665,257	184.11
1997	442,542,630	764,890,434	172.84	32,714,777	175.19
1998	346,918,732	615,222,976	177.34	31,749,602	179.51

Type 13 - South Carolina and Border North Carolina					
1993	210,480,935	352,741,583	167.59	19,870,940	168.67
1994	189,859,398	322,595,120	169.91	16,341,029	170.71
1995	198,587,831	353,164,023	177.84	17,793,356	179.62
1996	204,799,497	372,564,181	181.92	17,360,316	184.69
1997	238,484,854	412,746,751	173.07	20,813,541	174.50
1998	180,541,444	309,339,014	171.34	16,612,535	174.26

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida					
1993	129,934,608	215,067,933	165.52	14,817,028	168.60
1994	110,939,341	183,397,436	165.31	11,067,135	167.21
1995	113,617,187	199,826,231	175.88	10,964,485	178.31
1996	144,064,371	261,347,963	181.41	13,018,994	183.13
1997	125,743,425	215,677,327	171.52	12,743,499	173.08
1998	121,552,823	207,308,283	170.55	12,973,078	170.87

Types 11-14 Total flue-cured					
1993	975,189,970	1,645,779,019	168.76	83,115,318	170.03
1994	879,023,362	1,496,688,670	170.27	71,636,664	171.30
1995	924,849,313	1,659,143,939	179.40	73,001,127	180.27
1996	973,364,839	1,788,243,585	183.72	76,470,961	184.21
1997	1,095,715,928	1,889,383,364	172.43	87,656,580	173.36
1998	893,623,417	1,568,443,076	175.51	82,986,147	177.05

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	1998			1997		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
Virginia:						
Clark-Chase 2/	8,530,684	15,074,749	176.71	10,235,839	17,886,737	174.75
Danville	45,341,451	81,872,581	180.57	53,648,286	92,408,434	172.25
Kenbridge	319,245	567,135	177.65	777,096	1,317,477	169.54
Lawrenceville	5,378,330	9,627,287	179.00	6,728,158	11,687,478	173.71
South Boston	12,919,414	22,842,141	176.80	16,055,603	27,554,367	171.62
South Hill	11,565,135	20,571,530	177.88	13,832,159	24,069,584	174.01
Total Virginia	84,054,259	150,555,423	179.12	101,277,141	174,924,077	172.72
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	3,953,005	7,163,799	181.22	4,556,930	7,900,562	173.37
Henderson	19,575,607	34,573,505	176.62	23,971,474	41,330,310	172.41
Louisburg	19,759,113	35,092,061	177.60	24,109,689	41,115,459	170.54
Mt. Airy	11,298,590	19,956,640	176.63	14,325,134	24,147,084	168.56
Oxford	11,760,301	20,976,618	178.37	13,918,445	23,992,676	172.38
Reidsville	15,428,949	27,676,403	179.38	19,337,720	33,346,274	172.44
Roxboro	15,276,741	27,208,677	178.11	17,483,201	30,104,128	172.19
Stone-Mad	6,352,408	11,177,726	175.96	9,930,869	16,841,834	169.59
Winston-Salem	35,500,513	63,370,810	178.51	38,649,653	66,092,422	171.00
Total N.C.	138,905,227	247,196,239	177.96	166,283,115	284,870,749	171.32
Total Type 11	222,959,486	397,751,662	178.40	267,560,256	459,794,826	171.85

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:					
Ahoskie	3,746,541	6,571,735	175.41	4,896,119	8,174,542
Clinton	14,490,120	25,372,723	175.10	21,600,669	36,893,209
Farmville	22,263,202	39,509,668	177.47	31,731,724	55,289,627
Fuquay-Varina	20,396,127	35,986,783	176.44	26,122,995	45,192,428
Goldsboro	25,628,622	45,358,696	176.98	29,843,283	51,101,322
Greenville	27,475,878	48,465,398	176.39	36,387,259	62,619,190
Kinston	40,848,372	71,655,098	175.42	56,464,045	97,811,554
Roanoke River	26,185,187	46,142,104	176.21	32,570,368	56,549,125
Rocky Mount	11,507,152	20,424,241	177.49	12,753,313	22,047,723
San-Cart-Aber	9,539,011	16,945,005	177.64	16,114,118	27,338,245
Smithfield	40,708,396	73,591,699	180.78	46,831,217	80,113,383
Wallace	4,614,653	8,086,975	175.25	5,971,012	10,278,935
Wendell	2,358,601	4,208,803	178.44	3,144,430	5,288,448
Wilson	65,407,268	115,910,738	177.21	85,397,301	148,879,730
Total Type 12	315,169,130	558,229,666	177.12	409,827,853	707,577,461

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	1998			1997		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	5,083,914	8,687,963	170.89	6,044,524	10,625,545	175.79
Darlington	11,581,527	19,920,338	172.00	12,419,595	21,458,576	172.78
Kings-Hemway	14,781,649	25,881,436	175.09	17,339,913	30,406,753	175.36
Lake City	26,307,403	44,931,402	170.79	31,870,474	54,992,503	172.55
Loris	3,135,630	5,124,985	163.44	4,797,414	8,209,857	171.13
Mullins	30,423,877	51,454,347	169.12	38,167,377	66,220,399	173.50
Total S. C.	91,314,000	156,000,471	170.84	110,639,297	191,913,633	173.46
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	8,338,916	14,255,609	170.95	13,500,571	23,259,768	172.29
Frmont-Frbflf	24,141,692	41,027,959	169.95	37,183,670	63,786,828	171.55
Lumberton	13,141,160	22,943,190	174.59	17,105,905	29,436,138	172.08
Tab-White	26,993,141	46,162,747	171.02	39,241,870	68,030,596	173.36
Total N. C.	72,614,909	124,389,505	171.30	107,032,016	184,513,330	172.39
Total Type 13	163,928,909	280,389,976	171.04	217,671,313	376,426,963	172.93

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	14,977,024	25,527,777	170.45	15,359,117	26,705,393	173.87
Blackshear	8,098,825	14,081,159	173.87	8,245,018	14,370,117	174.29
Claxton	5,547,164	9,711,811	175.08	6,035,821	10,408,501	172.45
Douglas	12,128,649	20,720,282	170.84	11,805,749	20,316,287	172.09
Moultrie	17,734,090	30,177,177	170.16	16,737,298	28,578,301	170.75
Nashville	10,129,884	17,396,328	171.73	9,655,739	16,620,086	172.13
Pelham	2,337,450	3,853,018	164.84	4,106,635	6,926,251	168.66
Statesboro	3,471,810	5,591,246	161.05	4,093,980	6,885,701	168.19
Tif-Fit-Ocil	3,731,647	6,400,381	171.52	4,117,309	7,029,070	170.72
Val-Hira	5,266,973	8,849,951	168.03	6,203,648	10,037,872	161.81
Vidalia	7,645,186	13,110,798	171.49	7,444,413	12,599,662	169.25
Total Georgia	91,068,702	155,419,928	170.66	93,804,727	160,477,241	171.08
Florida:						
Lake City	5,154,999	8,672,684	168.24	5,787,371	9,913,634	171.30
Live Oak	7,252,903	12,316,418	169.81	8,441,769	14,672,185	173.80
Madison	5,103,141	8,731,750	171.11	4,966,059	8,557,234	172.31
Total Florida	17,511,043	29,720,852	169.73	19,195,199	33,143,053	172.66
Total Type 14	108,579,745	185,140,780	170.51	112,999,926	193,620,294	171.35
Total Types 11-14	810,637,270	1,421,512,084	175.36	1,008,059,348	1,737,419,544	172.35

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

2/ Clark-Chase was formed from a merger of the Clarksville and Chase City markets, for the 1998 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1998			1997		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
Virginia:						
Clark-Chase 2/	9,091,691	16,073,627	176.79	10,677,489	18,644,670	174.62
Danville	51,342,183	92,757,427	180.67	59,226,290	101,918,373	172.08
Kenbridge	324,474	575,288	177.30	786,553	1,332,555	169.42
Lawrenceville	5,518,810	9,872,734	178.89	6,972,881	12,112,097	173.70
South Boston	13,685,963	24,178,870	176.67	16,869,653	28,901,050	171.32
South Hill	11,931,464	21,218,998	177.84	14,247,257	24,764,790	173.82
Total Virginia	91,894,585	164,676,944	179.20	108,780,123	187,673,535	172.53
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	3,996,086	7,239,554	181.17	4,626,233	8,015,819	173.27
Henderson	21,201,153	37,500,152	176.88	25,009,427	43,124,770	172.43
Louisburg	21,823,328	38,789,917	177.75	25,430,755	43,401,855	170.67
Mt. Airy	12,824,673	22,658,922	176.68	16,062,175	26,973,801	167.93
Oxford	12,400,317	22,126,448	178.43	14,632,146	25,214,399	172.32
Reidsville	17,058,646	30,616,376	179.48	21,312,385	36,661,721	172.02
Roxboro	16,491,214	29,388,992	178.21	18,879,391	32,496,779	172.13
Stone-Mad	6,991,303	12,308,046	176.05	11,147,747	18,918,984	169.71
Winston-Salem	39,929,113	71,267,452	178.48	43,064,637	73,587,189	170.88
Total N. C.	152,715,833	271,895,859	178.04	180,164,896	308,395,317	171.17
Total Type 11	244,610,418	436,572,803	178.48	288,945,019	496,068,852	171.68

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	4,003,075	7,027,311	175.55	5,099,544	8,532,820	167.33
Clinton	15,560,299	27,288,063	175.37	22,942,668	39,213,813	170.92
Farmville	23,672,778	42,020,163	177.50	33,784,361	58,874,191	174.26
Fuquay-Varina	21,734,326	38,380,098	176.59	27,434,568	47,479,084	173.06
Goldsboro	28,618,927	50,794,771	177.49	31,930,275	54,775,351	171.55
Greenville	29,494,841	52,055,795	176.49	39,267,692	67,580,448	172.10
Kinston	45,156,014	79,549,855	176.17	61,407,874	106,569,523	173.54
Roanoke River	29,047,702	51,230,059	176.37	35,271,259	61,290,269	173.77
Rocky Mount	12,045,435	21,395,162	177.62	13,072,916	22,611,288	172.96
San-Cart-Aber	10,327,946	18,358,568	177.76	17,254,164	29,337,111	170.03
Smithfield	46,959,689	84,649,317	180.26	52,309,694	89,637,454	171.36
Wallace	4,845,962	8,497,299	175.35	6,186,129	10,651,846	172.19
Wendell	2,458,418	4,385,630	178.39	3,300,947	5,554,783	168.28
Wilson	72,993,320	129,590,885	177.54	93,280,539	162,782,453	174.51
Total Type 12	346,918,732	615,222,976	177.34	442,542,630	764,890,434	172.84

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	1998			1997		
	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average Dollars	Sales Pounds	Value Dollars	Average price Dollars
South Carolina:						
Conway	5,285,449	9,042,785	171.09	6,467,053	11,361,669	175.69
Darl-Tim	12,780,705	22,021,055	172.30	13,686,638	23,692,275	173.11
Kings-Hemway	15,519,784	27,182,358	175.15	18,368,766	32,246,671	175.55
Lake City	29,714,269	50,902,893	171.31	35,957,719	62,138,688	172.81
Loris	3,346,426	5,485,384	163.92	5,149,341	8,823,724	171.36
Mullins	33,300,055	56,414,574	169.41	41,778,929	72,482,169	173.49
Total S.C.	99,946,688	171,049,049	171.14	121,408,446	210,745,196	173.58
North Carolina:						
Clark-Chad	9,356,586	16,084,260	171.90	14,754,953	25,480,275	172.69
Frmont-Frbflf	27,101,613	46,199,368	170.47	41,609,150	71,445,401	171.71
Lumberton	13,445,637	23,507,751	174.84	17,580,102	30,258,244	172.12
Tab-White	30,690,920	52,498,586	171.06	43,132,203	74,817,635	173.46
Total N.C.	80,594,756	138,289,965	171.59	117,076,408	202,001,555	172.54
Total Type 13	180,541,444	309,339,014	171.34	238,484,854	412,746,751	173.07

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	16,754,770	28,641,144	170.94	17,330,873	30,174,436	174.11
Blackshear	8,913,414	15,471,014	173.57	9,282,177	16,173,672	174.24
Claxton	5,941,013	10,389,561	174.88	6,483,147	11,174,828	172.37
Douglas	13,560,875	23,150,096	170.71	13,388,814	23,078,334	172.37
Moultrie	19,909,773	33,975,820	170.65	18,606,944	31,852,817	171.19
Nashville	11,210,431	19,245,641	171.68	10,571,033	18,137,193	171.57
Pelham	2,732,326	4,530,774	165.82	4,552,291	7,705,164	169.26
Statesboro	4,037,404	6,544,216	162.09	4,499,665	7,599,345	168.89
Tif-Fit-Ocil	4,242,804	7,305,802	172.19	4,666,537	7,989,584	171.21
Val-Hira	6,203,502	10,321,833	166.39	6,951,501	11,319,821	162.84
Vidalia	8,712,955	14,933,968	171.40	8,481,699	14,390,186	169.66
Total Georgia	102,219,267	174,509,869	170.72	104,814,681	179,595,380	171.35
Florida:						
Lake City	5,672,308	9,564,996	168.63	6,325,840	10,835,201	171.28
Live Oak	8,028,270	13,603,991	169.45	9,247,124	16,066,643	173.75
Madison	5,632,978	9,629,427	170.95	5,355,780	9,180,103	171.41
Total Florida	19,333,556	32,798,414	169.65	20,928,744	36,081,947	172.40
Total Type 14	121,552,823	207,308,283	170.55	125,743,425	215,677,327	171.52
Total Types 11-14	893,623,417	1,568,443,076	175.51	1,095,715,928	1,889,383,364	172.43

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

2/ Clark-Chase is the new name assigned to the merger of Clarksville and Chase City markets for the 1998 season.

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

Type 11 - Old Belt

Market and State	1998			1997		
	Resales	Average Price	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross
Virginia:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent
Clark-Chase 2/	561,007	178.05	6.17	441,650	171.61	4.14
Danville	6,000,732	181.39	11.69	5,578,004	170.49	9.42
Kenbridge	5,229	155.92	1.61	9,457	159.44	1.20
Lawrenceville	140,480	174.72	2.55	244,723	173.51	3.51
South Boston	766,549	174.38	5.60	814,050	165.43	4.83
South Hill	366,329	176.74	3.07	415,098	167.48	2.91
Total Virginia	7,840,326	180.11	8.53	7,502,982	169.93	6.90
North Carolina:						
Burl-Meb	43,081	175.84	1.08	69,303	166.31	1.50
Henderson	1,625,546	180.04	7.67	1,037,953	172.88	4.15
Louisburg	2,064,215	179.14	9.46	1,321,066	173.07	5.19
Mt. Airy	1,526,083	177.07	11.90	1,737,041	162.73	10.81
Oxford	640,016	179.66	5.16	713,701	171.18	4.88
Reidsville	1,629,697	180.40	9.55	1,974,665	167.90	9.27
Roxboro	1,214,473	179.53	7.36	1,396,190	171.37	7.40
Stone-Mad	638,895	176.92	9.14	1,216,878	170.70	10.92
Winston-Salem	4,428,600	178.31	11.09	4,414,984	169.76	10.25
Total North Carolina	13,810,606	178.85	9.04	13,881,781	169.46	7.71
Total Type 11	21,650,932	179.30	8.85	21,384,763	169.63	7.40

Type 12 - Eastern North Carolina

North Carolina:						
Ahoskie	256,534	177.59	6.41	203,425	176.12	3.99
Clinton	1,070,179	178.97	6.88	1,341,999	172.92	5.85
Farmville	1,409,576	178.10	5.95	2,052,637	174.63	6.08
Fuquay-Varina	1,338,199	178.85	6.16	1,311,573	174.34	4.78
Goldsboro	2,990,305	181.79	10.45	2,086,992	176.04	6.54
Greenville	2,018,963	177.83	6.85	2,880,433	172.24	7.34
Kinston	4,307,642	183.27	9.54	4,943,829	177.15	8.05
Roanoke River	2,862,515	177.74	9.85	2,700,891	175.54	7.66
Rocky Mount	538,283	180.37	4.47	319,603	176.33	2.44
San-Cart-Aber	788,935	179.17	7.64	1,140,046	175.33	6.61
Smithfield	6,251,293	176.89	13.31	5,478,477	173.85	10.47
Wallace	231,309	177.39	4.77	215,117	173.35	3.48
Wendell	99,817	177.15	4.06	156,517	170.16	4.74
Wilson	7,586,052	180.33	10.39	7,883,238	176.36	8.45
Total Type 12	31,749,602	179.51	9.15	32,714,777	175.19	7.39

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	1998			1997			
	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross	Resales	Average	Percent of Gross	
South Carolina:	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	Pounds	Dollars	Percent	
	Conway	201,535	176.06	3.81	422,529	174.22	6.53
	Darl-Tim	1,199,178	175.18	9.38	1,267,043	176.29	9.26
	Kings-Hemway	738,135	176.24	4.76	1,028,853	178.83	5.60
	Lake City	3,406,866	175.28	11.47	4,087,245	174.84	11.37
	Loris	210,796	170.97	6.30	351,927	174.43	6.83
Mullins	2,876,178	172.46	8.64	3,611,552	173.38	8.64	
Total South Carolina	8,632,688	174.32	8.64	10,769,149	174.87	8.87	
North Carolina:	Clark-Chad	1,017,670	179.69	10.88	1,254,382	177.02	8.50
	Frmont-Frbflf	2,959,921	174.71	10.92	4,425,480	173.06	10.64
	Lumberton	304,477	185.42	2.26	474,197	173.37	2.70
	Tab-White	3,697,779	171.34	12.05	3,890,333	174.46	9.02
	Total North Carolina	7,979,847	174.19	9.90	10,044,392	174.11	8.58
Total Type 13	16,612,535	174.26	9.20	20,813,541	174.50	8.73	

Type 14 - Georgia and Florida

Georgia:						
Alma	1,777,746	175.13	10.61	1,971,756	175.94	11.38
Blackshear	814,589	170.62	9.14	1,037,159	173.89	11.17
Claxton	393,849	172.08	6.63	447,326	171.31	6.90
Douglas	1,432,226	169.65	10.56	1,583,065	174.47	11.82
Moultrie	2,175,683	174.60	10.93	1,869,646	175.14	10.05
Nashville	1,080,547	171.15	9.64	915,294	165.75	8.66
Pelham	394,876	171.64	14.45	445,656	174.78	9.79
Statesboro	565,594	168.49	14.01	405,685	175.91	9.02
Tif-Fit-Ocil	511,157	177.13	12.05	549,228	174.88	11.77
Val-Hira	936,529	157.16	15.10	747,853	171.42	10.76
Vidalia	1,067,769	170.75	12.25	1,037,286	172.62	12.23
Total Georgia	11,150,565	171.20	10.91	11,009,954	173.64	10.50
Florida:						
Lake City	517,309	172.49	9.12	538,469	171.15	8.51
Live Oak	775,367	166.06	9.66	805,355	173.15	8.71
Madison	529,837	169.43	9.41	389,721	159.82	7.28
Total Florida	1,822,513	168.86	9.43	1,733,545	169.53	8.28
Total Type 14	12,973,078	170.87	10.67	12,743,499	173.08	10.13
Total Types 11- 14	82,986,147	177.05	9.29	87,656,580	173.36	8.00

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

2/ Clark-Chase was formed from a merger of the Clarksville and Chase City markets, for the 1998 season.

Table 10.--Rank of markets by volume of producers' sales, by separate types and by all types, 1998 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.	45.3	1	2	Mullins, S.C.	30.4	1	6
Winston-Salem, N.C.	35.5	2	5	Tab-White, N.C.	27.0	2	8
Louisburg, N.C.	19.8	3	15	Lake City, S.C.	26.3	3	9
Henderson, N.C.	19.6	4	16	FrMont-FrBlf, N.C.	24.1	4	12
Reidsville, N.C.	15.4	5	18	Kings-Hemway, S.C.	14.8	5	21
Roxboro, N.C.	15.3	6	19	Lumberton, N.C.	13.1	6	23
South Boston, Va.	12.9	7	24	Darl-Tim, S.C.	11.6	7	27
Oxford, N.C.	11.8	8	26	Clark-Chad, N.C.	8.3	8	34
South Hill, Va.	11.6	9	28	Conway, S.C.	5.1	9	44
Mount Airy, N.C.	11.3	10	30	Loris, S.C.	3.1	10	50
Clark-Chase, Va	8.5	11	33				
Stone-Mad, N.C.	6.4	12	38				
Lawrenceville, Va.	5.4	13	40				
Burl-Meb, N.C.	4.0	14	46				
Kenbridge, Va.	0.3	15	53				
Type 12							
				Type 13			
Wilson, N.C.	65.4	1	1	Moultrie, Ga.	17.7	1	17
Kinston, N.C.	40.8	2	3	Alma, Ga.	15.0	2	20
Smithfield, N.C.	40.7	3	4	Douglas, Ga.	12.1	3	25
Greenville, N.C.	27.5	4	7	Nashville, Ga.	10.1	4	31
Roanoke Rivr, N.C.	26.2	5	10	Blackshear, Ga.	8.1	5	35
Goldsboro, N.C.	25.6	6	11	Vidalia, Ga.	7.6	6	36
Farmville, N.C.	22.3	7	13	Live Oak, Fl.	7.3	7	37
Fuquay, N.C.	20.4	8	14	Claxton, Ga.	5.5	8	39
Clinton, N.C.	14.5	9	22	Val-Hira, Ga.	5.3	9	41
Rocky Mount, N.C.	11.5	10	29	Lake City, Fl.	5.2	10	42
San-Cart-Aber, N.C.	9.5	11	32	Madison, Fl.	5.1	11	43
Wallace, N.C.	4.6	12	45	Tif-Fit-Ocil, Ga.	3.7	12	48
Ahoskie, N.C.	3.7	13	47	Statesboro, Ga.	3.5	13	49
Wendell, N.C.	2.4	14	51	Pelham, Ga.	2.3	14	52

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/	1998 crop Season averages					1998 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	191	190	189	----	190	188	B2L
B3L	189	187	187	187	188	186	B3L
B4L	187	185	185	186	186	184	B4L
B5L	187	180	180	182	182	176	B5L
B6L 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6L 4/
B1F	191	191	191	191	191	190	B1F
B2F	190	190	189	189	190	188	B2F
B3F	189	188	188	187	188	186	B3F
B4F	188	187	186	186	187	184	B4F
B5F	185	181	180	183	182	176	B5F
B6F 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6F 4/
B1FR	----	(189)	----	----	(189)	189	B1FR
B2FR	----	----	191	----	190	186	B2FR
B3FR	188	187	188	186	188	185	B3FR
B4FR	188	186	187	185	186	182	B4FR
B5FR	182	(186)	(183)	182	183	175	B5FR
B6FR 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6FR 4/
B5R 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5R 4/
B3K	187	186	184	186	186	181	B3K
B4K	185	184	182	184	184	179	B4K
B5K	181	182	178	181	180	171	B5K
B6K 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6K 4/
B3KR	183	184	182	183	184	179	B3KR
B4KR	183	183	180	182	182	175	B4KR
B5KR	181	180	175	178	179	166	B5KR
B3V	184	181	181	181	182	177	B3V
B4V	184	178	178	178	180	171	B4V
B5V	180	169	174	172	173	164	B5V
B3S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3S 4/
B4S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4S 4/
B5S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5S 4/
B3KL	184	179	175	181	181	169	B3KL
B4KL	183	174	173	181	179	165	B4KL
B5KL	(167)	174	(173)	177	174	155	B5KL
B6KL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KL 4/
B3KF	183	180	179	182	181	169	B3KF
B4KF	182	177	173	179	179	165	B4KF
B5KF	171	171	167	176	172	155	B5KF
B6KF 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KF 4/
B3KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3KD 4/
B4KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4KD 4/
B5KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5KD 4/
B6KD 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KD 4/
B4KV	180	175	170	172	174	159	B4KV
B5KV	173	169	162	172	169	149	B5KV
B6KV 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KV 4/
B3KM	183	181	180	182	181	173	B3KM
B4KM	184	178	177	180	180	170	B4KM
B5KM	182	173	171	177	175	163	B5KM
B6KM 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KM 4/
B3KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B3KK 4/
B4KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B4KK 4/
B5KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5KK 4/
B6KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6KK 4/
B4G	174	171	168	166	170	152	B4G
B5G	165	163	157	159	161	144	B5G
B6G 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B6G 4/
B5GR 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	B5GR 4/
B4GK	177	169	163	168	171	150	B4GK
B5GK	155	161	152	167	158	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/	1998 crop Season averages					1998 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
S.LEAF							S.LEAF
H3F	188	188	187	187	188	186	H3F
H4F	188	188	186	186	187	184	H4F
H5F	182	185	182	184	183	176	H5F
H6F 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	H6F 4/
H4FR	188	186	188	186	187	182	H4FR
H5FR	(175)	186	(186)	185	184	175	H5FR
H6FR 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	H6FR 4/
H4K	187	187	184	185	186	179	H4K
H5K	186	185	180	184	183	171	H5K
H6K 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	H6K 4/
CUTTERS							CUTTERS
C1L	182	177	----	----	180	177	C1L
C2L	179	177	181	----	178	175	C2L
C3L	178	175	175	176	176	173	C3L
C4L	176	171	171	170	172	167	C4L
C5L	175	167	168	168	169	159	C5L
C5LP 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C5LP 4/
C1F	182	178	----	----	180	177	C1F
C2F	178	177	----	----	177	175	C2F
C3F	178	176	175	175	176	173	C3F
C4F	176	172	172	171	174	167	C4F
C5F	175	170	169	171	171	159	C5F
C5FP 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C5FP 4/
C4KR	172	171	168	171	171	160	C4KR
C4V	173	168	168	165	169	157	C4V
C4LL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C4LL 4/
C5LL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C5LL 4/
C4S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C4S 4/
C4KL	175	168	164	168	171	154	C4KL
C4KF	173	165	162	165	168	154	C4KF
C4KM	174	168	166	168	169	156	C4KM
C4KK 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	C4KK 4/
C4G	162	162	158	155	160	142	C4G
C4GK	162	161	151	156	158	138	C4GK
LUGS							LUGS
X1L	173	171	----	----	172	171	X1L
X2L	167	166	----	(165)	166	163	X2L
X3L	165	162	162	162	163	159	X3L
X4L	162	158	158	159	159	148	X4L
X5L	159	152	150	154	152	134	X5L
X1F	173	172	----	----	172	171	X1F
X2F	169	166	171	166	167	163	X2F
X3F	167	163	162	163	164	159	X3F
X4F	165	159	158	160	161	148	X4F
X5F	159	153	149	155	153	134	X5F
X3KR	167	164	161	162	164	155	X3KR
X4KR	165	161	156	158	160	147	X4KR
X3V	166	159	160	160	161	152	X3V
X4V	163	155	156	155	157	144	X4V
X3LL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	X3LL 4/
X4LL 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	X4LL 4/
X3S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	X3S 4/
X4S 4/	----	----	----	----	----	----	X4S 4/
X4KL	166	154	(153)	154	161	133	X4KL
X4KF	161	149	145	147	151	133	X4KF
X4KV	156	149	142	145	148	129	X4KV
X3KM	167	161	158	160	162	147	X3KM
X4KM	165	156	152	154	155	138	X4KM
X4G	156	150	143	144	147	128	X4G
X5G	145	145	138	137	140	123	X5G
X4GK	150	149	143	145	146	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/	1998 crop Season averages					1998 Advance rate 3/ 11-14	Group and grade 2/
	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	11-14		
PRIMINGS							PRIMINGS
P2L	162	---	158	159	162	146	P2L
P2LS	---	---	---	---	---	131	P2LS
P3L	160	155	154	154	158	136	P3L
P3LS	---	---	---	---	---	122	P3LS
P4L	157	150	145	148	150	132	P4L
P4LS	---	---	---	---	---	119	P4LS
P5L	149	143	123	133	134	0	P5L
P5LS	---	---	---	---	---	0	P5LS
P2F	162	---	---	159	162	146	P2F
P2FS	---	---	---	---	---	131	P2FS
P3F	161	155	152	155	159	136	P3F
P3FS	---	---	---	---	---	122	P3FS
P4F	157	149	145	148	150	132	P4F
P4FS	(152)	---	---	---	146	119	P4FS
P5F	150	142	123	132	134	0	P5F
P5FS	---	---	---	---	---	0	P5FS
P4G	149	139	131	136	137	116	P4G
P4GS	---	---	---	---	---	104	P4GS
P5G	133	136	108	123	124	0	P5G
P5GS	---	---	---	---	---	0	P5GS
MIXED							MIXED
M4F	---	---	---	---	---	142	M4F
M5F	---	---	---	---	---	132	M5F
M4KR	---	---	---	---	---	130	M4KR
M4KM	---	173	---	---	174	127	M4KM
M5KM	---	---	---	---	---	125	M5KM
M4GK	---	---	---	---	---	117	M4GK
M5GK	---	---	---	---	---	111	M5GK
NONDES.							NONDES.
N1L	144	138	98	119	122	0	N1L
N1LS	---	---	---	---	---	0	N1LS
N1XL	147	142	111	137	133	0	N1XL
N1K	157	171	160	167	165	143	N1K
N1R	129	140	151	---	143	126	N1R
N1GL	129	137	101	122	118	0	N1GL
N1GLS	---	---	---	---	---	0	N1GLS
N1GF	141	146	133	142	139	116	N1GF
N1KV	151	155	143	156	150	118	N1KV
N1GR	---	---	121	---	122	115	N1GR
N1GG	116	---	---	---	117	105	N1GG
N1PO 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	N1PO 4/
N1POS 4/	---	---	---	---	---	---	N1POS 4/
N1XO	144	138	110	122	120	0	N1XO
N1BO	143	165	151	152	153	125	N1BO
N2	92	125	83	100	96	0	N2
NO-G	77	101	74	93	82	0	NO-G
NO-G-F	---	171	143	128	138	0	NO-G-F
NO-G-F-S	---	---	---	---	---	0	NO-G-F-S
NO-G-N	---	---	---	---	---	0	NO-G-N
W-unsafe	131	167	136	---	150	0	W-unsafe
U- unsound	117	161	137	131	137	0	U- unsound
S- scrap	(61)	---	---	---	(57)	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 - 1998 Crop							
	Week ending							
	Aug. 7	Aug. 14	Aug. 21	Aug. 28	Sep. 4	Sep. 11	Sep. 18	Sep. 25
B3L	----	----	----	----	186	187	187	187
B4L	----	----	----	184	185	185	186	186
B2F	188	----	----	----	----	189	189	189
B3F	186	186	186	----	185	187	187	187
B4F	185	185	185	184	184	185	185	186
B5F	180	----	----	----	----	179	180	182
B4FR	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	185
B3K	182	181	181	181	181	183	183	185
B4K	180	180	180	179	179	180	181	183
B5K	174	174	173	171	171	175	176	179
B3KR	180	180	180	180	180	180	182	184
B4KR	178	179	177	175	----	180	180	182
B3V	----	177	----	177	----	178	180	181
B4V	176	171	----	----	----	----	177	180
B3KF	176	174	173	----	171	173	176	180
B4KF	173	175	169	165	168	172	174	178
B5KF	162	164	156	156	----	166	169	169
B4KV	165	----	160	164	165	171	171	174
B5KV	152	----	----	----	----	160	165	170
B3KM	178	178	177	173	174	178	179	183
B4KM	176	176	172	170	174	175	178	181
B4GK	156	163	----	----	161	----	163	168
B5GK	147	144	142	----	----	143	153	157
H3F	186	----	----	----	----	187	188	187
H4F	185	----	----	----	----	185	185	186
H4K	180	180	----	179	----	181	181	185
C3L	----	----	----	174	175	176	179	181
C4L	----	167	168	170	172	174	177	181
C5L	----	----	----	165	171	173	175	179
C3F	----	----	174	174	176	176	179	182
C4F	----	168	168	168	173	175	177	180
C5F	161	----	161	164	170	173	175	178
C4V	----	160	162	164	170	170	174	175
C4KF	----	----	----	----	168	170	172	173
C4KM	----	166	160	164	172	172	175	177
X2L	----	164	164	165	172	----	175	----
X3L	160	160	160	162	170	172	175	177
X4L	157	157	158	160	168	168	170	173
X2F	----	164	165	166	172	174	----	----
X3F	160	160	161	163	170	172	174	175
X4F	156	156	158	159	166	168	169	172
X5F	141	142	153	153	159	161	161	162
X3V	----	158	158	161	167	169	171	174
X4V	----	152	156	157	164	162	166	170
X4KF	----	148	148	154	158	158	164	160
X4KV	137	141	146	152	157	155	154	156
X3KM	157	158	160	159	169	171	173	175
X4KM	147	153	157	159	166	164	168	169
X4G	----	149	150	155	157	155	159	150
X4GK	----	141	148	156	156	151	153	142
P3L	156	157	159	161	167	169	171	----
P4L	147	153	157	158	163	164	165	----
P3F	156	158	159	160	167	169	172	169
P4F	148	153	156	158	163	162	163	167
P5F	135	144	149	153	157	156	153	159
P4G	137	143	149	152	157	152	145	----
N1L	----	135	135	142	150	150	151	----
N1XL	----	----	----	141	150	155	142	147
N2	85	87	69	93	109	117	----	67

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**Table 12.--Average prices by weeks for representative grades and season averages
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Type 11 - 1998 Crop

Group grade	Week ending						Season	
	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 23	Oct. 30	Nov. 2/ 6	1998	1997
B3L	188	190	191	191	191	---	189	187
B4L	187	190	191	191	191	---	187	185
B2F	190	191	191	191	191	---	190	189
B3F	188	191	191	191	191	191	189	187
B4F	187	190	191	191	191	190	188	185
B5F	184	189	191	188	189	186	185	180
B4FR	186	190	191	190	191	---	188	183
B3K	186	189	191	191	190	189	187	182
B4K	185	188	191	190	188	187	185	180
B5K	182	185	189	187	185	183	181	175
B3KR	186	188	190	190	190	187	183	181
B4KR	183	188	190	189	187	186	183	178
B3V	185	186	190	190	189	---	184	180
B4V	184	187	190	188	186	183	184	175
B3KF	186	189	191	190	189	186	183	176
B4KF	183	186	190	188	186	181	182	172
B5KF	176	182	186	182	180	173	171	165
B4KV	180	183	187	184	182	176	180	167
B5KV	173	175	182	179	173	165	173	159
B3KM	186	189	191	190	190	188	183	178
B4KM	185	188	191	189	188	185	184	175
B4GK	175	182	188	181	180	171	177	164
B5GK	158	162	179	174	169	164	155	156
H3F	188	190	188	191	191	---	188	187
H4F	187	190	191	191	190	190	188	185
H4K	186	189	188	190	189	190	187	180
C3L	186	---	191	189	---	---	178	175
C4L	185	182	189	187	---	---	176	172
C5L	183	---	186	---	---	---	175	169
C3F	185	189	188	191	---	---	178	175
C4F	184	187	186	188	189	---	176	172
C5F	182	184	189	183	---	---	175	169
C4V	181	---	177	189	---	---	173	166
C4KF	178	185	187	181	---	---	173	163
C4KM	183	188	175	---	---	---	174	167
X2L	---	---	---	---	---	---	167	168
X3L	181	---	---	---	---	---	165	164
X4L	178	---	---	---	---	---	162	158
X2F	---	---	---	---	---	---	169	167
X3F	178	184	189	185	---	---	167	164
X4F	175	181	182	181	173	166	165	157
X5F	169	169	184	178	177	---	159	148
X3V	179	---	---	---	---	---	166	161
X4V	177	---	---	---	---	---	163	152
X4KF	172	166	---	---	---	---	161	146
X4KV	172	167	177	---	---	---	156	139
X3KM	181	---	---	---	---	---	167	160
X4KM	178	---	---	180	---	---	165	153
X4G	165	---	---	---	---	---	156	142
X4GK	166	---	---	---	---	---	150	141
P3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	160	156
P4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	157	147
P3F	---	---	---	---	---	---	161	155
P4F	172	---	---	---	---	---	157	146
P5F	163	---	---	---	---	---	150	131
P4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	149	135
N1L	---	---	---	---	---	---	144	120
N1XL	160	---	169	---	---	---	147	125
N2	140	102	127	121	102	70	92	89

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

2/ No averages shown after Nov. 6, due to limited sales.

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

Group grade	Type 12 - 1998 Crop						
	Week ending						
Jul. 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 14	Aug. 21	Aug. 28	Sep. 4	Sep. 11	
B3L	----	----	----	186	184	186	186
B4L	----	187	----	183	183	184	184
B1F	190	----	----	190	----	190	190
B2F	188	----	----	188	188	188	189
B3F	186	186	186	185	186	187	187
B4F	185	185	184	184	184	185	185
B3K	181	182	182	181	181	182	183
B4K	180	180	180	179	179	180	181
B5K	174	176	176	171	173	174	175
B3KR	180	180	179	179	179	180	181
B4KR	177	179	177	175	177	178	179
B5KR	168	170	----	----	----	170	172
B3V	----	----	----	177	178	178	180
B4V	----	----	----	171	173	174	176
B3KF	175	178	----	171	173	174	177
B4KF	172	174	167	167	168	171	172
B5KF	160	167	164	157	161	165	162
B4KV	167	----	160	161	162	166	165
B5KV	----	----	151	150	158	160	156
B3KM	177	177	174	174	175	177	179
B4KM	173	175	171	171	172	175	176
B5KM	165	168	169	164	167	169	173
B4GK	157	155	158	158	159	164	163
H3F	----	----	----	----	----	----	187
H4F	----	----	----	184	184	185	185
H4K	180	----	----	----	180	181	182
C3L	----	----	173	174	174	174	176
C4L	----	168	168	169	170	173	174
C5L	----	161	162	166	168	172	174
C2F	----	----	175	175	176	176	178
C3F	----	----	174	174	174	174	177
C4F	167	168	169	169	171	173	175
C5F	----	161	162	166	168	172	174
C4KR	----	----	165	167	169	172	175
C4V	----	161	162	166	169	172	174
C4KF	----	----	159	161	162	167	163
C4KM	----	162	163	166	168	172	173
X2L	----	164	165	167	168	171	----
X3L	161	160	161	164	166	172	174
X4L	156	156	157	160	162	170	170
X5L	151	150	151	155	158	160	----
X2F	----	164	164	167	170	172	----
X3F	160	160	161	164	166	170	172
X4F	155	156	157	159	162	166	166
X5F	149	150	151	153	155	157	154
X3V	159	157	158	162	164	164	----
X4V	151	153	154	157	161	162	160
X4KF	---	140	148	150	151	153	149
X4KV	142	144	149	148	154	154	154
X3KM	154	158	159	161	163	167	169
X4KM	150	151	155	156	158	163	159
X4G	145	148	149	149	155	167	----
P3L	152	156	158	157	----	----	----
P4L	150	150	150	153	----	----	----
P4F	145	148	150	152	151	159	----
P5F	128	136	143	148	149	151	----
N1XL	130	133	141	144	144	144	146
N1K	148	148	----	----	----	----	150
N2	101	115	117	112	136	130	122

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

Group grade	Type 12 - 1998 Crop						Season	
	Sep. 18	Sep. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 23	1998	1997
B3L	187	187	188	191	191	191	187	187
B4L	185	186	187	191	191	191	185	184
B1F	191	191	191	191	191	191	191	191
B2F	189	189	189	190	191	191	190	189
B3F	187	187	187	190	191	191	188	187
B4F	185	186	187	190	191	191	187	185
B3K	184	186	187	190	191	191	186	183
B4K	183	185	186	189	191	191	184	181
B5K	179	183	185	188	190	189	182	176
B3KR	184	186	186	190	191	191	184	181
B4KR	182	184	186	189	190	190	183	179
B5KR	171	179	181	184	190	187	180	174
B3V	183	185	187	189	191	191	181	180
B4V	179	184	182	188	190	---	178	177
B3KF	181	183	185	190	191	191	180	179
B4KF	175	181	185	188	189	189	177	175
B5KF	169	175	178	185	186	182	171	165
B4KV	169	180	180	186	188	188	175	169
B5KV	164	173	176	183	184	180	169	159
B3KM	182	185	187	190	191	191	181	179
B4KM	179	184	185	189	190	190	178	176
B5KM	175	179	183	188	186	---	173	169
B4GK	170	179	184	186	189	176	169	164
H3F	187	187	187	190	191	191	188	187
H4F	185	186	187	190	191	191	188	185
H4K	183	186	186	189	191	191	187	182
C3L	183	185	187	189	---	---	175	177
C4L	182	183	186	190	---	188	171	173
C5L	180	---	---	---	---	---	167	167
C2F	183	186	---	---	---	---	177	179
C3F	183	185	187	189	191	---	176	177
C4F	181	184	186	188	190	189	172	173
C5F	176	176	185	186	190	186	170	169
C4KR	183	---	---	---	---	---	171	169
C4V	175	176	---	186	---	---	168	168
C4KF	169	176	---	---	---	---	165	163
C4KM	178	178	186	188	---	---	168	168
X2L	---	---	---	---	---	---	166	164
X3L	---	---	184	---	---	---	162	162
X4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	158	158
X5L	---	---	---	---	---	---	152	150
X2F	---	---	---	---	---	---	166	164
X3F	174	177	---	---	185	---	163	162
X4F	169	169	179	176	182	181	159	158
X5F	150	157	168	166	162	162	153	149
X3V	---	---	---	---	---	---	159	159
X4V	---	---	---	---	---	---	155	154
X4KF	147	154	178	---	---	---	149	146
X4KV	147	159	---	---	---	---	149	143
X3KM	---	---	---	---	---	---	161	159
X4KM	162	---	---	---	---	---	156	154
X4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	150	145
P3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	155	158
P4L	---	---	---	---	---	---	150	151
P4F	---	---	---	---	---	---	149	152
P5F	---	---	---	---	---	---	142	142
N1XL	---	---	---	---	---	---	142	127
N1K	160	166	179	182	183	169	171	155
N2	106	130	175	136	132	107	125	96

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

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 23, due to limited sales.

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

Group grade	Type 13 - 1998 Crop Week ending						
	Jul. 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 14	Aug. 21	Aug. 28	Sep. 4	Sep. 11
B4L	----	----	----	181	182	185	185
B3F	186	----	----	186	186	187	187
B4F	184	185	184	183	184	185	185
B5F	180	178	175	175	177	179	181
B3FR	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
B4FR	----	----	----	----	----	182	184
B3K	181	182	182	181	181	182	183
B4K	180	180	180	179	179	180	181
B5K	176	177	178	172	172	174	176
B3KR	180	180	179	179	179	181	181
B4KR	178	179	178	176	176	178	179
B3V	----	----	----	178	178	179	181
B4V	----	176	174	172	173	176	179
B3KF	175	175	----	170	173	176	175
B4KF	173	175	165	165	167	169	172
B5KF	165	164	164	158	158	160	163
B4KV	168	173	160	161	162	163	168
B5KV	----	----	150	153	153	154	159
B3KM	178	180	173	174	174	175	178
B4KM	177	178	172	170	171	174	176
B5KM	174	169	163	165	165	168	170
B4GK	164	----	151	154	158	157	163
B5GK	147	143	144	145	145	152	152
H3F	----	----	----	----	----	187	187
H4F	184	----	----	184	184	185	185
H5F	----	----	----	----	177	179	181
H4K	180	180	----	----	179	180	181
H5K	179	178	----	----	173	175	177
C4L	----	----	168	169	170	173	175
C5L	----	160	161	165	169	173	174
C3F	----	----	173	174	174	174	177
C4F	171	167	168	169	171	174	175
C5F	165	----	162	165	169	172	175
C4V	161	----	162	166	169	172	174
C4KM	165	161	160	165	167	169	174
X3L	160	160	161	164	166	168	----
X4L	152	154	157	159	164	166	170
X5L	----	145	151	153	159	154	----
X3F	160	160	160	163	165	168	----
X4F	154	154	156	158	162	163	166
X5F	148	145	148	150	150	152	151
X3V	----	156	158	162	164	170	----
X4V	150	151	154	156	161	166	163
X4KF	151	141	140	145	144	143	150
X4KV	----	134	139	142	143	142	153
X3KM	----	155	156	160	159	168	----
X4KM	151	148	150	152	155	155	155
X4G	----	136	141	147	145	146	----
X4GK	----	136	140	142	147	145	----
P4L	146	142	146	152	150	149	----
P4F	144	143	145	148	146	146	144
P5F	127	125	118	125	123	143	80
P4G	129	131	132	131	137	132	----
N1XL	102	116	107	107	110	124	103
N1K	160	156	153	149	146	146	149
N1GL	----	105	106	106	82	96	----
N1KV	----	----	126	131	123	122	136
N1XO	124	103	111	116	107	118	109
N2	94	85	50	75	79	72	75

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

Group grade	Type 13 - 1998 Crop Week ending						Season	
	Sep. 18	Sep. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 2/ 23	1998	1997
B4L	185	185	186	189	189	---	185	184
B3F	187	187	187	189	190	190	188	187
B4F	185	185	186	188	189	188	186	185
B5F	183	183	184	186	186	183	180	179
B3FR	187	187	187	189	189	189	188	186
B4FR	185	185	187	187	189	188	187	184
B3K	184	184	186	188	189	187	184	183
B4K	183	183	184	186	187	185	182	181
B5K	178	178	180	182	181	179	178	176
B3KR	183	184	185	188	186	---	182	181
B4KR	181	182	183	186	186	181	180	179
B3V	183	183	186	187	189	---	181	180
B4V	180	182	181	186	186	186	178	177
B3KF	181	183	179	187	188	---	179	178
B4KF	176	175	176	181	181	178	173	174
B5KF	171	169	171	172	173	165	167	165
B4KV	174	172	176	179	178	174	170	171
B5KV	163	166	167	174	174	167	162	161
B3KM	181	182	185	187	188	186	180	178
B4KM	179	180	182	186	185	180	177	175
B5KM	175	177	177	182	176	---	171	170
B4GK	168	171	177	177	170	160	163	164
B5GK	161	155	168	156	161	160	152	156
H3F	187	187	187	188	189	190	187	187
H4F	185	185	186	188	189	189	186	185
H5F	183	183	185	187	188	---	182	180
H4K	183	184	185	187	188	187	184	182
H5K	180	179	183	184	183	182	180	179
C4L	176	175	174	176	---	---	171	170
C5L	174	---	172	174	---	---	168	163
C3F	175	180	---	176	---	---	175	175
C4F	175	177	174	177	181	---	172	171
C5F	173	173	171	175	177	---	169	164
C4V	---	173	---	177	---	---	168	164
C4KM	174	179	169	184	---	---	166	164
X3L	---	---	---	---	---	---	162	161
X4L	171	169	---	---	---	---	158	157
X5L	---	159	---	---	---	---	150	153
X3F	---	---	---	---	---	---	162	161
X4F	164	167	162	164	163	---	158	157
X5F	156	157	151	150	157	---	149	151
X3V	---	---	---	---	---	---	160	159
X4V	167	167	164	---	---	---	156	156
X4KF	159	---	155	153	---	---	145	148
X4KV	149	147	150	154	146	---	142	147
X3KM	---	---	---	---	---	---	158	159
X4KM	160	151	154	158	153	---	152	153
X4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	143	149
X4GK	161	---	---	---	---	---	143	147
P4L	---	---	---	163	---	---	145	151
P4F	136	144	153	150	140	---	145	150
P5F	---	151	148	141	118	105	123	142
P4G	---	---	---	---	---	---	131	144
N1XL	123	93	123	124	106	---	111	131
N1K	160	159	167	170	162	159	160	160
N1GL	---	---	---	---	88	---	101	129
N1KV	152	135	154	154	161	145	143	140
N1XO	89	95	106	127	120	87	110	133
N2	82	78	101	90	98	83	83	99

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

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 23, due to limited sales.

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

Type 14 - 1998 Crop

Week ending

Group grade	Jul 24	Jul 31	Aug 7	Aug 14	Aug 21	Aug 28	Sep. 4	Sep. 11	Sep. 18	Sep. 25	Oct. 2	Oct 2/9	Season 1998	1997
B4L	—	—	—	—	184	185	185	185	185	186	187	189	186	185
B3F	—	—	—	183	186	186	187	187	187	187	187	189	187	187
B4F	—	—	—	184	184	185	185	185	185	186	187	189	186	185
B5F	—	—	—	—	178	179	182	181	182	184	186	188	183	181
B3K	—	—	—	—	—	182	183	184	184	185	186	189	186	184
B4K	180	—	—	182	180	181	182	182	183	184	185	188	184	183
B5K	172	—	171	173	176	178	180	176	180	181	183	187	181	180
B3KR	—	—	—	—	180	182	182	182	183	184	185	189	183	182
B4KR	—	—	—	—	178	180	181	180	182	182	183	188	182	181
B5KR	—	—	—	—	—	175	179	173	180	175	180	184	178	179
B4V	—	—	—	—	173	174	179	178	179	178	182	186	178	178
B3KF	—	—	—	—	—	—	179	180	181	181	184	188	182	179
B4KF	—	—	—	—	169	173	178	177	178	178	182	187	179	177
B5KF	—	—	—	—	167	168	175	169	174	174	177	184	176	171
B4KV	—	—	—	—	162	166	171	171	167	172	178	185	172	175
B5KV	—	—	—	150	153	161	168	165	168	171	180	185	172	172
B3KM	—	—	—	—	175	178	181	180	180	181	184	189	182	180
B4KM	—	—	170	170	173	176	179	180	180	181	184	187	180	178
B5KM	—	—	—	164	167	171	178	173	179	180	181	184	177	174
B4GK	—	—	—	—	157	161	169	170	170	168	171	172	168	167
B5GK	—	—	—	—	151	148	157	173	165	168	172	178	167	162
H3F	—	—	—	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	187	189	187	187
H4F	—	—	—	185	185	185	186	186	186	186	187	188	186	185
H5F	—	—	—	178	181	182	184	184	184	186	186	188	184	183
H4K	—	—	—	180	183	183	183	183	183	185	186	188	188	184
H5K	—	—	—	175	179	181	182	182	183	184	185	188	184	182
C4L	—	167	168	168	169	170	173	174	—	—	—	—	170	171
C4F	—	—	169	168	169	171	175	173	174	—	—	—	171	172
CSF	—	—	161	163	169	170	176	171	177	166	—	—	171	168
C4V	—	—	162	162	164	167	173	176	—	—	—	—	165	166
C4KM	—	—	163	164	165	169	174	172	175	176	—	—	174	168
X3L	161	160	160	162	166	169	—	—	—	—	—	—	162	162
X4L	156	157	157	158	163	165	165	167	170	164	—	—	159	157
X5L	—	151	153	152	157	155	155	158	—	—	—	—	154	150
X3F	160	161	161	162	166	169	171	—	—	—	—	—	163	162
X4F	155	157	157	158	162	166	171	167	168	165	152	157	160	157
X5F	144	151	149	152	156	156	168	158	154	143	140	—	155	151
X3V	159	159	159	159	162	163	—	—	—	—	—	—	160	159
X4V	153	155	153	154	158	157	165	—	—	—	—	—	155	154
X4KF	138	149	147	145	145	146	156	155	—	167	—	—	147	145
X4KV	135	145	144	142	140	142	158	152	158	—	—	—	145	144
X3KM	157	159	159	160	162	162	—	—	—	—	—	—	160	158
X4KM	152	152	154	155	155	156	163	—	165	—	—	142	154	152
X4G	138	146	143	143	148	143	—	—	—	—	—	—	144	148
X4GK	141	146	144	144	141	152	159	—	168	—	—	—	145	145
P3L	151	157	157	157	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	154	154
P4L	144	151	148	149	152	155	—	—	—	—	—	—	148	149
P5L	130	137	129	135	139	136	—	—	—	—	—	—	133	145
P3F	154	157	158	157	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	155	154
P4F	146	148	149	147	150	148	142	—	175	—	—	133	148	150
PSF	135	133	127	133	138	139	—	—	—	—	—	—	132	143
P4G	135	138	133	131	138	145	—	—	—	—	—	—	136	144
PSG	123	124	115	125	124	141	—	—	—	—	—	—	123	139
N1XL	131	123	118	132	137	147	154	139	153	—	—	—	137	135
NIK	—	—	—	146	165	169	167	155	160	168	167	176	167	167
NIGL	114	118	113	123	126	143	138	137	—	—	—	—	122	130
NIXO	121	124	109	131	132	136	137	111	146	—	—	73	122	136
N1BO	—	—	—	136	137	146	156	151	159	156	150	161	152	161
N2	100	94	96	105	111	124	127	134	104	107	85	94	100	114

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

2/ No averages shown after Oct. 9, due to limited sales.

Table 16.--Warehouse charges by states, 1998 crop

State	Type	Auction fee 1/	Commission on gross sales 1/	Additional charges
Florida	14	15 cents on all piles of 100 pounds or less	Percent 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	25 cents on all piles over 100 pounds	3-1/2 2/ 2-1/2	
North Carolina	11-13		2-1/2 3/	
South Carolina	13			
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.

3/ South Carolina had the option to charge 3 percent commission with no auction fee or additional charges.

Table 17.--Average weight per lot, 1993-98 crops

Crop	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	Types 11-14
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
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
1998	233	211	202	198	212

Table 18.--Tobacco received by the Stabilization Corporation, 1995 - 1998 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
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
1998	13,526	6.07	29,211	9.27	29,663	18.10

Crop	Type 14		Type 11-14 1/	
	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales	Receipts (Green weight)	Percentage of net sales
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
1998	9,182	8.46	81,583	10.04

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

2/ Some initially received sold unprocessed and not included in these figures.

Table 19.--Percentage distribution by groups and types, 1994-98 crops 1/

Crop Year	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)									
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
1998	--	62.6	1.8	9.8	17.0	7.9	--	0.8	0.1
(Type 12)									
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
1998	--	65.5	3.3	8.0	20.0	2.2	--	0.9	0.1
(Type 13)									
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
1998	--	64.4	5.6	5.6	14.5	5.8	--	3.6	0.5
(Type 14)									
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
1998	--	51.4	10.2	3.8	14.7	14.2	--	5.4	0.3

1/ Dashes indicate a percentage of less than 0.1.

Table 20.--Percentage distribution by qualities and types, 1994-98 crops 1/

Crop Year	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.
(Type 11)								
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
1998	0.2	1.4	27.8	60.9	8.8	--	0.8	0.1
(Type 12)								
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
1998	0.4	1.7	31.6	55.6	9.7	--	0.9	0.1
(Type 13)								
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
1998	--	0.2	18.5	60.6	16.6	--	3.6	0.5
(Type 14)								
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
1998	--	0.1	9.0	60.3	24.9	--	5.4	0.3

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, 1994-98 crops 1/

Crop Year	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 2/	G-GK	Nondescript	Misc.
(Type 11)											
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
1998	8.1	33.5	0.3	34.6	--	2.2	1.9	16.4	2.1	0.8	0.1
(Type 12)											
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
1998	7.9	33.6	0.3	40.4	--	1.8	1.7	12.3	1.0	0.9	0.1
(Type 13)											
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
1998	5.7	25.5	0.7	44.6	--	2.6	3.0	11.4	2.4	3.6	0.5
(Type 14)											
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
1998	6.5	27.0	0.3	35.5	--	2.5	2.8	15.3	4.4	5.4	0.3

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, 1994-98 crops 1/

Crop Year	(Group)								
	A Wrappers	B Leaf	H S. Leaf	C Cutters	X Lugs	P Primings	M Mixed	N Nondescript	Misc.
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
1998	--	62.3	4.4	7.4	17.3	6.3	--	2.1	0.2

Crop Year	(Quality)							
	1 Choice	2 Fine	3 Good	4 Fair	5 Low	6 2/ Poor	Nondescript	Mics.
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
1998	0.2	1.1	24.6	58.7	13.1	--	2.1	0.2

Crop Year	(Color)										
	L	F	FR-R	K-KR	LP-FP	V	LL-KV	K 3/	G-GK	Nondescript	Mics.
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
1998	7.3	31.0	0.4	38.8	--	2.2	2.2	13.7	2.1	2.1	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, 1998 crop 1/

Group and Grade	1998 Crop				Group and Grade	1998 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
Leaf:									
B1L	.024	.022	.003	--	H3F	.294	.684	.264	.673
B2L	.068	.081	.018	--	H4F	.835	1.100	1.882	1.674
B3L	.253	.312	.106	.035	H5F	.049	.022	.255	.643
B4L	.509	.585	.346	.429	H6F	--	--	--	--
B5L	.025	.034	.101	.176	H4FR	.021	.041	.042	.068
B6L	--	--	--	--	H5FR	.004	.004	.005	.022
B1F	.099	.309	.024	.011	H6FR	--	--	--	--
B2F	.269	1.059	.127	.042	H4K	.564	1.246	2.392	3.242
B3F	2.280	4.384	1.356	.549	H5K	.072	.197	.765	3.831
B4F	7.027	7.599	6.574	4.828	H6K	--	--	--	--
B5F	.229	.122	.654	1.682	Total H	1.839	3.294	5.606	10.153
B6F	--	--	--	--	Cutters:	--	--	--	--
B1FR	--	.003	--	--	C1L	.018	.009	--	--
B2FR	--	.001	.011	--	C2L	.124	.085	.014	--
B3FR	.046	.076	.287	.023	C3L	.566	.497	.188	.031
B4FR	.162	.121	.377	.138	C4L	1.055	.865	.431	.394
B5FR	.007	.002	.007	.013	C5L	.222	.210	.352	.196
B6FR	--	--	--	--	C5LP	--	--	--	--
B5R	--	--	--	--	C1F	.015	.010	--	--
B3K	9.458	11.377	10.896	2.397	C2F	.137	.169	.002	--
B4K	19.646	19.380	21.215	15.722	C3F	1.200	1.171	.361	.049
B5K	2.874	4.028	6.480	7.122	C4F	3.427	2.401	1.449	.726
B6K	--	--	--	--	C5F	1.114	1.086	1.325	.622
B3KR	.813	1.757	.817	.580	C5FP	--	--	--	--
B4KR	.956	1.889	1.685	2.165	C4KR	.134	.198	.145	.096
B5KR	.047	.261	.105	.282	C4V	.400	.239	.319	.331
B3V	.287	.216	.357	.079	C4LL	--	--	--	--
B4V	.598	.299	.752	.530	C5LL	--	--	--	--
B5V	.014	.019	.039	.035	C4S	--	--	--	--
B3S	--	--	--	--	C4KL	.065	.024	.013	.042
B4S	--	--	--	--	C4KF	.288	.148	.172	.106
B5S	--	--	--	--	C4KM	.876	.737	.709	.950
B3KL	.129	.121	.027	.074	C4KK	--	--	--	--
B4KL	.119	.085	.042	.215	C4G	.054	.046	.055	.062
B5KL	.004	.007	.005	.023	C4GK	.122	.085	.089	.167
B6KL	--	--	--	--	Total C	9.816	7.982	5.623	3.770
B3KF	1.032	.812	.260	.252	Lugs:	--	--	--	--
B4KF	6.560	2.437	2.662	2.828	X1L	.024	.013	--	--
B5KF	1.840	.943	1.208	2.040	X2L	.238	.147	.002	.007
B6KF	--	--	--	--	X3L	1.807	2.358	.683	.519
B3KD	--	--	--	--	X4L	1.118	1.768	1.593	1.177
B4KD	--	--	--	--	X5L	.055	.237	.411	.239
B5KD	--	--	--	--	X1F	.062	.041	--	--
B6KD	--	--	--	--	X2F	.388	.193	.010	.015
B4KV	1.003	.709	1.243	.729	X3F	4.704	4.319	1.175	.758
B5KV	.350	.323	.801	1.183	X4F	5.217	6.053	4.298	3.801
B6KV	--	--	--	--	X5F	.603	1.477	1.964	2.080
B3KM	1.545	2.323	.859	.729	X3KR	.026	.057	.026	.026
B4KM	2.916	3.122	3.507	4.832	X4KR	.043	.043	.038	.069
B5KM	.108	.293	.377	.882	X3V	.356	.405	.232	.411
B6KM	--	--	--	--	X4V	.526	.596	.913	1.149
B3KK	--	--	--	--	X3LL	--	--	--	--
B4KK	--	--	--	--	X4LL	--	--	--	--
B5KK	--	--	--	--	X3S	--	--	--	--
B6KK	--	--	--	--	X4S	--	--	--	--
B4G	.096	.046	.158	.081	X4KL	.033	.010	.004	.015
B5G	.016	.015	.036	.017	X4KF	.265	.197	.318	.410
B6G	--	--	--	--	X4KV	.544	.715	.984	.915
B5GR	--	--	--	--	X3KM	.297	.386	.283	.354
B4GK	.769	.308	.561	.388	X4KM	.341	.658	.950	1.510
B5GK	.435	.056	.275	.301	X4G	.148	.149	.295	.511
B6GK	--	--	--	--	X5G	.030	.039	.131	.230
B5GG	--	--	--	--	X4GK	.172	.121	.200	.540
TOTAL B	62.612	65.536	64.358	51.414	TOTAL X	16.997	19.982	14.510	14.737

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 23.--Percentage distribution by grades and type, 1998 1/ --Continued

Group and Grade	1998 Crop				Group and Grade	1998 Crop			
	11	12	13	14		11	12	13	14
Primings:					Nondescript				
P2L	.139	--	.009	.029	N1L	.110	.062	.201	.218
P2L sand	--	--	--	--	N1L sand	--	--	--	--
P3L	.926	.169	.196	.655	N1XL	.113	.176	.335	.755
P3L sand	--	--	--	--	N1K	.089	.222	.570	1.147
P4L	.836	.423	1.012	2.140	NIR	.009	.022	.042	.002
P4L sand	.002	--	--	--	N1GL	.075	.050	.277	.404
P5L	.063	.053	.188	.465	N1GL sand	--	--	--	--
P5L sand	--	--	--	--	N1GF	.040	.010	.067	.050
P2F	.071	.001	--	.011	N1KV	.055	.045	.253	.223
P2F sand	--	--	--	--	N1GR	--	--	.012	.002
P3F	1.750	.144	.132	.826	N1GG	.048	--	--	--
P3F sand	--	--	--	--	N1PO	--	--	--	--
P4F	3.213	.986	2.664	5.687	N1PO sand	--	--	--	--
P4F sand	.005	.001	--	.004	N1XO	.050	.149	.966	1.362
P5F	.537	.264	.979	2.357	NI BO	.021	.057	.199	.352
P5F sand	--	--	--	.001	N2	.201	.133	.670	.835
P4G	.216	.099	.515	1.591	Total N	.812	.926	3.593	5.350
P4G sand	--	--	--	.002	No-grade 2/	.051	.062	.444	.320
P5G	.069	.033	.085	.463	No-G-F	--	--	--	--
P5G sand	--	--	--	--	W - unsafe	.006	.009	.010	.002
Total P	7.828	2.174	5.780	14.231	U - unsound	.035	.025	.076	.022
Mixed:					S - scrap	.001	--	--	--
M4F	--	--	--	--					
M5F	--	--	--	--					
M4KR	--	--	--	--					
M4KM	.002	.007	--	--					
M5KM	--	.001	--	--					
M4GK	--	.001	--	--					
M5GK	--	--	--	--					
Total M	0.002	0.009	0.001	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, 1997 and 1998 crops

	Type 11	Type 12	Type 13	Type 14	Types 11-14	
Crop Year	1998	1997	1998	1997	1998	1997
Premature to mellow	78.7	82.4	84.0	75.9	79.1	81.7
Unripe	18.3	13.8	14.0	20.4	14.4	12.7
Immature	2.1	2.2	1.0	2.1	2.4	2.2
Nondescript	0.8	1.5	0.9	1.5	3.6	3.1
No-grade 1/	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	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, 1998 crop.

GROUP	MATURE TO MELLOW	PREMATURE	UNRIPE	IMMATURE
	dollars per hundred pounds			
Leaf (B)	184.52	----	177.79	166.39
Smoking Leaf (H)	185.71	----	----	----
Cutters (C)	173.17	----	169.16	159.01
Lugs (X)	160.56	----	153.04	145.78
Primings (P)	----	149.13	----	133.75
Total	178.52	149.13	173.61	151.27
Nondescript	129.78			
No-grade 1/	104.56			

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, 1996-98 crop 1/

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1998	1997	1996		1998	1997	1996
Wrappers:				B5KM	.350	.471	.579
A1L	---	---	---	B6KM	---	---	---
A1F	---	---	---	TOTAL BKM	5.341	6.215	6.311
TOTAL A	---	---	---	B3KK	---	---	---
Leaf:				B4KK	---	---	---
B1L	.015	.005	.015	B5KK	---	---	---
B2L	.053	.031	.101	B6KK	---	---	---
B3L	.214	.232	.394	TOTAL BKK	---	---	---
B4L	.495	.507	.427	B4G	.086	.098	.085
B5L	.066	.056	.097	B5G	.019	.020	.024
B6L	---	---	---	B6G	---	---	---
TOTAL BL	.844	.831	1.034	TOTAL BG	.105	.118	.109
B1F	.151	.055	.129	B5GR	---	---	---
B2F	.508	.197	.756	B4GK	.494	.554	.449
B3F	2.638	2.730	4.115	B5GK	.240	.176	.170
B4F	6.816	7.928	6.386	B6GK	---	---	---
B5F	.496	.464	.822	TOTAL BGK	.734	.730	.619
B6F	---	---	---	B5GG	---	---	---
TOTAL BF	10.609	11.374	12.207	TOTAL B	62.295	61.315	54.038
B1FR	.001	---	.003	S. LEAF			
B2FR	.002	.001	.029	H3F	.497	.591	1.362
B3FR	.099	.154	.142	H4F	1.263	1.635	2.274
B4FR	.183	.382	.195	H5F	.170	.151	.288
B5FR	.006	.026	.017	H6F	---	---	---
B6FR	---	---	---	TOTAL HF	1.930	2.377	3.924
TOTAL BFR	.291	.564	.386	H4FR	.040	.100	.118
B5R	---	---	---	H5FR	.007	.013	.016
B3K	9.350	9.284	4.741	H6FR	---	---	---
B4K	19.222	17.338	14.424	TOTAL HFR	.047	.113	.134
B5K	4.654	4.709	4.953	H4K	1.586	1.939	3.345
B6K	---	---	---	H5K	.839	.743	1.720
TOTAL BK	33.226	31.331	24.118	H6K	---	---	---
B3KR	1.137	1.664	1.353	TOTAL HK	2.425	2.683	5.065
B4KR	1.638	2.225	2.157	TOTAL H	4.402	5.173	9.123
B5KR	.176	.211	.251	CUTTERS:			
TOTAL BKR	2.952	4.100	3.761	C1L	.009	.004	.008
B3V	.240	.353	.181	C2L	.069	.028	.031
B4V	.502	.467	.353	C3L	.385	.238	.311
B5V	.024	.030	.029	C4L	.762	.482	.862
TOTAL BV	.766	.849	.563	C5L	.238	.265	.438
B3S	---	---	---	TOTAL CL	1.463	1.019	1.649
B4S	---	---	---	C5LP	---	---	---
B5S	---	---	---	C1F	.008	.006	.017
TOTAL BS	---	---	---	C2F	.102	.047	.082
B3KL	.098	.072	.127	C3F	.851	.627	.621
B4KL	.107	.074	.150	C4F	2.242	1.919	2.402
B5KL	.008	.009	.016	C5F	1.065	1.202	1.495
B6KL	---	---	---	TOTAL CF	4.269	3.802	4.616
TOTAL BKL	.213	.155	.292	C5FP	---	---	---
B3KF	.682	.497	.414	C4KR	.154	.138	.266
B4KF	3.674	2.532	2.134	C4V	.313	.313	.289
B5KF	1.412	.880	1.109	C4LL	---	---	---
B6KF	---	---	---	C5LL	---	---	---
TOTAL BKF	5.767	3.909	3.657	TOTAL CLL	---	---	---
B3KD	---	---	---	C4S	---	---	---
B4KD	---	---	---	C4KL	.036	.028	.104
B5KD	---	---	---	C4KF	.184	.150	.174
B6KD	---	---	---	C4KM	.804	1.076	1.264
TOTAL BKD	---	---	---	C4KK	---	---	---
B4KV	.892	.668	.462	C4G	.052	.065	.066
B5KV	.554	.470	.518	C4GK	.109	.131	.151
B6KV	---	---	---	TOTAL C	7.385	6.722	8.579
TOTAL BKV	1.447	1.138	.980	LUGS:			
B3KM	1.585	1.951	1.832	X1L	.012	.003	.008
B4KM	3.406	3.793	3.899	X2L	.123	.040	.062
			X3L	1.605	.948	1.321	

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 26.--Percentage distribution by grades for all types, 1996 - 98 crop 1--Continued

Group and Grade	Crop of:			Group and Grade	Crop of:		
	1998	1997	1996		1998	1997	1996
X4L	1.464	1.064	1.496	P4F	2.649	2.700	2.676
X5L	.220	.212	.256	P4F sand	.002	.019	.014
TOTAL XL	3.424	2.267	3.144	P5F	.801	.726	.769
X1F	.033	.009	.017	P5F sand	---	.001	.003
X2F	.185	.085	.070	TOTAL PF	4.165	4.253	4.403
X3F	3.279	2.750	2.868	P4G	.443	.339	.350
X4F	5.142	5.681	5.229	P4G sand	---	.002	.002
X5F	1.422	1.517	1.350	PSG	.120	.120	.119
TOTAL XF	10.061	10.041	9.534	P5G sand	---	---	---
X3KR	.038	.074	.084	TOTAL PG	.564	.460	.471
X4KR	.046	.069	.100	TOTAL P	6.294	5.789	6.698
TOTAL XKR	.084	.143	.183	MIXED:			
X3V	.360	.466	.273	M4F	---	.001	.001
X4V	.723	.857	.465	M5F	---	---	.001
TOTAL XV	1.083	1.323	.738	TOTAL MF	---	.001	.002
X3LL	---	---	---	M4KR	---	---	---
X4LL	---	---	---	M4KM	.003	.006	.007
TOTAL XLL	---	---	---	M5KM	---	.002	.002
X3S	---	---	---	TOTAL MKM	.004	.008	.008
X4S	---	---	---	M4GK	---	.001	.003
TOTAL XS	---	---	---	M5GK	---	---	.002
X4KL	.016	.015	.043	TOTAL MGK	---	.001	.006
X4KF	.272	.341	.212	TOTAL M	.004	.010	.016
X4KV	.750	1.164	.460	NONDESCRIPT:			
X3KM	.337	.634	.481	N1L	.126	.186	.332
X4KM	.759	1.512	.998	N1L sand	---	---	---
TOTAL XKM	1.096	2.146	1.479	N1XL	.279	.348	.412
X4G	.233	.346	.272	N1K	.396	.426	.828
X5G	.084	.176	.145	N1R	.019	.020	.017
TOTAL XG	.317	.522	.417	N1GL	.155	.229	.261
X4GK	.216	.303	.266	N1GL sand	---	---	---
TOTAL X	17.317	18.264	16.475	N1GF	.035	.033	.045
PRIMINGS:				N1KV	.114	.090	.109
P2L	.045	.027	.047	N1GR	.003	.004	.004
P2L sand	---	---	---	N1GG	.014	---	.002
P3L	.459	.318	.655	N1PO	---	---	---
P3L sand	---	.005	.002	N1PO sand	---	---	---
P4L	.916	.587	.941	N1XO	.465	.678	1.060
P4L sand	.001	.009	.005	N1BO	.120	.111	.452
P5L	.146	.129	.172	N2	.362	.416	.939
P5L sand	---	---	.001	TOTAL N	2.087	2.542	4.462
TOTAL PL	1.566	1.076	1.823	No-Grade 2/	.215	.186	.610
P2F	.022	.029	.050	GRAND TOTAL	100.000	100.000	100.000
P2F sand	---	---	---				
P3F	.690	.772	.888				
P3F sand	---	.006	.003				

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 1998.

Table 27.--Average price by grade groups and types, 1998 and 1997 crops

Type	1998						1997					
	Group						Group					
	B	H	C	X	P	N	B	H	C	X	P	N
11	184	187	175	165	157	128	180	183	171	156	145	117
12	184	187	172	159	148	147	180	183	170	155	151	129
13	181	184	169	154	139	117	180	183	168	157	149	132
14	182	185	168	156	143	134	181	184	168	154	148	142
11-14	183	186	172	159	148	130	180	183	170	155	147	133

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