

APPLES

VARIETIES AND TREE AGES

As was the case in 1991, Granny Smith continued to be the leading apple variety in South Carolina, but Red Delicious accounted for 25 percent of the State's trees while Yellow Delicious accounted for 13 percent of the trees. Granny Smith variety data cannot be published separately due to disclosure regulations.

Fifty-two percent of the trees in South Carolina were in the age group of 9 to 13 years, and another 30 percent were over 14 years old, only about 3 percent of the trees reported were 1 to 3 years old.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Number of Commercial Apple Trees for Selected Varieties, by Year Set Out, 1996 Survey

Varieties	Number of Trees According to Year Set Out							Total Trees of All Ages	Percent of State Total	Total Acres
	1996 (1 yr.)	1994-95 (2-3 yrs.)	1989-93 (4-8 yrs.)	1984-88 (9-13 yrs.)	1979-83 (14-18 yrs.)	1974-78 (19-23 yrs.)	1973 & earlier (24 yrs +)			
Delicious:										
Red	500	600	16,900	45,300	29,900	42,400	26,900	162,500	24.6	970
Yellow	2,600	2,100	14,500	23,600	22,200	11,300	11,900	88,200	13.4	610
Arkansas Black	--	100	300	1,200	2,700	1,100	100	5,500	0.8	40
Fuji	--	200	8,500	--	--	--	--	8,700	1.3	35
Gala	5,300	300	8,500	100	--	--	--	14,200	2.2	55
Winesap	--	400	200	7,600	400	4,300	100	13,000	2.0	70
Others ^{1/}	3,500	4,100	48,100	268,700	42,000	1,500	--	367,900	55.7	1,220
STATE	11,900	7,800	97,000	346,500	97,200	60,600	39,000	660,000	100.0	3,000

^{1/} Others include a combination of 15 additional varieties, plus unknown and mixed plantings.

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OCONEE

Delicious:										
Red	--	500	14,000	20,000	23,800	41,600	25,500	125,400	57.8	705
Yellow	--	--	3,600	4,900	3,800	10,900	11,600	34,800	16.0	195
Others	1,500	3,300	18,100	20,100	7,800	5,700	300	56,800	26.2	260
COUNTY	1,500	3,800	35,700	45,000	35,400	58,200	37,400	217,000	100.0	1,160

SPARTANBURG

Delicious:										
Red	500	--	1,200	13,000	3,100	800	700	19,300	12.1	165
Yellow	2,600	2,000	10,800	5,600	18,400	300	100	39,800	25.0	365
Others	2,500	1,600	36,300	58,000	1,200	300	--	99,900	62.9	390
COUNTY	5,600	3,600	48,300	76,600	22,700	1,400	800	159,000	100.0	920