FLORIDA CITRUS PRICES: Season average on-tree prices and equivalent returns per box received by growers, by varieties and utilization from crop years 1995-96, 1996-97, and 1997-98 1/2

Type-of fruit		Methods of sale		Type of fruit		Methods of sale	
by seasons	Fresh	Processing	All	by seasons	Fresh	Processing	All
		Dollars per box				Dollars per box	
ORANGES:		<b>-</b>		GRAPEFRUIT:			
Navels			* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Seedy			
1995-96	6.15	1.73	4.63	1995-96	2/	1.73	1.73
1996-97	5.10	0.94	3.73	1996-97	2/	0.13	0.13
1997-98	4.20	-0.46	2.61	1997-98	2/	-0.30	-0.30
Early and Midsea	son (excludina	Navels)		White Seedless			
1995-96	3.55	3.56	3.56	1995-96	5.88	0.88	2.14
1996-97	3.60	3.14	3.15	1996-97	5.23	-0.10	1.18
1997-98	3.10	2.45	2.47	1997-98	5.38	-1.23	0.52
Early and Midsea				Colored Seedless			
1995-96	4.95	3.54	3.62	1995-96	2.96	-0.06	1.77
1996-97	4.50	3.11	3.18	1996-97	3.26	0.20	1.91
1997-98	3.70	2.41	2.48	1997-98	2.85	-1.42	0.86
Valencias				All Grapefruit			
1995-96	6.45	5.53	5.57	1995-96	3.71	0.51	1.93
1996-97	4.70	4.04	4.07	1996-97	3.74	0.03	1.58
1997-98	4.20	5.17	5.14	1997-98	3.43	-1.30	0.72
All Oranges		••••		TANGELOS			
1995-96	5.46	4.35	4.40	1995-96	5.35	2.40	3.63
1996-97	4.57	3.49	3.54	1996-97	4.05	1.53	2.19
1997-98	3.86	3.60	3.61	1997-98	3.90	0.36	1.49
TANGERINES:							
Early 3/				K-EARLY CITRUS F	RUIT	2	
1995-96	14.85	1.29	10.76	1995-96	5.25	0.40	2.28
1996-97	9.85	0.86	6.28	1996-97	3.85	-0.10	1.40
1997-98	10.40	0.03	6.71	1997-98	-1.90	-0.10	-1.45
Honey				LEMONS			
1995-96	20.25	3.33	15.16	1995-96	'	•••	8.25
1996-97	20.15	1.18	12.18	1996-97			10.30
1997-98	15.70	1.33	11.16	1997-98			6.55
All Tangerines				LIMES			
1995-96	17.15	2.01	12.59	1995-96	10.60	-2.17	8.05
1996-97	12.75	0.96	7.99	1996-97	9.50	-3.19	6.93
1997-98	12.50	0.50	8.41	1997-98	7.50	-2.41	5.02
TEMPLES	•		•	LIMES		Dollars per bush	
1995-96	5.55	3.91	4.44	1995-96	6.63	-1.36	5.03
1996-97	7.00	2.08	3.22	1996-97	5.94	-1.99	4.33
1997-98	4.60	2.25	2.84	1997-98	4.69	-1.51	3.14

<sup>1/ 1995-96</sup> and 1996-97 revised to reflect final payments in cooperative and participation plans and changes in pick, haul and packing charges. 1997-98 preliminary price based on cash sales only. 2/ Fresh sales negligible. 3/ Robinson, Fallglo, Sunburst, and Dancy varieties.

#### **BEARING TREES**

Tree numbers shown below are forecast trees of bearing age for the 1997-98 season. Total bearing trees decreased from the previous season for each of the fruit types listed except Valencia oranges. Unidentified trees of bearing age are prorated to

identified types by year in which set. Most of these are first year bearing trees which will be identified in the field during the next tree census.

#### FLORIDA ORANGES AND GRAPEFRUIT: Estimated trees of bearing age by age groups and turned for the 1007-00 season

and types, for the 1997-98 season									
		Total							
Fruit type	1992-94	1989-91	1984-88	1974-83	1973 and earlier	bearing trees			
			1,00	0 trees					
Early-Mid Oranges (Includes Navels) Valencia Oranges White Seedless Grapefruit Colored Seedless Grapefruit	6,146 7,072 706 1,627	10,524 12,277 1,219 2,220	10,632 9,048 325 1,583	5,785 4,072 436 1,598	6,774 6,257 2,202 1,258	39,861 38,726 4,888 8,286			

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**CITRUS 1997-98 SUMMARY** 

PRODUCTION, PRICE, AND VALUE PRODUCTION BY COUNTIES AND PER TREE

September 23, 1998

FLORIDA CITRUS: Production, utilization, season average on-tree

price	e and value	e for the 19	96-97 and	1997-98	seasons	
	Crop	Produc-	Crop uti	lization	Or	-tree
Fruit type	year	tion	Fresh	Proces-	Price	Value of
	yeai	GOH	use	sing	per box	production
		1,000 1	-3/5 bushel	boxes	Dollars	1,000 dol.
Early-Midseason	1996-97	134,200	7,181	127,019	3.18	427,344
Oranges	1997-98	140,000	7,635	132,365	2.48	347,250
Valencia	1996-97	92,000	3,515	88,485	4.07	374,000
Oranges	1997-98	104,000	3,596	100,404	5.14	534,192
All Oranges	1996-97	226,200	10,696	215,504	3.54	801,344
<b>.</b>	1997-98	244,000	11,231	232,769	3.61	881,442
Seedy	1996-97	900		900	0.13	117
Grapefruit	1997-98	650		650	-0.30	-195
White Seedless	1996-97	23,5001/	5,664	17,836	1.18	27,839
Grapefruit	1997-98	18,300²/		13,466	0.52	9,444
Colored Seedless	1996-97	31,4001/	17,573	13,827	1.91	60,053
Grapefruit	1997-98	30,600 <sup>3/</sup>		14,229		26,452
All Grapefruit	1996-97	55.800	23,237	32,563	1.58	88,009
, an enapement	1997-98	49,550	21,205	28,345		
Temples	1996-97	2,400	555	1,845	3.22	
•	1997-98	2,250	566	1,684	2.84	6,393
Tangelos	1996-97	3,950	1,032			
	1997-98	2,850	913	1,937	1.49	4,258
K-Early Citrus	1996-97	150	57	93		
·	1997-98	40	30	10	-1.45	-58
Early Tangerines4/	1996-97	4,500	2,713	1,787	6.28	28,260
	1997-98	3,200	2,060	1,140	6.71	21,458
Honey Tangerines	1996-97	1,800	1,044	756	12.18	21,929
	1997-98	2,000	1,368	632		
All Tangerines	1996-97	6,300	3,757	2,543	7.99	50,343
	1997-98	5,200	3,428			43,736
Limes	1996-97	320	255	65	6.93	2,216
	1997-98	440	330	110	5.02	
Lemons	1996-97	195			- 10.30	2,006
	1997-98	120		· -	- 6.55	787
All Citrus	1996-97	295,315		. , .		960,496
	1997-98	304,450				974,469

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Excludes 3.0 million boxes of economic abandonment. <sup>27</sup> Excludes 5.0 million boxes of economic abandonment. <sup>3/</sup> Excludes 1.0 million boxes of economic abandonment.

4/ Robinson, Faliglo, Sunburst, and Dancy varieties.

#### **PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

Preliminary on-tree value of the 1997-98 citrus crop at \$974.5 million is 1.5 percent higher than the previous season's \$960.5, revised down from \$1.0 billion. Total production surpassed 304 million boxes and was three percent greater than 1996-97's record crop. Production of grapefruit and most of the specialty varieties was down. Orange varieties showed the largest gains and smaller increases were noted for limes and honey tangerines.

Record high production for early-midseason and Valencia oranges was coupled with the lowest early-mid price per box since 1976-77 and a Valencia price near the average for the 1990's. Over 95 percent of the oranges were processed. The Navel orange crop of 6.3 million boxes is second only to the 1996-97 season crop of 6.4 million boxes but the price is the lowest in a series dating to 1981-82.

Revised 1996-97 seedless grapefruit prices are higher but the seedy price is lower. Preliminary prices for 1997-98 have fallen 50 percent or more. This is the smallest seedy crop recorded and the white seedless is the smallest nonfreeze year crop since 1968-69. Fresh utilization was 43 percent of the crop. Utilization for processing was the lowest since the 1991-92 season.

Production, price per box, and value were down for Temples, tangelos, K-Early Citrus, and lemons. Lime production increased for the fourth consecutive season. Production of honey tangerines was up 10 percent with a lower price. The early tangerine crop was down nearly 30 percent with a higher price. These combined for a smaller all tangerine crop with a price up five percent.

Prices for the 1997-98 season are preliminary and will be revised next September when the results of all participation plans and pools become final. Revised prices are shown for 1996-97.

The table on page 8 shows a breakdown of citrus prices for all fruit types by fresh and processed usage for 1997-98 and the two previous seasons.

Florida Citrus: Production by counties, areas, and types, 1997-98

County	All		Round Orange	S		Grap	efruit •	
and area	Citrus <sup>1</sup>	Early and	Late	All	White	Colored	Seedy	All
	1	midseason	(Valencia)		Seedless <sup>2</sup>	Seedless <sup>3</sup>	havea	
						1,000	boxes	
Brevard	2,490	1,003	784	1,787	154	437	12	603
Charlotte	5,633	2,084	2,491	4,575	85	792		877
Collier	11,313	4,940	4,814	9,754	244	1,047	-	1,291
DeSoto	29,877	15,003	13,956	28,959	195	240	72	507
Glades	3,203	1,913	1,034	2,947	7	176	-	183
Hardee	23,681	17,076	5,809	22,885	117	253	19	389
l lamalais.	21 622	12 520	12 622	27,151	1,040	2,626		3,666
Hendry	31,633	13,528	13,623	414	1,040		· · · · · ·	
Hernando	431	410	4		-	5 410	112	1 410
Highlands	31,605	12,001	16,818	28,819	896	410	113	1,419
Hillsborough	11,935	8,900	2,363	11,263	104	218	24	346
Indian River	20,437	3,942	3,382	7,324	5,167	7,518	16	12,701
Lake	7,097	5,333	706	6,039	51	292	10	353
Lee	3,709	1,548	1,700	3,248	82	329	-	411
Manatee	9,961	6,127	3,069	9,196	211	227	81	519
Marion	343	290	16	306	1	8	-	9
Martin	14,271	4,840	7,462	12,302	1,184	471	-	1,655
Okeechobee	3,469	1,893	1,048	2,941	243	220	٠.	463
Orange	3,407	2,339	783	3,122	7	55	6	68
Osceola	6,933	4,207	1,720	5,927	370	362	4	736
Palm Beach	3,595	1,521	770	2,291	346	459	_	80!
Pasco	4,921	4,128	639	4,767	21	43	3	6
Polk	40,350	20,637	13,990	34,627	1,681	1,525	214	3,420
St. Lucie	31,646	5,267	6,564	11,831	5,999	12,658	70	18,72
Sarasota	912	376	282	658	70	156	1	22
Seminole	430	322	74	396	-	8	· <u>-</u>	
Volusia	408	268	61	329	22	45	2	6
Other <sup>5</sup>	200	104	38	142	3	20	3	2
Total	303,890	140,000	104,000	244,000	18,300	30,600	650	49,55
Indian River	58,519	10,900	12,400	23,300	12,100	21,300	100	33,50
Northern	16,952	13,089	2,234	15,323	81	424	19	52
Central	78,416	36,511	32,466	68,977	2,919	2,276	331	5,52
Western	76,424	47,500	25,500	73,000	700	1,100	200	2,00
	73,579	32,000	31,400	63,400	2,500	5,500		8,00

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excludes limes and lemons. <sup>2</sup> Excludes 5.0 million boxes of economic abandonment. <sup>3</sup> Excludes 1.0 million boxes of economic abandonment.

# FLORIDA CITRUS: Estimated boxes of fruit per tree by age groups and production areas, 1993-94 through 1997-98

Fruit type			Average, weighted by				
and	Area	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 13	14 - 23	24 years	bearing
season		years	years	years	years	and older	trees

- - - Boxes per tree - - -

### COLORED SEEDLESS GRAPEFRUIT:

1993-94	State	2.3	3.7	4.6	4.6	5.4	3.88
1000 0 1	Indian River	1.8	2.5	3.7	4.3	4.5	3.36
	Northern & Central	2.1	3.8	3.8	7.6	11.6	4.44
	Western	3.3	6.0	4.4	5.5	10.0	5.42
	Southern	3.7	5.8	10.9	5.7	5.6	5.53
1994-95	State	2.0	3.5	4.9	5.3	5.1	3.81
	Indian River	2.3	3.4	5.0	5.1	4.9	4.05
	Northern & Central	2.4	3.4	7.3	11.2	8.9	4.68
	Western	2.3	3.7	4.7	5.5	8.3	4.25
	Southern	1.4	3.9	3.3	5.3	3.1	2.68
1995-96 <sup>1/</sup>	State	2.4	3.2	4.6	3.6	4.9	3.42
	Indian River	2.9	3.0	4.2	3.5	4.5	3.51
	Northern & Central	1.0	2.6	6.7	3.9	7.7	2.90
	Western	1.7	4.0	3.1	3.0	10.6	3.93
	Southern	2.1	4.0	6.2	4.6	4.7	3.26
1996-97 <sup>1/</sup>	State	1.5	3.5	4.4	5.2	5.1	3.63
	Indian River	1.6	3.5	4.4	5.3	4.8	3.95
	Northern & Central	0.4	4.5	8.0	8.0	9.8	4.05
	Western	1.6	5.1	4.4	3.4	4.7	3.79
	Southern	1.6	2.4	3.4	3.9	5.0	2.52
1997-98 <sup>2/</sup>	<sup>/</sup> State	2.2	2.7	4.1	5.2	5.0	3.69
	Indian River	2.0	3.0	3.8	4.8	5.1	3.81
	Northern & Central	0.8	3.0	5.2	8.6	7.9	3.86
	Western	1.2	4.6	5.9	1.2	6.9	4.18
	Southern	3.4	1.9	4.0	8.3	2.6	3.22
Average	State	2.04	3.25	4.48	4.79	5.11	3.68
	Indian River	2.12	3.15	4.21	4.62	4.80	3.74
	Northern & Central	1.30	3.39	6.11	7.83	9.18	3.92
	Western	2.12	4.57	4.81	3.80	8.14	4.28
	Southern	2.18	3.20	4.97	5.43	4.18	3.26

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>/ Excludes 3.0 million boxes of economic abandonment. <sup>2</sup>/ Excludes 1.0 million boxes of economic abandonment.

## FLORIDA CITRUS: Estimated boxes of fruit per tree by age groups and

Fruit type			Age of trees					
and	Area	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 13	14 - 23	24 years	weighted by bearing	
season		years	years	years Boxe	years s per tree -	and older	trees	
HITE SEED	DLESS GRAPEFRUIT:							
1993-94	State	2.2	3.6	4.4	6.6	6.7	5.38	
	Indian River	2.1	2.7	3.3	4.9	6.0	4.68	
	Northern & Central	1.7	5.2	7.3	11.2	14.2	8.62	
t.	Western	3.4	3.4	16.0	9.1	10.4	8.40	
	Southern	3.0	2.8	4.7	8.3	6.1	5.66	
1994-95	State	3.2	2.5	5.2	7.1	6.4	5.32	
	Indian River	3.0	2.1	5.0	7.3	6.1	5.20	
			0.0	8.0	8.1	10.2	6.17	
	Northern & Central	2.6	2.2	0.0	• • • •			
	Northern & Central Western	2.6 8.9	9.3	12.0	4.0	10.9	8.96	

			4				
	1995-96 State	2.0	4.3	3.5	6.3	5.7	4.60
	Indian River	2.1	4.5	3.7	4.6	4.8	4.08
,	Northern & Central	1.2	4.4	3.8	13.1	13.8	7.20
	Western	6.1	4.7	2.7	8.3	6.6	6.38
	Southern	1.9	3.5	3.0	7.3	6.0	4.61
	1996-97 <sup>1/</sup> <b>State</b>	2.0	4.3	2.9	5.9	5.6	4.55
	Indian River	1.1	4.3	2.8	4.7	5.4	4.32
	Northern & Central	2.3	5.4	4.1	10.3	9.4	6.06
	Western	6.0	3.1	1.6	9.3	7.1	6.16

3.7

3.3

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1.3

Southern

1997-98 2/ State

1.9

4.1

6.9

6.3

4.6

4.2

4.19

3.74

	Indian River	0.8	3.2	4.1	6.1	3.9	3.53
	Northern & Central	0.9	3.4	4.7	10.0	9.2	5.59
	Western	6.8	6.8	6.8	8.2	6.1	6.61
	Southern	2.3	3.6	1.8	2.0	3.3	3.04
Average	State	2.24	3.79	4.00	6.47	5.72	4.71
_	Indian River	2.01	3.76	3.81	5.52	5.23	4.35
•	Northern & Central	1.77	4.04	5.08	10.51	11.38	6.69
	Western	6.11	5.62	4.72	7.60	8.25	7.27
	Southern	2.95	3.42	3.03	6.95	4.95	4.43

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup> Excludes 3.0 million boxes of economic abandonment. <sup>2/</sup> Excludes 5.0 million boxes of economic abandonment.

#### Tangerines K-Early Temples Tangelos Citrus Early 4 All Honey 1,339 1,061 2,000 2,250 2,850 3,200 5,200 1,041 1,500 1,967 1,237 2,000 5,200 2,250 2,850 3,200

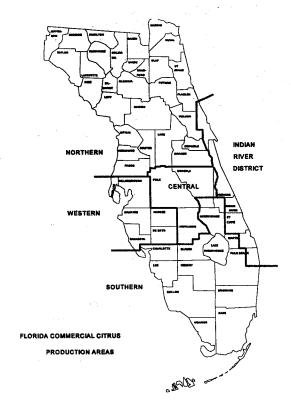
#### **RODUCTION BY COUNTIES**

Production decreases of less than 10 percent occurred in the Indian River and Southern areas. Production gains were recorded in the other three areas ranging from eight percent for the Western to 52 percent for the Northern area. With over 40 million boxes, Polk County continues as the top citrus producing county. The next three - St. Lucie, Hendry, and Highlands - each contributed 31.6 million boxes. These four counties accounted for 45 percent of the State's total production. While total production in the "Gulf Citrus" area counties of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee was down nine percent from the previous season, the area produced over 55 million boxes or 18 percent of the State's total crop.

Polk County orange production increased nearly 19 percent and captured the lead with 34.6 million boxes. De Soto and Highlands counties each produced almost 29 million boxes. With a 10 percent decline in production, Hendry County fell to fourth place with 27.2 million boxes. Hardee County remains fifth with 22.9 million boxes.

Grapefruit production is centered in St. Lucie and Indian River counties. Even with smaller crops this season, together they account for 31.4 million boxes, or over 63 percent of the State total. The largest crops outside the Indian River District came from Hendry (3.7 million boxes) and Polk (3.4 million boxes).

Estimates of county production are prepared from objective survey data used in forecasting citrus crop production. The apportionment of final harvest to the counties is based on bearing trees from the biennia Commercial Citrus Inventory; the limb count survey, which provides an estimate of the average fruit per tree; and the drop and size surveys, which provide estimates of the amount of fruit on the tree available at harvest, and the size of the fruit at that time. The size of the samples used in these surveys and the distribution of the sample groves around the state are chosen to minimize the error in the state level forecast of production. For this reason, county estimates of production are not to be considered as accurate as state or area level estimates.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Fallglo, Sunburst, Robinson, and Dancy varieties. <sup>5</sup> Broward, Citrus, Flagler, Pinellas, Putnam, and Sumter.

### **BOXES OF FRUIT PER TREE**

The Florida Agricultural Statistics Service conducts objective surveys to determine fruit per tree, average sizes, and droppage between August and maturity. These data are used to estimate production per tree for each of four types of citrus fruit, as shown in the following tables.

The estimates of production per tree are based on official end-of-season production estimates and the number of bearing trees indicated by the citrus tree

inventory surveys. The averages of boxes per tree for age groups shown are calculated from estimates of fruit per tree in August, size at maturity, and drop between August and maturity.

Additionally, the boxes are subdivided by production areas. Estimated boxes by types and age groups are weighted averages of the indicated seasons. Small sample sizes in some age/area cells and rounding may contribute to inconsistant averages.

FLORIDA CITRUS: Estimated boxes of fruit per tree by age groups and production areas, 1993-94 through 1997-98

Fruit type			Α	ge of trees			Average, weighted b
and	Area	3 - 5	6-8	9 - 13	14 - 23	24 years	bearing
season		years	years	years	years	and older	trees
ARLY AND I	MIDSEASON ORANGES (I	ncludes Nave		Boxes <sub> </sub>	per tree		
1993-94	State	1.4	3.2	3.8	4.5	5.2	3.32
	Indian River	1.4	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.26
•	Northern & Central	1.1	2.6	3.9	6.4	6.2	3.13
	Western	1.5	3.8	4.6	5.3	6.6	4.39
e e	Southern	1.6	3.4	3.8	3.3	4.4	2.94
1994-95	State	1.2	3.1	4.1	4.6	5.2	3.26
100+00	Indian River	0.6	2.3	2.3	2.4	3.6	2.41
	Northern & Central	1.1	3.0	3.9	6.3	5.8	3.01
* ** .	Western	2.1	3.7	4.3	5.3	6.3	4.30
1.	Southern	1.0	3.0	4.9	4.1	4.4	2.9
1995-96	State	1.3	2.9	3.8	4.1	4.9	3.1
1000 00	Indian River	0.5	2.3	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.0
	Northern & Central	1.6	2.7	3.7	5.7	6.7	3.1
	Western	1.1	3.6	3.8	4.4	5.6	3.7
	Southern	1.3	2.8	4.2	3.9	3.9	2.8
1996-97	State	1.3	2.8	3.7	5.1	5.3	3.3
1000 07	Indian River	1.0	1.5	3.0	3.2	3.1	2.4
	Northern & Central	1.5	2.5	3.4	5.8	6.1	3.0
	Western	0.9	3.5	4.4	6.1	6.5	4.3
	Southern	1.4	2.9	3.4	4.7	4.4	3.0
1997-98	State	1.3	2.7	3.8	4.8	5.3	3.5
1007	Indian River	0.9	1.3	2.7	3.4	2.7	2.3
•	Northern & Central	1.4	3.1	4.2	6.3	7.6	3.9
	Western	1.5	3.6	4.2	5.6	6.1	4.4
	Southern	1.1	1.9	3.4	3.6	3.6	2.6
Average	State	1.30	2.93	3.82	4.65	5.19	
,	Indian River	0.85	1.95	2.60	2.87	2.94	
	Northern & Central	1.34	2.81	3.83	6.07	6.45	3.2
	Western	1.43	3.64	4.26	5.39	6.21	4.2
	Southern	1.31	2.76	3.82	3.95	4.12	2.8

FLORIDA CITRUS: Estimated boxes of fruit per tree by age groups and production areas, 1993-94 through 1997-98

Fruit type			Age of trees						
and	Area	3 - 5	6 - 8	9 - 13	14 - 23	24 years	bearing		
season		years	years	years	years	and older	trees		

- - - Boxes per tree - - -

ΙΔ	TF	(VΔΙ	FNCIA)	ORANGES:

1993-94	State	1.0	2.0	2.7	3.5	4.0	2.28
	Indian River	0.6	1.0	2.5	2.1	2.2	1.61
	Northern & Central	0.7	2.2	3.0	6.3	6.2	3.09
	Western	1.0	2.3	3.5	2.9	4.6	2.72
	Southern	1.2	2.0	2.3	3.0	2.6	1.83
1994-95	State	1.4	2.7	2.5	3.6	4.2	2.56
	Indian River	0.9	1.6	2.2	2.1	3.0	1.98
	Northern & Central	1.4	2.4	2.2	5.4	5.3	2.88
	Western	2.0	3.3	3.1	3.5	4.4	3.21
	Southern	1.2	2.9	2.4	3.3	3.9	2.31
1995-96	State	1.2	2.0	2.5	3.2	4.0	2.26
	Indian River	0.8	1.0	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.47
	Northern & Central	1.2	2.4	3.2	4.6	6.4	3.03
	Western	1.8	2.3	3.1	3.2	4.3	2.81
	Southern	1.0	2.0	2.1	3.1	2.9	1.81
1996-97	State	1.1	2.3	2.5	3.3	4.2	2.41
	Indian River	0.5	1.4	2.7	2.6	2.9	2.00
	Northern & Central	1.2	2.2	2.4	4.0	5.7	2.74
	Western	0.9	3.0	3.0	3.8	4.2	2.93
	Southern	1.2	2.3	2.3	3.0	3.7	2.1
1997-98	State	1.1	2.2	2.6	3.8	4.9	2.6
	Indian River	1.0	1.7	2.1	2.2	3.2	2.1
	Northern & Central	1.1	2.4	3.1	5.1	7.1	3.4
	Western	1.5	3.9	3.1	4.2	4.9	3.5
	Southern	0.9	1.6	2.3	3.5	3.7	2.0
Average	State	1.14	2.23	2.54	3.49	4.26	2.4
	Indian River	0.77	1.39	2.25	2.14	2.67	1.8
	Northern & Central	1.11	2.34	2.80	4.97	6.13	3.0
	Western	1.48	3.03	3.13	3.50	4.47	3.0
	Southern	1.13	2.10	2.28	3.19	3.36	2.0

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