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Key findings for the Southern Region:

Avocados: Florida’s utilized production is down 13 percent from 2015 and the associated value of production is down 7 percent. The Laurel Wilt disease continues to have a negative impact on Florida avocado groves.

Blueberries: The value of utilized production for the United States is down 13 percent for 2016. Georgia’s utilized production is down 17 percent from 2015 and the associated value of production is down 15 percent. Florida’s value decreased 35 percent. Beginning in 2016, blueberry estimates were discontinued in Alabama.

Peaches: The 2016 value of utilized production for the United States is up 4 percent from 2015. Alabama’s 2016 value is down 26 percent from the previous year’s value. Georgia’s value increased 20 percent. South Carolina’s value of utilized production is up 6 percent from 2015.

Pecans: The value of utilized production for the United States is up 24 percent for 2016. Alabama’s 2016 value is up 16 percent from last year. Georgia, which accounts for 41 percent of the Nation’s pecan production, saw a 36 percent increase in value of production in 2016. Beginning in 2016, pecan estimates were discontinued in Florida and South Carolina.

Pecan Production, Price, and Value by Variety — States and United States: 2014-2016

Variety and State	Utilized production (In-shell basis)			Price per pound			Value of utilized production		
	2014 (1,000 pounds)	2015 (1,000 pounds)	2016 (1,000 pounds)	2014 (dollars)	2015 (dollars)	2016 (dollars)	2014 (1,000 dollars)	2015 (1,000 dollars)	2016 (1,000 dollars)
Improved varieties¹									
Alabama	1,500	1,600	1,900	2.060	2.170	2.130	3,090	3,472	4,047
Georgia.....	74,000	90,000	109,000	2.340	2.180	2.500	173,160	196,200	272,500
United States	227,410	225,180	249,970	2.120	2.310	2.660	482,323	520,529	663,746
Native and seedling²									
Alabama	200	300	300	1.140	1.230	1.400	228	369	420
Georgia.....	2,000	3,000	(NA)	1.380	1.360	(NA)	2,760	4,080	(NA)
United States	36,740	29,110	18,800	0.933	1.360	1.760	34,268	39,687	33,060
All pecans									
Alabama	1,700	1,900	2,200	1.950	2.020	2.030	3,318	3,841	4,467
Georgia.....	76,000	93,000	109,000	2.310	2.150	2.500	175,920	200,280	272,500
United States	264,150	254,290	268,770	1.960	2.200	2.590	516,591	560,216	696,806

(NA) Not available.

¹ Budded, grafted, or topworked varieties.

² Estimates discontinued in 2016.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2016 Summary*, June 2017

Cultivated Blueberry Area Harvested, Yield, Production, and Value of Production — States and United States: 2015 and 2016

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre ¹		Production				Value of utilized production	
					Utilized		Total			
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(acres)	(acres)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Florida.....	5,500	4,700	4,510	3,110	24,800	14,600	25,300	14,700	82,267	53,656
Georgia.....	17,200	16,900	4,880	4,140	84,000	70,000	85,000	70,800	104,440	88,305
United States.....	91,220	92,800	6,140	6,340	559,690	588,790	566,510	593,610	825,534	720,160

¹ Yield is based on utilized production.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - *Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts 2016 Summary*, June 2017

Fruit Bearing Acreage, Yield, Production, and Value by Crop — States and United States: 2015 and 2016

Fruit and State	Bearing acres		Yield per acre ¹		Production				Value of utilized production	
					Utilized		Total			
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
	(acres)	(acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
Avocados										
Florida.....	6,800	6,000	4.06	4.02	27,600	23,900	27,600	24,100	20,562	19,080
United States.....	59,280	57,430	3.86	3.01	228,960	171,380	229,010	172,630	433,447	316,041
Peaches										
Alabama.....	1,500	1,500	3.70	2.20	5,520	3,270	5,550	3,300	6,182	4,545
Georgia.....	10,000	10,000	4.06	4.33	33,700	39,500	40,600	43,300	35,048	42,094
South Carolina ...	14,000	13,000	4.92	4.87	59,700	52,800	68,900	63,300	63,951	67,934
United States.....	99,790	94,070	8.49	8.46	825,415	778,920	847,210	795,630	605,794	628,672

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Value of Utilized Production — Georgia Pecans and Select Fruits: 2007-2016

Million dollars

