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## Florida

## Floriculture Production in 2009 Down 9 Percent

The gross wholesale value of sales for all floriculture crops from producers with more than $\$ 10,000$ in sales for 2009 totaled $\$ 696$ million, down approximately $\$ 67.6$ million or 9 percent below 2008. The number of producers decreased 8 percent from 887 in 2008 to 812 in 2009. Total covered production area from producers with more than $\$ 10,000$ increased 3 percent to 326 million square feet in 2009. The amount of open ground used in 2009 totaled 8,849 acres, up 34 percent or 2,262 more acres.

## Foliage Plant Operations with Over $\$ 100,000$ in Sales

Florida leads the Nation in sales of potted foliage for indoor use and foliage hanging baskets with over 68 percent of the total U.S. value. Florida had combined sales of $\$ 311$ million dollars during 2009, down 12 percent from the $\$ 352$ million sold in 2008. The number of foliage producers growing hanging baskets declined from 107 for 2008 to 73 for 2009 . For potted plants the number of foliage producers decreased from 301 in 2008 to 276 in 2009. Potted foliage sales accounted for $\$ 288$ million of the 2009 total, while the sales of foliage hanging baskets totaled $\$ 22.4$ million. During the previous year, potted foliage sales totaled $\$ 326$ million, while sales of hanging baskets totaled $\$ 25.7$ million.

Florida Crops Summary: Number of Producers and Value of Sales, 2008-2009

| Producers with | Producers |  | Wholesale value of all sales |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | (number) | (number) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ |
| \$10,000 or more sales ${ }^{1}$.......................... | 887 | 812 | 763,566 | 695,961 |
| \$100,000 or more sales ${ }^{2}$........................ | 528 | 475 | 738,905 | 674,190 |
| Annual Bedding/Garden ........................... |  |  | 97,456 | 88,447 |
| Cut Cultivated Greens .............................. |  |  | 69,114 | 55,730 |
| Cut Flowers ............................................ |  |  | 9,046 | 8,136 |
| Foliage Plants......................................... |  |  | 351,993 | 311,119 |
| Herbaceous Perennials ............................ |  |  | 19,454 | 16,882 |
| Potted Flowering Plants............................ |  |  | 120,685 | 130,928 |
| Propagative Materials............................... |  |  | 80,203 | 71,084 |

[^0]Floriculture Crops Summary: Wholesale Value of All Sales by Plant Category, by State, for Operations with \$100,000+ Sales, 2008-2009

| State | Total all plant categories ${ }^{1}$ |  | Foliage plants ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  | All cut Flowers ${ }^{2}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | All foliage |  | Potted |  | Hanging baskets |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) | $(\$ 1,000)$ |
| California | 1,043,254 | 921,710 | 98,679 | 86,384 | 89,729 | 80,415 | 8,950 | 5,969 | 323,897 | 269,126 |
| Florida. | 738,905 | 674,190 | 351,993 | 311,119 | 326,308 | 288,687 | 25,685 | 22,432 | 9,046 | 8,136 |
| Hawaii. | 48,537 | 28,369 | 13,438 | (3) | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 70 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 11,985 | 8,164 |
| Illinois.. | 127,427 | 124,531 | 3,644 | 1,562 | 2,311 | 1,265 | 1,333 | 297 | 1,946 | 1,167 |
| Maryland .................. | 90,368 | 87,843 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) | 234 | ${ }^{\text {(3) }}$ | 497 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) | ${ }^{(3)}$ * |
| Michigan . | 375,744 | 384,427 | 3,085 | 9,807 | 2,059 | 5,511 | 1,026 | 4,296 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| New Jersey ...... | 170,470 | 156,986 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) | 1,631 | 1,687 | 255 | 494 | 13,300 | 11,058 |
| New York ... | 177,915 | 153,166 | 4,181 | 2,943 | 3,358 | 2,656 | 823 | 287 | (3) | 2,286 |
| North Carolina..... | 199,751 | 238,346 | 10,375 | 11,745 | 4,081 | 1,413 | 6,294 | 10,332 | (3) | (3) |
| Ohio. | 186,463 | 192,626 | 4,507 | 3,996 | 1,839 | 1,442 | 2,668 | 2,554 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| Oregon... | 121,525 | 114,432 | 440 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 211 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 229 | (3) | 10,509 | 10,598 |
| Pennsylvania .... | 137,334 | 136,178 | 3,825 | 2,344 | 2,868 | 1,656 | 957 | 688 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| South Carolina..... | 98,838 | 65,739 | (3) | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 38 | 548 | 434 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| Texas......... | 260,355 | 238,785 | 11,766 | 10,087 | 7,297 | 5,270 | 4,469 | 4,817 | (3) | (3) |
| Washington......... | 123,731 | 131,609 | 349 | (3) | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 145 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 23,086 | 26,073 |
| 15-State Program Other States........... | 24,226 | 37,017 | 4,029 | 14,353 | 14,436 | 11,403 |  | 297 | 23,329 | 22,619 |
| Total... | 3,924,843 | 3,685,954 | 510,311 | 454,340 | 456,362 | 401,443 | 53,949 | 52,897 | 417,098 | 359,227 |
| State | Annual bedding/ garden plants ${ }^{2}$ |  | Herbaceous Perennials ${ }^{2}$ |  | Propagative floriculture material ${ }^{2}$ |  | All potted flowering plants ${ }^{2}$ |  | Cut cultivated greens ${ }^{2}$ |  |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) | $(\$ 1,000)$ |
| California... | 216,944 | 209,622 | 65,485 | 67,386 | 81,094 | 73,264 | 243,225 | 205,847 | 13,930 | 10,081 |
| Florida... | 97,456 | 88,447 | 19,454 | 16,882 | 80,203 | 71,084 | 120,685 | 130,928 | 69,114 | 55,730 |
| Hawaii ... | 2,618 | 2,641 | 32 | 120 | 2,509 | 2,095 | 17,724 | 15,207 | 263 | 262 |
| Illinois... | 46,644 | 43,622 | 54,400 | 45,542 | 5,706 | 5,983 | 15,042 | 26,655 | 45 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| Maryland | 58,831 | 59,232 | 17,842 | 19,430 | 4,744 | 3,547 | 8,220 | 5,634 |  |  |
| Michigan | 186,938 | 180,157 | 69,227 | 70,089 | 76,651 | 84,311 | 32,872 | 31,042 | (3) | (3) |
| New Jersey ............... | 64,950 | 63,854 | 44,345 | 44,863 | 22,665 | 16,581 | 23,324 | 18,449 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| New York. | 82,637 | 75,989 | 26,259 | 22,613 | 19,807 | 16,846 | 41,956 | 32,489 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| North Carolina..... | 114,416 | 162,274 | 35,325 | 32,109 | ${ }^{\text {(3) }}$ | ${ }^{\text {(3) }}$ | 39,635 | 32,218 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |  |
| Ohio. | 93,938 | 94,273 | 42,168 | 41,845 | 23,021 | 22,603 | 21,127 | 29,909 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |  |
| Oregon.............. | 51,044 | 58,375 | 23,677 | 20,797 | 7,064 | 5,713 | 21,730 | 18,949 | 7,061 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| Pennsylvania..... | 60,615 | 58,184 | 18,129 | 16,703 | 25,287 | 21,334 | 29,369 | 29,428 | 109 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| South Carolina ..... | 12,250 | 10,235 | 70,981 | 39,863 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | ${ }^{\text {(3) }}$ | 13,468 | 15,169 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| Texas. | 170,674 | 159,405 | 32,791 | 30,023 | 11,021 | 7,007 | 33,194 | 32,263 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | (3) |
| Washington............... | 48,599 | 50,366 | 25,011 | 23,474 | 20,087 | 23,527 | 6,599 | 8,169 |  | (3) |
| 15-State Program Other States........... |  |  |  |  | 3,977 | 3,765 |  |  | 1,226 | 7,883 |
| Total.................... | 1,308,554 | 1,316,676 | 545,126 | 491,739 | 383,836 | 357,660 | 668,170 | 632,356 | 91,748 | 73,956 |

[^1]Potted Flowering Plants: Number of Producers, Number of Pots, Quantity Sold, and Value, for Operations with \$100,000 + Sales, 2008-2009, Florida

| Selected Crops | Producers |  | Number of pots less than 5 inches |  | Number of pots 5 inches or more |  | Total quantity sold |  | Value of all sales at wholesale ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | number | number | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) |
| African Violets .. | (D) | 7 | (D) | 650 | (D) | (2) | (D) | 650 | (D) | 917 |
| Florist Mums ... | 9 | 9 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | 1,601 | 1,454 | 1,601 | 1,454 | 4,918 | 4,188 |
| Easter Lilies ..... | 10 | 9 |  |  | 519 | 462 | 519 | 462 | 1,925 | 1,811 |
| Orchids. | 49 | 56 | 1,956 | 2,170 | 3,301 | 3,419 | 5,257 | 5,589 | 34,828 | 43,031 |
| Poinsettias ... | 29 | 28 | 640 | 393 | 3,214 | 3,029 | 3,854 | 3,422 | 14,638 | 12,916 |
| Roses, Florist................ | 9 | 10 | 144 | (2) | 380 | 605 | 524 | 605 | 2,256 | 2,801 |
| Other Flowering Plants... | 55 | 69 | 2,082 | 2,385 | 11,665 | 12,310 | 13,747 | 14,695 | 53,277 | 56,401 |

D Not included to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.
${ }^{1}$ Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.
${ }^{2}$ Quantity and price combined into pot size with greatest production to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.

## Annual Bedding/Garden Plants: Number of Producers, Quantity Sold, Price, and Value, for Operations

 with $\$ 100,000$ + Sales, 2008-2009, Florida| Selected Crops | Producers |  | Quantity sold |  |  |  | Wholesale price |  |  |  | Value of all sales at wholesale ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Number of pots less than 5 inches |  | Number of pots 5 inches or more |  | Less than 5 inches |  | 5 inches or more |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | (number) | (number) | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | $(1,000)$ | (dollars) | (dollars) | (dollars) | (dollars) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | (\$1,000) |
| Begonias... | 42 | 44 | 7,593 | 7,537 | 906 | 730 | 0.77 | 0.76 | 2.25 | 2.43 | 7,885 | 7,502 |
| Geraniums from Seeds .... | 11 | (D) | 191 | (D) | (2) | (D) | 0.96 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | (2) | (D) | 184 | (D) |
| Impatiens. | 49 | 46 | 10,168 | 9,143 | 1,209 | 803 | 0.67 | 0.70 | 1.60 | 1.52 | 8,747 | 7,621 |
| Impatiens, New Guinea.. | 46 | 40 | 2,054 | 1,977 | 725 | 571 | 1.22 | 1.15 | 2.37 | 2.48 | 4,224 | 3,690 |
| Marigolds ........ | 28 | 27 | 2,749 | 2,549 | 271 | 274 | 0.67 | 0.66 | 1.83 | 1.80 | 2,338 | 2,176 |
| Petunias.......................... | 41 | 38 | 2,861 | 2,425 | 591 | 587 | 0.76 | 0.82 | 1.88 | 1.84 | 3,285 | 3,069 |
| Other Flowering \& Foliar ..... | 53 | 51 | 12,537 | 11,092 | 11,607 | 9,839 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 2.85 | 2.92 | 43,110 | 37,714 |
| Vegetable Type Plants ${ }^{3}$. | 21 | 18 | 6,367 | 6,324 | 536 | 379 | 0.98 | 0.98 | 2.74 | 3.04 | 7,708 | 7,350 |


| Selected Crops | Unit | Producers |  | Quantity sold |  | Wholesale price |  | Value of all sales at wholesale ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  |  | (number) | (number) | $\begin{gathered} \hline(1,000 \\ \text { units) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline(1,000 \\ \text { units }) \end{gathered}$ | (dollars per unit) | (dollars per unit) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ |
| Geraniums from Vegetative Cuttings .. | Baskets | 16 | 13 | 107 | 96 | 4.94 | 4.60 | 529 | 442 |
| Impatiens ..................................... | Baskets | 18 | (D) | 168 | (D) | 4.75 | (D) | 798 | (D) |
| Impatiens, New Guinea ................... | Baskets | 16 | 13 | 84 | 72 | 4.56 | 4.37 | 383 | 315 |
| Geraniums from Seeds..................... | Flats | (D) | 3 | (D) | 1 | (D) | 11.04 | (D) | 11 |
| Pansies/Violas. | Flats | 7 | (D) | 25 | (D) | 9.31 | (D) | 233 | (D) |

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## Florida

## Cut Cultivated Greens: - Operations with Over \$100,000 in Sales

Florida remains the Nation's leader in sales of cut cultivated greens. Florida sales of all cut greens during 2009 totaled $\$ 55.7$ million, 75 percent of the value for all cut greens sold in the U.S. in 2009. The 2009 value of sales was 19 percent below the 2008 value of $\$ 69.1$ million. Leatherleaf ferns represented $\$ 29.1$ million of the 2009 total compared to $\$ 33.0$ million in 2008. Growers sold 31 million Leatherleaf fern bunches in 2009 at an average wholesale price of $\$ 0.94$ per bunch. The 2008 Leatherleaf wholesale price averaged $\$ 0.97$ per bunch. Sales of other cut greens totaled $\$ 26.6$ million, down 26 percent from the $\$ 36.1$ million sold in 2008. Pierson, Florida is the heart of the "Fern Capital of the World". Growers in Pierson and the surrounding areas of north-central Florida grow a wide variety of ferns and other greens.

Cut Cultivated Greens: Producers, Quantity Sold, and Value for Operations with $\$ 100,000+$

|  | Producers |  | Quantity sold |  | Value of all sales ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | (number) | (number) | (1,000 bunches) | (1,000 bunches) | $(\$ 1,000)$ | $(\$ 1,000)$ |
| Florida |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leatherleaf Ferns ........................... | 77 | 75 | 34,001 | 31,006 | 32,981 | 29,146 |
| Other cut cultivated greens ............... | 84 | 71 | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | 36,133 | 26,584 |
| Other States ${ }^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leatherleaf Ferns ... | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) | (4) |
| Other cut cultivated greens ............... | 80 | 49 | (2) | (2) | 21,374 | 10,331 |
| 15-State Program Other States |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leatherleaf Ferns ........................... | 10 | 4 | 760 | 637 | 943 | 650 |
| Other cut cultivated greens............... | 9 | 34 | (2) | (2) | 317 | 7,245 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leatherleaf Ferns ............... | 87 | 79 | 34,761 | 31,643 | 33,924 | 29,796 |
| Other cut cultivated greens ............... | 173 | 154 | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ | 57,824 | 44,160 |

${ }_{2}^{1}$ Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.
${ }^{2}$ Bunches are not comparable in this category as units differ depending on crop variety.
${ }^{3}$ Other States include: CA, HI, IL, MI, NJ, NY, NC, OR, PA, SC, TX, WA.
${ }^{4}$ Included in 15-State Program Other States to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.

## Numbers of Producers by Gross Value of Sales, Florida

| Operations with sales of | Number of producers |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2009 |
| \$10,000-\$19,999 .. | 82 | 87 |
| \$20,000-\$39,999 ..... | 92 | 92 |
| \$40,000-\$49,999 ... | 37 | 36 |
| \$50,000-\$99,999 .... | 148 | 122 |
| \$100,000-\$499,999 .. | 263 | 251 |
| \$500,000 or more. | 265 | 224 |

## Area Used for Production by Type of Cover, Florida ${ }^{1}$

| Operations with sales of | Producers |  | Glass greenhouses |  | Fiberglass \& other rigid greenhouses |  | Film plastic greenhouses |  | Shade and temporary cover |  | Open ground |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
|  | (number) | (number) | (1,000 square feet) | (1,000 square feet) | $\begin{gathered} (1,000 \\ \text { square } \\ \text { feet) } \end{gathered}$ | (1,000 square feet) | $\begin{aligned} & (1,000 \\ & \text { square } \\ & \text { feet) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} (1,000 \\ \text { square } \\ \text { feet) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (1,000 } \\ & \text { square } \\ & \text { feet) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (1,000 } \\ & \text { square } \\ & \text { feet) } \end{aligned}$ | (acres) | (acres) |
| \$10,000+.. | 887 | 812 | 3,531 | 4,668 | 9,009 | 10,882 | 52,000 | 46,495 | 252,434 | 264,442 | 6,587 | 8,849 |
| \$100,000+. | 528 | 475 | 3,479 | 3,733 | 8,118 | 10,296 | 49,273 | 43,417 | 233,843 | 242,001 | 5,756 | 7,211 |

[^3]
[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Estimates by product not available. Sales for growers below $\$ 100,000$ are estimated by multiplying the number of producers in each sales category by the mid-point of each dollar value range.
    ${ }^{2}$ Product sales may not add to total due to rounding.

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ State totals exclude Plant Category values denoted by ${ }^{(3)}$.
    ${ }^{2}$ Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.
    ${ }^{3}$ Included in Other States to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.

[^2]:    D Not included to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.
    1 Equivalent wholesale value of all sales.
    ${ }^{2}$ Quantity and price combined into pot size with greatest production to avoid disclosing data of individual operations.
    ${ }^{3}$ For home garden use. Does not include commercial transplants.

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ Due to combined data collection efforts of the Census of Horticulture and the Annual Floriculture Survey, the data in 2009 include area used for production of nursery crops as well as floriculture crops.

