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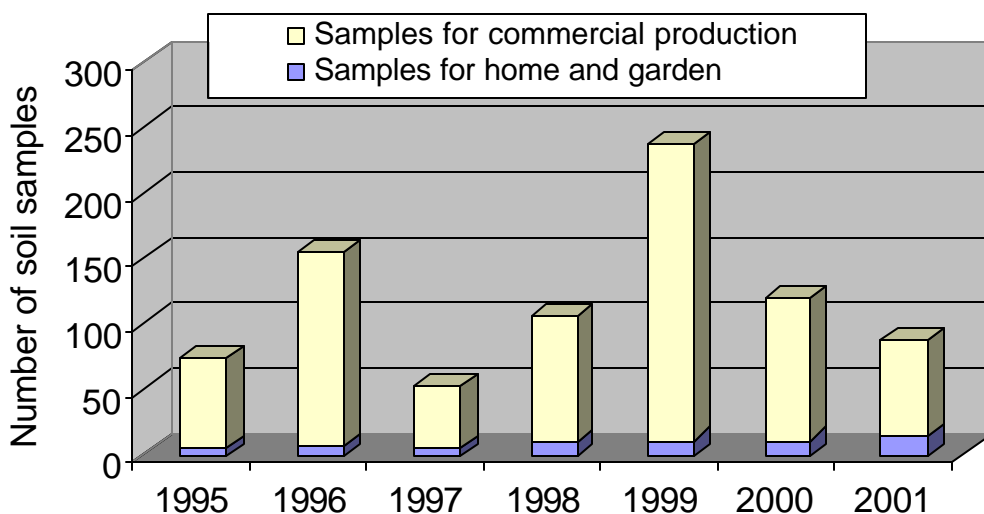
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# 1. General Survey Summary

This survey summarizes the soil test results from Herkimer County soil samples submitted for analyses to the Cornell Nutrient Analysis Laboratory (CNAL) during 1995-2001. The total number of samples analyzed in these years amounted to 831. Of these 831 samples, 769 (93%) were submitted to obtain fertilizer recommendations for commercial production while 62 samples (7%) were submitted as home and garden samples.



<b>Homeowners</b>		<b>Commercial</b>		<b>Total</b>
1995	5	1995	68	73
1996	7	1996	148	155
1997	5	1997	47	52
1998	10	1998	96	106
1999	11	1999	226	237
2000	11	2000	110	121
<u>2001</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>87</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>831</b>

Twenty-nine percent of the home and garden samples were submitted to request fertilizer recommendations for mixed vegetable gardens. Twenty-six percent of the samples came from lawns while a few additional samples were sent in to request recommendations for azaleas, apricots, athletic fields, blueberries, flowering annuals, herbs, perennials, potatoes, and tree fruits. People submitting samples for commercial production requested fertilizer recommendations for alfalfa, alfalfa/grass or alfalfa/trefoil mixtures (39%), corn silage or grain production (35%), or hay (9%), while a few producers were planning on growing other crops including small grains, and pasture land.

Home and garden samples in Herkimer County were silty (19%), silt loams (16%), sandy loams (29%), or sandy (36%), belonging to soil management groups 2, 3, 4, and 5, respectively. The table below gives descriptions of each of the soil management groups.

Soil Management Groups for New York

1	Fine-textured soils developed from clayey lake sediments and medium- to fine-textured soils developed from lake sediments.
2	Medium- to fine-textured soils developed from calcareous glacial till and medium-textured to moderately fine-textured soils developed from slightly calcareous glacial till mixed with shale and medium-textured soils developed in recent alluvium.
3	Moderately coarse textured soil developed from glacial outwash and recent alluvium and medium-textured acid soil developed on glacial till.
4	Coarse- to medium-textured soils formed from glacial till or glacial outwash.
5	Coarse- to very coarse-textured soils formed from gravelly or sandy glacial outwash or glacial lake beach ridges or deltas.
6	Organic or muck soils with more than 80% organic matter.

Of the samples submitted for commercial production, 73% belonged to soil management group 2. None of the samples belonged to group 1 or 6 while 10% was classified group 3, 9% belonged to soil management group 4 and 1% was classified as management group 5.

The remainder was of unknown classification. The five most common soil series, all belonging to soil management group 2, were Mohawk (17%), Honeoye (17%), Manheim (8%), Lima (7%) and Lansing (7%). These soils represent 5% (Mohawk), 12% (Honeoye), 8% (Manheim), 7% (Lima), and 7% (Lansing) of the total 1,411 square miles in the county.

Organic matter levels, as measured by loss on ignition, ranged from 1% to over 11% with median values ranging from 3.5 to 4.9% organic matter for home and garden samples and from 4.0 to 4.6% for samples submitted for commercial production. Fifty-six percent of the home and garden samples had between 2.0 and 4.9% organic matter with 8 samples testing between 2.0 and 2.9% organic matter, 14 between 3.0 and 3.9% organic matter and 13 between 4.0 and 4.9% organic matter. Thirty-one percent of the soils submitted for home and garden tested >4.9% in organic matter while 12% of the samples had less than 2.0% organic matter. Of the samples submitted for commercial production, 26% contained between 3.0 and 3.9% organic matter, 43% tested between 4.0 and 4.9% while 18% had organic matter concentrations of 5.0-5.9%. Four percent had less than 3.0% organic matter while 9% of the samples had 6.0% or more organic matter. In total, 67% of the samples had organic matter levels between 4.0 and 6.9%.

Soil pH in water (1:1 extraction ratio) varied from pH 4.1 to 8.2 with the median for home and garden samples ranging from pH 6.9 to pH 7.6 and for samples submitted for commercial production ranging from pH 6.0 to pH 6.8. Of the home and garden samples, 47% tested between pH 6.0 and 7.4. For the samples submitted for commercial production, this was 78% while 17% tested between pH 5.0 and 5.9.

Extractable nutrients such as phosphorus (P), potassium (K), magnesium (Mg), calcium (Ca), iron (Fe), manganese (Mn), and zinc (Zn) were measured using the Morgan solution and extraction method (Morgan, 1941). This solution contains sodium acetate buffered at a pH of 4.8.

Soil test P levels of <1 lbs P/acre are classified as very low. Between 1-3 lbs P/acre is low. Medium is between 4-8 lbs P/acre. High testing soils have P levels between 9 and 39 lbs P/acre and soils with >39 lbs P/acre are classified as very high. Of the home and garden samples, 18% tested low, 10% tested medium, 40% tested high and 32% tested very high. This meant that 73% tested high or very high in P. Of the samples submitted

for commercial production, 34% tested low in P. Twenty-nine percent were medium in P, 31% tested high while 6% of the samples were very high in P. This means that 36% tested high or very high in P. There were no clear trends in P levels over the 7 years.

Classifications for potassium depend on soil management group. The fine-textured soils of soil management group 1 have a greater K supplying capacity than the coarse textured sandy soils (soil management group 5). Classification for each of the management groups in the above table represent very low, low, medium, high and very high. So for example for soil management group 5 and 6, <60 lbs K/acre means the soil is very low in K, between 60 and 114 lbs K/acre is low, 115-164 lbs K/acre is medium, 165-269 lbs K/acre is high and >269 lbs K/acre is classified as very high (see the table below).

Potassium classifications depend on soil test K levels and soil management group.

Soil Management Group	Potassium Soil Test Value (Morgan extraction in lbs K/acre)				
	Very low	Low	Medium	High	Very High
1	<35	35-64	65-94	95-149	>149
2	<40	40-69	70-99	100-164	>164
3	<45	45-79	80-119	120-199	>199
4	<55	55-99	100-149	150-239	>239
5 and 6	<60	60-114	115-164	165-269	>269

Of the home and garden samples, 19% was classified as very low or low in potassium. Twenty-one percent tested medium, another 21% were high and 39% were very high in potassium. For samples submitted for commercial production, 2% were very low in K, 6% tested low, 18% tested medium, 28% tested high and 40% tested very high in potassium while the remainder was of unknown K classification. As with phosphorus, there were no trends over the 7 years of soil sampling.

Soils test very low for magnesium if Morgan extractable Mg is less than 20 lbs Mg/acre. Low testing soils have 20-65 lbs Morgan Mg per acre. Soils with 66-100 lbs Mg/acre test medium for magnesium. High testing soils have 101-199 lbs Mg/acre while soils with

more than 200 lbs Mg/acre in the Morgan extraction are classified as very high in Mg. Magnesium levels ranged from 6 to slightly over 1000 lbs Mg/acre (Morgan extraction). There were only 3 samples in the combined home and garden and commercial agriculture datasets that tested very low in Mg. Most soils tested high or very high for Mg (92% of the homeowner soils and 94% of the soils of the commercial growers). Four of the home and garden samples and 42 (5%) of the commercial growers' soils tested low or medium in Mg. Thus, magnesium deficiency is not likely to occur in Herkimer County provided the soil pH is maintained in the desirable range.

Soils with more than 50 lbs Morgan extractable Fe per acre test excessive for Fe. Anything lower than 50 lbs Fe/acre is considered normal. Ninety-two percent of the home and garden samples were classified as normal in Fe while 96% of the commercial samples tested in the normal range for Fe. Similarly, almost all soils with the exception of 1 commercial sample and 4 home and garden samples tested normal for manganese. Soils with more than 100 lbs Morgan extractable Mn per acre are classified as excessive in Mn. Anything less than 100 lbs Mn per acre is classified as normal. Soils with less than 0.5 lb zinc per acre in the Morgan extraction are classified as low in Zn. Medium testing soils have between 0.5 and 1 lb of Morgan extractable Zn per acre. If more than 1 lb of Zn/acre is extracted with the Morgan solution, the soil tests high in Zn. For the home and garden samples, one sample tested low for zinc while 9 tested medium and 52 tested high for zinc. Of the samples for commercial production, 8% tested low in zinc, 33% tested medium while 59% of the samples were high in zinc.

In the following sections, the summary tables for each of the soil fertility indicators described above are given. The appendix contains the crop codes used in section 2.

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## 2. Cropping Systems

### 2.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Crops for which recommendations are requested by homeowners:

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total	%
ALG	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
APR	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
ATF	2	0	0	2	1	4	2	11	18
BLU	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	3
FLA	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	3
HRB	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
LAW	0	4	0	0	6	4	2	16	26
MVG	3	1	3	6	1	0	4	18	29
OTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
PER	0	1	1	0	2	2	1	7	11
PTO	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
TRF	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Total	5	7	5	10	11	11	13	62	100

Notes:

See Appendix for Cornell crop codes.

## 2.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Crops for which recommendations are requested for commercial production:

Current year crop	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total	%
ABE/ABT	3	10	6	2	0	4	2	27	4
AGE/AGT	32	41	4	25	105	21	20	248	32
ALE/ALT	0	8	1	4	11	2	0	26	3
ALG	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
APP	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
BGE/BGT	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
BLB	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
BNS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
BSP	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	5	1
BUK	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	1
CGE/CGT	2	2	7	4	2	2	2	21	3
CKS	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
CLE/CLT	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	8	1
COG/COS	13	72	10	28	74	52	20	269	35
GIE/GIT	0	0	0	2	6	0	11	19	2
GRE/GRT	0	1	9	15	8	17	7	57	7
IDL	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
MIX	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	5	1
MML	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
OAS	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	1
OAT	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	3	0
ONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
OTH	0	0	3	4	1	1	0	9	1
PEA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
PGE/PGT	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	6	1
PIE/PIT	1	3	2	3	8	5	2	24	3
PLE/PLT	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
PNE/PNT	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	4	1
POT	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
PUM	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
RYC	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
SOY	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
SWC	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0
TOM	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
TRE/TRT	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0

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Current year crop	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total	%
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Total	68	148	47	96	226	110	74	769	100

Notes:

See Appendix for Cornell crop codes.

### 3. Soil Types

#### 3.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Soil types (soil management groups) for home and garden samples:

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total
SMG 1 (clayey)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SMG 2 (silty)	1	1	1	1	1	2	5	12
SMG 3 (silt loam)	1	1	0	5	2	0	1	10
SMG 4 (sandy loam)	1	1	2	3	4	5	2	18
SMG 5 (sandy)	2	4	2	1	4	4	5	22
SMG 6 (mucky)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	5	7	5	10	11	11	13	62

### 3.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Soil series for samples submitted for commercial production:

Name	SMG	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total
Appleton	2	0	0	0	4	17	2	1	24
Broadalbin	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	5
Burdett	2	1	3	0	4	1	0	0	9
Conesus	2	0	4	1	1	7	5	3	21
Farmington	3	0	1	0	3	5	1	0	10
Fredon	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3
Halsey	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Hamlin	2	0	3	0	7	0	4	4	18
Hartland	4	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	6
Herkimer	3	2	3	0	2	5	1	0	13
Hilton	2	2	1	0	0	6	6	0	15
Hinckley	5	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	6
Honeoye	2	28	11	0	28	46	3	13	129
Hornell	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Howard	3	2	11	0	2	6	2	6	29
Hudson	2	0	1	3	2	1	1	0	8
Ilion	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Lairdsville	2	0	2	1	0	1	2	0	6
Lansing	2	1	10	8	3	12	10	10	54
Lima	2	3	3	0	8	38	0	5	57
Lockport	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Lyons	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Manheim	2	5	16	1	6	5	25	6	64
Manlius	3	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	4
Massena	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mohawk	2	3	48	4	6	37	28	6	132
Mosherville	4	0	5	0	1	0	0	1	7
Nassau	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Ontario	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3
Palatine	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Palms	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Palmyra	3	3	4	0	2	6	0	1	16
Phelps	3	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	5
Rhinebeck	2	1	3	0	1	4	0	0	9
Teel	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	5
Wassaic	4	4	4	3	5	13	5	8	42

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Name	SMG	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total
Wayland	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Williamson	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Windsor	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Unknown	-	7	10	12	4	7	9	1	50
Total	-	68	148	47	96	226	110	74	769

## 4. Organic Matter

### 4.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Number of home and garden samples within each % organic matter range:

	<1%	1.0-1.9	2.0-2.9	3.0-3.9	4.0-4.9	5.0-5.9	6.0-6.9	>6.9	Total
1995	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	5
1996	0	3	0	1	2	1	0	0	7
1997	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	5
1998	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	10
1999	0	2	0	4	2	2	0	1	11
2000	0	0	4	2	2	2	0	1	11
2001	2	0	2	1	4	2	1	1	13
Total	2	6	8	14	13	9	6	4	62

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	3.3	1.0	2.9	1.4	1.0	2.0	0.5	
Highest:	6.4	5.5	6.8	10.0	7.4	7.9	10.0	
Mean:	4.6	3.3	4.3	4.8	4.0	4.0	4.4	
Median:	3.5	3.6	3.7	4.8	3.8	3.8	4.9	

Percent of home and garden samples within each % organic matter range:

	<1%	1.0-1.9	2.0-2.9	3.0-3.9	4.0-4.9	5.0-5.9	6.0-6.9	>6.9	Total
1995	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1996	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1997	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1998	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1999	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2000	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2001	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
Total	3	10	13	23	21	15	10	6	100

## 4.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Number of samples for commercial production within each % organic matter range:

	<1%	1.0-1.9	2.0-2.9	3.0-3.9	4.0-4.9	5.0-5.9	6.0-6.9	>6.9	Total
1995	0	0	4	12	25	17	4	6	68
1996	0	0	5	64	56	18	5	0	148
1997	0	0	1	10	19	11	3	3	47
1998	0	1	6	21	37	16	9	6	96
1999	0	0	1	54	121	37	11	2	226
2000	0	1	2	31	48	21	4	3	110
2001	0	1	9	8	25	16	14	1	74
Total	0	3	28	200	331	136	50	21	769

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	2.3	2.2	2.8	1.6	2.3	1.9	1.9	
Highest:	11.1	7.0	8.9	10.0	9.5	8.1	7.9	
Mean:	4.9	4.2	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.6	
Median:	4.5	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.6	

Percent of samples for commercial production within each % organic matter range:

	<1%	1.0-1.9	2.0-2.9	3.0-3.9	4.0-4.9	5.0-5.9	6.0-6.9	>6.9	Total
1995	0	0	6	18	37	25	6	9	100
1996	0	0	3	43	38	12	3	0	100
1997	0	0	2	21	40	23	6	6	100
1998	0	1	6	22	39	17	9	6	100
1999	0	0	0	24	54	16	5	1	100
2000	0	1	2	28	44	19	4	3	100
2001	0	1	12	11	34	22	19	1	100
Total	0	0	4	26	43	18	7	3	100



## 5. pH

### 5.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Number of home and garden samples within each pH range:

	<4.5	4.5-4.9	5.0-5.4	5.5-5.9	6.0-6.4	6.5-6.9	7.0-7.4	7.5-7.9	8.0-8.4	>8.4	Total
1995	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	
1996	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	0	0	
1997	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	
1998	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	5	0	0	
1999	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	5	1	0	
2000	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	4	1	0	
2001	0	0	1	1	2	1	2	4	2	0	
Total	0	2	3	3	4	8	17	21	4	0	

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	6.4	6.7	5.2	4.6	5.4	4.8	5.0	
Highest:	7.6	7.8	7.2	7.9	8.2	8.1	8.1	
Mean:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Median:	7.2	7.2	6.9	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.4	

Percent of home and garden samples within each pH range:

	<4.5	4.5-4.9	5.0-5.4	5.5-5.9	6.0-6.4	6.5-6.9	7.0-7.4	7.5-7.9	8.0-8.4	>8.4	Total
1995	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1996	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1997	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1998	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1999	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2000	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2001	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
Total	0	3	5	5	6	13	27	34	6	0	100

## 5.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Number of samples for commercial production within each pH range:

	<4.5	4.5-4.9	5.0-5.4	5.5-5.9	6.0-6.4	6.5-6.9	7.0-7.4	7.5-7.9	8.0-8.4	>8.4	Total
1995	0	3	5	8	13	23	14	2	0	0	68
1996	0	0	6	26	65	40	11	0	0	0	148
1997	2	2	7	12	18	5	1	0	0	0	47
1998	0	0	7	17	29	33	9	1	0	0	96
1999	1	4	6	17	36	85	63	14	0	0	226
2000	0	0	3	8	26	52	17	4	0	0	110
2001	0	0	0	11	20	25	17	0	1	0	74
Total	3	9	34	99	207	263	132	21	1	0	769

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	4.8	5.1	4.1	5.0	4.3	5.1	5.5	
Highest:	7.7	7.2	7.0	7.7	7.8	7.6	8.0	
Mean:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Median:	6.6	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.6	6.6	

Percent of samples for commercial production within each pH range:

	<4.5	4.5-4.9	5.0-5.4	5.5-5.9	6.0-6.4	6.5-6.9	7.0-7.4	7.5-7.9	8.0-8.4	>8.4	Total
1995	0	4	7	12	19	34	21	3	0	0	100
1996	0	0	4	18	44	27	7	0	0	0	100
1997	4	4	15	26	38	11	2	0	0	0	100
1998	0	0	7	18	30	34	9	1	0	0	100
1999	0	2	3	8	16	38	28	6	0	0	100
2000	0	0	3	7	24	47	15	4	0	0	100
2001	0	0	0	15	27	34	23	0	1	0	100
Total	0	1	4	13	27	34	17	3	0	0	100

## 6. Phosphorus

### 6.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Number of home and garden samples within each range Morgan extractable P range (lbs/acre Morgan P):

	<1	1-3	4-8	9-39	40-60	61-80	81-100	101-150	151-200	>200	Total
	VL	L	M	H	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	
1995	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
1996	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	2	7
1997	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
1998	0	0	1	4	3	0	2	0	0	0	10
1999	0	2	2	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	11
2000	0	3	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
2001	0	2	2	5	2	0	1	1	0	0	13
Total	0	11	6	25	8	1	5	2	0	4	62

VL = very low, L = low, M = medium, H = high, VH = very high.

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	1	16	3	8	1	1	1	
Highest:	196	280	65	99	89	48	143	
Mean:	79	108	26	42	28	17	35	
Median:	2	48	24	43	20	12	26	

Percent of home and garden samples within each Morgan extractable phosphorus range:

	<1	1-3	4-8	9-39	40-60	61-80	81-100	101-150	151-200	>200	Total
	VL	L	M	H	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	
1995	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1996	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1997	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1998	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
1999	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2000	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
2001	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100
Total	0	18	10	40	13	2	8	3	0	6	100

VL = very low, L = low, M = medium, H = high, VH = very high.

## 6.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Number of samples submitted for commercial production within each Morgan extractable phosphorus (lbs P/acre) range:

	<1	1-3	4-8	9-39	40-60	61-80	81-100	101-150	151-200	>200	Total
	VL	L	M	H	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	
1995	0	23	14	25	5	1	0	0	0	0	68
1996	0	52	38	49	3	5	0	0	1	0	148
1997	0	19	15	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	47
1998	0	23	28	40	1	2	1	0	0	1	96
1999	0	76	86	60	2	2	0	0	0	0	226
2000	0	49	24	27	4	1	1	3	1	0	110
2001	0	22	20	22	3	4	1	0	1	1	74
Total	0	264	225	235	19	15	3	3	3	2	769

VL = very low, L = low, M = medium, H = high, VH = very high.

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Highest:	67	158	45	241	65	178	266	
Mean:	14	13	7	15	8	15	20	
Median:	7	6	5	7	5	4	6	

Percent of samples submitted for commercial production within each Morgan P range:

	<1	1-3	4-8	9-39	40-60	61-80	81-100	101-150	151-200	>200	Total
	VL	L	M	H	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	VH	
1995	0	34	21	37	7	1	0	0	0	0	100
1996	0	35	26	33	2	3	0	0	1	0	100
1997	0	40	32	26	2	0	0	0	0	0	100
1998	0	24	29	42	1	2	1	0	0	1	100
1999	0	34	38	27	1	1	0	0	0	0	100
2000	0	45	22	25	4	1	1	3	1	0	100
2001	0	30	27	30	4	5	1	0	1	1	100
Total	0	34	29	31	2	2	0	0	0	0	100

VL = very low, L = low, M = medium, H = high, VH = very high.

## 7. Potassium

### 7.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Number of home and garden samples within each K range (lbs K/acre Morgan extraction):

Soil Management Group 1						
	<35	35-64	65-94	95-149	>149	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	0	0	0	0	0	0
1999	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (#)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soil Management Group 2						
	<40	40-69	70-99	100-164	>164	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	1	0	1
1996	0	0	0	0	1	1
1997	0	0	0	1	0	1
1998	0	0	0	0	1	1
1999	0	0	0	0	1	1
2000	0	0	1	0	1	2
2001	0	0	0	1	4	5
Total (#)	0	0	1	3	8	12
Total (%)	0	0	8	25	67	100
Soil Management Group 3						
	<45	45-79	80-119	120-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	1	0	0	1
1996	0	0	0	0	1	1
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	0	0	0	2	3	5
1999	1	0	0	1	0	2
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total (#)	1	0	1	3	5	10
Total (%)	10	0	10	30	50	100

Soil Management Group 4						
	<55	55-99	100-149	150-239	>239	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	1	0	0	0	1
1996	0	0	0	0	1	1
1997	0	0	2	0	0	2
1998	0	0	1	1	1	3
1999	0	0	0	1	3	4
2000	0	1	2	1	1	5
2001	0	0	0	1	1	2
Total (#)	0	2	5	4	7	18
Total (%)	0	11	28	22	39	100
Soil Management Group 5						
	<60	60-114	115-164	165-269	>269	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	2	2
1996	0	1	2	0	1	4
1997	0	1	0	1	0	2
1998	0	0	1	0	0	1
1999	0	1	1	1	1	4
2000	1	3	0	0	0	4
2001	1	1	2	1	0	5
Total (#)	2	7	6	3	4	22
Total (%)	9	32	27	14	18	100
Soil Management Group 6						
	<60	60-114	115-164	165-269	>269	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	0	0	0	0	0	0
1999	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (#)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-

Number of home and garden samples within each potassium classification:

Summary (#)	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Total
1995	0	1	1	1	2	5
1996	0	1	2	0	4	7
1997	0	1	2	2	0	5
1998	0	0	2	3	5	10
1999	1	1	1	3	5	11
2000	1	4	3	1	2	11
2001	1	1	2	3	6	13
Total #	3	9	13	13	24	62

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	92	112	60	127	11	24	28	
Highest:	652	1002	171	556	579	276	1064	
Mean:	269	352	126	308	255	129	260	
Median:	111	247	142	253	222	109	182	

Percent of samples submitted for home and garden within each potassium classification.

Summary (%)	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Total
1995	0	20	20	20	40	100
1996	0	14	29	0	57	100
1997	0	20	40	40	0	100
1998	0	0	20	30	50	100
1999	9	9	9	27	45	100
2000	9	36	27	9	18	100
2001	8	8	15	23	46	100
Grand Total	5	15	21	21	39	100

## 7.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Number of samples submitted for commercial production within each potassium (lbs K/acre Morgan extraction) range:

Soil Management Group 1						
	<35	35-64	65-94	95-149	>149	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	0	0	0	0	0	0
1999	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (#)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soil Management Group 2						
	<40	40-69	70-99	100-164	>164	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	5	12	28	45
1996	0	7	31	28	39	105
1997	1	1	6	6	8	22
1998	0	1	10	22	39	72
1999	9	10	34	53	73	179
2000	0	1	18	33	39	91
2001	0	5	4	18	23	50
Total (#)	10	25	108	172	249	564
Total (%)	2	4	19	30	44	100
Soil Management Group 3						
	<45	45-79	80-119	120-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	1	3	4	8
1996	0	1	4	5	12	22
1997	0	0	0	1	0	1
1998	0	0	0	5	4	9
1999	0	8	3	7	6	24
2000	0	0	1	1	3	5
2001	0	0	9	3	5	8
Total (#)	0	9	18	25	34	86
Total (%)	0	10	21	29	40	100



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Soil Management Group 4						
	<55	55-99	100-149	150-239	>239	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	1	3	2	2	8
1996	2	2	5	0	1	10
1997	0	0	2	4	2	8
1998	0	1	4	1	3	9
1999	0	5	2	4	5	16
2000	0	1	0	3	1	5
2001	2	0	2	3	5	12
Total (#)	4	10	18	17	19	68
Total (%)	6	15	26	25	28	100
Soil Management Group 5						
	<60	60-114	115-164	165-269	>269	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	0	0	0	1	0	1
1997	2	1	0	0	0	3
1998	0	0	0	1	0	1
1999	0	0	0	0	0	0
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	3	0	0	0	3
Total (#)	2	4	0	2	0	8
Total (%)	25	50	0	25	0	100
Soil Management Group 6						
	<60	60-114	115-164	165-269	>269	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	0	0	0	0	0	0
1998	0	0	0	0	1	1
1999	0	0	0	0	1	1
2000	0	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (#)	0	0	0	0	2	2
Total (%)	0	0	0	0	100	100

Number of samples submitted for commercial production within each potassium classification.

Summary (#)	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Un-known	Total
1995	0	1	9	17	34	7	68
1996	2	10	40	34	52	10	148
1997	3	2	8	11	11	12	47
1998	0	2	14	29	47	4	96
1999	9	23	39	64	84	7	226
2000	0	2	19	37	43	9	110
2001	2	8	6	24	33	1	74
Grand Total	16	48	135	216	304	50	769

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	36	41	20	59	7	65	50	
Highest:	615	1026	401	809	587	953	679	
Mean:	217	182	147	248	161	198	218	
Median:	176	125	120	165	135	136	167	

Percent of samples submitted for commercial production within each potassium classification.

% summary	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	Un-known	Total
1995	0	1	13	25	50	10	100
1996	1	7	27	23	35	7	100
1997	6	4	17	23	23	26	100
1998	0	2	15	30	49	4	100
1999	4	10	17	28	37	3	100
2000	0	2	17	34	39	8	100
2001	3	11	8	32	45	1	100
Grand Total	2	6	18	28	40	7	100

## 8. Magnesium

### 8.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Number of home and garden samples within each Mg range (lbs Morgan Mg/acre):

	<20	20-65	66-100	101-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	0	0	0	0	5	5
1996	0	0	2	0	5	7
1997	0	0	0	3	2	5
1998	0	0	0	1	9	10
1999	0	0	1	2	8	11
2000	1	0	0	2	8	11
2001	0	1	0	2	10	13
Total	1	1	3	10	47	62

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	283	103	175	126	92	16	28	
Highest:	669	757	536	587	530	595	525	
Mean:	495	401	262	397	312	275	312	
Median:	592	386	199	406	301	267	281	

Percent of home and garden samples within each Mg range (lbs Morgan Mg/acre):

	<20	20-65	66-100	101-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	.	.	.	.	.	100
1996	.	.	.	.	.	100
1997	.	.	.	.	.	100
1998	.	.	.	.	.	100
1999	.	.	.	.	.	100
2000	.	.	.	.	.	100
2001	.	.	.	.	.	100
Total	2	2	5	16	76	100

## 8.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Number of samples submitted for commercial production within each Mg range (lbs Mg/acre Morgan extraction):

	<20	20-65	66-100	101-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	1	5	5	19	38	68
1996	0	1	2	22	123	148
1997	0	3	2	5	37	47
1998	0	0	2	21	73	96
1999	1	5	9	39	172	226
2000	0	4	2	10	94	110
2001	0	0	2	17	55	74
Total	2	18	24	133	592	769

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	18	56	30	89	6	39	82	
Highest:	827	1038	800	851	919	808	761	
Mean:	262	342	340	317	312	397	312	
Median:	239	314	285	295	295	383	303	

Percent of samples submitted for commercial production within each magnesium range (lbs Mg/acre Morgan extraction):

	<20	20-65	66-100	101-199	>199	Total
	Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High	
1995	1	7	7	28	56	100
1996	0	1	1	15	83	100
1997	0	6	4	11	79	100
1998	0	0	2	22	76	100
1999	0	2	4	17	76	100
2000	0	4	2	9	85	100
2001	0	0	3	23	74	100
Total	0	2	3	17	77	100

## 9. Iron

### 9.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Iron (lbs Fe/acre Morgan extraction) in samples for home and garden:

Total number of samples:

	0-49	>49	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
1995	5	0	5
1996	7	0	7
1997	5	0	5
1998	7	3	10
1999	10	1	11
2000	10	1	11
2001	13	0	13
Total	57	5	62

Percentages:

	0-49	>49	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	.	.	100
	92	8	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	4	2	3	2	2	2	2	
Highest:	9	18	23	191	85	53	36	
Mean:	6	8	10	45	16	11	10	
Median:	5	4	6	10	7	5	5	

## 9.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Iron (lbs Fe/acre Morgan extraction) in samples submitted for commercial production:

Total number of samples:

	0-49	>49	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
1995	59	9	68
1996	146	2	148
1997	44	3	47
1998	93	3	96
1999	216	10	226
2000	110	0	110
2001	74	0	74
Total	742	27	769

Percentages:

	0-49	>49	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
	87	13	100
	99	1	100
	94	6	100
	97	3	100
	96	4	100
	100	0	100
	100	0	100
	96	4	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Highest:	411	129	286	124	252	49	37	
Mean:	29	9	24	11	11	10	7	
Median:	5	6	12	8	5	6	5	

## 10. Manganese

### 10.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Manganese (lbs Mn/acre Morgan extraction) in samples for home and garden:

Total number of samples:				Percentages:		
	0-99	>99	Total	0-99	>99	Total
	Normal	Excessive		Normal	Excessive	
1995	5	0	5	.	.	100
1996	6	1	7	.	.	100
1997	5	0	5	.	.	100
1998	8	2	10	.	.	100
1999	10	1	11	.	.	100
2000	11	0	11	.	.	100
2001	13	0	13	.	.	100
Total	58	4	62	94	6	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	30	25	15	14	12	3	10	
Highest:	58	119	52	138	152	87	86	
Mean:	48	44	31	51	44	36	43	
Median:	53	31	32	39	31	29	44	

## 10.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Manganese (lbs Mn/acre Morgan extraction) in samples for commercial production:

Total number of samples:

	0-99	>99	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
1995	60	8	68
1996	147	1	148
1997	47	0	47
1998	95	1	96
1999	226	0	226
2000	109	1	110
2001	74	0	74
Total	758	11	769

Percentages:

	0-99	>99	Total
	Normal	Excessive	
	88	12	100
	99	1	100
	100	0	100
	99	1	100
	100	0	100
	99	1	100
	100	0	100
	99	1	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	9	7	8	10	2	10	8	
Highest:	223	168	84	173	83	180	76	
Mean:	44	29	36	34	28	31	34	
Median:	28	26	33	30	27	29	33	



## 11. Zinc

### 11.1 Samples for Home and Garden

Zinc (lbs Zn/acre Morgan extraction) in samples for home and garden:

Total number of samples:					Percentages:			
	<0.5	0.5-1.0	>1	Total	<0.5	0.5-1.0	>1	Total
	Low	Medium	High		Low	Medium	High	
1995	0	0	5	5	.	.	.	100
1996	0	2	5	7	.	.	.	100
1997	0	0	5	5	.	.	.	100
1998	0	1	9	10	.	.	.	100
1999	0	1	10	11	.	.	.	100
2000	1	2	8	11	.	.	.	100
2001	0	3	10	13	.	.	.	100
Total	1	9	52	62	2	15	84	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	1.3	0.5	1.8	0.7	1.0	0.3	0.5	
Highest:	7.9	20.1	13.4	16.8	47.9	115.4	31.3	
Mean:	3.7	8.3	6.0	6.8	7.1	13.2	6.4	
Median:	1.9	8.5	2.5	5.3	2.2	2.5	2.9	

## 11.2 Samples for Commercial Production

Zinc (lbs Zn/acre Morgan extraction) in samples for commercial production:

Total number of samples:

	<0.5	0.5-1.0	>1	Total
	Low	Medium	High	
1995	2	13	53	68
1996	8	59	81	148
1997	0	8	39	47
1998	5	31	60	96
1999	35	96	95	226
2000	6	32	72	110
2001	2	17	55	74
Total	58	256	455	769

Percentages:

<0.5	0.5-1.0	>1	Total
Low	Medium	High	
3	19	78	100
5	40	55	100
0	17	83	100
5	32	63	100
15	42	42	100
5	29	65	100
3	23	74	100
8	33	59	100

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	
Lowest:	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	
Highest:	29.7	43.3	9.1	6.8	4.6	10.7	15.7	
Mean:	3.7	2.0	2.1	1.7	1.1	1.8	2.2	
Median:	1.9	1.1	1.7	1.5	0.9	1.4	1.6	

## Appendix: Cornell Crop Codes

Crop codes are used in the Cornell Nutrient Analyses Laboratory.

Crop Code	Crop Description
Alfalfa	
ABE	Alfalfa trefoil grass, Establishment
ABT	Alfalfa trefoil grass, Established
AGE	Alfalfa grass, Establishment
AGT	Alfalfa grass, Established
ALE	Alfalfa, Establishment
ALT	Alfalfa, Established
Birdsfoot	
BCE	Birdsfoot trefoil clover, Establishment
BCT	Birdsfoot trefoil clover, Established
BGE	Birdsfoot trefoil grass, Establishment
BGT	Birdsfoot trefoil grass, Established
BSE	Birdsfoot trefoil seed, Establishment
BST	Birdsfoot trefoil seed, Established
BTE	Birdsfoot trefoil, Establishment
BTT	Birdsfoot trefoil, Established
Barley	
BSP	Spring barley
BSS	Spring barley with legumes
BUK	Buckwheat
BWI	Winter barley
BWS	Winter barley with legumes
Clover	
CGE	Clover grass, Establishment
CGT	Clover grass, Established
CLE	Clover, Establishment
CLT	Clover, Established
CSE	Clover seed production, Establishment
CST	Clover seed production, Established

Crop Code	Crop Description
Corn	
COG	Corn grain
COS	Corn silage
Grasses, pastures, covercrops	
GIE	Grasses intensively managed, Establishment
GIT	Grasses intensively managed, Established
GRE	Grasses, Establishment
GRT	Grasses, Established
PGE	Pasture, Establishment
PGT	Pasture improved grasses, Established
PIE	Pasture intensively grazed, Establishment
PIT	Pasture intensively grazed, Established
PLE	Pasture with legumes, Establishment
PLT	Pasture with legumes, Established
PNT	Pasture native grasses
PNE	Pasture native grasses, Established
RYC	Rye cover crop
RYS	Rye seed production
TRP	Triticale peas
Small grains	
MIL	Millet
OAS	Oats with legume
OAT	Oats
SOF	Sorghum forage
SOG	Sorghum grain
SOY	Soybeans
SSH	Sorghum sudan hybrid
SUD	Sudangrass
WHS	Wheat with legume
WHT	Wheat
Others	
ALG	Azalea
APP	Apples
APR	Apricots

Crop Code	Crop Description
ASP	Asparagus
ATF	Athletic Field
BDR/BND	Beans-dry
BLU/BLB	Blueberries
CEM	Cemetery
EGG	Eggplants
END	Endives
FAR	Fairway
FLA	Flowering Annuals
GPA	Grapes, American
GPF	Grapes, French-American
GPV	Grapes, Vinifera
GEN	Green
GRA	Grapes
HRB	Herbs
IDL	Idle land
LAW	Lawn
LET	Lettuce
MIX/MVG	Mixed vegetables
MML	Muskmelon
NUR	Nursery
ONS	Onion-seeded
OTH	Other
PAR	Pears
PCH	Peaches
PEA	Peas
PEP	Peppers
PER	Perennials
POP	Popcorn
PRK	Park
POT/PTO	Potatoes
PUM	Pumpkins
ROD	Roadside
ROS	Roses
ROU	Rough
RSF	Raspberries, Fall
RSP	Raspberries (homeowners)
RSS	Raspberries, Summer
SAG	Ornamentals adapted to pH 6.0 to 7.5

Crop Code	Crop Description
SQS	Squash, Summer
SQW	Squash, Winter
STE	Strawberries, Ever
STR	Strawberries (homeowners)
STS	Strawberries, Spring
SUN	Sunflowers
SWC	Sweet corn
TOM	Tomatoes
TRE	Christmas trees, Established
TRF	Tree fruits
TRT	Christmas trees, Topdressing