

Historical Methyl Bromide Use in California

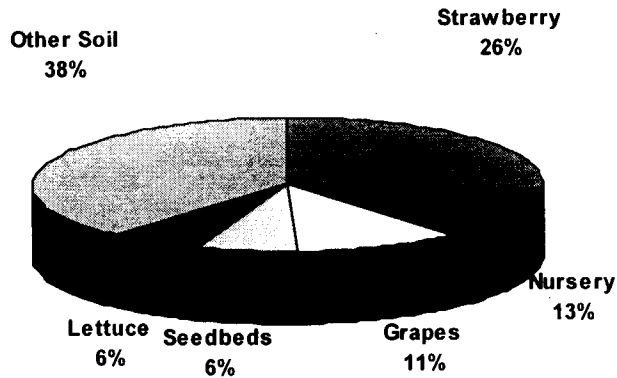
Historical Use of Methyl Bromide in California by Crop and Year

Crop	Methyl Bromide Consumption (metric tons)							Area Treated (acres)	1995 Consumption (lbs.)
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996		
Strawberry	1,967	2,060	2,126	1,578	1,875	1,922		23,793	4,236,217
Nursery	1,095	921	992	951	864	938		7,137	2,068,161
Grapes	960	741	930	612	956	785		4,963	1,730,615
Seedbeds	5	8	-	-	427	475		4,358	1,047,929
Lettuce	12	71	149	156	142	425		3,546	935,889
Almonds	375	323	678	376	401	422		22,823	929,520
Carrots	1	587	162	432	603	361		4,684	795,417
Pepper	108	69	121	123	149	241		2,922	532,210
Sweet Potato	4	87	595	146	241	178		2,557	392,992
Peach	313	406	335	190	197	174		4,426	383,899
Watermelon	62	3	9	48	87	139		1,788	306,778
Tomato	107	96	107	96	241	130		1,886	286,061
Walnut	145	164	3	205	126	118		8,580	259,996
Plum and Prune	156	193	98	110	42	69		5,275	152,503
Cherry	43	37	88	50	26	37		873	82,350
Asparagus	1	2	19	-	7	34		189	74,925
Cantaloupe	1	19	41	1	13	30		448	66,246
Lemon	9	22	29	18	7	26		210	57,447
Broccoli	19	21	39	10	8	23		174	50,529
Melons	14	0	10	35	3	20		253	43,601
Cauliflower	0	9	47	16	15	19		188	41,440
Onion (Dry)	29	5	7	22	27	18		222	39,908
Nectarine	157	159	58	31	20	17		152	37,227
Raspberry	1	2	8	6	4	12		104	25,565
Orange	32	23	18	8	2	6		51	14,106
Eggplant	34	30	15	15	18	5		49	10,840
Apples	82	29	53	70	28	5		123	10,229
Citrus Fruits	19	30	25	11	23	4		20	7,966
Grapefruit	5	15	37	-	-	4		20	7,883
Onions	-	-	2	1	1	2		22	5,424
Avocado	0	0	1	0	0	1		5	1,952
Apricot	82	17	4	9	4	0		16	956
Total	5,837	6,148	6,805	5,327	6,558	6,639		101,853	14,636,777

Source: CADPR 1990-1995.

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Pre-Plant Methyl Bromide Consumption by Crop --
California (1995)



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- Methyl bromide is used to treat over 35 fruit, vegetable, and nut crops in California.
- Over 60 percent of pre-plant methyl bromide consumption in California is for strawberries, nursery, grapes, seedbeds, and lettuce.
- California strawberries account for approximately 12 percent of total pre-plant methyl bromide consumption in the U.S.
- California nurseries account for approximately 5 percent of total pre-plant methyl bromide consumption in the U.S.
- California grapes account for approximately 4 percent of total pre-plant methyl bromide consumption in the U.S.