

Springfield Regional Office — Springfield, IL

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Grapes Michigan and Ohio

Crop Insured

You can insure grapes if they are:

- Grown for wine, juice, raisins, or canning;
- That are grown in a vineyard that is considered acceptable by RMA;
- Grown on acreage which produced an average of at least 2.0 tons per acre in at least 1 of the previous 3 crop years; and
- Grown on acreage which has reached the number of growing seasons designated in the Special Provisions of Insurance.

Counties Available

Michigan - Berrien, Cass, Kalamazoo, and Van Buren counties.

Ohio - Ashtabula, Lake, and Lorain counties.

Causes of Loss

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather;
- Earthquake;
- Failure of the irrigation water supply;
- Fire, unless you have not controlled weeds and other undergrowth or if you have not removed pruning debris from the vineyard;
- Insect damage and/or plant disease, unless you have insufficiently or improperly applied pest or disease control measures;
- Volcanic eruption; or
- Wildlife.

Insurance Period

For the first crop year, coverage begins the later of:

- Twenty days after your application is received; or
- November 21, 2017.

For carryover policies, coverage begins:

- The day immediately following the end of the insurance period for the prior crop year.

Coverage ends at the earliest of:

- Total destruction of the crop;

- Harvest of the crop;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- Abandonment of the crop; or
- November 20, 2018.

Important Dates

Sales Closing/Cancellation.....November 20, 2017
Acreage Report.....January 15, 2018
Production Report.....January 15, 2018

Reporting Requirements

You must report all of your grape acreage, production, and any losses, when evident, to your insurance agent.

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you select the 75-percent coverage level, the premium subsidy is 55 percent and your premium share is 45 percent of the base premium.

Item	Percent					
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

You may choose only one coverage level and price election for each grape type insured in the county.

Price Elections

A price election is the price you are paid per ton if you have a loss. This is based on the percentage of the maximum price election you choose.

Production Guarantees

Your Production Guarantee is the approved yield per acre multiplied by the coverage level

percentage you chose. Yields are based on actual production history (APH) records reported to your insurance agent.

Coverage Options

Catastrophic Coverage (CAT) - Pays 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price.

Loss Example

Assume a 75-percent coverage level, a 100-percent price election of \$280.00, and an approved yield of 6.0 tons per acre with 0.667 share.

6.0	Tons per acre approved yield
<u>x 0.75</u>	Coverage level
4.5	Tons per acre guarantee
<u>x 10</u>	Acres
45	Tons guarantee
45	Tons guarantee
<u>- 25</u>	Tons actual production
20	Tons loss
<u>x \$245</u>	Price election
\$4,900	Loss
<u>x 0.667</u>	Share
\$3,268	Final payment

Unharvested losses will be calculated using your price election minus the harvest cost amount shown in the Actuarial Documents. The harvest cost for Michigan and Ohio is \$35 per ton.

Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html.

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