# Specialty Peppers

In fall of 2024, Extension Agents throughout South Carolina surveyed growers on specialty crop acreage for the year. The goal was to identify the counties of production, acreage, and observable market prices for the year.

Total Number of Counties: **19**

Total Acreage: **765.3**

Highest Acreage: **Calhoun County**

Organic Acreage: **3.2**

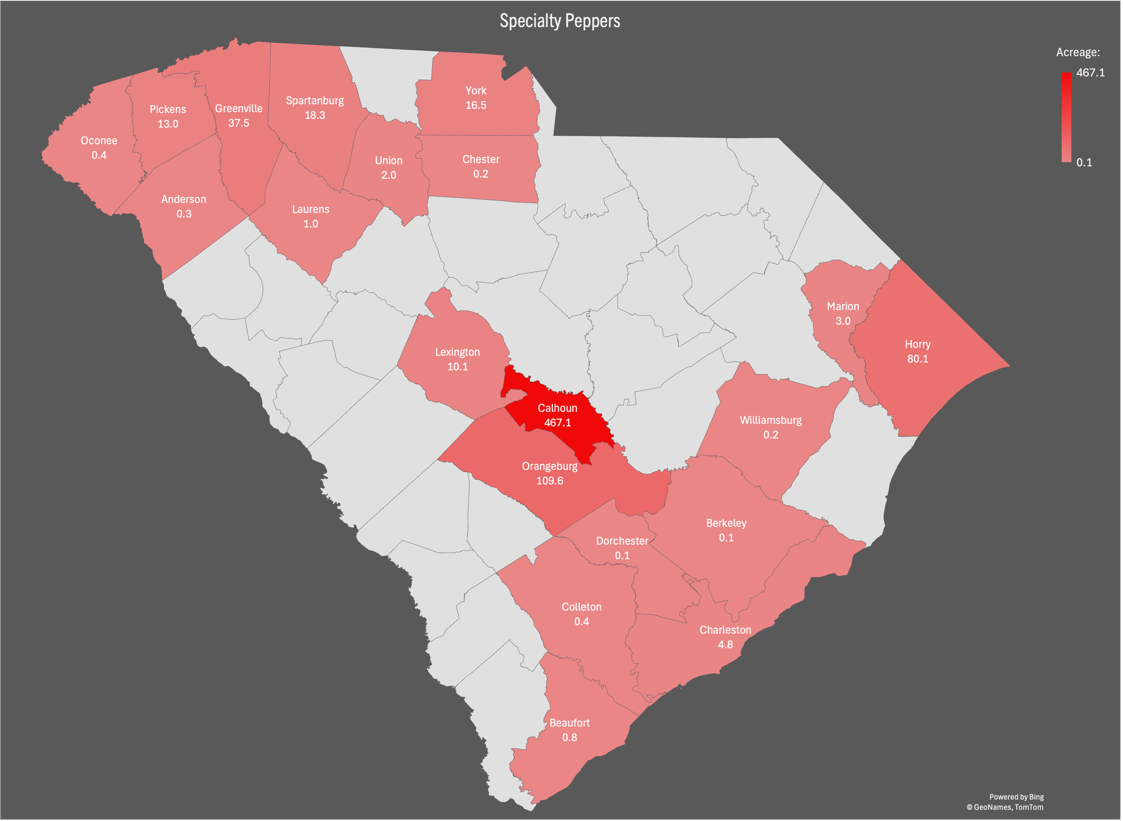
Processing Acreage: **592.6**

## Estimated Value:

Observed Prices: $16.00 - $28.00 per carton

Estimated Yield: 1500 cartons (10 lbs.) per acre

Total Yield: 765.3 acres x 1500 cartons per acre  
x $16.00 per carton = $18,367,200 total value



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| **County** | **Acreage** |
| Anderson | 0.3 |
| Beaufort | 0.8 |
| Berkeley | 0.1 |
| Calhoun\* | 467.1 |
| Charleston | 4.8 |
| Chester\* | 0.2 |
| Colleton | 0.4 |
| Dorchester | 0.1 |
| Greenville\* | 37.5 |
| Horry | 80.1 |
| Laurens\* | 1.0 |
| Lexington | 10.1 |
| Marion | 3.0 |
| Oconee | 0.4 |
| Orangeburg\* | 109.6 |
| Pickens\* | 13.0 |
| Spartanburg\* | 18.3 |
| Union\* | 2.0 |
| Williamsburg | 0.2 |
| York | 16.5 |
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Figure 1: Cumulative acres per county

\* = Data retrieved from USDA or FSA.  
If you are aware of missing acreage, please contact your   
[local horticulture extension agent](https://www.clemson.edu/extension/horticulture/team.html) or email [kburke5@clemson.edu](mailto:kburke5@clemson.edu).

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