



# CRANBERRIES IN THE CLASSROOM



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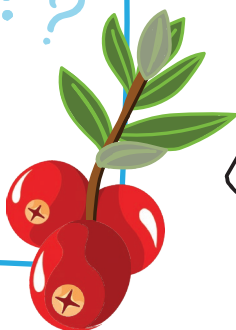


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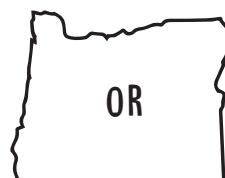
LET'S LEARN ALL ABOUT THEM!

DO YOU KNOW WHAT A CRANBERRY IS?

IT IS A SMALL, ROUND, RED FRUIT BERRY THAT GROWS ON LONG VINES.



Many families started growing cranberries MORE THAN 200 YEARS AGO.



In the United States, cranberries are grown in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Washington and Oregon.

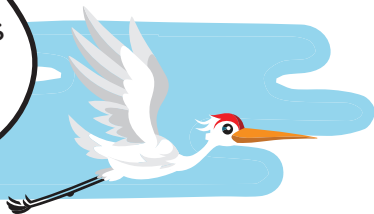


Cranberries were eaten at the first Thanksgiving in Plymouth, Massachusetts.



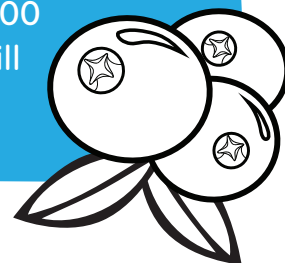
Cranberries were one of the first fruits to grow in North America. The others are blueberries and Concord (purple) grapes.

Did you know the cranberry is named after a crane?



A long time ago German and Dutch settlers thought the flower that grows on the cranberry vine looked like the head and bill of a bird called a crane. They called them "crane berries." Isn't that funny?!

Cranberries are perennial plants. That means they get planted one time and grow back every year. Some cranberry plants are more than 100 years old and still produce fruit!





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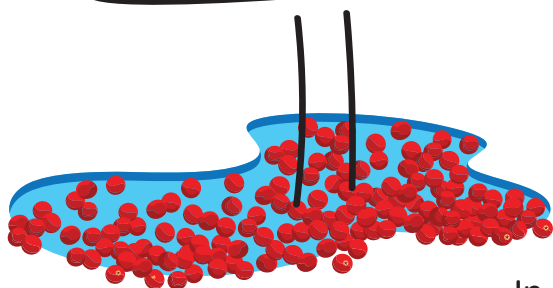
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Cranberries grow in bogs. A bog is an area of soft, marshy ground with acid peat soil, usually near wetlands. Do you have a bog near you?

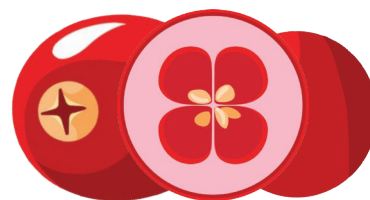
Lots of wildlife, like frogs, turtles, fox, deer, and birds live in the bog area. We call them the Bog Squad.



Cranberries are harvested in the fall.



In the fall, some farmers flood their bogs with water so the cranberries float to the top and can be harvested.



Each cranberry has four tiny air pockets inside. The pockets allow it to float on top of water.



Farmers use tractors called eggbeaters, booms and rakes to harvest cranberries. (We will learn more about this in lesson 3.)

THERE ARE ABOUT  
450 CRANBERRIES IN  
ONE POUND.



Cranberries are used to make more than 1,000 foods like juice, dried fruit and cranberry sauce.





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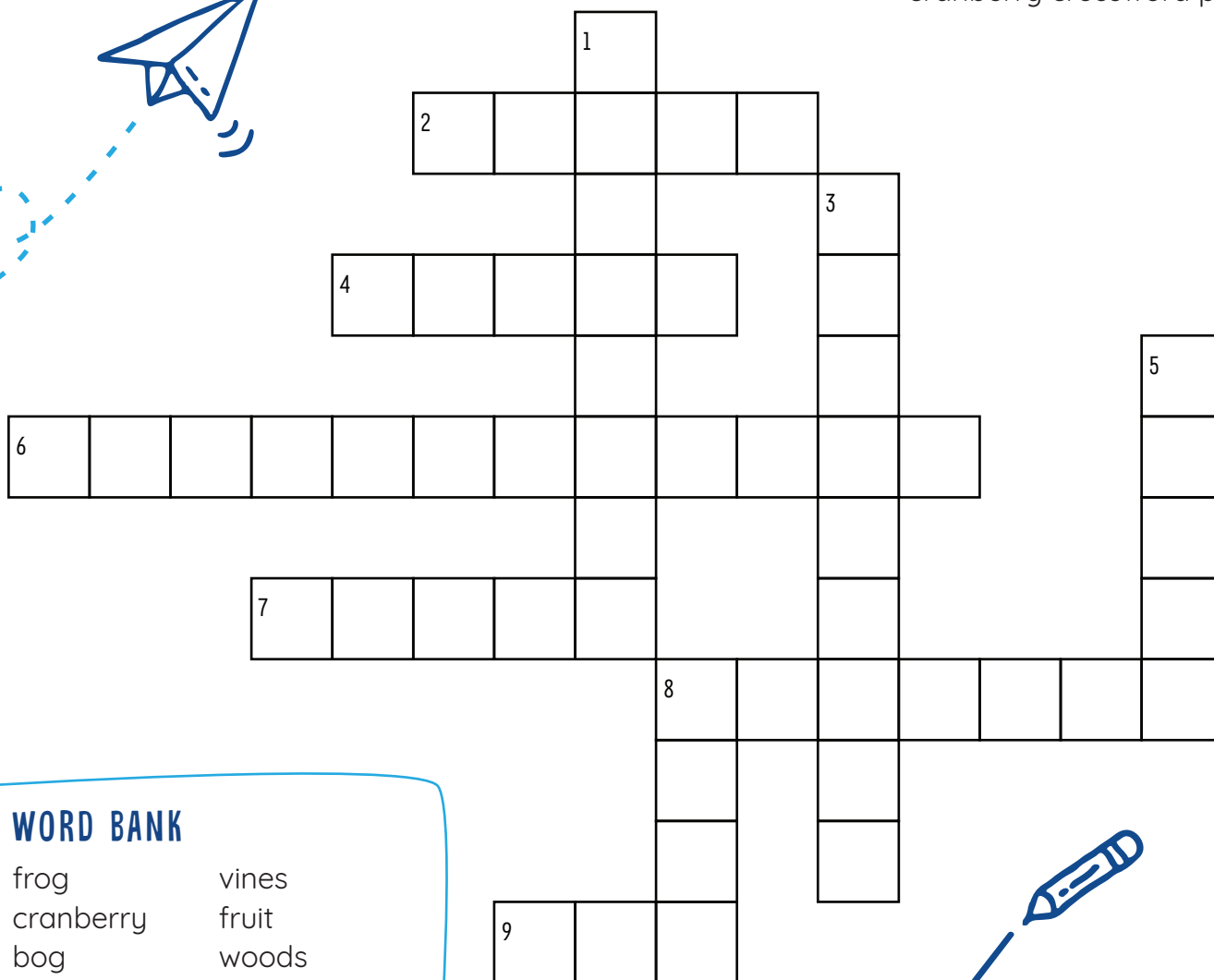


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### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use the fact sheet to do this fun cranberry crossword puzzle.



#### WORD BANK

frog	vines
cranberry	fruit
bog	woods
crane	Thanksgiving
farmers	families

Down:

1. Who owns cranberry farms?
3. A little round red fruit.
5. Cranberries grow on \_\_\_\_\_.
8. This lives in the cranberry bog and likes to jump.

Across:

2. Cranberries look like this bird.
4. Cranberries are this food type.
6. Cranberries were eaten at this holiday.
7. Area around a bog.
8. People who grow cranberries.
9. Cranberries grow in a \_\_\_\_.



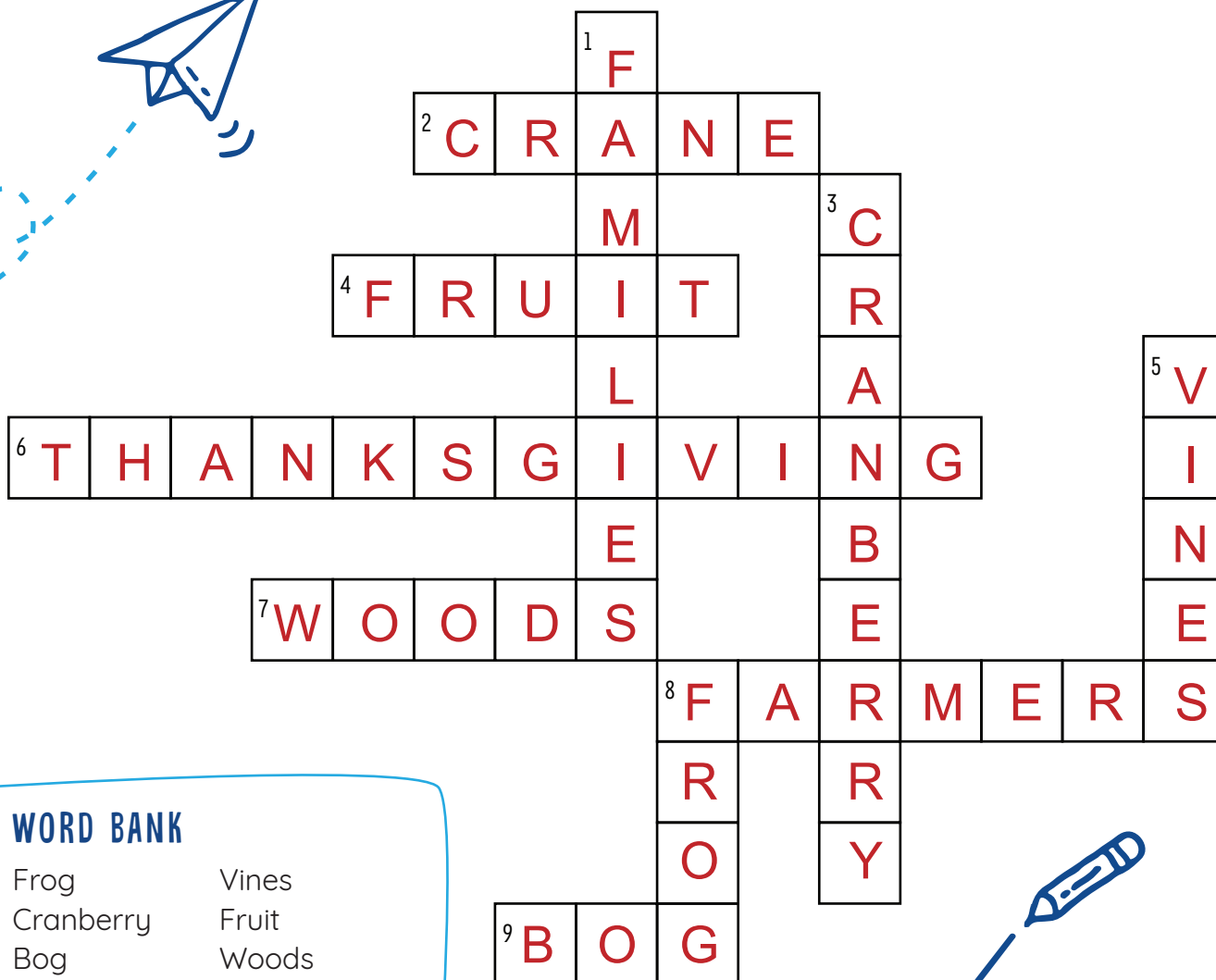
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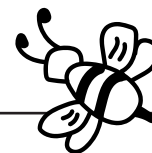
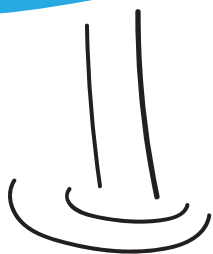


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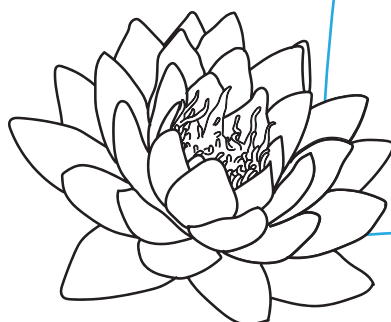
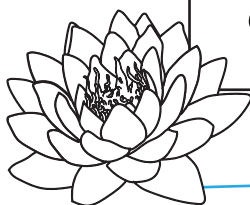


## WORD SEARCH

DID YOU KNOW?  
CRANBERRY PLANTS CAN  
PRODUCE FRUIT FOR 100  
YEARS OR MORE!



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a	h	z	e	r	p	x	e	f	j
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n	u	y	e	y	w	e	s	e	m
e	n	f	r	o	g	s	e	e	y



### WORD BANK

cranberry  
eggbeater  
wetlands  
harvest  
farmer

family  
fruit  
vines  
juice  
frog

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bee



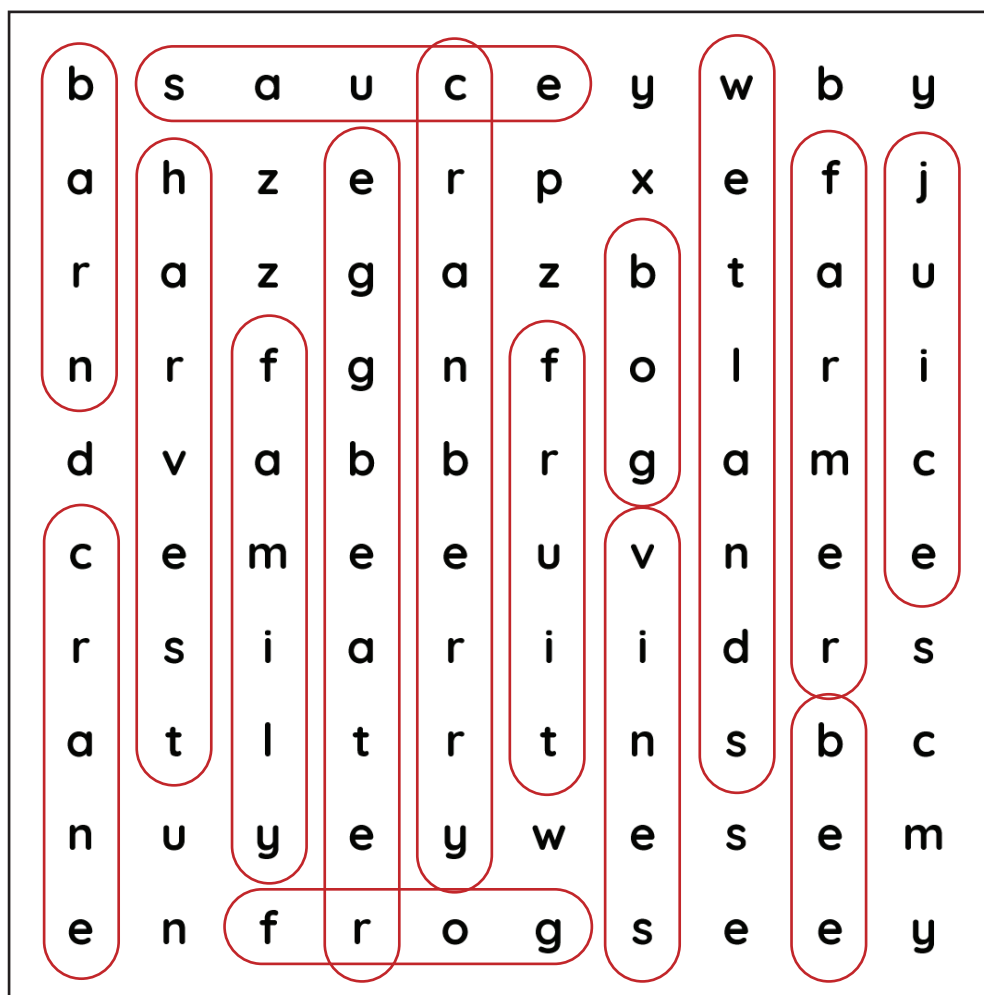
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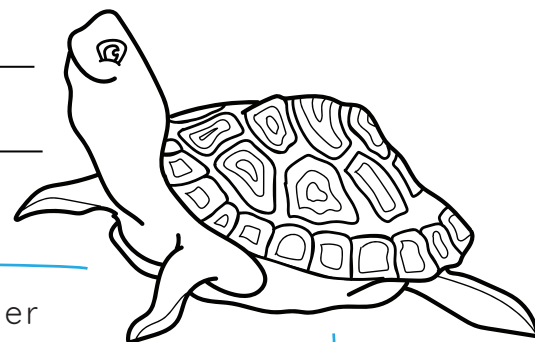
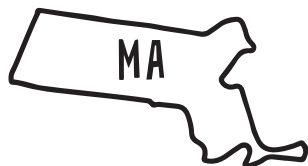
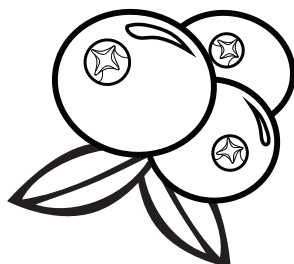
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### WORD BANK

cranberry

bog

vine

Wisconsin

woodlands

Massachusetts

New Jersey

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farmer

bounce

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turtle

crane

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vnle	vine
uncbeo	bounce
uicje	juice
atrtcor	tractor
tsmcaueahssts	Massachusetts
scionniws	Wisconsin
ewn yejrse	New Jersey

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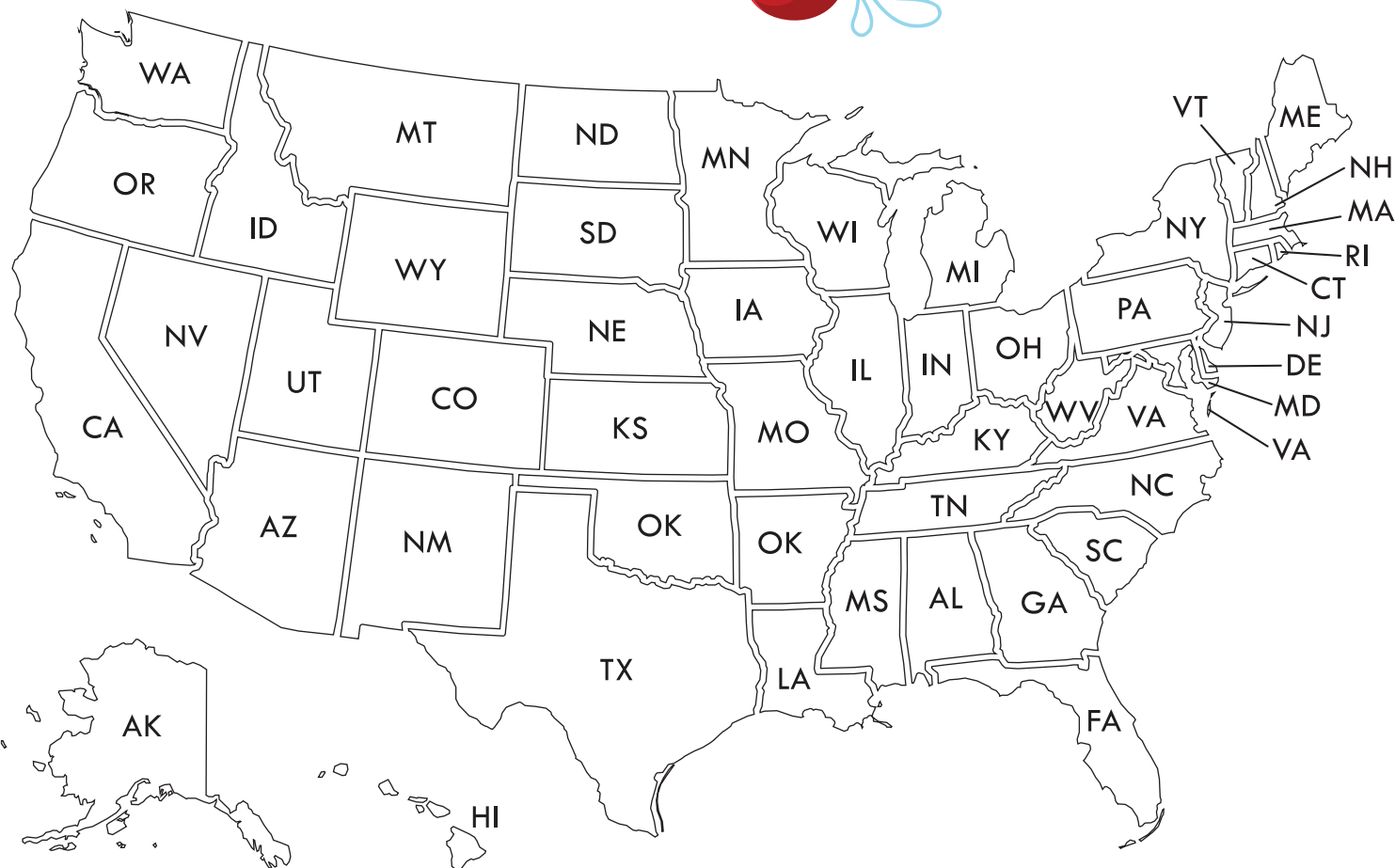
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## CRANBERRY STATES



About 904 million pounds of cranberries are grown each year. Massachusetts, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Oregon and Washington grow cranberries that are used to make juice, dried fruit and cranberry sauce.

Wisconsin grows the most. Cranberries are the largest food crop in Massachusetts. They grow 230 million pounds each year. That's more than 100 billion cranberries every year!

[Click here](https://bit.ly/371kUqz) or visit <https://bit.ly/371kUqz> to learn more with an interactive map.



How many states grow cranberries?

What state grows the most cranberries?

How many pounds of cranberries are grown in Massachusetts each year?

Color the states red that grow cranberries



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