

## II. TOBACCO MARKETING

### PRODUCTION OF TOBACCO IN UNITED STATES

Tobacco is grown in various sections of the eastern and east central parts of the United States. Cigar-leaf types are grown chiefly in Wisconsin, the Connecticut Valley, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Florida. Of the manufacturing and export types, bright southern is grown most extensively and is used by both foreign and domestic manufacturers in the manufacture of smoking tobacco and cigarettes. This type, comprising the new belt and old belt regions, is grown in central and southern Virginia, North Carolina, northeastern South Carolina, and southern Georgia. Burley, which is used in plug and smoking tobaccos and also in cigarettes, is used chiefly by the domestic manufacturers. The bulk of this type is grown in Kentucky, although some is also grown in Tennessee, southern Indiana, Ohio, Missouri, and West Virginia. The dark-western types which include the dark-fired tobacco grown in the Paducah, Ky., and Clarksville, Tenn., districts, the one-sucker, stemming, and Green River types, are grown in Kentucky and Tennessee. These types are purchased chiefly by the snuff companies and by dealers for export purposes. There is also grown a dark type of tobacco in southwestern Virginia which is used in plug and smoking tobaccos and for export. Another type known as Virginia sun-cured, which is used chiefly for flat plug tobacco, is produced in a few counties in central Virginia. In Maryland tobacco of a light air-cured type is produced in five counties, most of which is exported.

The production of the various types of tobacco for the years 1920-1924, inclusive, is shown in the table below:

TABLE 1.—Total production of tobacco, by types, for the years 1920-1924, inclusive (compiled from data published by Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce)

[Thousand pounds]

	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924
Cigar types.....	233,412	217,936	187,425	195,788	169,641
Burley.....	315,259	220,849	271,710	326,116	310,740
Dark western.....	295,767	203,216	302,392	323,566	248,667
Virginia sun cured.....	9,048	4,025	6,975	5,656	5,220
Virginia dark.....	45,600	24,600	43,095	40,504	41,160
Old belt.....	319,112	174,202	240,681	249,500	221,240
New belt.....	311,718	197,220	232,649	306,647	219,680
Export types.....	36,917	20,273	29,200	21,422	22,520
Other types.....	15,392	7,372	10,613	5,587	3,755
Total.....	1,582,225	1,069,693	1,324,840	1,474,786	1,242,623

The total production of tobacco of all types in recent years has not equaled the production in 1920, which was almost 1,600,000,000 pounds. In 1924 it is estimated that the crop was about 340,000,000 pounds less than the 1920 crop or 1,243,000,000 pounds. Of this amount, the cigar types represented about 13½ per cent, burley