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## PRELIMINARY ACREAGE HIGHLIGHTS

### 1977 CONTRACT ACREAGE UP 1 PERCENT

The 1977 preliminary contracted area of the Nation's major processing vegetables is estimated at 1.67 million acres, according to the Crop Reporting Board. This is an increase of 1 percent over the 1.65 million acres contracted during 1976. Snap beans, green lima beans and tomatoes are showing the largest increases in area planted while cucumbers for pickles and the green pea acreage is offsetting with the largest decreases. Contract tonnage of cabbage for kraut is expected to increase by 3 percent this year. Contracted acreage of vegetables for freezing is expected to increase by 7 percent while expectations of vegetables for canning are for a decrease of 1 percent.

GREEN LIMA BEANS: The preliminary planted area of green lima beans estimated at 62,830 acres contracted for 1977 is 15 percent greater than the 54,490 acres contracted during 1976. Acreage for freezing is expected to increase by 26 percent and canning acreage is expected to be up by 2 percent. Plantings, delayed by late spring rains, is still in progress in California. The Washington crop is developing well after good May rainfall and warm June temperatures.

SNAP BEANS: Contracted plantings of snap beans are estimated at 253,560 acres, 11 percent greater than last year. The acreage for freezing is down 14 percent while the canning acreage is expected to increase by 17 percent. The California crop is about 3 weeks late because of cool weather. Crop prospects are good in Oregon after adverse weather delayed plantings and slowed development early in the season. Early planted acreage in Wisconsin is in good condition.

BEETS FOR CANNING: The planted area for processing beets is estimated at 16,880 acres, 26 percent above the 13,430 acres planted during 1976. In Wisconsin, early planted beets are developing very well.

SWEET CORN: The preliminary planted area of sweet corn for processing is estimated at 479,200 acres, about the same as contracted last year. The acreage for freezing is expected to increase by 10 percent from last year while the canning acreage is estimated to decrease by 4 percent. In Minnesota, crop development is more than two weeks ahead of normal. Early plants are up in Washington and responding well to the recent warm weather.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES: Contracted spring and summer acreage of cucumbers for pickles is estimated at 106,900 acres, 9 percent less than last year. The North Carolina crop has received timely rains and is in good condition. Planting is about 70 percent complete in Michigan.

GREEN PEAS: The 1977 contracted planted area is estimated at 378,890 acres, 4 percent below the 395,090 acres contracted last year. The acreage intended for freezing is 7 percent above the 1976 level while canning acreage is expected to decrease by 10 percent. Early variety peas are not yielding well in Wisconsin due to hot, dry weather in May. Prospects for later varieties are substantially better.

TOMATOES: Planted area of tomatoes grown under contract is estimated at 349,400 acres, an increase of 3 percent from last year. In California, where approximately 80 percent of the acreage is contracted, the crop looks good. Growth was slow in May because of unusually cool weather. Irrigation water is in adequate supply at this time.

CABBAGE FOR KRAUT: The 1977 contracted tonnage of cabbage for kraut is estimated at 208,450 tons, an increase of 3 percent. Crop development is two weeks ahead of normal in Wisconsin. Planting is expected to continue until early July. In New York, dry weather early in the season resulted in spotty stands and some fields had to be replanted. Recent rains should improve crop conditions.

SPRING SPINACH: Planted area of spring spinach for processing is estimated at 6,030 acres, 12 percent above the 5,370 acres planted during 1976. Acreage for freezing is estimated at 1,890 acres, up 44 percent from last year. Canning acreage is estimated at 4,140 acres, 2 percent above last year's level of 4,060 acres. Total production is estimated at 29,700 tons, 17 percent more than last year.

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION, UNITED STATES,  
1977, WITH COMPARISONS

CROP AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977 / 1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
ALL PROCESSING:					
GREEN LIMA BEANS	81,290	54,490	54,490	62,830	115
SNAP BEANS	296,400	251,120	228,460	253,560	111
BEETS FOR CANNING	19,410	15,030	13,430	16,880	126
SWEET CORN	519,100	481,380	479,680	479,200	100
CUCUMBERS (SPRING & SUMMER)	143,410	129,785	117,795	106,900	91
GREEN PEAS	466,770	395,490	395,090	378,890	96
SPINACH (WINTER)	17,300	17,500	17,300	13,700	79
(SPRING)	5,690	5,440	5,370	6,030	112
TOMATOES	393,930	346,820	339,380	349,400	103
TOTAL REPORTED TO DATE	1,943,300	1,697,055	1,650,995	1,667,390	101
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT	12,470	11,960	7,720	1/	
CUCUMBERS (FALL)	5,200	6,000	4,100	2/	
SPINACH (FALL)	2,990	2,090	2,090	3/	
TOTAL 9 VEGETABLES	1,963,960	1,717,105	1,664,905		
FOR FREEZING					
GREEN LIMA BEANS	48,220	30,670	30,670	38,620	126
SNAP BEANS	54,230	49,570	46,370	40,030	86
SWEET CORN	129,480	121,740	121,040	133,440	110
GREEN PEAS	159,480	125,920	125,920	135,310	107
SPINACH (WINTER)	6,100	7,500	7,500	7,200	96
(SPRING)	2,160	1,380	1,310	1,890	144
FOR CANNING					
GREEN LIMA BEANS	33,070	23,820	23,820	24,210	102
SNAP BEANS	242,170	201,550	182,090	213,530	117
SWEET CORN	389,620	359,640	358,640	345,760	96
GREEN PEAS	307,290	269,570	269,170	243,580	90
SPINACH (WINTER)	11,200	10,000	9,800	6,500	66
(SPRING)	3,530	4,060	4,060	4,140	102
	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977 / 1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT	239,750	232,350	202,450	208,450	103

1/ PUBLISHED ON DEC 23, 1977.

2/ PUBLISHED ON NOV 8, 1977.

3/ PLANTED AREA FOR FALL CROP TO BE PUBLISHED ON NOV 8, 1977.

GREEN LIMA BEANS FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA, BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977/1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
CALIF	28,100	20,600	20,600	26,800	130
DEL	12,300	8,700	8,700	9,500	109
MD	3,600	4,200	4,200	3,900	93
WIS	11,900	5,400	5,400	6,900	128
OTH STS 1/	25,390	15,590	15,590	15,730	101
U S	81,290	54,490	54,490	62,830	115
FOR FREEZING					
BABY LIMAS	34,320	21,870	21,870	28,750	131
FORDHOOKS 2/	13,900	8,800	8,800	9,870	112
FOR CANNING					
(PRIMARILY BABY LIMAS)	33,070	23,820	23,820	24,210	102

1/ ARK, IDAHO, ILL, MICH, MINN, MISS, N J, N Y, OHIO, PA, TENN, UTAH, VA AND WASH.

2/ INCLUDES EMERALDS.

BEETS FOR CANNING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA, BY STATES, 1977 WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977/1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
N Y	4,900	4,700	4,000	5,300	133
WIS	8,200	6,600	6,400	7,400	116
OTH STS 1/	6,310	3,730	3,030	4,180	138
U S	19,410	15,030	13,430	16,880	126

1/ CALIF, MICH, OHIO, OREG, TEX AND WASH.

## SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA, BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977/1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
ARK	5,700	3,700	3,700	5,300	143
CALIF	7,800	5,700	5,700	6,600	116
COLO	1,900	1,600	1,600	1,800	113
ILL	9,700	7,800	6,800	7,400	109
MICH	13,600	14,200	13,300	15,700	118
N Y	50,800	46,600	39,600	44,400	112
OKLA	2,800	2,300	2,300	1,900	83
OREG	33,100	29,900	29,700	33,400	112
PA	6,700	5,300	4,900	4,200	86
TENN	15,400	12,400	7,600	8,500	112
VA	3,100	3,700	3,700	3,300	89
WIS	70,800	73,700	67,900	70,800	104
OTH STS 1/	75,000	44,220	41,660	50,260	121
U S	296,400	251,120	228,460	253,560	111
FOR FREEZING	54,230	49,570	46,370	40,030	86
FOR CANNING	242,170	201,550	182,090	213,530	117

1/ ALA, DEL, FLA, GA, IDAHO, IND, KY, MD, MAINE, MINN, MISS, MO, N J, N C, OHIO, S C, TEX, UTAH, WASH AND W VA.

## SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA, BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977/1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
DEL	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,900	106
IDAHO	27,400	25,300	25,300	26,200	104
ILL	60,200	54,700	54,700	52,200	95
IOWA	15,100	10,700	10,700	9,800	92
MD	15,300	13,800	13,800	12,500	91
MINN	122,800	124,600	124,100	124,200	100
N Y	22,700	22,800	22,600	23,400	104
OREG	43,100	40,700	40,100	41,000	102
PA	6,300	5,200	5,200	6,000	115
WASH	43,000	33,000	33,000	30,900	94
WIS	146,900	138,000	137,600	140,200	102
OTH STS 1/	14,500	10,780	10,780	10,900	101
U S	519,100	481,380	479,680	479,200	100
FOR FREEZING	129,480	121,740	121,040	133,440	110
FOR CANNING	389,620	359,640	358,640	345,760	96

1/ IND, OHIO, TEX, UTAH, VA AND W VA.

## CABBAGE FOR KRAUT: PRELIMINARY PRODUCTION, BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	PRODUCTION				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977/1976 PERCENT
	1975	1976		1977	
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	CONTRACT	
	TONS				
N Y	90,250	81,600	68,500	78,800	115
OHIO	16,700	22,300	21,300	26,000	122
WIS	71,150	76,550	64,600	57,900	90
OTH STS 1/	61,650	51,900	48,050	45,750	95
U S	239,750	232,350	202,450	208,450	103

1/ COLO, FLA, IDAHO, ILL, IND, MICH, N C, OREG, PA , TENN, VA AND WASH.

SPINACH FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY AREA AND PRODUCTION, BY STATES,  
1977, WITH COMPARISONS

SEASON, STATE AND UTILIZATION	HARVESTED AREA				YIELD PER ACRE		
	1975 TOTAL	1976 TOTAL	1976 CONTRACT	1977 CONTRACT	1975 TOTAL	1976 TOTAL 1/	1977 CONTRACT
WINTER							
CALIF	8,400	9,700	9,700	9,300	10.13	9.86	10.00
OTH STS 2/	8,100	6,300	6,100	3,700	4.90	5.06	5.15
TOTAL WINTER	16,500	16,000	15,800	13,000	7.56	7.97	8.62
SPRING							
ARK	1,400	1,300	1,300	2,200	4.71	5.15	4.50
OKLA	1,300	1,700	1,700	1,800	4.23	4.10	4.00
OTH STS 3/	1,670	1,470	1,400	1,890	5.08	5.63	6.67
TOTAL SPRING	4,370	4,470	4,400	5,890	4.95	5.33	5.04
FOR FREEZING							
WINTER	5,650	7,100	7,100	4/	9.58	9.77	
SPRING	1,650	1,250	1,180		5.06	7.15	
FOR CANNING							
WINTER	10,850	8,900	8,700	4/	11.17	10.09	
SPRING	2,720	3,220	3,220		4.93	5.07	

	PRODUCTION			1977 CONTRACT
	1975	1976		
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	
		TONS		
WINTER				
CALIF	85,100	95,650	95,650	93,000
OTH STS 2/	39,650	31,900	30,950	19,050
TOTAL WINTER	124,750	127,550	126,600	112,050
SPRING				
ARK	6,600	6,700	6,700	9,900
OKLA	5,500	6,950	6,900	7,200
OTH STS 3/	9,950	11,850	11,700	12,600
TOTAL SPRING	22,050	25,500	25,300	29,700
<u>FOR FREEZING</u>				
WINTER	53,350	68,900	68,900	
SPRING	8,450	9,150	9,000	4/
<u>FOR CANNING</u>				
WINTER	71,400	58,650	57,700	
SPRING	13,600	16,350	16,300	4/

1/ DERIVED 1976 CONTRACT YIELD PER ACRE MAY DIFFER FROM TOTAL YIELD DUE TO EXCLUSION OF OPEN MARKET PURCHASES. 2/ FLA AND TEX. 3/ IDAHO, MD, N J, N Y, OREG, TENN, VA, WASH AND WIS. 4/ TO BE PUBLISHED DEC 23, 1977.

CUCUMBER FOR PICKLES: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA,  
BY STATES, 1977 WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977 / 1976 PERCENT
	1975 TOTAL	1976 TOTAL	CONTRACT	1977 CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
SPRING & SUMMER					
CALIF	5,500	4,900	4,600	4,000	87
COLO	2,500	2,700	2,700	2,100	78
IND	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,200	80
MD	3,700	3,700	3,600	2,500	69
MICH	30,400	27,000	23,900	20,000	84
MISS	6,300	5,100	5,100	4,100	80
N C	30,500	28,100	25,500	23,300	91
N J	3,000	1,900	1,300	800	62
OHIO	7,100	6,300	6,100	6,500	107
S C	8,400	6,700	6,500	6,700	103
TEX 1/	6,400	5,800	5,700	4,700	82
VA	4,000	2,700	1,500	1,800	120
WASH	1,800	1,900	1,300	1,700	131
WIS	10,600	10,500	9,400	9,500	101
OTH STS 2/	20,310	20,985	19,095	18,000	94
U S	143,410	129,785	117,795	106,900	91

1/ BEGINNING IN 1975, SEPARATE ESTIMATES WERE PUBLISHED FOR SPRING & SUMMER AND FALL CROPS. PRIOR YEARS FALL PLANTINGS WERE INCLUDED IN THE SPRING & SUMMER GROUP. 2/ ALA, ARIZ, ARK, CONN, DEL, FLA, GA, IDAHO, ILL, KY, LA, MASS, MINN, MO, NEBR, N Y, OKLA, OREG, PA, R I, S DAK & TENN.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA,  
BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE AND UTILIZATION	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977 / 1976 PERCENT
	1975 TOTAL	1976 TOTAL	CONTRACT	1977 CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
CALIF	14,000	8,800	8,800	7,600	86
COLO	390	430	430	510	119
DEL	11,300	9,100	8,800	9,500	108
IDAHO	14,600	16,600	16,600	13,600	82
MD	5,900	6,700	6,700	5,500	82
MINN	75,900	74,100	74,100	68,500	92
N Y	6,700	4,200	4,200	5,200	124
OREG	52,200	37,100	37,100	32,200	87
WASH	83,600	67,100	67,100	73,600	110
WIS	148,000	121,300	121,200	114,600	95
OTH STS 1/	54,180	50,060	50,060	48,080	96
U S	466,770	395,490	395,090	378,890	96
FOR FREEZING	159,480	125,920	125,920	135,310	107
FOR CANNING	307,290	269,570	269,170	243,580	90

1/ ILL, IOWA, MAINE, MICH, MONT, N J, OHIO, PA, UTAH, VA, AND WYO.

TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY PLANTED AREA,  
BY STATES, 1977, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	PLANTED AREA				CONTRACT CHANGE 1977 / 1976 PERCENT
	1975 TOTAL	1976 TOTAL	1976 CONTRACT	1977 CONTRACT	
	ACRES				
CALIF	305,600	267,700	266,800	280,000	105
COLO	840	780	780	920	118
IND	16,100	14,300	14,000	12,200	87
MO	4,800	4,400	3,500	2,900	83
MICH	4,700	4,100	3,700	3,900	105
N J	11,000	9,400	8,500	7,400	87
N MEX	860	900	900	1,000	111
OHIO	24,500	22,600	22,100	21,500	97
PA	7,200	6,500	5,800	5,700	98
TEX	5,100	4,900	4,800	3,800	79
VA	3,900	3,500	3,500	3,800	109
OTH STS 1/	9,330	7,740	5,000	6,280	126
U S	393,930	346,820	339,380	349,400	103

1/ ARK, DEL, FLA, ILL, IOWA, KY, LA, N Y, N C, OKLA, UTAH, AND W VA.



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VEGETABLE - Vg 3-1 (6-77) should be changed as follows:

Page 3	Planted Area 1977 Contract Acres	Contract Change 1977/1976 Percent
Beets for Canning	15,980 <del>16,880</del>	119 <del>126</del>
Total Reported to date	1,666,490 <del>1,667,390</del>	
For Freezing		
Snapbeans	54,230 <del>40,030</del>	117 <del>86</del>
For Canning		
Snapbeans	199,330 <del>213,530</del>	109 <del>117</del>
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Beets for Canning		
New York	4,400 <del>5,300</del>	110 <del>122</del>
U. S.	15,980 <del>16,880</del>	119 <del>126</del>
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Snap Beans for Processing		
For Freezing	54,230 <del>40,030</del>	117 <del>86</del>
For Canning	199,330 <del>213,530</del>	109 <del>117</del>

