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## SUMMER NON-STORAGE ONIONS DOWN 15 PERCENT

Production of summer non-storage onions is forecast at 2.85 million cwt (129 thousand metric tons), down 15 percent from last year. Area for harvest at 9900 acres (4010 hectares) dropped 11 percent; while the average yield, forecast at 288 cwt per acre, slipped 5 percent. The Texas crop should drop 40 percent from last year's production.

In the Texas High Plains, harvesting began in early July and continued throughout the month with minor delays because of weather problems. Quality is lower than expected. In the Trans-Pecos area, harvesting activities were nearing completion by the end of July. Yields have been average to good.

New Mexico harvest is well over half completed, with good to excellent quality. Harvest acreage is up 15 percent from last year. In Washington, fall-planted crop yields are down 25 percent from normal due to winter kill. The spring-planted crop is expected to be off due to the hot and unusually dry conditions this summer. Sizes are expected to be smaller, but quality is generally good.

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# VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

| CROP<br>AND<br>STATE | AREA       |         |         | YIELD PER ACRE |       |      |
|----------------------|------------|---------|---------|----------------|-------|------|
|                      | HARVESTED  |         | FOR     | 1983           | 1984  | 1985 |
|                      |            |         | HARVEST |                |       |      |
|                      | 1983       | 1984    | 1985    |                |       |      |
|                      | ACRES      |         |         | CWT            |       |      |
| ONIONS:              |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| SPRING 1/            | 28,200     | 28,600  | 26,100  | 235            | 241   | 284  |
| SUMMER 1/            |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| NON-STORAGE:         |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| N MEX                | 3,900      | 3,900   | 4,500   | 320            | 350   | 325  |
| TEX                  | 6,200      | 6,000   | 4,100   | 265            | 260   | 230  |
| WASH                 | 1,200      | 1,200   | 1,300   | 410            | 360   | 340  |
| TOTAL NON-STORAGE    | 11,300     | 11,100  | 9,900   | 299            | 302   | 288  |
| STORAGE TOTAL 2/     | 56,140     | 62,750  |         | 349            | 376   |      |
| CALIF 2/ 3/          | 27,400     | 26,900  |         | 335            | 365   |      |
| TOTAL                | 94,840     | 100,750 |         | 339            | 365   |      |
| U S                  | 123,040    | 129,350 |         | 315            | 338   |      |
|                      | PRODUCTION |         |         |                |       |      |
|                      | 1983       |         | 1984    |                | 1985  |      |
|                      | 1,000 CWT  |         |         |                |       |      |
| ONIONS:              |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| SPRING 1/            | 6,622      |         | 6,887   |                | 7,416 |      |
| SUMMER 1/            |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| NON-STORAGE:         |            |         |         |                |       |      |
| N MEX                | 1,248      |         | 1,365   |                | 1,463 |      |
| TEX                  | 1,643      |         | 1,560   |                | 943   |      |
| WASH                 | 492        |         | 432     |                | 442   |      |
| TOTAL NON-STORAGE    | 3,383      |         | 3,357   |                | 2,848 |      |
| STORAGE TOTAL 2/     | 19,578     |         | 23,594  |                |       |      |
| CALIF 2/ 3/          | 9,179      |         | 9,819   |                |       |      |
| TOTAL                | 32,140     |         | 36,770  |                |       |      |
| U S                  | 38,762     |         | 43,657  |                |       |      |

1/ PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET. 2/ FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST WILL BE PUBLISHED ON SEP 10th. 3/ PRIMARILY FOR PROCESSING.

# SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

| STATE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | HARVESTED AREA |               |                  |                  | INDICATED<br>1985<br>CONTRACT |               |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------|
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1983<br>TOTAL  | 1984          |                  | CONTRACT         |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                | TOTAL         | CONTRACT         |                  |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |               |                  |                  |                               | CONTRACT      |         |
| ACRES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |               |                  |                  |                               |               |         |
| ARK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 3,300          | 3,100         | 3,100            | 4,000            |                               |               |         |
| FLA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 600            | 2,500         | 2,000            | 700              |                               |               |         |
| IND                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1,900          | 2,800         | 2,200            | 3,800            |                               |               |         |
| MICH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 14,800         | 17,500        | 15,500           | 19,500           |                               |               |         |
| N J                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 6,200          | 8,000         | 7,800            | 8,700            |                               |               |         |
| N Y                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 33,800         | 32,800        | 31,800           | 31,500           |                               |               |         |
| N C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |               |                  | 2,700            |                               |               |         |
| OREG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 22,400         | 23,900        | 23,600           | 23,500           |                               |               |         |
| PA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 4,500          | 4,900         | 4,700            | 5,600            |                               |               |         |
| TENN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 4,900          | 5,300         | 1,500            |                  |                               |               |         |
| WASH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1,400          | 1,100         | 1,100            | 1,600            |                               |               |         |
| WIS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 72,400         | 77,600        | 72,100           | 76,900           |                               |               |         |
| OTH STS 1/                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 30,530         | 37,140        | 35,200           | 40,550           |                               |               |         |
| U S                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 196,730        | 216,640       | 200,600          | 219,050          |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | YIELD PER ACRE |               | PRODUCTION       |                  |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1983<br>TOTAL  | 1984<br>TOTAL | INDICATED:       |                  |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |               | 1985<br>CONTRACT | 1985<br>CONTRACT |                               |               |         |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |               |                  |                  | 1983<br>TOTAL                 | 1984<br>TOTAL |         |
| TONS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                |               |                  |                  |                               |               |         |
| ARK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2.22           | 1.41          | 1.50             | 7,330            | 4,370                         | 4,370         | 6,000   |
| FLA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1.50           | 1.50          | 1.50             | 900              | 3,750                         | 2,620         | 1,050   |
| IND                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1.25           | 3.08          | 3.20             | 2,380            | 8,620                         | 7,010         | 12,160  |
| MICH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2.80           | 2.80          | 2.90             | 41,440           | 49,000                        | 43,200        | 56,550  |
| N J                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1.82           | 2.81          | 3.10             | 11,280           | 22,480                        | 22,020        | 26,970  |
| N Y                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2.61           | 2.52          | 2.75             | 88,220           | 82,660                        | 80,140        | 86,630  |
| N C                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |               | 1.90             |                  |                               |               | 5,130   |
| OREG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 5.52           | 5.37          | 5.40             | 123,650          | 128,340                       | 126,610       | 126,900 |
| PA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1.76           | 2.88          | 2.60             | 7,920            | 14,110                        | 13,500        | 14,560  |
| TENN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1.82           | 2.14          |                  | 8,920            | 11,340                        | 3,350         |         |
| WASH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 3.94           | 3.35          | 3.90             | 5,520            | 3,690                         | 3,690         | 6,240   |
| WIS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2.91           | 3.03          | 2.80             | 210,680          | 235,130                       | 218,470       | 215,320 |
| OTH STS 1/                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2.59           | 2.76          | 3.00             | 79,170           | 102,620                       | 99,380        | 121,510 |
| U S                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 2.99           | 3.07          | 3.10             | 587,410          | 666,110                       | 624,360       | 679,020 |
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### PROCESSING SNAP BEANS UP 9 PERCENT

Contracted production for processing snap beans in 1985 is forecast at 679 thousand tons (616 thousand metric tons), a gain of 9 percent from last year. The average yield is expected to reach 3.10 tons per acre, up 1 percent from last year.

New York snap beans look good to excellent. Additional moisture is needed in some areas for normal growth. New Jersey harvest continues to progress on schedule. Heavy showers in the past two weeks resulted in adequate topsoil moisture in most areas of the State. In Delaware, 70 percent of the snap bean crop had been harvested by August 1 compared with 50 percent last year and an average of 65 percent. Maryland harvest is nearly 90 percent done. Timely rains with irrigation made an excellent crop. North Carolina had a very dry spring with the only significant rainfall coming in late July.

Timely rains in Michigan have made the soil moisture conditions favorable. In Wisconsin, early yields were variable depending on available rainfall. Later fields should yield near expected levels.

In Texas, warm weather depleted soil moisture but overall conditions remain good. California harvest is underway. The crop has made good progress with ideal growing conditions. Oregon growers had difficulty keeping up with irrigation needs during the hot, dry weather of June and July. Harvest is about 4-5 days ahead of normal and is about half complete. Harvesting in Washington continues at a fast pace in order to maintain quality. Many fields are dry.