Vegetables



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PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR FRESH MARKET VEGETABLE HARVEST

DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM 1985

Prospective acreage of 7 fresh market vegetables for harvest during the summer season in the major producing States is estimated at 272 thousand acres (110 thousand hectares), 1 percent less than a year ago. Cauliflower, celery, lettuce, and tomato acreage decreased while other crop acreages increased. The vegetables included are broccoli, carrots, cauliflower, celery, sweet corn, lettuce, and tomatoes.

Honeydew melon acreage for harvest totals 18.3 thousand acres (7410 hectares), a 3 percent increase over the same period a year ago.

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PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SUMMER SEASON, UNITED STATES (DOMESTIC UNITS)

	:	AREA		
CROP	:	HARVESTED		FOR
	1984	: 1985	:	HARVEST 1985
	:	ACRES		
WINTER	174,900	185,000		177,800
SPRING	168,200	174,550		167,050
SUMMER BROCCOLI 1/ CARROTS 1/ CAULIFLOWER 1/ CELERY 1/ SWEET CORN LETTUCE TOMATOES	17,900 26,300 14,300 8,450 111,900 49,300 49,100	18,500 23,700 13,800 7,210 111,900 49,700		18,600 25,700 13,700 7,170 112,000 47,000 48,200
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	277,250	274,710		272,370
HONEYDEW MELONS	15,100	17,700		18,300
TOTAL SUMMER CROP	292,350	292,410		290,670

^{1/} INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST, SUMMER SEASON, UNITED STATES (METRIC UNITS)

	: AREA									
CROP		HARVESTED	:	FOR HARVEST						
	1984	: 1985	:	1986						
	:	HECTARE	S							
WINTER	70,780	74,870		71,950						
SPRING	68,070	70,640		67,600						
SUMMER BROCCOLI CARROTS CAULIFLOWER CELERY SWEET CORN LETTUCE TOMATOES	7,240 10,640 5,790 3,420 45,280 19,950 19,870	7,490 9,590 5,580 2,920 45,280 20,110 20,190		7,530 10,400 5,540 2,900 45,330 19,020 19,510						
TOTAL 7 VEGETABLES	: 112,190	111,160		110,230						
HONEYDEW MELONS	6,110	7,160		7,410						
TOTAL SUMMER CROP	: 118,300	118,320		117,640						

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET, PROSPECTIVE AREA FOR HARVEST SUMMER SEASON

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222	:		AREA		: :1986 AREA		
CROP And	: USUAL : :HARVEST: :PERIOD :	HAR	VESTED	: FOR	:HARVESTED		
			: 1985	: HARVEST : 1986	:AS PERCENT		
			ACRES		PERCENT		
BROCCOLI: 1/	:						
CALIF	:JUL-SEP:	17,900	18,500	18,600	101		
CARROTS: 1/ CALIF - OTHER MICH	:				• • •		
CALIF - OTHER MICH	:JUL-SEP: :JUL-NOV:	7,700 7,500	7,400 6,400 1,400	7,600 7.300	103 114		
NY	:JUN-DEC:	7,500 1,600	1,400	1,500	107		
WASH Wis	: AUG-DEC: : AUG-OCT:	4,300 5,200	5,200 3,300	5,900 3,400	113 103		
GROUP TOTAL	:	26,300	6,400 1,400 5,200 3,300 23,700	25,700	108		
CAULIFLOWER: 1/	: :			•			
CALIF	: JUL - SEP :	10,400 2,000	9,900 2,000	9,700	98		
N Y - LONG ISLAND - UPSTATE	:JUL-DEC:	1,900	2,000 1,900	2,200	90 116		
GROUP TOTAL	:	14,300	13,800	13,700	99		
CELERY: 1/	: :						
CALIF - CENTRAL COAST	: JUL - SEP:	3,800	3,400	3,400	100		
MICH ' N Y	:MAY-SEP: :JUL-NOV:	3,900 750 8,450	3,200 610	3,300 470 7,170	103 77		
GROUP TOTAL	: :	8,450	7,210	7,170	99		
SWEET CORN:	: :						
CALIF CONN	:JUL-SEP:	8,200 4,500	7,000 4 900	7,600 4,700	109 96		
ILL	:JUL-OCT:	3,800	3,900	3,900	100		
MASS MICH	:JUL-OCT: :JUL-OCT:	8,100 12,300	7,900 12,000	7,700 12,500	97 104		
Pt d	: 400 86 1 :	12.500	12,800	12,200	95		
N Y N C	:JUL-OCT:	26,800	28,400	28,400	100 90		
OHIO	:JUL-OCT:	4,800 15,000 15,900	28,400 5,000 15,200	15,200	100		
		15,900	14,800	15,300	103		
	: :	111,500	111,900	112,000	100		
HONEYDEWS: ARIZ	: •	1 700	1,600	1,800	113		
CALIF - SAN SUAQUIN VALLET	: UUL-3EF;	/,200	7,900	9,200	116		
- SACRAMENTO VALLEY GROUP TOTAL	:JUL-SEP:	6,200	8,200 17,700	7.300	89 103		
	:	15,100	17,700	10,500	103		
LETTUCE: CALIF - CENTRAL COAST	: :JUN-AUG:	42,700	42,600	40,600	95		
COLO	:JUL-SEP:	2.800	3,400	2,800	82		
	:JUN-OCT: :	3,800 49,300	3,700 49,700	3,600 47,000	97 95		
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TOMATOES: ALA	: :JUL-SEP:	2,500	2,500	2,400	96		
ARK	:JUN-JUL:	1,100	800	700	88		
CALIF - SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY - CENTRAL COAST	:JUN-NUV: :JUN-SEP:		19,800 3,800	18,800 4,100	95 108		
- SOUTH COAST	:JUN-NOV:	4,400	3,500	2,700	77		
	:JUL-SEP: :JUL-OCT:		3,200 6,300	3,300 6,200	103 98		
N Y	:JUL-OCT:	3,000	2,800	2,800	100		
	:JUL-OCT: :JUN-SEP:		4,800 2,400	4,900 2,300	102 96		
	:	49,100	49,900	48,200	97		

^{1/} INCLUDES FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING.

BROCCOLI: The prospective area for harvest in California during July-September is estimated at 18.6 thousand acres (7530 hectares), up 1 percent from the same period last year.

The crop is on schedule. Weather has been very favorable and fields are in good condition. Harvest is very active in the Salinas and Santa Maria areas.

CARROTS: Prospective area for harvest during the summer season is estimated at 25.7 thousand acres (10.4 thousand hectares), an 8 percent increase from the summer of 1985.

Michigan's carrot crop development has been slowed due to cold wet weather. Some acreage has been replanted.

Harvest of California's summer carrot crop is increasing in the Kern district and the Salinas Valley as Desert volume slows. Weather has been favorable and fields are in good condition.

Carrots are in good condition in Washington. Crop progress is normal for this time of year.

CAULIFLOWER: The prospective area for harvest in New York and California during the summer season is estimated at 13.7 thousand acres (5540 hectares), which is I percent less than a year ago.

Cauliflower in California was aided by mostly favorable weather. Harvest was moderate with generally good quality from both the Salinas and Santa Maria areas.

CELERY: During the summer, 7170 acres (2900 hectares) of celery are estimated for harvest. This is 1 percent less than a year ago.

Michigan celery got off to a good start with growth and development near normal. The outlook for Michigan celery is good.

Celery planting continued active in the central coast area of California. Harvest was nearly complete in south coast counties. Several acres were abandoned. Harvest in the central coast became more active.

SWEET CORN: Summer sweet corn acreage for harvest, in the major producing
States, is estimated at 112 thousand acres (45.3 thousand hectares), fractionally more than the same period a year ago.

North Carolina's sweet corn harvest has been active since mid - late June and is expected to continue through July. Roadside markets are selling corn as fast as the crop can be picked.

Sweet corn planting was completed on schedule in New Jersey. Dry weather during May and June limited growth. Light harvest of sweet corn planted under plastic began in late June for sales at local roadside stands. Open field planted sweet corn is expected to be available about July 10th.

Planting of the Ohio sweet corn crop started early, about April 1, in the central area. Subsequent frost on April 22 and 29 damaged new growth and in some instances the crop was replanted. Some acreage was lost in northern areas due to heavy rainfall and flooding. Harvest of the crop in southern areas started about June 23 and by July 1 had moved to mid-State. Volume harvest will be underway after the first week of July in many areas.

Development of Michigan's sweet corn has been slowed by the wet cool weather. Warm temperatures will benefit the crop.

Harvest of sweet corn was slowing in the Imperial Valley of California but gaining momentum in other areas. The peak harvest period is expected in about two or three weeks.

HONEYDEW MELONS: Honeydew melon acreage for harvest during the summer is estimated at 18.3 thousand acres (7410 hectares), 3 percent more than a year ago.

Harvest of honeydew melons began the last week of May in western Arizona and the second week of June in central areas. Size and quality have been good to date.

Weather has been favorable for planting and development of California's melon crops. Harvest is underway in southern California and will be active shortly in the San Joaquin Valley.

LETTUCE: Lettuce for harvest during the summer is estimated at 47.0 thousand acres (19.0 thousand hectares), 5 percent below the 1985 summer estimates.

California's lettuce acreage for the summer harvest period is in good condition. Weather has been favorable and shipments are moderate to heavy from central coast districts.

TOMATOES: Prospective area for harvest during the summer season is estimated at 48.2 thousand acres (19.5 thousand hectares), 3 percent below the area harvested a year ago.

In New Jersey, tomato planting was virtually completed by June 1st. weather in May and June have limited growth. Recent rains have improved conditions. Light harvest of tomatoes began the third week of June, good supplies are expected to reach markets in mid-July.

Harvesting has begun in most areas of Virginia. Dry conditions will affect yields on non-irrigated farms. Peak volume is expected by mid-July.

Alabama's tomato crop is in fair to good condition. Summer harvest has begun and is about a week ahead of last year. Growing conditions have been hampered in many areas by dry weather.

Michigan's tomato crop is developing at a normal pace. Stands are good.

California's non-desert tomato crop has shown good growth and development. Progress is about two weeks ahead of normal. Harvest is in full swing in most areas and past peak in a few growing districts.

VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

	VEGETAB	LES FOR FRI	ESH MARKET			
COVO	:	AREA		YIEL	D PER AC	RE
CROP AND	HARVI		: FOR			3000
STATE	1984	: 1985		: :	:	1986
	:	ACRES			CWT	
ONIONS: SPRING 1/	28,600	26,000	25,000	241	281	357
SUMMER 1/ NON-STORAGE: N MEX TEX WASH TOTAL	3,900 : 6,000 : 1,200 : 11,100	4,500 4,100 1,300 9,900	4,600 4,900 1,300 10,800	350 260 360 302	325 230 300 282	450 210 340 328
STORAGE: COLO IDAHO & MALHEUR MICH MINN N Y OHIO OREG - OTHER UTAH WASH WIS SUBTOTAL	: 15,500 : 8,500 : 650 : 14,100 : 500 : 3,200 : 2,200 : 4,300 : 1,600	3,200 490 3,500 1,600 4,300	15,500 7,600 600 12,800 470 3,200 1,400 4,400	380 505 345 240 240 410 400 315 450 340 376	550 325 290 300 450 430 450 410	
CALIF 2/	26,900	25,000	25,500	365	370	
TOTAL SUMMER	: : 100,750	96,760	94,870	365	390	
U S	129,350	122,760	119,870	338	367	
	:		PRODUCTIO) N		
	1984	:	1985	:	1986	
	;		1,000 CW1	r		
ONIONS: SPRING 1/	6,88	37	7,304		8,93	1
SUMMER 1/ NON-STORAGE: N MEX TEX WASH TOTAL	: 1,30 : 1,56 : 43 : 3,3!	50 32	3,463 943 390 2,796		2,07 1,02 44 3,54	9 2
STORAGE: COLO IDAHO & MALHEUR MICH MINN N Y OHIO OREG - OTHER UTAH WASH WIS SUBTOTAL	4,65 2,93 1,28 1,28 1,28 1,28 1,28 20 23,55	28 33 56 34 95 95 36 37 38 38 38 38 38 38	5,355 9,020 2,535 194 3,960 221 1,505 720 1,763 436 25,709			
CALIF 2/	9,8		9,250			
TOTAL SUMMER	36,77		37,755			
US	: 43,6	57 -	45,059			

^{1/} PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET. 2/ PRIMARILY FOR PROCESSING.

SUMMER ONIONS: Acreage of summer onions for harvest is forecast at 94.9 thousand acres (38.4 thousand hectares), down 2 percent from last year and 6 percent below two years ago.

NON-STORAGE production is forecast at 3.54 million cwt (161 thousand metric tons), a gain of 27 percent over last year and 5 percent above 1984. Area for harvest, at 10.8 thousand acres (4370 hectares), is up 9 percent from last year but 3 percent short of two years ago. The average expected yield of 328 cwt per acre is up 46 cwt from last year. Harvest is in progress in most areas. New Mexico production is expected to be up 41 percent from last year. Washington and Texas also anticipate larger crops. Texas fields received some hail damage and excessive rain, but crop growth has been good.

STORAGE ONIONS: Harvest area for storage onions (except California) is set at 58.6 thousand acres (23.7 thousand hectares), down 5 percent from last year and 7 percent below 1984. California acreage (mostly processing), at 25.5 thousand acres (10.3 thousand hectares), gained 2 percent from 1985 but was 5 percent below 1984.

Michigan growers report slow growth because of wind and cold weather. New York acreage is down 3 percent from last year, while onion development in Ohio is about normal. In western Idaho and eastern Oregon, stands are thin and spotty because of hot weather since late May. California fields have made excellent progress and growers expect a good onion crop.

PROCESSING VEGETABLES July 1, 1986

Acreage contracted to the 5 major processing crops totals 1.27 million acres (515 thousand hectares) for 1986, 9 percent below last year. Acreage for each of the 5 crops is down from last year as follows: snap beans, down 7 percent; sweet corn, down 5 percent; cucumbers for pickles, down 8 percent; green peas, off 20 percent; and tomatoes, down 2 percent.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES are contracted on 92.1 thousand acres (37.3 thousand hectares), down 8 percent from last year. Early and mid-season pickles cover 82.3 thousand acres (33.3 thousand hectares), while late or fall acreage is forecast at 9780 acres (3960 hectares). Planted acreage fell 2 percent short of March intentions, primarily due to dry weather in Southeastern States.

GREEN PEA production is forecast at 422 thousand tons (383 thousand metric tons), a drop of 27 percent from last year and 15 percent below 1984. Acreage for harvest, at 278 thousand acres (113 thousand hectares), fell 21 percent, while yields averaging 1.52 tons per acre are expected to slip 7 percent from last year.

In Minnesota, wet conditions caused crop damage and harvest delays across the major growing areas. Cool weather in Michigan has been favorable for peas. In the Pacific Northwest, hot weather stressed the crop and hurried harvest, but all fields are expected to be harvested. California weather, on the other hand, has been too cool for optimal yields.

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION, UNITED STATES (DOMESTIC UNITS)

CROP		: : CONTRACT			
AND	1004	: 19	1000	: CHANGE	
UTILIZATION	: 1984 : TOTAL	TOTAL	: CONTRACT :	1986 Contract	:1986/1985
	:	AC	RES		PERCENT
ALL PROCESSING: SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN CUCUMBERS	226,490 445,900	231,370 450,700	214,480 449,300	200,230 428,330	93 95
(PICKLES) GREEN PEAS TOMATOES TOTAL	108,430 346,170 298,600 1,425,590	118,240 365,620 269,860 1,435,790	99,600 365,220 265,100 1,393,700	92,120 292,720 259,090 1,272,490	92 80 98 91
CANNING: SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN GREEN PEAS	159,640 294,990 179,920	166,350 283,410 188,170	152,040 282,810 187,970	140,820 265,910 153,050	93 94 81
FREEZING: SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN GREEN PEAS	66,850 150,910 166,250	65,020 167,290 177,450	62,440 166,490 177,250	59,410 162,420 139,670	95 98 79
		PRODU	CTION		: :CONTRACT
	1984 TOTAL	:	85 : : CONTRACT :	1986 CONTRACT	: CHANGE :1986/1985
		10	NS		PERCENT
TOMATOES	7,681,160	7,177,130	7,081,810	7,240,790	102

PRELIMINARY PLANTINGS BY CROP AND EXPECTED UTILIZATION, UNITED STATES (METRIC UNITS)

CROR	: PLANTED AREA									
AND UTILIZATION	1984	:		1985		1996				
					: CONTRAC		:			
				HECTAR				·		
ALL PROCESSING: SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN CUCUMBERS	91 660 180 450		93 63 182 39	30 90	86 181	800 830		81 030 173 340		
ALL PROCESSING: SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN CUCUMBERS (PICKLES) GREEN PEAS TOMATOES TOTAL	43 880 140 090 120 840		47 89 147 96 109 2	50 50 10	40 147 107	310 800 280		37 280 118 460 104 850		
CANNING: 1/ SNAP BEANS SWEET CORN GREEN PEAS	64 600 119 380 72 810		67 33 114 69 76 15	20 00 50	61 114 76	530 450 070		56 990 107 610 61 940		
SWEET CORN :	27 050 61 070 67 280		67 /0)0	6/	380		65 /30		
				PRODUCT	ION					
	1004	1984 :								
	TOTAL	:	TOTAL : CONTRACT					-: 1980		
,	METRIC TONS									
TOMATOES	6 968 190		6 510 9	50	6 424	480		6 568 700		

^{1/} UTILIZATION MAY NOT ADD TO TOTAL CROP BECAUSE OF ROUNDING. N/A = NOT AVAILABLE.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES

	:	PLANTED AREA												: : CONTRACT
STATE	:	1984	:	1	98	5	:		1986 CONTRACT			: :	: CHANGE	
	:	TOTAL	:- :	TOTAL	:	CONTRACT	:	EARLY	:	LATE	:	ALL	:	1986/1985
	:					ACI	RES	;						PERCENT
CALIF	:	3,400		4,100		3,600		3,000		600		3,600		100
COLO	:	2,400		2,600		2,600		1,800		630		1,800		69 93
DEL Fla	•	1,500 5,100		1,500 5,200		1,500 2,400		770 1 , 900		630 0		1,400 1,900		93 79
IND	:	780		1,100		1,100		1,100		Ö		1,100		100
MD	:	3,500		4,000		3,900		2,300		1,200		3,500		90
MICH	:	22,000		25,000		19,000		18,500		0		18,500		97
ΝJ	:	1,100		660		460		840		0		840		183 ·
NC	:	28,700		29,400		22,900		15,600		3,300		18,900		83
OHIO	;	5,000		4,900		4,900		4,400		0		4,400		90
OREG	:	2,000		2,100		1,900		2,000		_0		2,000		105
SC	:	9,400		14,200		13,700		1/		1/		10,800		79
TEX	:	6,800		6,100		5,200		5,900		1,900		7,800		150
WASH	:	1,500		1,700		1,600		1,600		Ŏ		1,600		100
WIS	:	8,100		7,000		6,700		6,000		0		6,000		90
OTH	•													
STS 2/	:	7,150		8,680		8,140		1/		1/		7,980		98
U S	:	108,430	1	18,240		99,600		82,340		9,780		92,120		92

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2/ ALA, ARIZ, ARK, GA, IDAHO, KY, MASS, MINN, MISS, MO, NEBR, N Y, S DAK, AND VA.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING

	HARVESTED AREA										
STATE	1984	:	1985		: 10	IDICATED 1986					
:	TOTAL	TOTAL	:	CONTRACT	co	NTRACT					
			ACRES								
DEL MD MINN N Y OREG WASH WIS	11,500 2,500 74,200 9,200 33,600 64,400 86,200	12,400 1,900 81,500 12,000 35,400 61,500 98,100))))	12,000 1,900 81,500 12,000 35,400 61,500 98,100		10,300 1,500 72,000 9,100 29,700 48,700 71,000					
OTH STS 1/	48,870	50,820)	50,820	3	5,820					
υs	330,470	353,620		353,220	27	8,120					
	YIELD PER	ACRE	:	PRODU	CTION						
	: 1004 . 1005	: INDICATE		: 19	85 :	INDICATED 1986					
	1984 : 1985 TOTAL : TOTAL	: 1986 L : CONTRACT	: 1984 : TOTAL	: TOTAL	: CONTRACT:						
	,		TONS (S	HELLED)							
DEL MD MINN N Y OREG WASH WIS	1.40 1.79 1.63 2.12 1.38 1.58 1.64 2.34 1.48 1.20 1.70 1.60 1.48 1.64	2 2.00 8 1.40 4 1.75 2 1.10 0 1.60	16,100 4,080 102,400 15,090 49,730 109,480 127,580	4,030 128,770 28,080	21,550 4,030 128,770 28,080 43,190 98,400 160,880	14,420 3,000 100,800 15,930 32,670 77,920 120,700					
OTH STS 1/	1.45 1.8	2 1.59	70,880	92,260	92,260	56,880					
US	1.50 1.6	3 1.52	495,340	577,810	577,160	422,320					

^{1/} CALIF, IDAHO, ILL, IOWA, MAINE, MICH, N J, PA, AND UTAH.

