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## CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES

United States acreage for pickles rose 4 percent in 1989 to 124 thousand acres. Despite the rise in harvested acreage, total production dipped 1 percent to 643 thousand tons. The average yield of 5.18 tons per acre was down 5 percent from the 1988 yield and down 11 percent from 1987 levels. Pickle growers received an estimated \$131 million for their product in 1989, up only 1 percent from the 1988 value, the average price per ton edged up a modest 2 percent to \$204 per ton.

October 1, 1989 pickle stocks totaled 445 thousand tons, down 3 percent from last year. Current stocks of 396 thousand tons were down 4 percent; while carryover from previous years at 49 thousand tons was down 2 percent.

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# CUCUMBERS FOR PROCESSING

| STATE      | AREA PLANTED   |         |         | AREA HARVESTED |         |         |
|------------|----------------|---------|---------|----------------|---------|---------|
|            | 1987           | 1988    | 1989    | 1987           | 1988    | 1989    |
|            | ACRES          |         |         |                |         |         |
| CALIF      | 4,100          | 3,800   | 4,300   | 4,100          | 3,800   | 4,300   |
| COLO       | 1,300          | 1,600   | 1,400   | 1,300          | 1,500   | 1,300   |
| FLA        | 4,000          | 6,000   | 2,700   | 3,900          | 6,000   | 2,700   |
| IND        | 1,100          | 1,300   | 1,800   | 1,100          | 1,200   | 1,700   |
| MD         | 2,200          |         |         | 2,200          |         |         |
| MICH       | 25,000         | 25,000  | 25,500  | 24,000         | 23,000  | 24,500  |
| N J        | 560            | 580     | 670     | 560            | 580     | 670     |
| N C        | 24,900         | 26,100  | 27,700  | 24,700         | 25,900  | 26,500  |
| OHIO       | 4,800          | 4,300   | 4,100   | 4,500          | 3,900   | 3,700   |
| OREG       | 1,900          | 2,200   | 2,400   | 1,900          | 2,200   | 2,400   |
| S C        | 13,300         | 11,400  | 12,600  | 13,200         | 11,200  | 11,100  |
| TEX        | 9,800          | 14,100  | 18,300  | 9,800          | 14,100  | 18,100  |
| WASH       | 1,700          | 1,400   | 1,700   | 1,700          | 1,400   | 1,700   |
| WIS        | 5,800          | 6,800   | 6,800   | 5,700          | 6,800   | 6,700   |
| OTH STS 1/ | 11,130         | 17,900  | 20,600  | 10,970         | 17,290  | 18,800  |
| U S        | 111,590        | 122,480 | 130,570 | 109,630        | 118,870 | 124,170 |
|            | YIELD PER ACRE |         |         | PRODUCTION     |         |         |
|            | 1987           | 1988    | 1989    | 1987           | 1988    | 1989    |
|            | TONS           |         |         |                |         |         |
| CALIF      | 15.00          | 18.16   | 12.20   | 61,500         | 69,010  | 52,460  |
| COLO       | 9.62           | 10.85   | 8.12    | 12,510         | 16,280  | 10,560  |
| FLA        | 6.00           | 6.00    | 5.30    | 23,400         | 36,000  | 14,310  |
| IND        | 11.13          | 9.50    | 9.30    | 12,240         | 11,400  | 15,810  |
| MD         | 7.40           |         |         | 16,280         |         |         |
| MICH       | 6.70           | 5.50    | 6.00    | 160,800        | 126,500 | 147,000 |
| N J        | 8.75           | 6.02    | 6.13    | 4,900          | 3,490   | 4,110   |
| N C        | 3.42           | 3.88    | 3.28    | 84,470         | 100,490 | 86,920  |
| OHIO       | 10.40          | 9.30    | 10.62   | 46,800         | 36,270  | 39,290  |
| OREG       | 12.08          | 12.10   | 12.23   | 22,950         | 26,620  | 29,350  |
| S C        | 2.95           | 3.55    | 3.31    | 38,940         | 39,760  | 36,740  |
| TEX        | 4.80           | 3.80    | 3.75    | 47,040         | 53,580  | 67,880  |
| WASH       | 9.98           | 10.22   | 10.19   | 16,970         | 14,310  | 17,320  |
| WIS        | 8.03           | 6.90    | 7.59    | 45,770         | 46,920  | 50,850  |
| OTH STS 1/ | 3.73           | 4.10    | 3.73    | 40,880         | 70,950  | 70,090  |
| U S        | 5.80           | 5.48    | 5.18    | 635,450        | 651,580 | 642,690 |

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CUCUMBERS FOR PROCESSING (CONTINUED)

| STATE      | VALUE   |        |        |               |         |         |
|------------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|---------|---------|
|            | PER TON |        |        | TOTAL         |         |         |
|            | 1987    | 1988   | 1989   | 1987          | 1988    | 1989    |
|            | DOLLARS |        |        | 1,000 DOLLARS |         |         |
| CALIF      | 200.00  | 198.00 | 247.00 | 12,177        | 14,699  | 12,958  |
| COLO       | 139.00  | 169.00 | 140.00 | 2,114         | 2,002   | 1,478   |
| FLA        | 278.00  | 316.00 | 365.00 | 7,394         | 10,800  | 5,223   |
| IND        | 119.00  | 160.00 | 133.00 | 1,958         | 1,687   | 2,103   |
| MD         | 203.00  |        |        | 3,305         |         |         |
| MICH       | 146.00  | 139.00 | 168.00 | 22,351        | 19,734  | 24,696  |
| N J        | 193.00  | 194.00 | 195.00 | 951           | 688     | 801     |
| N C        | 195.00  | 196.00 | 223.00 | 16,556        | 20,801  | 19,383  |
| OHIO       | 192.00  | 178.00 | 196.00 | 8,330         | 7,181   | 7,701   |
| OREG       | 156.00  | 157.00 | 164.00 | 3,603         | 4,712   | 4,813   |
| S C        | 189.00  | 192.00 | 218.00 | 7,476         | 8,588   | 8,009   |
| TEX        | 200.00  | 236.00 | 265.00 | 11,101        | 14,413  | 17,988  |
| WASH       | 160.00  | 180.00 | 177.00 | 3,055         | 2,676   | 3,066   |
| WIS        | 160.00  | 163.00 | 184.00 | 7,461         | 8,774   | 9,356   |
| OTH STS 1/ | 160.00  | 189.00 | 193.00 | 6,542         | 13,439  | 13,507  |
| U S        | 180.00  | 200.00 | 204.00 | 114,374       | 130,194 | 131,082 |

1/ 1987 - AL, AZ, AR, DE, GA, ID, IL, KY, MA, MN, MS, MO, NE, AND VA.  
 1988 - AL, AZ, AR, DE, GA, ID, IL, IA, KY, LA, MD, MA, MN, MS, MO, NY, TN, AND VA.  
 1989 - AL, AZ, AR, DE, GA, ID, IL, IA, KY, LA, MD, MA, MN, MS, MO, NY, TN, AND VA.

PICKLES: STOCKS IN TANKS, BARRELS AND FRESH PACK,  
OCTOBER 1, 1989

| YEAR                                     | FROM CURRENT YEAR CROP |         |              | :FROM PREVIOUS YEAR CROP |         |              |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------|
|                                          | SALT STOCK             | FRESH   | REFRIGERATED | SALT STOCK               | FRESH   | REFRIGERATED |
|                                          | INCLUDING              | PACK    |              | INCLUDING                | PACK    |              |
|                                          | DILL                   |         |              | DILL                     |         |              |
| TONS                                     |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| U S                                      |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| 1988                                     | 278,030                | 127,870 | 5,210        | 46,860                   | 3,140   |              |
| 1989                                     | 253,790                | 135,980 | 6,330        | 47,390                   | 1,670   |              |
| COMBINED STOCKS FROM :                   |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| CURRENT YEAR CROP : PREVIOUS YEAR CROP : |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| TOTAL STOCKS                             |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| TONS                                     |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| U S                                      |                        |         |              |                          |         |              |
| 1988                                     | 411,110                |         | 50,000       |                          | 461,110 |              |
| 1989                                     | 396,100                |         | 49,060       |                          | 445,160 |              |

