VEGETABLES

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ONIONS

Production of non-storage summer onions in 1982 is forecast at 3.18 million cwt (144 thousand metric tons), up 1 percent from last year. The final acreage forecast places harvested acreage at 11.6 thousand acres (4670 hectares), 3 percent above a year ago. The average yield is estimated at 277 cwt per acre, compared with 280 cwt per acre in 1981.

Harvest is about complete in the southern areas of New Jersey. Marketings from the Northern Great Meadows area, however, will extend into the fall period. On the Texas High Plains, damage from early season hail and excessive rains lowered yields and quality. Damage was scattered throughout the area with some fields more severely affected than others. In the Trans-Pecos region high temperatures and strong winds have depleted soil moisture. However, the crop continues to progress and yield prospects remain good.

New Mexico's onion yields have been better than normal. With improved prices, even some marginal fields are being harvested. Grano harvest is complete, the harvest of hybrids is winding down and Spanish types are approaching their peak. In Washington average yields are lower than earlier expected and there is a wider than normal field to field variation.

SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

Processing snap bean production in 1982, is forecast at 620 thousand tons (563 thousand metric tons), down 4 percent from last year. Acreage contracted for harvest is placed at 199 thousand acres (80.5 thousand hectares), 5 percent below 1981. Yield per acre at 3.12 tons, compares with 3.08 tons per acre a year ago.

The New York snap bean crop looks good and harvest is getting underway. In New Jersey, harvest is on schedule; quality and yields are very good. Planting in Pennsylvania was delayed by wet conditions in June. However, the crop currently needs rain. Early yields in Maryland and Delaware were good but diminished on later harvested fields due to dry weather. Virginia yields have been above average. The snap bean crop in North Carolina was very good this season, but some areas had too much rain during harvest. In Florida, harvest has been completed and quality was generally good. However, some weather and disease problems lowered yields in the Pampano area.

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VEGETABLES FOR FRESH MARKET

CROP AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED 1980	AREA HARVESTED 1981	AREA FOR HARVEST 1982	YIELD PER ACRE 1980	YIELD PER ACRE 1981	YIELD PER ACRE IND 1982	PRODUCTION 1980	PRODUCTION 1981	PRODUCTION IND 1982
	ACRES			CWT			1,000 CWT		
ONIONS									
SPRING 1/	24,800	25,100	28,400	237	214	235	5,875	5,372	6,661
SUMMER 1/									
NON-STORAGE									
N J	680	650	700	110	160	140	75	104	98
N MEX	3,900	3,600	3,800	290	345	370	1,131	1,242	1,406
TEX	7,200	6,200	6,000	245	240	220	1,764	1,488	1,320
WASH	780	800	950	330	400	370	257	320	352
TOTAL NON-STORAGE	12,560	11,250	11,450	257	280	277	3,227	3,154	3,176
STORAGE TOTAL 2/	50,600	52,980	55,030	363	367		18,374	19,470	
CALIF 2/ 3/	25,000	22,300	29,600	240	315		6,000	7,025	
TOTAL	88,160	86,530	96,080	313	343		27,601	29,649	
U S	112,960	111,630	124,480	296	314		33,476	35,021	

1/ PRIMARILY FRESH MARKET.
2/ FIRST PRODUCTION FORECAST WILL BE PUBLISHED ON SEP 9.
3/ PRIMARILY FOR PROCESSING.

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The Tennessee crop was reported to be in good to excellent condition. Growing conditions for Michigan snap beans have been mostly favorable. Some rain and water damage were evident but these problems were not widespread. Harvest got underway around mid-July. Yields are expected to be good over most of the State. In Illinois, the crop is of excellent quality and yields have been very good. Timely rains have been very beneficial. In Wisconsin, crop development is uneven due to localized rains. Harvest is in it's early stages. In Oklahoma, mild temperatures and favorable moisture conditions have contributed to an excellent snap bean harvest.

Colorado harvest will begin about one week later than usual because spring planting was delayed by wet conditions. Yields are expected to be near normal. Harvest is underway in Oregon with good to excellent yields reported. Growing conditions in Washington throughout the summer have been favorable. Average yields are expected and harvest should get underway by mid-August. Harvest of the California crop is near completion.

SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

STATE	HARVESTED AREA											
	1980	1981										INDICATED 1982
	TOTAL	TOTAL										CONTRACT
	ACRES											
ARK	2,700	4,100										3,600
CALIF	4,500											
COLO	770	990										640
DEL	6,100											
FLA	7,300	1,500										1,200
GA	800											
ILL	6,600											
IND	2,400											
MD	4,900	3,900										1,600
MICH	13,700	14,300										11,700
N J	6,400	7,400										8,000
N Y	46,400	38,900										38,600
N C	2,800	2,200										1,800
OREG	31,100	27,400										25,600
PA	5,900	5,500										4,600
TENN	12,100	7,600										5,500
VA	2,900	1,800										
WASH	2,400											
WIS	78,800	70,200										65,000
OTH STS 1/	17,120	32,410										31,200
U S	255,690	218,200										199,040

	YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION			
					1981		
	1980 TOTAL	1981 TOTAL	INDICATED 1982 CONTRACT	1980 TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	INDICATED 1982 CONTRACT
	TONS (SHELLED)						
ARK	1.51	3.08	2.80	4,080	12,630	12,630	10,000
CALIF	2.68			12,060			
COLO	3.03	4.04	3.40	2,330	4,000	4,000	2,180
DEL	2.03			12,400			
FLA	1.93	2.00	1.50	14,090	3,000	2,600	1,800
GA	2.50			2,000			
ILL	3.04			20,060			
IND	2.31			5,540			
MD	1.76	2.58	1.90	8,620	10,060	10,060	3,040
MICH	2.80	2.53	2.75	38,360	36,180	34,280	32,175
N J	2.64	2.77	2.60	16,900	20,500	20,300	20,800
N Y	2.44	2.47	2.80	113,220	96,050	94,250	108,080
N C	1.61	2.00	2.50	4,510	4,400	4,400	4,500
OREG	5.16	5.27	5.30	160,480	144,400	143,580	135,680
PA	1.55	2.25	2.20	9,150	12,380	10,840	10,120
TENN	1.05	2.54	2.55	12,710	19,300	10,750	14,030
VA	1.52	2.34		4,410	4,210	4,210	
WASH	3.78			9,070			
WIS	2.68	3.05	2.80	211,180	214,110	206,180	182,000
OTH STS 1/	2.52	2.79	3.07	43,060	90,420	89,080	95,745
U S	2.75	3.08	3.12	704,230	671,640	647,160	620,150

1/ 1980 - ALA, IDAHO, MAINE, MINN, MO, OHIO, OKLA, S C, TEX AND UTAH.
1981 - ALA, CALIF, DEL, GA, IDAHO, ILL, IND, MAINE, MINN, MO, OHIO, OKLA, S C, TEX, UTAH, AND WASH.
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