



Commercial Truck Crops

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TRUCK CROPS FOR COMMERCIAL PROCESSING PROGRESS OF PLANTING AND CONDITION ON MAY 15

From upstate New York westward to Minnesota planting of the crop of green peas for commercial processing is 10 days to 2 weeks behind schedule. Stands on the early plantings in these areas are generally good. Growing conditions range from fair to excellent. Planting has been completed in the Pacific Northwest where some early fields were severely damaged by frost late in April. Prospects are generally favorable for green peas in the Middle Atlantic States.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING

Delaware, Maryland
and New Jersey:

Stands are generally good and prospects were favorable on May 15. Some early fields were in bloom by that date.

Pennsylvania:

Planting was completed during the first half of May. Growing conditions have been satisfactory in most areas.

New York:

In upstate New York planting was delayed by cold, wet weather. On Long Island the crop is reported in good condition although rain was needed at mid-month.

Ohio, Indiana,
Michigan:

Planting operations were 2 to 3 weeks late because of unfavorable weather conditions. Not all of the acreage had been planted by mid-May. Early plantings are coming up. Growing conditions range from fair to excellent.

Illinois, Wisconsin: In Illinois, some early plantings are reported about 3 inches high with good stands. In Wisconsin, planting is 10 days to 3 weeks behind schedule. Some reports show only one-fourth to three-fourths of the acreage planted by May 15. Early plantings were just coming up at mid-month with stands generally reported good, and with growing conditions ranging from fair to excellent.

Iowa, Minnesota:

Planting was also delayed in these States by unfavorable weather conditions and some areas report only 40-50 percent of the acreage planted by May 15. Early plantings were just beginning to come up with satisfactory stands.

Utah: The condition of the crop is reported good.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING (Contd.)

Idaho, Oregon, Washington Planting has been completed. Some early fields were severely damaged by frost late in April.

SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING

Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Virginia: Planting of sweet corn for processing in this area was well advanced by the middle of May. Weather and moisture conditions have been favorable and some of the earliest plantings were just through the ground.

Pennsylvania: Planting operations are off to a good start under generally favorable moisture and soil conditions. Some growers had just started planting on May 15.

New York: Unfavorable conditions due to very cold, rainy weather throughout the State has delayed operations. Most growers expected to start late in May.

Ohio and Indiana: A very limited acreage had been planted in Ohio during the early part of May. In Indiana, planting was progressing quite satisfactorily. Weather and soil conditions were excellent and progress was about normal. Earliest plantings were starting to come through the ground.

Illinois and Wisconsin: Most Illinois growers of sweet corn had planted very little seed by May 15. Field work was expected to increase considerably during the next few days. Cold, wet weather in some sections of Wisconsin have delayed planting operations. In other localities some farms report considerable acreage planted but needing rain soon.

Iowa and Minnesota: A cold, rainy spring has delayed the planting season from 5 to 10 days. Many growers had not begun to plant corn by May 15 but expected to start during the next week.

Idaho, Oregon and Washington: Planting is proceeding under nearly normal conditions in these States. Rains slowed up planting schedules somewhat in Idaho.

SNAP BEANS FOR PROCESSING

Delaware and Maryland: Planting in these States is about on a normal schedule. Dry conditions on the Eastern Shore were relieved by rains May 12. The growing crop is in good condition.

New Jersey and Pennsylvania: First plantings are coming through the ground. Moisture supplies are adequate for the present. In southern Pennsylvania, the growing crop is progressing satisfactorily. Weather and soil conditions are good.

New York: Field operations in general have been delayed by unfavorable weather conditions. Not much planting is expected before May 20 because of the cold, wet season to date.

Michigan and Wisconsin: Seeding operations are expected to get under way after June 1 in most sections.

Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri: Planting is under way in this area. Early rains in some localities will be helpful.

Oregon and Washington: Planting is continuing on about a normal schedule. First plantings are just coming up.