



Commercial Truck Crops

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JANUARY 1 STOCKS OF STORAGE CABBAGE LOWEST OF RECORD FOR THAT DATE

Stocks of cabbage in growers' and dealers' hands on January 1, 1944, as estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture, totalled 25,740 tons, the lightest storage stocks on January 1 since these estimates were started about 20 years ago. These holdings are only about 44 percent as large as on January 1, 1943, and 43 percent as large as the January 1 average for the years 1932-41.

Many growers moved their cabbage directly to market rather than take the risk of storing. The reduction in stocks from last year applies to all Danish cabbage States with the exception of Michigan where production was increased and a larger quantity is in storage than on January 1, 1943.

In general, the storage weather has been good to date so that the shrinkage has been kept at a minimum. Quality of the stored cabbage is reported to be very good. The weather has not been cold enough to ruin the cabbage, but still cold enough to prevent excessive spoilage.

CABBAGE STOCKS - JANUARY 1, 1944, WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	10-year average		January 1, 1943		January 1, 1944	
	Production 1932-41	Stocks Jan. 1, 1933-42	1942 Produ- tion	Stocks	1943 Produ- tion	Stocks
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
New York	1/177,400	50,160	227,700	52,700	163,700	22,900
Pennsylvania .	21,200	1,160	23,800	500	16,100	400
Ohio	6,600	410	8,800	170	5,400	110
Indiana	2,500	130	2,600	--	1,800	--
Michigan	8,100	920	12,400	900	15,000	1,100
Wisconsin	26,700	5,480	27,600	2,760	23,400	830
Minnesota	11,400	1,200	11,900	790	8,000	400
Colorado	1/29,600	300	36,000	240	43,800	--
TOTAL	283,500	59,760	350,800	58,060	277,200	25,740

1/ Includes some quantities not harvested on account of market conditions.