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The aggregate production of commercial truck crops for fresh market harvest during the 1951 spring season is expected to be 5 percent less than last year but 20 percent above the 10-year average, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. Overall production prospects for spring vegetables improved during April. Acreage of vegetables for spring harvest is 7 percent less than last year and 3 percent below the 1940-49 average.

Smaller production than last year is indicated for 12 of the 21 truck crops for spring harvest. Declines from last year in production of onions, cabbage, and carrots account for nearly four-fifths of the total reduction in tonnage for these crops. Cantaloups, cucumbers and spinach are the only spring crops for which significant increases over 1950 production are indicated. As a result of cold weather and delayed plantings development of most spring crops is considerably later than usual.

The total acreage of summer cabbage, onions and watermelons, based in part on planting intention reports, plus the acreage of early summer cantaloups and green peppers is 3 percent less than last year and 2 percent below average. These crops represented nearly one-half of the total summer acreage last year. The total acreage of all 1951 truck crops reported to date is 7 percent less than last year and 2 percent below the 10-year average. These crops accounted for 70 percent of the total acreage in 1950.

ASPARAGUS: Production in all commercial areas is expected to be about 2 percent above that of a year ago and 7 percent above the 1940-49 average -- 11,619,000 crates for 1951 compared with 11,338,000 crates in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 10,823,000 crates. The above estimates include asparagus used for processing. Production which has or will be used by processors in 1951 cannot be estimated at this time but in 1950 about 64 percent of the total crop, or 7,226,000 crates were utilized by processors.

In the late spring areas, May 1 conditions indicated a production 12 percent more than in 1950 and 8 percent more than the 1940-49 average -- 4,575,000 crates compared with 4,076,000 crates in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 4,225,000 crates. Production is expected to be larger than a year ago in Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Illinois, the same in Massachusetts and slightly smaller in Michigan and Iowa. Market supplies began coming from most of these areas during the last week in April and volume supplies will be available in all areas during May and June.

The April 1 indications for the early spring areas showed a 3 percent smaller crop than in 1950 but 7 percent larger crop than the 1940-49 average. The shipping season for fresh market supplies is about over in California and will be over by mid-May in South Carolina. However, Oregon and Washington will continue to furnish production for several weeks.

LIMA BEANS: Spring supplies of lima beans are expected to be about 29 percent below those of a year ago and only about half as large as average. The 239,000 bushels indicated for 1951 compares with 339,000 bushels in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 456,000 bushels. Decreases are indicated in all three States, Florida, Georgia and South Carolina. Acreage for harvest this spring is below both the 1950 and 1940-49 average acreage. The yield per acre is expected to fall below that of a year ago but will be above average. Supplies are coming from Florida, but crops in Georgia and South Carolina are late and will not come into production until June.

SNAP BEANS: Prospective production of snap beans in all spring crop areas is expected to total 5,055,000 bushels, 3 percent less than the 1950 total of 5,232,000 bushels but 3 percent above the 1940-49 average of 4,896,000 bushels. Crops in most of the early spring areas of Texas and Florida are yielding better than was expected a month ago and early spring production is now expected to total 2,295,000 bushels, about equal to last year and 13 percent above the ten-year average. Yield prospects improved during April in Louisiana and Georgia and production in the six mid-spring States is now forecast at 2,106,000 bushels 2 percent more than indicated last month but still 5 percent less than last year, and about equal to the ten-year average.

Snap bean acreage has been reduced from last year in all of the late spring States. Acreage reductions are now indicated at 15 percent in North Carolina, 20 percent in Arkansas and 10 percent in Virginia. Early season prospects point to slightly better yields per acre than last year in North Carolina and Virginia but below last year in Arkansas. Production in the three late spring States is forecast at 654,000 bushels, 11 percent less than last year and 9 percent below the ten-year average.

BEETS: Spring production is expected to total 243,000 bushels, 6 percent less than last year's spring crop of 258,000 bushels, and also 6 percent less than the ten-year average spring production of 259,000 bushels. Production prospects improved during the month of April in North Carolina but remained unchanged in the other spring producing States.

CABBAGE: Production in the five early spring States is now forecast at 58,900 tons, one-half of the 1950 production and 41 percent below the ten-year average. Yield prospects improved during April in Mississippi and South Carolina but remained unchanged in the other early spring States.

Prospective production of cabbage in the eight late spring States is 72,700 tons, 3 percent less than last year but 15 percent above the 1940-49 average of 63,200 tons. Development is later than usual in all late spring areas, but overall prospects for yields per acre are about equal to last year.

CANTALOUPS: Conditions on May 1 indicated a spring cantaloup crop of 4,443,000 crates, 14 percent more than the 3,892,000 crates produced during the 1950 spring season. This year's acreage is 6 to 7 percent larger than last year in California and Florida, and is nearly one-fourth larger than last year in the Yuma area of Arizona. Prospective yields are better than last year in California and Florida, while in Arizona prospective yields are better than average but not up to last year. Reports from the early summer producing areas indicate 16,550 acres this year, 9 percent less than the 18,100 acres in these areas last year, and 19 percent less than the preceding ten-year average. The acreage is down from last year in each of the summer producing States.

CARROTS: Spring production in California and Arizona is now indicated at 3,480,000 bushels, 5 percent more than was expected a month ago but still 19 percent less than last year and 16 percent less than average. These decreases in production result from the reduced acreage of spring carrots since yield prospects are equal to last year and above average in both States.

CAULIFLOWER: Early spring production in California is expected to total 2,765,000 crates, 16 percent less than last spring. There is only a negligible acreage of early spring cauliflower in Oregon this year, since adverse weather resulted in loss of most of the acreage planted. Present prospects indicate 200,000 crates of late spring cauliflower in Washington, compared with 252,000 crates last year and the ten-year average of 254,000 crates. Both acreage and prospective yield are down from last year and below average.

CELERY: Prospective spring production is now placed at 6,278,000 crates which is slightly below last spring's crop of 6,248,000 crates but 73 percent above the 1940-49 average of 3,637,000 crates. The present prospects are 14 percent above the April 1 forecast. In Florida the development of seed stalks was less severe than expected and yields are turning out better than was indicated by April 1 conditions. While yields are not expected to reach the high level of a year ago, they will be well above average. In California yields are holding up to earlier expectations and although slightly below those of last spring will also be well above average. Market supplies will all come from this spring crop until supplemented in late June by supplies from the summer crop areas.

CUCUMBERS: With improvement in Florida yields over earlier expectations, production of early spring cucumbers in Florida and Texas is now expected to total 1,663,000 bushels -- about two-thirds more than last year. An average yield of 175 bushels per acre is now indicated in Florida, compared with 125 bushels in 1950 and the ten-year average of 117 bushels. Excessive rains in

CUCUMBERS: (Cont'd.) April resulted in a reduction of 500 acres in the Florida acreage for harvest after April 1. The rains also stopped picking on many of the older fields in some sections. Considerable production is also being left unharvested because of market conditions. Yield prospects in Texas were reduced by cool weather and strong winds early in April, and Texas production now expected to be 21 percent less than in 1950. With a late start, the Texas marketing season is expected to be short.

Production of late spring cucumbers is forecast at 2,082,000 bushels, slightly less than last year but 14 percent above the 1940-49 average. Acreage for late spring harvest is 5 percent less than a year ago. Indicated yields per acre are above last year in North Carolina and South Carolina but generally poorer than a year ago in other States. Cold weather earlier in the season resulted in considerable replanting in most late spring areas.

EGGPLANT: Spring production in Florida is expected to total 270,000 bushels compared with 385,000 bushels last spring and the ten-year average spring production of 392,000 bushels. The acreage is down from last year and adverse weather during much of the growing season has resulted in relatively low yields.

GARLIC: Garlic production of 16,000 sacks (100 pounds) is now expected in the spring producing areas of Louisiana and Texas. In 1950, spring production totaled 18,000 sacks, while the preceding ten-year average production was 21,000 sacks.

HONEY BALL MELONS: Acreage has declined in the Imperial Valley of California during recent years and this spring it is placed at only 300 acres, less than one-third of the 1,000 acres grown in 1950 and less than one-fifth the 1940-49 average of 1,680 acres. The yield per acre is expected to be above both that of a year ago and average. The indicated production of 36,000 crates (jumbo-70 lbs.) compares with 115,000 crates harvested in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 166,000 crates.

HONEY DEW MELONS: A small acreage is again reported in Imperial County California--450 acres compared with the 1940-49 average of 2,550 acres. No acreage was reported in 1949 and 1950. With a good yield of 200 crates (H.D. Crt.-35 lbs.) expected this spring, production is indicated at 90,000 crates compared with the 1940-49 average of 470,000 crates.

LETTUCE: Early spring production is now estimated at 9,495,000 crates, less than indicated a month ago, but still slightly more than last year and substantially more than the 1940-49 average early spring production of 7,487,000 crates. Late spring production is indicated at 1,111,000 crates, compared with 1,236,000 last year and the ten-year average of 1,074,000 crates. Total spring production is virtually the same as last year but nearly one-fourth more than average.

ONIONS: Prospects for early spring onions in south Texas remained unchanged during April. The indicated production of 1,886,000 sacks (50 lb.) is less than half the 3,976,000 sacks produced last year and only half as large as the ten-year average crop. The indicated acreage and production by Districts follows:

ONIONS: (Cont'd.)

South Texas, Early Spring Onions

District	Acres for Harvest 1950	Acres for Harvest 1951	Yield per Acre 1950	Yield per Acre 1951	Production 1950	Production 1951 Preliminary
			- 50 lb. sacks -		- 1,000 sacks -	
Raymondville	15,000	1,000	40	55	600	55
Laredo	5,700	4,800	300	240	1,710	1,152
Coastal Bend	20,000	0	40	---	800	---
Winter Garden	1,900	1,600	225	220	428	352
Eagle Pass	1,400	1,400	240	220	336	308
Wilson-Karnes	1,200	200	60	40	72	8
Others	500	200	60	55	30	11
Total	45,700	9,200	87	205	3,976	1,886

Current prospects indicate a late spring crop of 4,659,000 sacks, 7 percent less than the 5,001,000 sacks produced last year, but substantially more than the preceding ten-year average of 3,087,000 sacks. This year's late spring acreage is sharply less than last year in California and Louisiana, about the same in Georgia, up slightly in Arizona, and more than double last year in Texas. Although the total acreage is 35 percent larger than last year, the shift in acreage from higher yielding irrigated areas to lower yielding non-irrigated areas is largely responsible for holding total production down to less than last year.

Early reports indicate 5,300 acres of onions in the early summer areas this year. This acreage, which is slightly less than the planting intentions reported in February, is 6 percent less than the 5,620 acres last year and 23 percent below the preceding ten-year average of 6,920 acres.

GREEN PEAS: Spring crop supplies in both early and late areas are expected to be lighter than in 1950. Prospective production in all spring producing areas is placed at 1,384,000 bushels, 19 percent below last spring's crop of 1,711,000 bushels and 46 percent below the 1940-49 average of 2,544,000 bushels. May 1 conditions indicate a crop of 924,000 bushels in the early spring areas compared with 1,175,000 bushels in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 1,848,000 bushels. In the late spring areas a crop of 460,000 bushels is indicated compared with 536,000 bushels in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 696,000 bushels.

GREEN PEPPERS: Prospective production for the spring crop in Florida is 18 percent above the April 1 forecast. The yield per acre is turning out better than indicated a month ago and is now expected to be only slightly below average. The present indicated production of 2,256,000 bushels is 3 percent above last spring's crop of 2,184,000 bushels and more than double the 1940-49 average of 1,006,000 bushels.

Acreage in the early summer crop States is reported to be 7,550 acres, 14 percent larger than the 6,600 acres grown in 1950 and 53 percent above the 1940-49 average of 4,920 acres. Growers in Mississippi and North Carolina have increased their acreages over 1950 by 56 and 15 percent, respectively. On the other hand, a decrease of 9 percent is reported in Louisiana. Acreage reported in all three States is above average.

COMMERCIAL EARLY IRISH POTATOES: Production for early spring harvest in Florida and the Texas Lower Valley is estimated at 3,637,000 bushels, compared with last year's crop of 3,459,000 bushels and the 1940-49 average of 3,384,000 bushels. Acreage in Texas was reduced drastically this year and the average yield of the crop now being dug is the lowest in that State. These low yields reflect damage from freezes that occurred during the growing season. On the other hand, Florida growers increased plantings in 1951 and near-record high yields are being dug. Movement of the Texas crop should be about completed the first week of May while digging of the Florida crop is expected to continue throughout the month.

A late spring potato crop of 29,947,000 bushels is indicated by May 1 condition. This prospective production is 32 percent smaller than the 1950 crop and 14 percent below average. The 111,300 acres for harvest in this group of States are 28 percent below the 1950 acreage and 36 percent below average. The 269 bushel yield indicated by May 1 condition has been exceeded only by the yields of the two preceding seasons. California has 44 percent of the late spring acreage in 1951, compared with 51 percent in 1950. This shift in acreage accounts for much of the decline in yield indicated for this group of States as yield prospects in the South are very good.

Acreage for summer harvest in Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Texas, Georgia, and New Jersey is estimated at 74,500 acres, compared with 92,100 acres in 1950 and the 1940-49 average of 123,760 acres. In each State, except the Texas Panhandle, acreage has been reduced this year. New Jersey growers have reduced acreage from 40,000 acres last year to 30,000 acres in 1951. A late season delayed planting particularly in the Central part of the country, but part of this lateness was overcome by the favorable weather of the last few days of April.

SPINACH: Spring production is now indicated at 2,992,000 bushels, 8 percent more than last year's spring crop of 2,758,000 bushels and about equal to the preceding ten-year average of 2,986,000 bushels. Although prospects improved during April in several States, fresh market production is expected to be less than reported a month ago because a much larger proportion of the Oklahoma crop is going for processing.

STRAWBERRIES: Conditions on May 1 indicate the largest crop in reported commercial areas since 1942 when 12,870,000 crates were produced. This year's crop is now expected to total 12,735,000 crates, 14 percent above last year's crop of 11,169,000 crates and 44 percent above the 1940-49 average production of 8,864,000 crates. These estimates include production used for processing. The winter crop in Florida is over. In the spring producing areas the early crop shows a slight improvement over a month ago and is now placed at 1,344,000 crates, 11 percent above last spring's early crop of 1,208,000 crates. In the mid-spring areas the average yield is running higher than indicated on April 1 and prospective production is placed at 5,931,000 crates, 30 percent above the 1950 mid-spring crop of 4,564,000 crates.

The late spring areas are expected to have a production only 2 percent above last spring's late crop of 4,965,000 crates but 41 percent above the 1940-49 average of 3,602,000 crates. This is the first forecast for the late areas and conditions may show considerable change during the next month. While the present indicated yield is about average, it is below the yield of a year ago.

TOMATOES: Indicated production of early spring tomatoes in Florida, Texas and California declined about 10 percent from the April forecast and is now expected to total 5,640,000 bushels. This is 12 percent less than the 1950 production but 12 percent above the ten-year average. Heavy rains around mid-April reduced yield prospects in most sections of Florida. Due to delayed development, the marketing season for the Texas early spring crop is expected to be short with below average yields per acre.

Late spring tomato acreage is being increased 18 percent over the light acreage for harvest in 1950. Yields per acre are expected to average better than last year in most late spring areas, resulting in 1951 production of 3,651,000 bushels, 31 percent more than the short 1950 crop and nearly up to the ten-year average.

WATERMELONS: Present prospects indicate a production of 25,050,000 melons in the late spring areas of California and Florida, just slightly less than last year but double the ten-year average. The Florida acreage is sharply less than last year. The resulting cut in production was nearly offset by increased production in California where acreage is larger and yields are expected to be better than last year. Preliminary reports indicate 183,000 acres in the early summer producing States, 2 percent less than the planting intentions as reported in March, and 6 percent less than last year's 194,100 acres. In Georgia, adverse weather during the planting season restricted plantings to 80 percent of the March intentions, and the Oklahoma acreage is 14 percent less than expected in March. In contrast growers in Texas, North Carolina, Mississippi and Arkansas planted more watermelons than were intended in March.

TRUCK CROPS FOR FRESH MARKET TC-51: 502 May 10, 1951

Indicated Acreage and Production Reported to Date for 1951 with Comparisons

Seasonal Group and Crop	ACREAGE: 10-year av. 2/ 1940-49	ACREAGE: 1950	ACREAGE: Indicated 1951 Acres	ACREAGE: Indicated 1951 % of av.	ACREAGE: Indicated 1951 % of '50	PRODUCTION (Equiv. Tons) 1/: 10-year av. 2/ 1940-49	PRODUCTION: 1950	PRODUCTION: Indicated 1951 Tons	PRODUCTION: Indicated 1951 % of av.	PRODUCTION: Indicated 1951 % of '50
	Acres	Acres		%	%	Tons	Tons		%	%
WINTER 3/ 4/	277,280	307,250	274,800	99	89	1295,100	1639,200	1382,300	107	84
Early Spring:										
Asparagus 5/	85,350	83,100	82,300	96	99	99,000	108,900	105,700	107	97
Snap Beans	23,560	24,500	23,000	98	94	30,500	34,000	34,400	113	101
Cabbage	20,750	20,700	11,300	54	55	99,800	114,500	58,900	59	51
Cauliflower	9,410	8,300	7,900	84	95	57,800	60,900	51,200	89	84
Cucumbers	10,280	10,300	11,200	109	109	24,300	24,000	39,900	164	166
Lettuce	53,280	57,300	57,500	108	100	262,100	327,100	332,300	127	102
Onions	41,560	45,700	9,200	22	20	93,600	99,400	47,200	50	47
Green Peas	21,510	9,680	7,950	37	82	27,700	17,600	13,900	50	79
Tomatoes	54,170	55,600	52,800	97	95	133,000	169,000	149,500	112	88
Mid-Spring:										
Snap Beans	25,540	21,000	20,000	78	95	32,200	33,400	31,600	98	95
Late Spring:										
Asparagus 5/	44,030	49,580	50,660	115	102	63,300	61,200	68,600	108	112
Snap Beans	10,440	10,100	8,600	82	85	10,800	11,100	9,800	91	88
Cabbage 3/	10,490	12,670	12,150	116	96	63,200	75,200	72,700	115	97
Cauliflower	590	600	500	85	83	4,700	4,700	3,700	79	79
Cucumbers	16,570	19,600	18,650	113	95	43,700	51,300	50,000	114	97
Lettuce	5,300	5,550	5,100	96	92	37,600	43,300	38,900	103	90
Onions	19,300	17,700	23,900	124	135	77,200	125,000	116,500	151	93
Green Peas	5,120	3,020	3,000	59	99	10,400	8,000	6,900	66	86
Tomatoes	51,740	43,200	51,100	99	118	100,400	73,700	96,800	96	131
Watermelons	40,160	76,500	69,400	173	91	156,900	320,900	313,100	200	98
Spring: 6/										
Asparagus 5/	129,390	132,680	132,960	103	100	162,300	170,100	174,300	107	102
Lima Beans	7,260	4,350	3,300	45	76	7,300	5,400	3,800	52	70
Snap Beans	59,540	55,600	51,600	87	93	73,500	78,500	75,800	103	97
Beets	1,410	1,130	1,000	71	88	6,700	6,700	6,300	94	94
Cabbage 3/	31,240	33,370	23,450	75	70	163,000	189,700	131,600	81	69
Cantaloups	20,340	28,600	32,200	158	113	77,500	136,200	155,500	201	114
Carrots	9,910	8,300	6,800	69	82	103,300	107,200	87,000	84	81
Cauliflower	10,000	8,900	8,400	84	94	62,500	65,600	54,900	88	84
Celery	5,540	5,950	6,650	120	112	118,200	203,000	204,000	173	100
Cucumbers	26,860	29,900	29,850	111	100	68,000	75,300	89,900	132	119
Eggplant	1,260	1,150	900	71	78	6,500	6,400	4,500	69	70
Honey Balls	1,680	1,000	300	18	30	5,800	4,000	1,300	22	32
Honey Dews	2,550	---	450	18		8,200	---	1,600	20	
Lettuce	58,580	62,850	62,600	107	100	299,700	370,400	371,200	124	100
Onions	60,850	63,400	33,100	54	52	170,800	224,400	163,700	96	73
Green Peas	26,630	12,700	10,950	41	86	38,100	25,600	20,800	55	81
Green Peppers	4,400	9,100	9,600	218	105	12,600	27,300	28,200	224	103
Shallots	2,060	1,900	1,700	83	89	2,700	2,600	2,100	78	81
Spinach	10,090	9,150	9,600	95	105	26,900	24,800	26,900	100	108
Tomatoes	105,910	98,800	103,900	98	105	233,400	242,700	246,300	106	101
Watermelons	40,160	76,500	69,400	173	91	156,900	320,900	313,100	200	98
Total	615,670	645,330	598,710	97	93	1803,900	2286,800	2162,800	120	95

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Indicated Acreage and Production Reported to Date for 1951 with Comparisons

Seasonal Group and Crop	ACREAGE: 10-year av. 2/ 1940-49	1950	Indicated 1951			PRODUCTION (Equiv. Tons) 1/: 10-year av. 2/ 1940-49	1950	Indicated 1951		
			Acres	%of av.	%of '50			Tons	%of av.	%of '50
	Acres	Acres	Acres	%	%	Tons	Tons	Tons	%	%
Early Summer:			Prospective							
Cabbage 3/	12,680	13,120	13,400	106	102					
			Prelim.							
Cantaloups	20,520	18,100	16,550	81	91					
Onions	6,920	5,620	5,300	77	94					
Gr. Peppers	4,920	6,600	7,550	153	114					
Watermelons	186,750	194,100	183,000	98	94					
			Prospective							
Late Summer:										
Cabbage 3/	19,640	18,520	17,550	89	95					
Onions	62,610	65,090	66,600	106	102					
Watermelons	22,780	20,370	19,620	86	96					
Total to date										
Acreage	336,820	341,520	329,570	98	97					
Total Summer	725,550	716,240								
Early Fall:										
Cabbage 3/										
Domestic	30,010	32,420	30,900	103	95					
Danish	31,590	29,550	27,300	86	92					
Total Fall	262,420	260,200								
REPORTED TO DATE FOR 1951 WITH COMPARISONS 3/ 5/										
Acreage & Prod.	892,750	952,580	873,510	98	92	3099,000	3926,000	3545,100	114	90
Acreage	1291,170	1356,070	1261,280	98	93					
TOTALS FOR PAST SEASONS 3/ 5/										
Annual Total	1880,910	1929,020				7985,900	9364,000			

1/ Equivalent tons based on approximate net weight of unit used in estimating yield and production.

2/ For seasonal groups and annual total, averages are of the yearly totals, not the sum of the "crop" averages.

3/ Includes cabbage used for sauerkraut.

4/ From previous releases.

5/ Includes asparagus used for processing

6/ Includes crops for which seasonal sub-groups (early, mid and late) are not made.

Indicated Acreage and Production Reported to Date for 1951 with Comparisons

CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
ASPARAGUS: 2/	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Crates 30 lb. -			- 1,000 Crates -		
Early Spring 3/:	85,350	83,100	82,300	78	87	86	6,598	7,262	7,044
Late Spring:									
Maryland	2,060	1,400	1,400	95	66	100	197	93	140
Delaware	1,630	1,400	1,400	87	66	90	142	92	126
New Jersey ...	22,150	26,000	27,000	108	88	95	2,399	2,277	2,565
Pennsylvania	2,260	1,850	1,500	84	65	85	189	120	128
Massachusetts	1,750	1,550	1,600	64	72	70	113	112	112
Michigan	4,500	6,200	6,400	90	95	90	408	590	576
Illinois	8,040	8,700	9,100	83	75	85	665	652	774
Iowa	860	860	860	72	71	70	61	61	60
Other States 2/	780	1,620	1,400	65	49	67	54	79	94
Group total	44,030	49,580	50,660	96	82	90	4,225	4,076	4,575
All States	129,390	132,680	132,960	84	85	87	10,823	11,338	11,619
LIMA BEANS:				- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/:	1,920	950	1,200	68	105	50	116	100	60
Spring:									
Florida	3,040	2,050	1,500	79	95	90	237	195	135
Georgia	1,790	1,200	900	57	65	55	98	78	50
South Carolina	2,430	1,100	900	54	60	60	121	66	54
Group total	7,260	4,350	3,300	66	78	72	456	339	239
Total above	9,180	5,300	4,500	66	83	66	572	439	299
All States	18,460	13,000		78	101		1,394	1,312	
SNAP BEANS:									
Winter 3/	28,380	32,600	37,000	84	95	80	2,426	3,097	2,960
Early Spring:									
Texas	5,010	4,500	3,000	62	60	65	316	270	195
Florida	18,550	20,000	20,000	94	100	105	1,719	2,000	2,100
Group total	23,560	24,500	23,000	87	93	100	2,035	2,270	2,295
Mid-Spring:									
California ...	4,780	4,000	4,300	160	255	225	746	1,020	968
Louisiana	6,330	4,400	3,500	65	75	65	408	330	228
Mississippi ..	3,280	3,000	3,200	75	85	85	241	255	272
Alabama	1,640	1,700	1,700	66	65	70	110	110	119
Georgia	3,530	2,900	2,600	60	55	55	208	160	143
South Carolina	5,970	5,000	4,700	73	70	80	432	350	376
Group total	25,540	21,000	20,000	85	106	105	2,145	2,225	2,106
Late Spring:									
North Carolina	5,570	6,600	5,600	72	70	75	392	462	420
Arkansas	2,080	1,500	1,200	65	70	60	132	105	72
Tennessee	280	---	---	52	---	---	15	---	---
Virginia	2,520	2,000	1,800	70	85	90	177	170	162
Group total	10,440	10,100	8,600	69	73	76	717	737	654
Total above	87,920	88,200	88,600	83	94	90	7,323	8,329	8,015
All States	176,490	164,300		97	101		17,109	16,611	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
BEETS:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	7,560	7,500	4,000	141	145	115	1,069	1,088	460
Spring:									
Louisiana	630	250	100	106	120	80	69	30	8
South Carolina	370	450	440	240	250	260	89	112	114
North Carolina	230	330	360	194	215	240	45	71	86
Virginia	180	100	100	323	450	350	56	45	35
Group total	1,410	1,130	1,000	184	228	243	259	258	243
Total above	8,970	8,630	5,000	148	156	141	1,328	1,346	703
All States	11,630	10,830		183	188		2,125	2,035	
CABBAGE: 4/				- Tons -			- Tons -		
Winter 3/.....	61,450	60,900	42,700	6.30	7.16	7.20	391,500	436,100	307,400
Early Spring:									
Louisiana	6,090	5,200	1,500	4.2	5.0	3.5	25,700	26,000	5,200
Mississippi ...	6,800	5,500	3,800	4.6	5.4	5.5	31,400	29,700	20,900
Alabama	1,450	1,400	500	5.1	6.0	4.0	7,400	8,400	2,000
Georgia, south	4,930	6,800	4,000	5.3	5.5	4.5	26,300	37,400	18,000
South Carolina	1,480	1,800	1,500	6.2	7.2	8.5	9,000	13,000	12,800
Group total	20,750	20,700	11,300	4.79	5.53	5.21	99,800	114,500	58,900
Late Spring:									
North Carolina	1,660	2,600	2,600	5.1	5.5	6.5	8,600	14,300	16,900
Virginia	1,640	2,100	2,400	5.4	5.5	6.5	9,100	11,600	15,600
Maryland	1,480	1,400	1,300	4.7	5.0	5.0	7,000	7,000	6,500
Tennessee	3,260	4,200	3,500	6.8	6.9	6.0	23,000	29,000	21,000
Kentucky	280	250	200	6.6	4.8	4.5	1,900	1,200	900
Ohio, S.E.	500	470	450	9.4	8.0	8.5	4,700	3,800	3,800
Missouri	1,110	1,100	1,100	5.2	4.1	4.0	5,700	4,500	4,400
Washington	550	550	600	5.9	7.0	6.0	3,200	3,800	3,600
Group total	10,490	12,670	12,150	5.96	5.93	5.98	63,200	75,200	72,700
Total above	92,690	94,270	66,150	5.93	6.64	6.64	554,500	625,800	439,000
			Prospective						
Early Summer 3/	12,680	13,120	13,400	6.61	7.52		83,500	98,600	June 11
Late Summer 3/	19,640	18,520	17,550	8.01	10.22		156,500	189,200	July 10
Early Fall:									
Domestic 3/ ...	30,010	32,420	30,900	9.11	12.71		273,100	412,100	Aug. 10
Danish 3/	31,590	29,550	27,300	9.51	12.90		300,800	381,100	Sept. 11
Total above	186,600	187,880	155,300	7.32	9.08		1,368,300	1,706,800	
All States	192,300	194,230		7.30	9.01		1,404,800	1,750,100	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
CANTALOUPS:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Crts. Jumbo (70lb.)			- 1,000 crates -		
Spring:									
California ...	16,510	15,800	16,700	113	140	155	1,825	2,212	2,588
Florida	700	1,400	1,500	54	60	70	38	84	105
Arizona, Yuma	5/10,470	11,400	14,000	5/113	140	125	5/1,173	1,596	1,750
Group total	20,340	28,600	32,200	111	136	138	2,214	3,892	4,443
Early Summer:									
Nevada	30	200	150	138	150		5	30	June 11
Georgia	4,850	3,600	2,900	62	65		275	234	
South Carolina	3,600	3,300	3,000	52	40		184	132	
Arizona, other	12,040	11,000	10,500	115	155		1,374	1,705	
Group total	20,520	18,100	16,550	91	116		1,837	2,101	
Total above	40,860	46,700	48,750	101	128		4,051	5,993	
All States	108,520	118,010		99	111		10,712	13,050	
CARROTS:				- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	31,020	38,050	32,850	246	247	238	7,636	9,387	7,832
Spring:									
California ...	6,550	4,600	3,500	433	570	570	2,814	2,622	1,995
Arizona	3,360	3,700	3,300	410	450	450	1,317	1,665	1,485
Group total	9,910	8,300	6,800	421	517	512	4,131	4,287	3,480
Total above	40,930	46,350	39,650	288	295	285	11,767	13,674	11,312
All States	72,860	76,760		336	362		24,599	27,777	
CAULIFLOWER:				- Crates 1½ bu.-			- 1,000 crates -		
Winter 3/	10,600	11,000	10,200	285	341	316	3,002	3,746	3,224
Early Spring:									
California ...	9,210	8,200	7,900	332	400	350	3,091	3,280	2,765
Oregon	200	100	---	158	150	---	33	15	---
Group total	9,410	8,300	7,900	328	397	350	3,124	3,295	2,765
Late Spring 3/	590	600	500	432	420	400	254	252	200
Total above	20,600	19,900	18,600	309	366	333	6,380	7,293	6,189
All States	34,780	34,700		306	378		10,708	13,130	
CELERY:				- Crates ½ size -			- 1,000 crates -		
Winter 3/	8,810	9,750	9,400	568	734	661	4,986	7,153	6,218
Spring:									
Florida	3,820	3,650	4,350	460	735	650	1,757	2,683	2,828
California ...	1,720	2,300	2,300	1,055	1,550	1,500	1,880	3,565	3,450
Group total	5,540	5,950	6,650	645	1,050	944	3,637	6,248	6,278
Total above	14,350	15,700	16,050	598	854	779	8,623	13,401	12,496
All States	41,380	35,650		480	706		19,826	25,186	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE 10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	ACREAGE 1950	ACREAGE Ind. 1951	YIELD PER ACRE 10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	YIELD PER ACRE 1950	YIELD PER ACRE Ind. 1951	PRODUCTION 10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	PRODUCTION 1950	PRODUCTION Ind. 1951
CUCUMBERS:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	5/880	2,600	700	5/119	210	100	5/115	546	70
Early Spring:									
Florida	6,680	7,100	9,000	117	125	175	799	888	1,575
Texas	3,610	3,200	2,200	57	35	40	213	112	88
Group total	10,280	10,300	11,200	97	97	148	1,012	1,000	1,663
Late Spring:									
Louisiana	730	600	550	90	100	100	66	60	55
Alabama	1,290	1,500	1,300	137	115	100	173	172	130
Georgia	1,130	1,000	800	83	70	65	93	70	52
South Carolina	5,280	5,700	5,200	87	85	95	465	484	494
North Carolina	5,160	6,900	6,900	76	70	80	391	483	552
Arkansas	1,000	1,200	1,100	105	95	90	107	114	99
California	1,980	2,700	2,800	266	280	250	524	756	700
Group total	16,570	19,600	18,650	110	109	112	1,820	2,139	2,082
Total above	27,290	32,500	30,550	105	113	125	2,890	3,685	3,815
All States	48,150	53,480		114	126		5,520	6,712	
EGGPLANT:									
Winter 3/	600	900	600	349	400	275	215	360	165
Spring:									
Florida	1,260	1,150	900	313	335	300	392	385	270
Total above	1,860	2,050	1,500	325	363	290	607	745	435
All States	5,450	5,200		232	266		1,276	1,385	
GARLIC:				- Sacks 100 lb. -			- 1,000 sacks -		
Spring:									
Louisiana	900	750	700	13.2	13.5	12.5	12	10	9
Texas	620	700	500	15.8	12.0	14.0	9	8	7
Group total	1,520	1,450	1,200	14.0	12.4	13.3	21	18	16
Summer 3/	2,220	2,250	1,900	64.0	75.0		142	169	July 10
Total 3 States	3,740	3,700	3,100	43.6	50.5		163	187	
HONEY BALL MELONS:				- Crts. (Jumbo) -			- 1,000 crates -		
Spring:									
California	1,680	1,000	300	106	115	120	166	115	36
All States	1,870	1,000		108	115		190	115	
HONEY DEW MELONS:				- Crts. (Std.H.D.35 lb.)					
Spring:									
California ...	2,550	---	450	192	---	200	470	---	90
All States	13,140	8,800		244	302		3,128	2,662	

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LETTUCE:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Crts. 4-6 doz.-			- 1,000 crates -		
Winter 3/	45,080	76,100	73,800	166	143	157	7,518	10,858	11,553
Early Spring:									
Arizona	21,440	23,600	23,000	158	163	170	3,357	3,847	3,910
California ...	28,780	31,100	31,300	137	170	165	3,819	5,287	5,164
Florida	280	---	---	109	---	---	30	---	---
Georgia	460	600	800	88	100	110	42	60	88
South Carolina	940	700	900	112	100	120	103	70	108
North Carolina	1,380	1,300	1,500	100	63	150	135	82	225
Group total	53,280	57,300	57,500	142	163	165	7,487	9,346	9,495
Late Spring:									
Virginia	110	---	---	72	---	---	8	---	---
New Jersey ...	1,900	2,900	3,000	244	225	230	461	652	690
Pennsylvania .	370	350	300	150	140	150	55	49	45
Idaho	700	400	100	146	100	100	102	40	10
Oregon	780	200	200	140	180	180	110	36	36
Washington ...	1,440	1,700	1,500	234	270	220	339	459	330
Group total	5,300	5,550	5,100	203	223	218	1,074	1,236	1,111
Total above	103,660	138,950	136,400	156	154	162	16,079	21,440	22,159
All States	173,250	223,850		165	165		28,723	37,002	
ONIONS:				- Sacks 50 lb. -			- 1,000 sacks -		
Early Spring:									
Texas	41,560	45,700	9,200	94	87	205	3,746	3,976	1,886
Late Spring:									
California ...	3,120	6,800	5,000	444	530	490	1,484	3,604	2,450
Arizona	5/ 880	1,100	1,200	5/ 399	600	600	5/ 284	660	720
Louisiana	1,670	1,200	900	96	95	90	161	114	81
Texas	12,740	7,800	16,000	86	65	80	1,076	507	1,280
Georgia	1,160	800	800	139	145	160	167	116	128
Group total	19,300	17,700	23,900	164	283	195	3,087	5,001	4,659
Total above	60,850	63,400	33,100	113	142	198	6,833	8,977	6,545
Early Summer:									
California ...	1,000	---	---	534	---		541	---	June 11
New Mexico ...	5/ 830	1,200	800	5/ 354	280		5/ 266	336	
Washington ...	590	600	650	502	570		296	342	
Iowa	410	320	300	338	350		136	112	
Oklahoma	1,120	250	300	88	90		98	22	
Kentucky	80	---	---	221	---		19	---	
Virginia	570	350	350	147	170		79	60	
New Jersey ...	2,570	2,900	2,900	257	290		664	841	
Group total	6,920	5,620	5,300	293	305		2,019	1,713	
Late Summer: 3/	62,610	65,090	Prospective 66,600	462	517		29,040	33,623	Aug. 10
All States	130,380	134,110	105,000	292	330		37,892	44,313	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
GREEN PEAS:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	11,570	2,500	2,350	62	60	81	776	151	191
Early Spring:									
California.....	16,440	8,500	7,000	99	130	120	1,572	1,105	840
Mississippi ...	740	100	100	54	50	60	42	5	6
Georgia	1,090	---	---	50	---	---	56	---	---
South Carolina	1,980	900	600	54	65	100	105	58	60
North Carolina	860	180	250	56	40	70	48	7	18
Virginia	410	---	---	58	---	---	25	---	---
Group total	21,510	9,680	7,950	90	121	116	1,748	1,175	924
Late Spring:									
Maryland	90	---	---	62	---	---	6	---	---
New Jersey ...	1,110	200	200	64	55	60	76	11	12
Idaho	1,800	1,000	1,100	126	160	135	227	160	148
Washington ...	1,600	1,450	1,200	206	220	190	330	319	228
Nevada	5/ 20	---	---	5/ 183	---	---	5/ 3	---	---
New Mexico ...	5/ 180	170	100	5/ 90	135	125	5/ 14	23	12
Oregon	5/ 690	200	400	5/ 141	115	150	5/ 95	23	60
Group total	5,120	3,020	3,000	138	177	153	696	536	460
Total above	38,200	15,200	13,300	88	122	118	3,320	1,862	1,575
All States	63,010	23,850		92	113		5,749	2,706	
GREEN PEPPERS:									
Winter 3/	3,000	4,400	3,000	318	380	250	986	1,672	750
Spring:									
Florida	4,400	9,100	9,600	239	240	235	1,006	2,184	2,256
Total above ...	7,400	13,500	12,600	271	286	239	1,992	3,856	3,006
Early Summer:									
Louisiana	1,440	1,700	1,550	179	145		256	246	June 11
Mississippi ..	580	900	1,400	135	67		74	60	
Georgia	10	---	---	150	---		2	---	
North Carolina	2,840	4,000	4,600	146	125		408	500	
South Carolina	60	---	---	131	---		9	---	
Group total	4,920	6,600	7,550	154	122		749	806	
Total above	12,320	20,100	20,150	224	232		2,741	4,662	
All States	27,750	37,900		221	233		6,141	8,831	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
COMMERCIAL EARLY IRISH POTATOES:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	11,340	11,000	8,900	152	229	212	1,693	2,522	1,886
Early Spring:									
Florida	16,410	13,800	14,600	152	223	240	2,440	3,074	3,507
Hastings ..	11,580	11,200	12,400	163	235	250	1,862	2,632	3,100
Other	4,830	2,600	2,200	123	170	185	578	442	407
Texas, L. Vy.	10,460	7,000	2,600	91	55	50	944	385	130
Group total	26,870	20,800	17,200	128	166	211	3,384	3,459	3,637
Late Spring:									
California ..	58,500	78,000	49,000	357	400	410	21,549	31,200	20,090
Louisiana ...	21,350	9,000	7,800	69	85	75	1,468	765	585
Mississippi	3,180	700	600	86	90	100	276	63	60
Alabama	23,180	17,500	18,500	119	155	165	2,689	2,712	3,052
Georgia	2,560	1,200	1,000	111	100	135	263	120	135
South Carolina	12,600	7,500	7,500	137	150	175	1,701	1,125	1,312
Texas	7,980	6,700	5,000	69	75	70	545	502	350
Oklahoma	2,830	1,200	900	95	220	185	262	264	166
Arkansas	5,100	2,500	1,900	90	100	100	452	250	190
Tennessee ...	4,780	3,600	2,900	114	140	125	542	504	362
North Carolina	32,550	25,700	16,200	162	250	225	5,211	6,425	3,645
Group total	174,610	153,600	111,300	202	286	269	34,957	43,930	29,947
Total above	212,820	185,400	137,400	190	269	258	40,034	49,911	35,470
Summer:									
Virginia	36,850	31,000	26,000	166	225		6,042	6,976	June 11
Norfolk ...	7,950	6,000	5,000	173	220		1,365	1,320	
Eastern Shore	27,670	24,300	20,400	165	227		4,503	5,516	
Other	1,230	700	600	149	200		173	140	
Maryland	5,760	4,900	4,000	142	150		816	735	
Kentucky	3,870	2,800	2,300	136	150		520	420	
Missouri	3,700	1,900	1,600	176	280		648	532	
Kansas	5,560	2,800	2,600	161	200		875	560	
Nebraska	5,200	3,100	2,300	238	290		1,218	899	
Texas	7,710	4,300	4,600	219	235		1,663	1,010	
Georgia	1,790	1,300	1,100	106	110		189	143	
New Jersey ..	53,320	40,000	30,000	193	310		10,248	12,400	
Group total	123,760	92,100	74,500	181	257		22,218	23,675	
All States	336,580	277,500	211,900	187	265		62,253	73,586	

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SPINACH:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	41,160	30,000	26,400	158	134	161	6,511	4,020	4,093
Spring:									
Washington	640	600	600	472	600	450	311	360	270
Virginia	2,060	1,150	1,300	322	450	400	662	518	520
Maryland	660	400	350	230	250	275	148	100	96
Missouri	870	700	700	237	250	250	203	175	175
Arkansas	560	550	750	176	190	200	97	104	150
Oklahoma	650	1,400	900	167	165	200	112	231	180
New Jersey	1,710	1,700	1,700	362	365	370	620	620	629
Pennsylvania ..	2,200	2,100	2,700	302	260	320	671	546	864
Illinois	740	550	600	218	190	180	160	104	108
Group total	10,090	9,150	9,600	297	301	312	2,986	2,758	2,992
Total above	51,250	39,150	35,000	185	173	202	9,497	6,778	7,085
All States	65,600	52,850		208	200		13,660	10,642	
STRAWBERRIES: 6/				- Crates 24 qt. -			- 1,000 crates -		
Winter 3/	3,950	5,400	6,500	66	80	60	258	432	390
Early Spring:									
Louisiana	18,350	22,000	24,000	51	31	30	931	682	720
Alabama	2,430	2,200	2,200	74	60	80	183	132	176
Texas	1,060	700	600	52	60	60	56	42	36
Calif., S. Dist.	1,310	1,500	1,650	162	235	250	223	352	412
Group total	23,150	26,400	28,450	59.1	45.8	47.2	1,393	1,208	1,344
Mid-Spring:									
Mississippi ...	100	---	---	66	---	---	7	---	---
Georgia	20	---	---	60	---	---	1	---	---
South Carolina	280	400	450	88	65	95	24	26	43
North Carolina	3,540	2,300	2,200	83	63	100	314	145	220
Tennessee	8,270	7,000	8,500	70	70	100	586	490	850
Arkansas	12,460	14,000	18,200	56	57	65	748	798	1,183
Oklahoma	960	2,300	2,700	71	90	90	72	207	243
Kansas	1,390	2,100	2,200	46	70	45	65	147	99
Missouri	4,380	5,300	5,800	54	70	75	236	371	435
Illinois	3,300	2,600	3,000	54	50	65	182	130	195
Kentucky	5,090	5,300	6,000	61	60	65	316	318	390
Virginia	5,300	5,100	5,300	65	47	95	333	240	504
Maryland	3,800	3,000	3,900	57	60	75	228	180	292
Delaware	1,440	900	1,100	53	55	70	84	50	77
Calif., other	2,100	3,400	3,500	207	430	400	415	1,462	1,400
Group total	52,440	53,700	62,850	67.9	85.0	94.4	3,611	4,564	5,931

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
STRAWBERRIES, Con't.	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Crates 24 qt. -			- 1,000 crates -		
Late Spring:									
New Jersey	3,190	3,300	3,500	58	70	80	188	231	280
Pennsylvania ..	2,440	1,900	1,800	68	65	70	168	124	126
Ohio	2,780	1,900	2,000	80	80	75	234	152	150
Indiana	1,990	2,800	3,800	76	75	85	153	210	323
New York	3,800	3,900	4,300	82	90	90	312	351	387
Michigan	7,670	12,600	13,000	90	120	90	703	1,512	1,170
Wisconsin	2,060	2,700	3,100	82	90	90	168	243	279
Iowa	1,040	900	900	52	65	55	54	58	50
Utah	890	800	750	64	40	60	57	32	45
Washington	5,570	7,200	10,000	109	110	90	614	792	900
Oregon	10,420	14,000	17,000	89	90	80	949	1,260	1,360
Group total	41,860	52,000	60,150	84.6	95.5	84.3	3,602	4,965	5,070
All States	121,400	137,500	157,950	71.8	81.2	80.6	8,864	11,169	12,735
TOMATOES:				- Bushels -			- 1,000 bushels -		
Winter 3/	11,080	14,700	15,000	137	215	125	1,522	3,160	1,875
Early Spring:									
Florida	13,660	17,000	21,000	115	175	150	1,591	2,975	3,150
Texas, L. Vy.	35,830	35,000	28,000	72	70	55	2,618	2,450	1,540
California	4,680	3,600	3,800	174	265	250	809	954	950
Group total	54,170	55,600	52,800	94	115	107	5,018	6,379	5,640
Late Spring:									
Texas, other	31,610	26,500	33,000	72	62	70	2,283	1,643	2,310
Louisiana	2,500	1,500	1,200	67	65	60	170	98	72
Mississippi ...	4,660	1,000	1,100	79	10	60	376	10	66
South Carolina	4,150	4,300	5,000	62	60	65	254	258	325
Georgia	5,540	5,700	6,800	78	80	85	435	456	578
Alabama	3,280	4,200	4,000	84	75	75	270	315	300
Group total	51,740	43,200	51,100	73	64	71	3,787	2,780	3,651
Total above ..	116,990	113,500	118,900	89	109	94	10,327	12,319	11,166
All States	239,180	234,050		122	134		29,075	31,405	

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CROP AND STATE	ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YR. AV. 40-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951	10-YEAR AVERAGE 1940-49 1/	1950	Ind. 1951
WATERMELONS:	ACRES	ACRES	ACRES Prelim.	- Melons			- 1,000 melons -		
Late Spring:									
California ...	5,560	8,500	9,400	558	620	750	3,134	5,270	7,050
Florida	34,600	68,000	60,000	282	300	300	9,422	20,400	18,000
Group total	40,160	76,500	69,400	322	336	361	12,555	25,670	25,050
Early Summer:									
California ...	8,990	11,000	9,300	722	615		6,480	6,765	June 11
Arizona	3,160	4,700	3,500	562	790		1,767	3,713	
Texas	55,160	56,000	61,000	162	150		9,087	8,400	
Louisiana	3,340	2,100	1,800	272	270		903	567	
Mississippi ...	4,650	4,500	4,900	240	280		1,111	1,260	
Alabama	6,300	7,200	6,800	312	300		1,932	2,160	
Georgia	47,700	50,000	40,000	288	275		13,462	13,750	
South Carolina	24,600	30,000	26,000	220	180		5,358	5,400	
North Carolina	9,840	11,100	10,500	232	200		2,268	2,220	
Arkansas	3,660	4,000	4,400	284	285		1,041	1,140	
Oklahoma	12,530	10,000	12,000	221	150		2,767	1,500	
Missouri	6,820	3,500	2,800	286	280		1,948	980	
Group total	186,750	194,100	183,000	261	247		48,122	47,855	
			Prospective						
Late Summer 3/	22,780	20,370	19,620	432	390		9,776	7,935	July 10
All States	249,690	290,970	272,020	286	280		70,454	81,460	

1/ For "group totals" and for "all States", averages of the annual totals, not the sum of the State or group averages.

2/ Includes asparagus for processing. "Other States" for late spring are Indiana, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Utah, Wisconsin, Arkansas, Missouri, and Idaho.

3/ Data are from previous releases.

4/ Includes cabbage used for sauerkraut.

5/ Cantaloups, spring, Arizona, Yuma, 3-year 1947-49 (Included in early summer crop prior to 1947). Cucumbers, winter, 5-year 1945-49; onions, late spring, Arizona, 7-year, 1943-49; early summer, New Mexico, 7-year, 1943-49; green peas, late spring, Nevada, New Mexico, and Oregon, 5-year, 1945-49.

6/ Includes strawberries used for processing.

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GREEN LIMA BEANS FOR PROCESSING

PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS 1951, with Comparisons

An increase of nearly 16 percent over 1950 in the planted acreage of lima beans for processing is indicated for 1951, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This increase over last year's planting is indicated by reports received from processors in late April and early May giving information on the acreage they intend to contract and plant in 1951. The indicated State acreages for 1951 are interpretations of these reports from processors, based on past relationships between such reports and the acreage actually planted.

If these early-season prospects materialize, the 1951 plantings for canning, freezing and other processing will total 115,450 acres. This compares with 99,790 acres planted in 1950 and 1940-49 average plantings of 75,390 acres.

Assuming a loss in plantings of about 8 percent, in line with recent years, a planted acreage of 115,450 acres of processing lima beans would result in about 106,000 acres for harvest. This would be about 12 percent more than the 94,410 acres harvested in 1950 and 52 percent above the 1940-49 average harvested acreage of 69,630 acres.

The purpose of this report is to assist growers and processors generally in making such further changes in their 1951 acreage plans as may appear desirable. The acreage actually planted in 1951 may turn out to be larger or smaller than indicated, by reason of weather conditions, price changes, labor supply, financial conditions and the effect of this report itself on processors' actions. The following table shows the acreages in prospect at the present time.

PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS: 1951, with Comparisons

STATE	PLANTED ACREAGES				
	10-year average 1940-49	1950 revised	1951 indicated	As percent of planted: 10-year average 1940-49	As percent of planted: 1950
	Acres		Acres	Percent	
New York	1,290	3,600	4,800	372	133
Pennsylvania	2,950	3,500	3,600	122	103
Ohio	1,210	680	800	66	118
Michigan	3,070	2,780	3,000	98	108
Wisconsin	4,080	5,730	7,200	176	126
Delaware	14,320	21,000	24,600	172	117
Maryland	4,220	5,900	5,000	118	85
Virginia	4,470	4,300	4,200	94	98
Washington	1,010	2,000	2,400	238	120
California	8,860	20,100	25,100	283	125
Other States 1/ ..	29,910	30,200	34,750	116	115
U. S. TOTAL	75,390	99,790	115,450	153.1	115.7

1/ Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, and Utah.