

BUSH BERRIES
INDICATED 1967 ACREAGE

April 14, 1967

A total of 18,450 acres of bush berries (for which estimates are made) will be harvested in Washington and Oregon during 1967. This is 2 percent less than the acreage harvested in 1966 but 19 percent above average. Less acreage is indicated for all types of bush berries except for Washington blueberries and Oregon loganberries and boysenberries and youngberries. Most of the decrease in acreage is accounted for by black raspberries and tame blackberries. Indicated acreage of bush berries for harvest is up slightly in Washington, but is down 3 percent in Oregon.

Red Raspberries: The 1967 acreage for harvest in Washington and Oregon is 6,800 acres. This is 50 acres less than was harvested last year. All of the reduction is in Oregon. The acreage in both States came through the winter with no winter damage. Canes are budding in Washington and growers expect a good crop. Cane growth is good in Oregon.

Black Raspberries: The estimate of 3,380 acres for harvest is down 10 percent from last year. Most of the decrease is in Oregon where about 96 percent of the acreage is located. Condition of black raspberries in Oregon is generally good reflecting the mild winter experienced in the western part of the State. The crop is in good condition in all areas of Washington where no winter damage occurred and a normal crop is in prospect.

Blackberries: The 5,350 acres estimated for harvest is a decrease of 120 acres from 1966. Washington growers expect to harvest 30 acres more than last year but in Oregon, where about 87 percent of the acreage is located, growers expect to reduce their acreage by 150 acres. Weather conditions have been near ideal in Oregon, permitting early growth. Blackberries fared well in Washington during the past open winter. Cane are just starting to leaf out.

Blueberries: The indicated 670 acres for harvest in Washington during 1967 compares with 650 acres in 1966. The crop is in good condition following the open winter. A normal crop is in prospect, but a late frost could be critical.

Currants: Washington acreage for harvest is estimated at 220 acres, 10 acres less than last year. The crop sustained no winter damage and is in good condition.

Boysenberries and Youngberries: In Oregon the estimated 1,600 acres for harvest is 150 acres larger than 1966. The addition of new plantings and no removal of old acreage has pushed the acreage up again this year. Condition of the crop is generally good.

Loganberries: Oregon growers expect to harvest 430 acres compared with 410 acres last year. New plantings have been added to the older acreage which accounts for the increase again this year.

Bush Berries: Indicated acres for harvest, 1967 with comparisons

Crop and State	1966		Harvested		Acreage		1967 as percent of 1966
	Yield per acre	Production 1,000 pounds	Average 1961-65	1966	For harvest 1967		
	Pounds	pounds	Acres	Acres	Acres		Percent
<u>RED RASPBERRIES</u>							
Washington	6,600	20,460	2,660	3,100	3,100		100
Oregon	4,600	17,250	2,780	3,750	3,700		99
Total 2 States	5,505	37,710	5,440	6,850	6,800		99
<u>BLACK RASPBERRIES</u>							
Washington	1,900	285	164	150	130		87
Oregon	1,400	5,040	2,940	3,600	3,250		90
Total 2 States	1,420	5,325	3,504	3,750	3,380		90
<u>TAME BLACKBERRIES</u>							
Washington	6,800	4,556	642	670	700		104
Oregon	7,700	36,960	3,400	4,800	4,650		97
Total 2 States	7,590	41,516	4,042	5,470	5,350		98
<u>BLUEBERRIES</u>							
Washington	6,000	3,900	590	650	670		103
<u>CURRANTS</u>							
Washington	8,400	1,932	240	230	220		96
<u>BOYSENBERRIES AND YOUNGBERRIES</u>							
Oregon	4,300	6,235	1,180	1,450	1,600		110
<u>LOGANBERRIES</u>							
Oregon	4,900	2,009	470	410	430		105