

Celery



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Celery: Acres Planted, Selected States, 1990-92

State, Area, and Year	Area Planted						Area Growing Jun 1	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jan- May	1991	1992
	Acres							
CA - All:								
Central Coast		200	1,000	1,400	940	3,540	4,000	3,500
South Coast	1,200	1,200	600	100	20	3,120	1,500	1,500
Total 1992	1,200	1,400	1,600	1,500	960	6,660		5,000
Total 1991	1,000	1,400	1,400	2,000	1,200	7,000	5,500	
FL - Transplanted:								
Central	310	330	310	125		1,075	365	270
Everglades	880	840	700			2,420	250	175
Total 1992	1,190	1,170	1,010	125		3,495		445
Total 1991	970	1,210	1,130	180	10	3,500	615	
MI:								
Total 1992				400	780	1,180		1,175
Total 1991				435	910	1,345	1,345	
NY:								
Total 1992				10	100	110		110
Total 1991				60	180	240	240	
Four State Total								
1992	2,390	2,570	2,610	2,035	1,840	11,445		6,730
1991	1,970	2,610	2,530	2,675	2,300	12,085	7,700	

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Celery: Although New York's celery was 10 days behind normal, recent wet, warm weather has crop rapidly catching up. Crop quality ranges from good to very good. Cold spring weather in Michigan slowed planting slightly. Crop development is estimated to be 5 to 7 days behind normal due to lower than normal temperatures. Grower reported only minor damage from the May 24 to 27 freezes.

Harvest is declining seasonally in the Florida Everglades but is expected to continue through late June in the Central area. Yields during May were above the previous year. Quality is good with sizes peaking on 2 - 2 1/2 dozen per crate.

California's Central Coast harvest started in early May with light volume. In the South Coast, harvest continued through May with moderate to fairly light supplies. Temperatures ranged 4 to 9 degrees above normal in both South and Central Coast Districts during May.

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