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1971-72 Mushroom Production Up 12 Percent

United States mushroom production during the year ended June 30, 1972, totaled 231 million pounds, according to the Crop Reporting Board, nearly 12 percent above 1970-71 crop and 19 percent above 1969-70. Yield at 2.47 pounds per square foot compares with last year's yield of 2.36 pounds and 1969-70 yield of 2.35 pounds. Pennsylvania, with 140 million pounds, accounted for 61 percent of the Nation's production.

Mushrooms grew in 94 million square feet of bed and tray area during July 1971 - June 1972, 7 percent more than the same period a year earlier and 14 percent more than 1969-70. First fillings accounted for 37 percent of the total area, second fillings 33 percent, and additional fillings 30 percent. The previous season first fillings accounted for 39 percent, second fillings 35 percent, and additional fillings 26 percent. (Fillings from growers with continuous operations were prorated to first, second, and additional fillings.)

Growers received \$106,882,000 for the 1971-72 crop, an average of 46.2 cents per pound. This compares with \$89,620,000 for the previous year's crop at an average price of 43.3 cents per pound.

Processors used 71 percent of the current mushroom production compared with 72 percent in 1970-71. Processing sales in 1971-72 averaged 41.5 cents per pound, up 2.5 cents from the year before, while fresh market sales averaged 57.9 cents per pound, up 3.5 cents.

Growers intend to increase fillings for the 1972-73 season by 6 percent over the past season. If intentions materialize, the first fillings will account for 35 percent of the 100 million square feet, second fillings 33 percent, and additional fillings 32 percent.

Starting in this report, California fresh market sales are published separately.
See Table 6.

TABLE 1. MUSHROOMS: AREA, PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE
JULY 1, 1971 to JUNE 30, 1972

State	Area in production				Production	Price per pound	Value of production
	First filling	Second filling	Addi- tional fillings	Total			
	1,000 square feet				1,000 pounds	Cents	1,000 dollars
New York	1,405	1,306	750	3,461	5,708	43.2	2,463
New Jersey	141	48		189	404	42.6	172
Pennsylvania	21,797	19,133	12,218	53,148	140,488	45.8	64,362
Ohio	780	670	520	1,970	4,666	46.3	2,161
Delaware	1,307	1,088	226	2,621	6,880	40.3	2,775
Maryland	439	277	96	812	2,172	46.0	999
Other States	8,752	8,508	14,337	31,597	71,055	47.8	33,950
United States	34,621	31,030	28,147	93,798	231,373	46.2	106,882

TABLE 2. MUSHROOMS: BED OR TRAY AREA TO BE IN PRODUCTION
JULY 1, 1972 to JUNE 30, 1973

State	Intentions July 1972-June 1973				Intentions as percent last year			
	First filling	Second filling	Addi- tional fillings	Total	First filling	Second filling	Addi- tional fillings	Total
	1,000 square feet				Percent			
New York	1,410	1,314	830	3,554	100	101	111	103
New Jersey	141	51		192	100	106		102
Pennsylvania	22,075	19,811	14,717	56,603	101	104	120	107
Ohio	860	860	660	2,380	110	128	127	121
Delaware	1,275	1,130	211	2,616	98	104	93	100
Maryland	583	427	96	1,106	133	154	100	136
Other States	9,128	9,012	15,282	33,422	104	106	107	106
United States	35,472	32,605	31,796	99,873	102	105	113	106

TABLE 3. MUSHROOMS: AREA, PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE
JULY 1, 1970 to JUNE 30, 1971

State	Area in production				Pro- duction	Price per pound	Value of pro- duction
	First filling	Second filling	Addi- tional fillings	Total			
	1,000 square feet				1,000 pounds	Cents	1,000 dollars
New York	1,380	1,306	595	3,281	5,251	41.2	2,165
New Jersey	136	21		157	402	44.0	177
Pennsylvania	21,119	18,800	9,901	49,820	128,580	42.8	55,041
Ohio	881	705	488	2,074	4,301	39.4	1,693
Delaware	1,014	815	188	2,017	5,395	42.4	2,290
Maryland	562	352	148	1,062	2,452	42.8	1,050
Other States	9,291	8,231	11,557	29,079	60,429	45.0	27,204
United States	34,383	30,230	22,877	87,490	206,810	43.3	89,620

TABLE 4. MUSHROOMS: AREA, PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE
JULY 1, 1969 to JUNE 30, 1970

State	Area in production				Pro- duction	Price per pound	Value of pro- duction
	First filling	Second filling	Addi- tional fillings	Total			
	1,000 square feet				1,000 pounds	Cents	1,000 dollars
New York	1,246	1,131	340	2,717	5,308	40.7	2,162
New Jersey	1/149			149	324	38.3	124
Pennsylvania	20,753	16,980	9,433	47,166	122,693	36.4	44,694
Ohio	744	650	784	2,178	4,025	38.9	1,566
Delaware	971	602	71	1,644	4,320	32.2	1,391
Maryland	520	292	128	940	2,904	34.7	1,009
Other States	8,145	7,452	11,959	27,556	54,305	40.1	21,759
United States	32,528	27,107	22,715	82,350	193,879	37.5	72,705

1/ Small quantity of second filling included.

TABLE 5. MUSHROOMS: SALES AND VALUE BY TYPE OF SALE,
YEARS BEGINNING JULY - 1969, 1970, and 1971

Year and State	Fresh Market		Processing	
	Sales	Value of sales	Sales	Value of sales
	: 1,000 pounds	: 1,000 dollars	: 1,000 pounds	: 1,000 dollars
<u>1969</u>				
Pennsylvania	: 39,262	16,411	83,431	28,283
Other States	: 22,853	11,593	48,333	16,418
United States	: 62,115	28,004	131,764	44,701
<u>1970</u>				
Pennsylvania	: 32,402	17,339	96,178	37,702
Other States	: 25,867	14,349	52,363	20,230
United States	: 58,269	31,688	148,541	57,932
<u>1971</u>				
Pennsylvania	: 34,841	20,730	105,647	43,632
Other States	: 31,482	17,656	59,403	24,864
United States	: 66,323	38,386	165,050	68,496

TABLE 6. MUSHROOMS: AREA, PRODUCTION, PRICE AND VALUE;
CALIFORNIA—FRESH MARKET SALES ONLY ^{1/}

Year beginning July 1	Area in production				Production	Price per pound	Value of production
	First filling	Second filling	Additional fillings	Total			
		1,000 square feet			1,000 pounds	Cents	1,000 dollars
1969	: 1,751	1,689	2,814	6,254	12,258	50.5	6,185
1970	: 1,968	1,901	2,918	6,787	14,728	55.4	8,154
1971	: 2,175	2,095	3,786	8,056	19,495	55.5	10,821
1972 Intentions:	: 2,261	2,261	3,853	8,375			

^{1/} Included in other States in all other tables.