

Mushrooms



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Mushroom Production and Value Second Highest on Record

Total volume of mushroom sales in the U.S. during the 1995-96 production year totaled 787 million pounds, down fractionally from last year's record high of 789 million pounds. The value of the mushroom crop decreased slightly to \$758 million. Growers received an average of 96.3 cents per pound, unchanged from last season. Prices for mushrooms are what producers receive at the point of first sale. Refer to footnote 1 on page 3 for a further explanation of price. The number of growers continued to fall as the count for the 1995-96 season decreased to 357 growers, down from 371 growers last season.

Agaricus mushroom production totaled 778 million pounds, down fractionally from the previous season. Pennsylvania led all States in production with 353 million pounds, down slightly from last growing season. Pennsylvania growers supplied 45 percent of all Agaricus mushrooms grown in the U.S. California ranked second in production with 131 million pounds, down 3 percent from last season. Of the 778 million pounds of Agaricus production, an estimated 25.0 million pounds, or 3 percent, were Brown mushrooms. Brown mushroom production includes Portobello and Crimini mushrooms. The value of the Brown mushroom crop for the 1995-96 season was an estimated \$38.8 million.

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Agaricus and Specialty Mushrooms: Number of Growers, Volume of Sales, Price, and Value of Sales, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996

Year	All Sales			
	Growers 1/	Volume of Sales	Price per Pound 2/	Value of Sales
	Number	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
1993-94	358	759,236	0.944	716,464
1994-95 3/	371	789,177	0.963	759,822
1995-96	357	786,710	0.963	757,604

1/ Number of growers counted once if growing both Agaricus and specialty.

2/ See footnote 1 on page 3.

3/ Revised.

Agaricus Mushrooms: Area, Sales, Price, and Value by State
and United States, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996

State, Region, and Year	Area in Production Growing Area	Total Fillings	Volume of Sales	Price per Pound 1/	Value of Sales
	----- 1,000 Square Feet -----		1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
CA					
1993-94	3,578	21,822	124,019	1.060	130,911
1994-95	3,585	21,889	134,897	1.040	140,796
1995-96	3,587	22,401	130,963	1.090	142,642
DE					
1993-94	471	1,661	6,055	0.711	4,308
1994-95	332	1,252	4,456	0.748	3,335
1995-96	263	951	2,951	0.794	2,343
FL					
1993-94	1,554	6,736	37,886	1.080	41,005
1994-95	1,600	6,905	40,306	1.100	44,408
1995-96	1,577	6,781	41,913	1.060	44,516
GA					
1993-94	245	1,438	4,406	0.804	3,542
1994-95	166	1,438	6,207	0.780	4,841
1995-96	190	1,438	6,313	0.810	5,112
IN					
1993-94	475	2,230	14,252	0.990	14,108
1994-95	475	2,379	14,107	0.939	13,249
1995-96	469	2,379	13,906	1.090	15,208
MD					
1993-94	211	957	2,417	0.695	1,680
1994-95	221	603	2,425	0.726	1,761
1995-96	221	744	1,920	0.843	1,619
MI					
1993-94	536	2,578	14,736	0.942	13,881
1994-95	527	2,581	14,877	0.938	13,958
1995-96	513	2,595	14,414	1.100	15,818
OH					
1993-94	557	2,848	15,451	1.010	15,561
1994-95	557	2,965	16,323	0.944	15,409
1995-96	554	2,965	16,681	1.090	18,157
OK 2/					
1993-94	418	2,312	12,412	1.220	15,148
1994-95					
1995-96					

1/ See footnote 1 on page 3.
2/ See footnote 2 on page 3.

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Agaricus Mushrooms: Area, Sales, Price, and Value by State
and United States, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996 (continued)

State, Region, and Year	Area in Production		Volume of Sales	Price per Pound 1/	Value of Sales
	Growing Area	Total Fillings			
	----	1,000 Square Feet	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
PA					
1993-94	17,131	62,081	354,793	0.765	271,262
1994-95	19,334	65,100	354,500	0.772	273,661
1995-96	19,905	60,350	353,115	0.721	254,680
Oth Sts 3/					
1993-94	6,617	31,040	164,372	1.070	176,267
1994-95	7,686	34,482	192,880	1.140	219,292
1995-96	7,516	34,716	195,694	1.160	227,483
East 4/					
1993-94	21,297	81,596	455,342	0.824	375,388
1994-95	23,367	84,235	460,363	0.845	389,049
1995-96	23,876	79,075	459,978	0.806	370,600
Central 4/					
1993-94	3,108	14,249	80,375	1.010	80,863
1994-95	3,573	14,769	82,320	1.030	84,969
1995-96	4,920	23,003	127,707	1.170	149,739
West 4/					
1993-94	7,388	39,858	215,082	1.080	231,422
1994-95	7,543	40,590	238,295	1.080	256,692
1995-96	5,999	33,242	190,185	1.090	207,239
US					
1993-94	31,793	135,703	750,799	0.916	687,673
1994-95	34,483	139,594	780,978	0.936	730,710
1995-96	34,795	135,320	777,870	0.935	727,578

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- 2/ Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.
- 3/ CO, CT, IL, IA, MO, NY, ND, OK, OR, TN, TX, UT, WA, and WI in 1995-96.
- 4/ States reporting in 1995-96. East: CT, DE, FL, GA, MD, NY, PA, and TN. Central: IL, IA, IN, MI, MO, OH, OK, TX, and WI. West: CA, CO, ND, OR, UT, and WA.

Agaricus Mushrooms: Volume of Sales, Price, Value, and Type
of Sale by Region, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996

Year, State, Region	Fresh Market			Processing		
	Volume of Sales	Price per Pound 1/	Value of Sales	Volume of Sales	Price per Pound 1/	Value of Sales
	1,000		1,000	1,000		1,000
	Pounds	Dollars	Dollars	Pounds	Dollars	Dollars
1993-94						
PA	184,913	0.879	162,539	169,880	0.640	108,723
Other East	81,716	1.120	91,620	18,833	0.664	12,506
East Total	266,629	0.953	254,159	188,713	0.642	121,229
Central Total	67,079	1.060	71,084	13,296	0.735	9,779
CA	108,628	1.100	119,491	15,391	0.742	11,420
Other West	74,500	1.180	88,129	16,563	0.748	12,382
West Total	183,128	1.130	207,620	31,954	0.745	23,802
US	516,836	1.030	532,863	233,963	0.662	154,810
1994-95						
PA	182,250	0.874	159,287	172,250	0.664	114,374
Other East	83,979	1.200	100,418	21,884	0.684	14,970
East Total	266,229	0.975	259,705	194,134	0.666	129,344
Central Total	66,522	1.090	72,728	15,798	0.775	12,241
CA	114,707	1.100	126,178	20,190	0.724	14,618
Other West	83,939	1.210	101,340	19,459	0.748	14,556
West Total	198,646	1.150	227,518	39,649	0.736	29,174
US	531,397	1.050	559,951	249,581	0.684	170,759
1995-96						
PA	186,818	0.871	162,718	166,297	0.553	91,962
Other East	86,877	1.200	104,547	19,986	0.569	11,373
East Total 2/	273,695	0.977	267,265	186,283	0.555	103,335
Central Total 2/	94,352	1.320	124,144	33,355	0.767	25,595
CA	116,265	1.160	134,867	14,698	0.529	7,775
Other West	52,812	1.170	61,850	6,410	0.429	2,747
West Total 2/	169,077	1.160	196,717	21,108	0.498	10,522
US	537,124	1.090	588,126	240,746	0.579	139,452

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Agaricus Mushrooms: Number of Growers, Volume of Sales, Price, and Value of All Sales, by Region, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996

Year, State, Region	Growers	Volume of Sales	All Sales	
			Price per Pound 1/	Value of Sales
	Number	1,000 Pounds	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
1993-94				
PA	126	354,793	0.765	271,262
Other East	16	100,549	1.040	104,126
East Total	142	455,342	0.824	375,388
Central Total	17	80,375	1.010	80,863
CA	21	124,019	1.060	130,911
Other West	13	91,063	1.100	100,511
West Total	34	215,082	1.080	231,422
US	193	750,799	0.916	687,673
1994-95				
PA	119	354,500	0.772	273,661
Other East	17	105,863	1.090	115,388
East Total	136	460,363	0.845	389,049
Central Total	16	82,320	1.030	84,969
CA	21	134,897	1.040	140,796
Other West	13	103,398	1.120	115,896
West Total	34	238,295	1.080	256,692
US	186	780,978	0.936	730,710
1995-96				
PA	112	353,115	0.721	254,680
Other East	16	106,863	1.080	115,920
East Total 2/	128	459,978	0.806	370,600
Central Total 2/	21	127,707	1.170	149,739
CA	22	130,963	1.090	142,642
Other West	9	59,222	1.090	64,597
West Total 2/	31	190,185	1.090	207,239
US	180	777,870	0.935	727,578

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Agaricus Mushrooms: Yield and Dollar Volume per Square Foot
of Growing Area, by State and United States,
July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996

State and Region	Yield per Square Foot		
	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
	Pounds		
PA	5.72	5.45	5.85
East 1/	5.58	5.47	5.82
Central 1/	5.64	5.57	5.55
CA	5.68	6.16	5.85
West 1/	5.40	5.87	5.72
US	5.53	5.59	5.75
	Dollar Volume per Square Foot		
	Dollars		
PA	4.37	4.20	4.22
East 1/	4.60	4.62	4.69
Central 1/	5.67	5.75	6.51
CA	6.00	6.43	6.37
West 1/	5.81	6.32	6.23
US	5.07	5.23	5.38

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Mushrooms: Sales by Type and Percent of Total,
United States, 1967-96 1/

Year	Fresh Market		Processing		Total
	Volume of	Percent	Volume of	Percent	Volume of
	Sales		Sales		Sales
	1,000 Pounds		1,000 Pounds		1,000 Pounds
1966-67	41,951	25	122,964	75	164,915
1967-68	47,611	26	132,980	74	180,591
1968-69	56,024	30	132,783	70	188,807
1969-70	62,115	32	131,764	68	193,879
1970-71	58,269	28	148,541	72	206,810
1971-72	66,323	29	165,050	71	231,373
1972-73	76,728	30	177,274	70	254,002
1973-74	102,293	37	177,200	63	279,493
1974-75	126,118	42	172,963	58	299,081
1975-76	142,121	46	167,695	54	309,816
1976-77	151,247	44	195,882	56	347,129
1977-78	191,080	48	207,623	52	398,703
1978-79	229,538	51	224,469	49	454,007
1979-80	255,846	54	214,223	46	470,069
1980-81	275,052	59	194,524	41	469,576
1981-82	319,132	62	198,014	38	517,146
1982-83	337,234	69	153,592	31	490,826
1983-84	388,075	69	173,456	31	561,531
1984-85	419,913	70	175,768	30	595,681
1985-86	427,204	73	160,752	27	587,956
1986-87	454,800	74	157,094	26	611,894
1987-88	468,895	74	162,924	26	631,819
1988-89	484,675	73	183,084	27	667,759
1989-90	511,904	72	203,088	28	714,992
1990-91	511,921	68	237,230	32	749,151
1991-92	496,959	67	249,873	33	746,832
1992-93	522,381	67	253,976	33	776,357
1993-94	516,836	69	233,963	31	750,799
1994-95	531,397	68	249,581	32	780,978
1995-96	537,124	69	240,746	31	777,870

1/ Fresh market, processing, and total volume of sales estimates are primarily Agaricus, but also include specialty mushrooms through 1986-87. Statistics after 1986-87 are for Agaricus only.

Mushrooms: Price and Value by Type of Sale,
United States, 1967-96 1/ 2/

Year	Fresh Market		Processing		All Sales	
	Price per Pound	Value of Sales 1,000 Dollars	Price per Pound	Value of Sales 1,000 Dollars	Price per Pound	Value of Sales 1,000 Dollars
1966-67	0.465	19,520	0.313	38,505	0.352	58,025
1967-68	0.449	21,384	0.303	40,269	0.341	61,653
1968-69	0.461	25,845	0.316	42,011	0.359	67,856
1969-70	0.451	28,004	0.339	44,701	0.375	72,705
1970-71	0.544	31,688	0.390	57,932	0.433	89,620
1971-72	0.579	38,386	0.415	68,496	0.462	106,882
1972-73	0.555	42,596	0.380	67,379	0.433	109,975
1973-74	0.571	58,407	0.367	64,947	0.441	123,354
1974-75	0.607	76,552	0.409	70,690	0.492	147,242
1975-76	0.719	102,234	0.530	88,864	0.617	191,098
1976-77	0.824	124,613	0.669	131,065	0.737	255,678
1977-78	0.901	172,159	0.652	135,429	0.771	307,588
1978-79	0.949	217,770	0.642	144,030	0.797	361,800
1979-80	0.958	245,201	0.576	123,396	0.784	368,597
1980-81	0.947	260,439	0.586	114,060	0.798	374,499
1981-82	0.968	308,805	0.555	109,901	0.810	418,706
1982-83	1.000	338,048	0.608	93,373	0.879	431,421
1983-84	0.965	374,327	0.646	112,061	0.866	486,388
1984-85	0.935	392,762	0.574	100,886	0.829	493,648
1985-86	0.948	404,914	0.549	88,179	0.839	493,093
1986-87	0.945	429,812	0.564	88,621	0.847	518,433
1987-88	0.949	444,967	0.610	99,333	0.861	544,300
1988-89	0.979	474,675	0.665	121,663	0.893	596,338
1989-90	1.000	512,055	0.653	132,683	0.902	644,738
1990-91	0.981	501,967	0.615	145,948	0.865	647,915
1991-92	0.995	494,340	0.638	159,501	0.875	653,841
1992-93	0.998	521,566	0.582	147,832	0.862	669,398
1993-94	1.030	532,863	0.662	154,810	0.916	687,673
1994-95	1.050	559,951	0.684	170,759	0.936	730,710
1995-96	1.090	588,126	0.579	139,452	0.935	727,578

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- 2/ Fresh market, processing, and all sales estimates are primarily Agaricus, but also include specialty mushrooms through 1986-87. Statistics after 1986-87 are for Agaricus only.

Mushrooms: Number of Growers, Area in Production, Yield,
and Dollar Volume per Square Foot, United States, 1967-96 1/

Year	Growers 2/	Area in Production	Yield per Square Foot	Dollar Volume per Square Foot
	Number	1,000 Square Feet	Pounds	Dollars
1966-67		80,595	2.05	0.72
1967-68		83,389	2.17	0.74
1968-69		84,728	2.23	0.80
1969-70		82,350	2.35	0.88
1970-71		87,490	2.36	1.02
1971-72		93,798	2.47	1.14
1972-73		102,315	2.48	1.07
1973-74		107,584	2.60	1.15
1974-75		110,921	2.70	1.33
1975-76		114,711	2.70	1.67
1976-77		117,692	2.95	2.17
1977-78		135,101	2.95	2.28
1978-79		146,738	3.09	2.47
1979-80		150,758	3.12	2.44
1980-81		140,346	3.35	2.67
1981-82		141,326	3.66	2.96
1982-83	440	135,395	3.63	3.19
1983-84	433	142,810	3.93	3.41
1984-85	441	139,133	4.28	3.55
1985-86	514	129,565	4.54	3.81
1986-87	413	129,496	4.73	4.00
1987-88	357	130,527	4.84	4.17
1988-89	279	132,659	5.03	4.50
1989-90	259	137,861	5.19	4.68
1990-91	238	139,922	5.35	4.63
1991-92	226	138,148	5.41	4.73
1992-93	195	141,909	5.47	4.72
1993-94	193	135,703	5.53	5.07
1994-95	186	139,594	5.59	5.23
1995-96	180	135,320	5.75	5.38

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- 2/ Estimates for number of growers are not available prior to 1982-83. Estimates are based on growers with sales and include all known growing facilities.

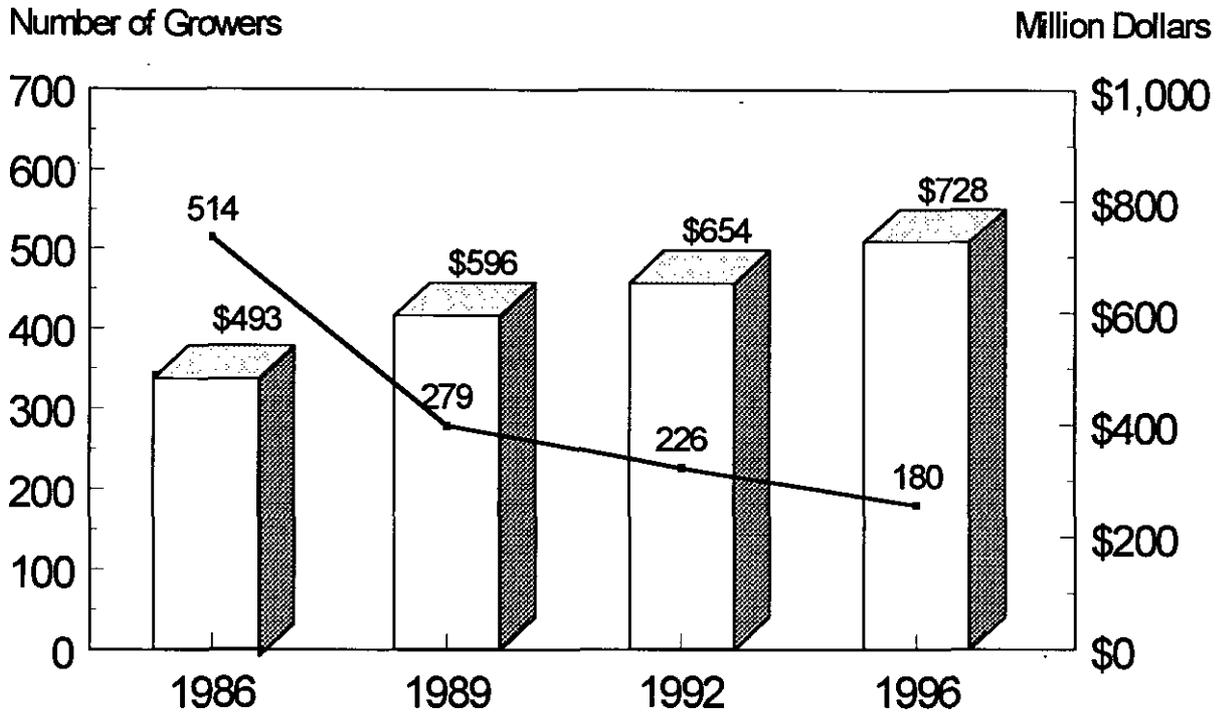
Agaricus Mushrooms: Bed or Tray Area Intended for Production
by State and United States, July 1, 1996 - June 30, 1997

----- Intentions July 1996 - June 1997 -----				
State	Fresh Market	Processed Market	Total Fillings	Percent of Last Year
----- 1,000 Square Feet -----				
CA	22,508		22,508	100
DE	951		951	100
FL	6,771		6,771	100
GA		1,438	1,438	100
IN	2,379		2,379	100
MD	744		744	100
MI	2,598		2,598	100
OH	2,669	297	2,966	100
PA	37,151	24,738	61,889	103
Oth				
Sts 1/	32,796	2,275	35,071	101
East 2/	52,720	27,828	80,548	102
Central 2/	23,237	300	23,537	102
West 2/	32,610	620	33,230	100
US	108,567	28,748	137,315	101

1/ CO, CT, IL, IA, MO, NY, ND, OK, OR, TN, TX, UT, WA, and WI in 1995-96.
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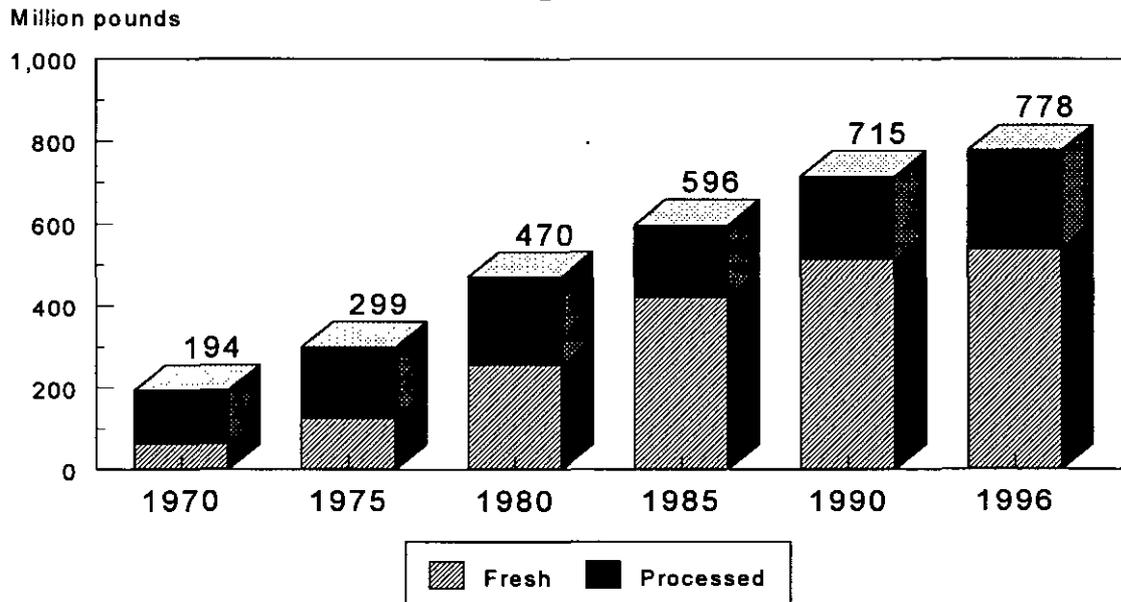
U.S. Mushroom Growers and Value of Sales

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Mushrooms: Sales by Type and Total

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Specialty Mushrooms: Number of Growers, Total Production, Volume of Sales, Price, and Value of Sales, by Variety, United States, July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996 1/

Year and Variety		Growers	Total Production 2/	Volume of Sales 3/	Price per Pound 4/	Value of Sales
		Number	--- 1,000 Pounds --		Dollars	1,000 Dollars
1993-94						
	Shiitake		5,762	5,585	3.70	20,672
	Oyster		2,089	1,946	2.50	4,856
	Oth		993	906	3.60	3,263
	US	171	8,844	8,437	3.41	28,791
1994-95						
	Shiitake		5,614	5,362	3.85	20,642
	Oyster		1,971	1,791	2.65	4,746
	Oth		1,165	1,046	3.56	3,724
	US	192	8,750	8,199	3.55	29,112
1995-96						
	Shiitake		6,140	5,665	3.49	19,772
	Oyster		1,941	1,791	2.49	4,467
	Oth		1,500	1,384	4.18	5,787
	US 5/	188	9,581	8,840	3.40	30,026

- 1/ Specialty mushroom estimates represent growers who have at least 200 natural wood logs in production or commercial indoor growing area.
2/ Total production includes all fresh market and processing sales plus amount harvested but not sold (shrinkage, cullage, dumped, etc.)
3/ Virtually all specialty mushroom sales are for fresh market.
4/ See footnote 1 on page 3.
5/ States reporting in 1995-96. AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, KY, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, VA, WA, WI, WV.

Specialty Mushrooms: Area in Production by Variety, United States,
July 1, 1993 - June 30, 1996 1/

Year and Variety	Area		
	Natural Wood Outdoor Logs	Natural Wood Undercover and Indoor Logs	All Other Production Media
	-----	1,000 -----	1,000 Square Feet
1993-94			
Shiitake 2/	174	352	1,363
Oyster			364
Oth			90
US	174	352	1,817
1994-95			
Shiitake 2/	148	314	1,353
Oyster			300
Oth			108
US	148	314	1,761
1995-96			
Shiitake 2/	145	257	1,506
Oyster			259
Oth			173
US 3/	145	257	1,938

- 1/ Specialty mushroom estimates represent growers who have at least 200 natural wood logs or commercial indoor growing area.
- 2/ Includes small quantity of logs producing oyster and other mushrooms. These logs are not published separately to avoid disclosure of operations.
- 3/ States reporting in 1995-96. AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, KY, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, VA, WA, WI, and WV.

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The number of Agaricus growers in the U.S. totaled 180, down 6 from last season. Of the 180 Agaricus mushroom growers, 11 realized sales of over 20 million pounds in the 1995-96 season. Growers with sales exceeding 20 million pounds accounted for 39 percent of U.S. agaricus production, or 304 million pounds. The other sales groups are as follows: between 10.0 million and 19.9 million pounds, 13 growers; 5.0 million to 9.9 million pounds, 14 growers; 2.5 million to 4.9 million pounds, 38 growers; 1.0 million to 2.4 million pounds, 36 growers; and those with less than 1.0 million pounds of sales, 68 growers.

The value of the 1995-96 Agaricus crop totaled \$728 million, down slightly from last season. Growers received an average 93.5 cents per pound, virtually unchanged from a year earlier. Increased prices for fresh mushrooms were offset by decreased prices for processing mushrooms. Prices averaged \$1.09 per pound for fresh mushrooms, 4.00 cents above last season. Growers received an average 57.9 cents per pound for processing mushrooms, down 10.5 cents from previous season. Fresh market sales accounted for 69 percent of the Agaricus crop while 31 percent went to processors. When mushroom statistics began in 1967, fresh market sales accounted for 25 percent of the sales while processing made up 75 percent of the sales.

Specialty Mushrooms

Volume of sales for commercially grown specialty mushrooms (Shiitake, Oyster, and all other exotics) in 1995-96 increased to 8.84 million pounds, up 8 percent from the 1994-95 production. The average price received by growers decreased 15.0 cents per pound to \$3.40 per pound. Value of sales was up 3 percent from last year to \$30.0 million. A specialty grower is defined as having at least 200 natural wood logs in production or commercial indoor growing area.

Shiitake mushroom sales totaled 5.67 million pounds, up 6 percent from last year's sales. The average price that growers received was down 36.0 cents per pound from previous season. The value of the crop decreased 4 percent to \$19.8 million.

Oyster mushroom sales are estimated at 1.79 million pounds, unchanged from last year. Prices were down 6 percent or 16.0 cents per pound. The value of sales was \$4.47 million or 6 percent lower than the 1994-95 crop.

All Other specialty mushroom sales totaled 1.38 million pounds, up 32 percent from last season and 53 percent above the 1993-94 crop year. The total value of the crop increased 55 percent to \$5.79 million. Prices increased 17 percent from \$3.56 per pound last season to \$4.18 per pound.

The next "Mushrooms" report will be released in August 1997.

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