

# vegetables - processing



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## PRINCIPAL PROCESSING VEGETABLES CONTRACTED ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION NOVEMBER 1, 1975

ALL CROPS: The preliminary combined production estimate for the Nation's nine major vegetable crops contracted for processing this year outstripped the 1974 level by 11 percent, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Declines in output of snap beans, beets, peas, spinach, and cabbage were more than offset by larger tonnages of lima beans, corn, cucumbers, and tomatoes to raise the aggregate to 12.7 million tons.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES: The 1975 crop of all cucumbers contracted for pickles is estimated at 615,850 tons, 18 percent above a year earlier. Acreage for harvest rose to 126,800 acres, up 11 percent, and yields are expected to average 4.86 tons per acre, one-third of a ton higher than in 1974.

Michigan's crop, the Nation's largest, soared 18 percent to 120,300 tons. Although some acreage abandonment resulted from heavy August rains, yields remained above last year. North Carolina's increased acreage and average yield combined to push the crop to 73,000 tons, up 17 percent.

PICKLE STOCKS: On October 1, 1975 stocks of pickles (including salt stock, fresh pack, and refrigerated types on an equivalent fresh weight basis) were reported at 502,800 tons, 2 percent above the same date in 1974 and slightly higher than the 1973 level. Of the total, 434,390 tons were from the 1975 crop, less than the last two years. Carryover stocks from the previous crop rose to 68,410 tons, or 14 percent of total stocks, compared with 12 percent in 1974 and 11 percent in 1973.

Regionally, stocks in the Northern States accounted for 262,650 tons, or 52 percent of the Nation's total. Processors in the Southern States were holding 142,600 tons, 28 percent of the U.S. stocks on October 1, 1975, and Western States are placed at 97,550 tons, 20 percent of the total.

FALL SPINACH: This year's fall spinach crop contracted for processing is estimated at 14,450 tons, 7 percent above the 1974 level. Acreage for harvest rose 8 percent to 2,760 acres, however average yield slipped slightly to 5.24 tons per acre.

The output from all seasonal groups of spinach is now expected to total 165,650 tons, off 5 percent from a year earlier due to declines in both harvested acreage and average yield.

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PROCESSING VEGETABLES: PRELIMINARY ACREAGE AND INDICATED PRODUCTION,  
BY CROPS, UNITED STATES, 1975 WITH COMPARISONS

CROP	ACREAGE HARVESTED			
	1973 TOTAL	1974 TOTAL	1974 CONTRACT	INDICATED 1975 CONTRACT
	ACRES			
ALL PROCESSING <u>1/</u>				
GREEN LIMA BEANS	77,530	72,200	72,200	78,320
SNAP BEANS	292,180	289,380	274,720	264,160
BEETS	16,400	18,510	17,960	18,360
SWEET CORN	453,900	459,150	457,700	486,600
CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES-ALL	125,930	131,920	114,680	126,800
SPRING & SUMMER	123,330	129,120	113,680	125,000
FALL <u>2/</u>	2,600	2,800	1,000	1,800
GREEN PEAS	420,590	425,600	425,400	437,710
SPINACH-ALL	26,940	24,860	24,860	23,860
WINTER <u>3/</u>	10,700	10,900	10,900	9,100
SPRING <u>3/</u>	10,320	11,400	11,400	12,000
FALL	5,920	2,560	2,560	2,760
TOMATOES	295,100	337,700	329,080	374,030
TOTAL REPORTED TO DATE	1,708,570	1,759,320	1,716,600	1,809,840
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT	13,040	13,830	13,830	DEC 19
TOTAL 9 VEGETABLES	1,721,610	1,773,150	1,730,430	DEC 19
	PRODUCTION			
	1973 TOTAL	1974 TOTAL	1974 CONTRACT	INDICATED 1975 CONTRACT
	TONS			
ALL PROCESSING <u>1/</u>				
GREEN LIMA BEANS	98,100	85,950	85,950	99,700
SNAP BEANS	741,650	743,150	707,850	670,100
BEETS	200,850	240,650	231,050	223,750
SWEET CORN	2,179,200	2,054,800	2,047,700	2,203,150
CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES-ALL	598,800	595,750	522,900	615,850
SPRING & SUMMER	588,400	585,450	520,600	608,300
FALL <u>2/</u>	10,400	10,300	2,300	7,550
GREEN PEAS	500,850	572,700	571,850	548,750
SPINACH-ALL	170,450	173,700	173,700	165,650
WINTER <u>3/</u>	93,400	107,650	107,650	91,000
SPRING <u>3/</u>	47,050	52,500	52,500	60,200
FALL	30,000	13,550	13,550	14,450
TOMATOES	5,934,550	7,019,850	6,865,450	7,962,550
TOTAL REPORTED TO DATE	10,424,450	11,486,550	11,206,450	12,489,500
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT	219,150	278,600	278,600	227,150
TOTAL 9 VEGETABLES	10,643,600	11,765,150	11,485,050	12,716,650

1/ 1975 ESTIMATES FOR ALL CROPS EXCEPT CUCUMBERS AND SPINACH (FALL) CARRIED FORWARD FROM EARLIER FORECASTS.

2/ FLORIDA AND SOUTH CAROLINA--COMBINED TO AVOID DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

3/ 1975 FLORIDA WINTER CROP INCLUDED WITH SPRING CROP TO AVOID DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES: PRELIMINARY ACREAGE AND INDICATED PRODUCTION BY STATES, 1975 WITH COMPARISONS

STATE	ACREAGE HARVESTED			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION				
	1973	1974		IND.	1973	1974	IND.	1973	1974		IND.
	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	1975	TOTAL	2/	CONTRACT	TOTAL	TOTAL	CONTRACT	1975
	ACRES			TONS			TONS				
CALIF	5,400	3,900	3,800	5,400	12.04	15.42	12.58	65,000	60,150	58,750	67,950
COLO	2,200	2,500	2,450	2,400	7.30	9.40	7.38	16,050	23,500	23,100	17,700
IND	1,900	2,000	1,850	2,700	6.50	4.90	5.10	12,350	9,800	9,050	13,750
MO	2,400	2,600	2,530	3,400	6.96	6.08	7.99	16,700	15,800	15,350	27,150
MICH	26,400	27,400	24,000	25,600	4.07	4.23	4.70	107,450	115,900	101,700	120,300
MISS	7,100	7,100	7,100	4,800	2.38	2.47	2.67	16,900	17,550	17,550	12,800
N C	27,500	28,800	25,900	27,700	3.09	2.40	2.64	85,000	69,100	62,150	73,000
OHIO	6,200	6,800	6,400	6,700	7.33	7.69	9.05	45,450	52,300	49,500	60,650
S C	8,700	8,300	7,400	8,400	3.08	2.50	3.00	26,800	20,750	18,500	25,200
TEX	4,900	5,700	5,600	7,000	5.73	5.14	4.53	28,100	29,300	28,700	31,700
VA	3,800	4,600	2,100	2,900	4.50	3.76	5.28	17,100	17,300	8,100	15,300
WASH	1,100	1,500	1,500	1,700	9.50	9.93	10.47	10,450	14,900	14,900	17,800
WIS	10,400	11,400	10,000	9,400	4.91	3.91	4.25	51,050	44,550	39,250	39,950
OTH STS 1/	17,930	19,320	14,050	18,700	5.60	5.43	4.95	100,400	104,850	76,300	92,600
U S	125,930	131,920	114,680	126,800	4.76	4.52	4.86	598,800	595,750	522,900	615,850

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES: STOCKS IN TANKS, BARRELS AND FRESH PACK, OCTOBER 1, 1975 WITH COMPARISONS

YEAR	FROM CURRENT YEAR CROP			FROM PREVIOUS YEAR CROP		
	SALT STOCK	FRESH PACK	REFRIGERATED	SALT STOCK	FRESH PACK	
	INCLUDING DILL			INCLUDING DILL		
	TONS			TONS		
U S						
1973	317,030	119,450	11,600	50,170	2,750	
1974	324,440	101,760	9,450	55,300	1,850	
1975 PRELIMINARY	333,120	92,190	9,080	62,870	5,540	
	COMBINED STOCKS	COMBINED STOCKS				TOTAL STOCKS
	FROM CURRENT YEAR	FROM PREVIOUS YEAR				
	CROP	CROP				
	TONS			TONS		
U S						
1973	448,080		52,920		501,000	
1974	435,650		57,150		492,800	
1975 PRELIMINARY	434,390		68,410		502,800	

1/ ALA, ARIZ, ARK, DEL, FLA, GA, IDAHO, ILL, KANS, KY, LA, MASS, MINN, MO, NEBR, NJ, NY, OKLA, OREG, PA, S DAK, AND TENN.

2/ DERIVED 1974 CONTRACT YIELD MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM TOTAL YIELD DUE TO EXCLUSION OF OPEN MARKET PURCHASES.

SPINACH FOR PROCESSING: PRELIMINARY ACREAGE AND INDICATED PRODUCTION,  
BY STATES, 1975 WITH COMPARISONS

SEASON, STATE AND UTILIZATION	ACREAGE HARVESTED				INDICATED 1975 CONTRACT		
	1973 TOTAL	1974 TOTAL	1974 CONTRACT	1974 CONTRACT			
	ACRES						
TOTAL WINTER <u>1/</u>	10,700	10,900	10,900	9,100			
TOTAL SPRING <u>1/</u>	10,320	11,400	11,400	12,000			
FALL:							
ARK	940	140	140	550			
OKLA	1,100	310	310	290			
OTH STS <u>2/</u>	3,880	2,110	2,110	1,920			
TOTAL FALL	5,920	2,560	2,560	2,760			
U S	26,940	24,860	24,860	23,860			
	YIELD PER ACRE				PRODUCTION		
	1973 TOTAL	1974 TOTAL <u>3/</u>	1975 CONTRACT	1973 TOTAL	1974 TOTAL	1974 CONTRACT	INDICATED 1975 CONTRACT
	TONS						
TOTAL WINTER <u>1/</u>	8.73	9.88	10.00	93,400	107,650	107,650	91,000
TOTAL SPRING <u>1/</u>	4.56	4.61	5.02	47,050	52,500	52,500	60,200
FALL:							
ARK	3.94	4.29	4.40	3,700	600	600	2,400
OKLA	3.91	4.03	4.30	4,300	1,250	1,250	1,250
OTH STS <u>2/</u>	5.67	5.55	5.63	22,000	11,700	11,700	10,800
TOTAL FALL	5.07	5.29	5.24	30,000	13,550	13,550	14,450
U S	6.33	6.99	6.94	170,450	173,700	173,700	165,650

1/ 1975 FLA WINTER CROP INCLUDED WITH SPRING CROP TO AVOID DISCLOSURE OF INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.

2/ CALIF, MD, MISS, N J, TENN, VA, AND WASH.

3/ DERIVED 1974 CONTRACT YIELD MAY DIFFER SLIGHTLY FROM TOTAL YIELD DUE TO EXCLUSION OF OPEN MARKET PURCHASES.