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Spring Season Fresh Market Vegetables Down 3 Percent Processed Vegetable Contracted Acreage Virtually Unchanged Onion Acreage Down 5 Percent

The prospective area for harvest of 11 selected fresh market vegetables during the spring quarter is forecast at 200,700 acres, down 3 percent from last year. Acreage declines for snap beans, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, head lettuce, bell peppers, sweet corn, and tomatoes more than offset acreage increases for broccoli and cucumbers. Melon acreage for spring harvest is forecast at 73,900, down 2 percent from last year. Watermelon acreage is down 1 percent from 2006 while cantaloup acreage declined 4 percent from a year ago. Honeydew melon acreage increased 2 percent from 2006. Asparagus area for spring harvest is forecast at 42,000 acres, down 6 percent from last year. Strawberry area for harvest is forecast at 45,000 acres, virtually unchanged from a year ago.

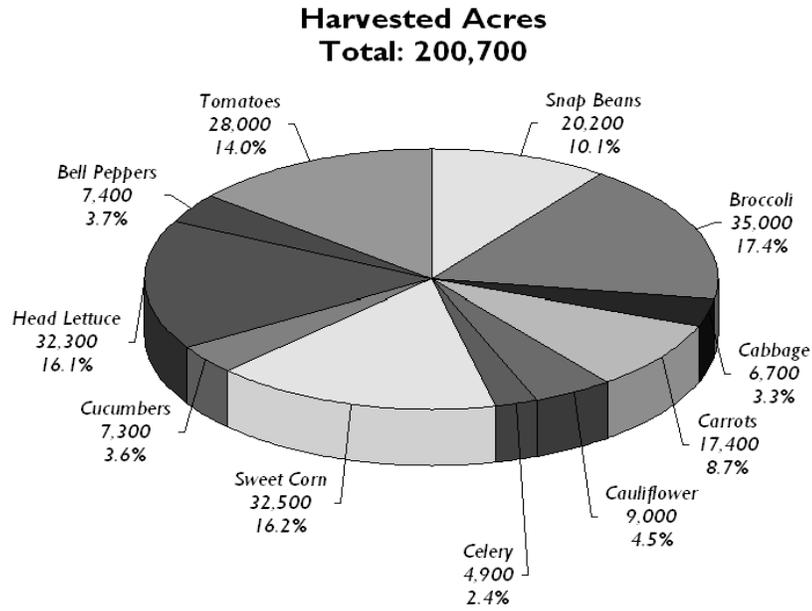
Processors expect to contract 1.20 million acres of the 5 major processed vegetable crops in the U.S. this year, virtually unchanged from last year. Contracted acreage decreases are forecast for snap beans, sweet corn, and green peas, while cucumbers for pickles and tomatoes show increases. Freezing firms expect to contract 380,780 acres, down 1 percent from last year. Acreage for snap beans and sweet corn is down 3 percent and 5 percent, respectively. Green pea acreage is up 5 percent from last year. Canneries contracted for 818,460 acres, up 1 percent from 2006. Acreage increased for cucumbers for pickles and tomatoes, up 9 percent and 8 percent, respectively. Acreage declined for sweet corn and green peas, down 6 percent and 15 percent, respectively. Snap beans are virtually unchanged from last year.

Total planted onion area for all seasons in 2007 is forecast at 166,800 acres, down 5 percent from last year. Spring onions are expected to be harvested from 31,600 acres in 2007, down 9 percent from 2006. Georgia and Texas combined production is forecast at 6.17 million cwt, 16 percent below last year. Summer non-storage onion planted area, at 20,900 acres, is unchanged from a year ago. Total summer onion area, at 132,800 acres, is down 1 percent from the previous year.

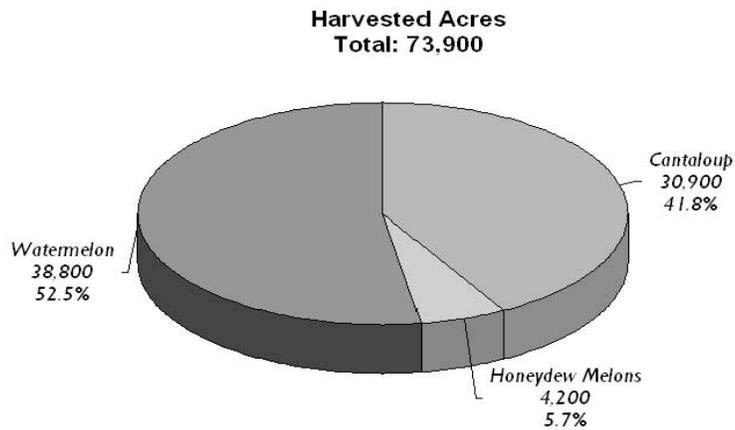
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Spring Season Fresh Market Vegetables: 2007



Spring Season Fresh Market Melons: 2007



**Selected Fresh Market Vegetables and Melons: Area Harvested by Season,
and Crop, Major States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007
(Domestic Units)**

Season and Crop	Area		
	Harvested		For Harvest 2007
	2005	2006	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
Winter	183,900	179,200	179,200
Spring			
Snap Beans	22,200	22,200	20,200
Broccoli ¹	33,000	34,500	35,000
Cabbage	7,700	7,000	6,700
Carrots	19,100	18,600	17,400
Cauliflower ¹	9,800	9,500	9,000
Celery ¹	5,100	5,200	4,900
Sweet Corn	32,500	34,000	32,500
Cucumbers	7,200	7,200	7,300
Head Lettuce	34,600	33,300	32,300
Bell Peppers ¹	8,000	7,600	7,400
Tomatoes	27,500	28,500	28,000
Total 11 Vegetables	206,700	207,600	200,700
Cantaloup	31,700	32,100	30,900
Honeydew Melons	4,100	4,100	4,200
Watermelon	40,400	39,000	38,800
Total 3 Melons	76,200	75,200	73,900
Total Spring Crop	282,900	282,800	274,600

¹ Includes fresh market and processing.

**Selected Fresh Market Vegetables and Melons: Area Harvested by Season,
and Crop, Major States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007
(Metric Units)**

Season and Crop	Area		
	Harvested		For Harvest 2007
	2005	2006	
	<i>Hectares</i>	<i>Hectares</i>	<i>Hectares</i>
Winter	74,420	72,520	72,520
Spring			
Snap Beans	8,980	8,980	8,170
Broccoli ¹	13,350	13,960	14,160
Cabbage	3,120	2,830	2,710
Carrots	7,730	7,530	7,040
Cauliflower ¹	3,970	3,840	3,640
Celery ¹	2,060	2,100	1,980
Sweet Corn	13,150	13,760	13,150
Cucumbers	2,910	2,910	2,950
Head Lettuce	14,000	13,480	13,070
Bell Peppers ¹	3,240	3,080	2,990
Tomatoes	11,130	11,530	11,330
Total 11 Vegetables ²	83,650	84,010	81,220
Cantaloup	12,830	12,990	12,500
Honeydew Melons	1,660	1,660	1,700
Watermelon	16,350	15,780	15,700
Total 3 Melons ²	30,840	30,430	29,910
Total Spring Crop ²	114,490	114,450	111,130

¹ Includes fresh market and processing.

² Totals may not add due to rounding.

**Selected Fresh Market Vegetables and Melons: Area Harvested by Crop, State,
and Total, Spring Season, 2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

Crop and State	Usual Harvest Period	Area		
		Harvested		For Harvest 2007
		2005	2006	
		<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
Snap Beans				
FL	Apr-Jun	11,500	11,000	9,900
GA	Apr-Jun	9,100	9,600	8,500
NJ	Jun-Aug	1,600	1,600	1,800
Total		22,200	22,200	20,200
Broccoli ¹				
CA	Apr-Jun	33,000	34,500	35,000
Cabbage				
FL	Apr-Jun	1,800	1,400	1,400
GA	Apr-Jun	4,000	3,900	3,600
NJ	May-Aug	1,000	1,000	1,200
TX	Apr-Jun	900	700	500
Total		7,700	7,000	6,700
Cantaloup				
AZ	May-Aug	13,900	14,300	14,000
CA	Apr-Jun	11,500	11,500	11,200
GA	Apr-Jun	4,300	4,600	3,800
TX	Apr-Jun	2,000	1,700	1,900
Total		31,700	32,100	30,900
Carrots				
CA	Apr-Jun	18,500	18,000	17,000
TX	Apr-Jun	600	600	400
Total		19,100	18,600	17,400
Cauliflower ¹				
CA	Apr-Jun	9,800	9,500	9,000
Celery ¹				
CA	Apr-Jun	5,100	5,200	4,900
Sweet Corn				
CA	Apr-Jun	11,500	13,000	12,000
FL	Apr-Jun	21,000	21,000	20,500
Total		32,500	34,000	32,500

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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**Selected Fresh Market Vegetables and Melons: Area Harvested by Crop, State,
and Total, Spring Season, 2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007 (continued)**

Crop and State	Usual Harvest Period	Area		
		Harvested		For Harvest 2007
		2005	2006	
		<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
Cucumbers				
FL	Apr-Jun	5,900	5,500	6,100
SC	May-Aug	1,000	1,100	800
TX	Apr-Jun	300	600	400
Total		7,200	7,200	7,300
Honeydew Melons				
CA	Apr-Jun	3,400	3,400	3,400
TX	Apr-Jun	700	700	800
Total		4,100	4,100	4,200
Head Lettuce				
CA	Apr-Jun	34,000	33,000	32,000
NJ	Apr-Jun		300	300
Oth Sts ^{2 3}		600		
Total		34,600	33,300	32,300
Bell Peppers ¹				
FL	Apr-Jul	7,800	7,500	7,400
TX ⁴	Apr-Jun	200	100	
Total		8,000	7,600	7,400
Tomatoes				
CA	Apr-Jun	7,000	8,000	8,000
FL	Apr-Jul	17,500	17,500	17,200
SC	May-Jul	3,000	3,000	2,800
Total		27,500	28,500	28,000
Watermelons				
CA	Apr-Jun	3,600	3,600	3,600
FL	Apr-Jul	26,000	25,300	24,600
TX	Apr-Jun	10,800	10,100	10,600
Total		40,400	39,000	38,800

¹ Includes fresh market and processing.

² 2005 - AZ and NJ.

³ AZ estimates discontinued in 2006.

⁴ Estimates discontinued in 2007.

**Fresh Market Vegetables: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production
by Crop, Season, State, and Total, 2005-2006 and Forecasted 2007**

Crop, Season, and State	Area			Yield per Acre			Production		
	Harvested		For Harvest 2007	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007
	2005	2006							
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Cwt</i>	<i>Cwt</i>	<i>Cwt</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>	<i>1,000 Cwt</i>
Asparagus ¹									
Spring									
CA	24,100	24,000	23,000	32	25		770	600	
MI	12,200	11,700	11,500	19	22		232	257	
WA	13,000	9,000	7,500	41	42		532	378	
Total	49,300	44,700	42,000	31	28		1,534	1,235	
Onions									
Spring ²									
AZ ³	2,000	1,000	1,200	460	490		920	490	
CA ³	8,000	7,900	7,600	475	415		3,800	3,279	
GA	10,500	10,500	12,000	210	310	240	2,205	3,255	2,880
TX	15,500	15,200	10,800	300	270	305	4,650	4,104	3,294
Total	36,000	34,600	31,600	322	322		11,575	11,128	
Straw-berries ¹									
CA	34,300	35,800	35,500	600	590	580	20,580	21,163	20,590
FL	7,300	7,300	7,500	245	280	300	1,789	2,044	2,250
OR ³	2,200	2,100	2,000	115	110		250	230	
Major States Total	43,800	45,200	45,000	516	519		22,619	23,437	

¹ Includes fresh market and processing.

² Primarily fresh market.

³ First production forecast will be published July 10, 2007.

**Onions: Area Planted by Season, State, and United States,
2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

Season and State	Area Planted		
	2005	2006	2007
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
Spring ¹			
AZ	2,000	1,000	1,200
CA	8,200	8,100	7,800
GA	13,500	14,000	12,500
TX	17,000	17,700	12,500
Total	40,700	40,800	34,000
Summer ¹			
Non-storage			
CA	9,700	9,800	9,400
NV	2,400	2,600	2,700
NM	6,500	6,000	6,500
TX	1,000	1,000	800
WA ²	1,400	1,500	1,500
Total	21,000	20,900	20,900
Storage			
CA ³	31,800	33,100	32,200
CO	10,000	10,000	10,000
ID	9,700	9,700	9,400
MI	3,000	2,700	2,300
NY	13,800	14,100	12,700
OR			
Malheur	11,700	12,000	12,300
Other	7,800	7,800	8,300
WA	19,500	20,000	20,500
WI	2,000	1,900	2,000
Oth Sts ⁴	2,020	2,280	2,200
Total	111,320	113,580	111,900
Total Summer	132,320	134,480	132,800
US	173,020	175,280	166,800

¹ Primarily fresh market.

² Includes Walla Walla and other non-storage onions.

³ Primarily dehydrated and other processing.

⁴ 2005 - OH and UT.

2006 - OH and UT.

2007 - OH and UT.

Fresh Market Crop Comments

Asparagus: Intended area for harvest is forecast at 42,000 acres, down 6 percent from 2006. Area in California declined 4 percent from last year. A mid-January freeze had minimal impact on the asparagus crop. Washington's harvested area is forecast at 7,500 acres, 17 percent below last year. Weather this winter was very mild in the eastern part of the State. Water supplies should not be a concern for the upcoming season as the snow pack is being reported at 115 percent. Area continues to drop as available markets shrink.

Snap Beans: Area for spring harvest is forecast at 20,200 acres, down 9 percent from last year. In Florida, harvest of the winter crop continued during February and early March. Clear weather allowed planting to proceed on schedule. Cool temperature slowed some maturation. A cold snap around mid-February caused some leaf damage around Lake Okeechobee and Homestead. Georgia snap beans are in fair to good condition. Soil moisture has been mostly adequate this spring and temperatures were close to normal. In New Jersey, cold temperatures and scattered snow showers delayed some plantings.

Broccoli: California's area for spring harvest is forecast at 35,000 acres, up 1 percent from 2006. The State experienced ideal weather conditions for broccoli production. Warm sunny days and mild nights promoted plant growth.

Cabbage: Area for spring harvest is forecast at 6,700 acres, down 4 percent from last year. In Florida, planting of the spring crop started in January. Mostly mild conditions kept planting on schedule. Despite a few nights of hard frost, cabbage escaped significant damage because growers covered the crop with freeze cloths and ran overhead sprinklers. Most cutting of the cabbage crop is expected to be complete by the end of May. The Georgia crop is in fair to good condition. Soil moisture and temperatures have been favorable for the crop. In Texas, dry weather has provided favorable growing conditions for the cabbage crop.

Cantaloup: Area intended for harvest is forecast at 30,900 acres, down 4 percent from 2006. In California, the spring melon crop is progressing well. Some freeze damage to early planted melons was reported. The Georgia crop is in fair to good condition.

Carrots: Area for harvest is forecast at 17,400 acres, down 6 percent from last year. In California, weather conditions is expected to be ideal for plant growth. Although the State received sporadic rainfall, growers are expected to be able to get into their fields.

Cauliflower: California's area for spring harvest is forecast at 9,000 acres, 5 percent below 2006. In early January, cold and dry weather negatively impacted quality, resulting in acreage loss as some farmers had to forego harvest. Spring weather has been ideal for growth with warm days and mild nights.

Celery: California's area for spring harvest is forecast at 4,900 acres, down 6 percent from last year. Freezing temperatures in January reduced celery yields and production. Although plants survived the cold temperatures, the impact will be felt in the coming months, as seeder problems are anticipated through May.

Sweet Corn: Intended area for harvest is forecast at 32,500 acres, down 4 percent from a year ago. In California, freezing temperatures in January damaged early planted sweet corn in the southern California desert, with several fields having to be re-planted. Weather conditions during February and March were favorable, with unseasonably warm temperatures in March boosting crop growth and development. No disease or pest problems were reported. In Florida, some acreage was lost due to a mid-February freeze.

Cucumbers: Spring harvested area is forecast at 7,300 acres, up 1 percent from 2006. Florida's spring planting started in January. Mostly warm and dry conditions kept planting on schedule. Despite a few nights of hard frost in mid-February, cucumbers escaped significant damage as growers covered the crop with freeze cloths and ran overhead sprinklers. Cool temperatures slowed some crop development.

Honeydew Melons: Area for harvest is forecast at 4,200 acres, up 2 percent from 2006. California's spring crop is progressing well despite reported freeze damage to some early planted melons. In Texas, the crop has rebounded following a rough start due to heavy rains in the Lower Texas Valley.

Head Lettuce: Intended area for harvest is forecast at 32,300 acres, down 3 percent from 2006. In California, a January freeze adversely affected the late season lettuce crop resulting in low yields and small head size. In New Jersey, field preparation and planting is behind schedule due to unstable weather conditions during early spring.

Spring Onions: Producers intend to harvest 31,600 acres, down 9 percent from last year. California's planting began in most areas by early November under good conditions. Above normal temperatures stimulated early development, but

a frost in January caused damage to some fields. Crop development progress is behind normal in some areas. Growers reported good stands and growth in many areas following recent rains. In Georgia, rainfall during the winter months was near normal. Heading into spring the State had adequate moisture levels. Temperatures generally were near normal to slightly above normal during winter. The crop is doing well and disease problems are minimal. Harvest will begin about the third week of April. Irrigation in Georgia has been minimal. In Texas, onion planting for the spring harvest is down significantly due to heavy rainfall in the Lower Valley. Despite the heavy rains, the crop is making excellent progress, but harvest will be delayed due to late plantings.

Summer Non-Storage Onions: Non-storage planted area is 20,900 acres, unchanged from last year. The California summer onion crop was planted with some delays due to rain and cold temperatures. Good growing conditions are currently being reported. Planting in Nevada is underway. Limited water supplies may impact some fields. In New Mexico, weather conditions have been favorable. Washington producers experienced a cold winter causing some damage to over-wintered onions. However, growers are optimistic about this year's onion crop.

Summer Storage Onions: Storage planted area is 111,900 acres, down 1 percent from 2006. California acreage, which is primarily dehydrated or otherwise processed, is down 3 percent from 2006. Planting was behind schedule due to rain and cold temperatures, however, no major problems were reported. In Colorado, above average winter moisture left muddy fields causing delayed planting in the northern and southeastern areas. West Slope snow pack was below average, but growing areas should meet irrigation needs this spring and summer. Labor shortage is a major concern. In Idaho, snow pack supplies are expected to be below average. However, the State has adequate water stock, therefore, water availability is not a concern. In Oregon, growers are optimistic about this year's crop despite some damage that was caused by the Iris yellow spot virus last season. In Washington, planting has begun in many areas and should be in full swing in the next few weeks. Thrips remains a major concern for some producers. Irrigation supplies look promising.

Bell Peppers: Florida's area for harvest is forecast at 7,400 acres, down 1 percent from 2006. Mostly favorable weather conditions during January and February allowed planting and harvesting to progress. In mid-February, cool temperatures slowed plant development over the central and southern Peninsula. By March, clear weather allowed planting and harvesting to proceed on schedule, while warmer temperatures increased crop growth and fruit development in all vegetable areas. Dry conditions allowed planting and harvesting to proceed at a rapid pace.

Strawberries: Area intended for harvest is forecast at 45,000 acres, virtually unchanged from last year's comparable States. California's area for harvest is forecast at 35,500 acres, down 1 percent from 2006. California's strawberry season started slowly this year due to a January freeze followed by dry conditions. Sporadic damage has been reported in the southern part of the State. However, warmer weather is expected to bring shipments back within normal ranges. In Florida, growers started transplanting at the end of September with virtually all planting completed by the end of October. Cooler temperatures at the end of October through all of November increased berry quality. However, very warm temperatures for most of December adversely affected berry quality. Light harvest started in early November with a moderate amount available for the Thanksgiving Day market. Picking increased steadily as more area reached maturity in December. Warmer temperatures during most of January continued to hinder berry quality. Temperatures near freezing arrived in late January and the middle of February. Growers provided overhead irrigation to plants to prevent cold weather losses. Producers started to open fields to U-pick in late March and early April as temperatures warmed and supplies from other States increased. The Oregon crop looks good. The State experienced no hard freezes this winter. Labor shortages continue to be a major concern.

Tomatoes: Area for harvest is forecast at 28,000 acres, down 2 percent from 2006. Warm weather throughout California provided ideal growing conditions for tomatoes. Sporadic rainfall provided adequate water to promote plant growth. There have been no reports of significant pest infestations or diseases. In Florida, many areas experienced cold temperatures during most of February. Some producers either covered plants with freeze cloths or ran overhead sprinklers to protect plants from frosty temperatures. There was frost burn on some lower leaves of tomatoes in the Immokalee area. Producers reported slow development due to cold temperatures. Mostly clear conditions leading into early March allowed planting and harvesting to continue on schedule across the southern Peninsula area. Soil moisture supplies have been mostly short across the central and southern Peninsula.

Watermelons: Area intended for harvest is forecast at 38,800 acres, down 1 percent from last year. California's spring melon crop is progressing well. Minimal freeze damage during mid-February was reported on Florida's watermelon crop. However, growers that planted early were able to reset plants. Producers will start harvesting in April and continue into early July if prices hold up. Watermelon prices and availability of trucks to haul melons to market will impact how long growers in the State harvest their watermelon crop. Vine Decline disease is currently under control due to growers implementation of a White fly population management program. Watermelons are currently sizing well and quality is expected to be good.

**Processing Vegetables: Prospective Plantings and Production by Crop
and Expected Utilization, United States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted 2007
(Domestic Units)**

Utilization and Crop	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
All Processing				
Snap Beans	210,230	211,920	206,551	204,540
Sweet Corn	421,510	394,400	394,400	372,900
Cucumbers for Pickles	114,000	107,400	86,200	93,700
Green Peas	218,600	215,100	212,800	205,200
Tomatoes	285,840	300,700	297,690	322,900
Total	1,250,180	1,229,520	1,197,641	1,199,240
Canning				
Snap Beans	147,330	142,580	139,741	139,660
Sweet Corn	227,000	197,600	197,600	185,500
Cucumbers for Pickles	114,000	107,400	86,200	93,700
Green Peas	93,500	90,600	90,600	76,700
Tomatoes	285,840	300,700	297,690	322,900
Total Canning	867,670	838,880	811,831	818,460
Freezing				
Snap Beans	62,900	69,340	66,810	64,880
Sweet Corn	194,510	196,800	196,800	187,400
Green Peas	125,100	124,500	122,200	128,500
Total Freezing	382,510	390,640	385,810	380,780
		Production		
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>
Tomatoes	10,193,120	10,611,820	10,531,665	12,535,700

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

**Processing Vegetables: Prospective Plantings and Production by Crop
and Expected Utilization, United States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted 2007
(Metric Units)**

Utilization and Crop	Area Planted			2007 Contract Intentions ¹
	2005 Total	2006		
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Hectares</i>	<i>Hectares</i>	<i>Hectares</i>	<i>Hectares</i>
All Processing				
Snap Beans	85,080	85,760	83,590	82,780
Sweet Corn	170,580	159,610	159,610	150,910
Cucumbers for Pickles	46,130	43,460	34,880	37,920
Green Peas	88,470	87,050	86,120	83,040
Tomatoes	115,680	121,690	120,470	130,670
Total ²	505,940	497,570	484,670	485,320
Canning				
Snap Beans	59,620	57,700	56,550	56,520
Sweet Corn	91,860	79,970	79,970	75,070
Cucumbers for Pickles	46,130	43,460	34,880	37,920
Green Peas	37,840	36,660	36,660	31,040
Tomatoes	115,680	121,690	120,470	130,670
Total Canning ²	351,140	339,490	328,540	331,220
Freezing				
Snap Beans	25,460	28,060	27,040	26,260
Sweet Corn	78,720	79,640	79,640	75,840
Green Peas	50,630	50,380	49,450	52,000
Total Freezing ²	154,800	158,090	156,130	154,100
	Production			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Metric Tons</i>	<i>Metric Tons</i>	<i>Metric Tons</i>	<i>Metric Tons</i>
Tomatoes	9,246,990	9,626,830	9,554,120	11,372,140

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² Totals may not add due to rounding. Utilizations may not add to total crop because of rounding.

**Snap Beans for Processing: Area Planted and Contracted
by State and United States, and Utilization by United States,
2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

State and Utilization	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
FL	2,100	3,300	2,800	2,500
IL	18,000	15,800	14,200	15,200
IN	5,700	5,600	5,600	5,200
MI	17,000	19,000	19,000	22,000
NY ²	21,400	22,200	20,600	
OR	18,600	18,900	18,900	18,000
PA	9,900	10,900	9,800	9,900
WI	77,100	73,500	73,500	81,800
Oth Sts ^{3 4}	40,430	42,720	42,151	49,940
US	210,230	211,920	206,551	204,540
Canning	147,330	142,580	139,741	139,660
Freezing	62,900	69,340	66,810	64,880

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² 2007 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ 2005 - AR, CA, DE, GA, MD, MN, MO, NJ, NC, TX, and VA.

2006 - CA, DE, GA, MD, MN, NJ, NC, TX, and VA.

2007 - CA, DE, GA, MD, MN, NJ, NY, NC, TX, and VA.

⁴ Seasonal forecasts for AR and MO are not available. Estimates to be published in the *Vegetables 2007 Summary*, released in January 2008.

**Sweet Corn for Processing: Area Planted and Contracted
by State and United States, and Utilization by United States,
2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

State and Utilization	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
DE	7,300	4,700	4,700	5,000
MD	6,700	6,300	6,300	5,700
MN	143,500	135,200	135,200	124,400
NY ²	19,400	18,400	18,400	
OR	23,200	26,100	26,100	22,200
PA ²	1,300	1,200	1,200	
WA	81,900	80,200	80,200	79,800
WI	97,400	86,200	86,200	84,000
Oth Sts ³	40,810	36,100	36,100	51,800
US	421,510	394,400	394,400	372,900
Canning	227,000	197,600	197,600	185,500
Freezing	194,510	196,800	196,800	187,400

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² 2007 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ 2005 - ID, IL, IA, NJ, TN, and VA.

2006 - ID, IL, IA, NJ, and TN.

2007 - ID, IL, IA, NJ, NY, PA, TN, and VA.

**Cucumbers for Pickles: Area Planted and Contracted by State
and United States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

State	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
FL	6,500	6,700	5,700	6,000
IN	1,700	1,600	1,600	1,500
MD ²	3,000	3,200	1,300	
MI	34,000	34,000	24,600	32,000
NC	16,200	11,100	9,400	10,000
OH	3,400	3,100	2,600	2,900
SC	4,800	3,500	3,500	3,400
TX	8,000	8,200	8,000	8,000
WI	4,600	4,800	4,800	5,100
Oth Sts ^{3 4}	31,800	31,200	24,700	24,800
US	114,000	107,400	86,200	93,700

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² 2007 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ 2005 - AL, CA, DE, GA, MA, MO, and WA.

2006 - AL, CA, DE, GA, and MO.

2007 - AL, CA, DE, GA, MD, and MO.

⁴ Seasonal forecasts for WA are not available. Estimate to be published in the *Vegetables 2007 Summary*, released in January 2008.

**Green Peas for Processing: Area Planted and Contracted by State
and United States, and Utilization by United States,
2005-2006 and Forecasted Area 2007**

State and Utilization	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
DE	6,000	5,800	3,500	5,800
MN	77,200	86,700	86,700	75,900
NY ²	20,600	19,500	19,500	
OR	16,200	17,600	17,600	20,600
WA	37,100	34,300	34,300	38,800
WI	40,200	31,900	31,900	21,500
Oth Sts ³	21,300	19,300	19,300	42,600
US	218,600	215,100	212,800	205,200
Canning	93,500	90,600	90,600	76,700
Freezing	125,100	124,500	122,200	128,500

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² 2007 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ 2005 - CA, ID, IL, MD, and NJ.

2006 - CA, ID, IL, MD, and NJ.

2007 - CA, ID, IL, MD, NJ, and NY.

**Tomatoes for Processing: Area Planted and Production
by State and United States, 2005-2006 and Forecasted 2007**

State	Area Planted			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
CA	267,000	283,000	280,000	305,000
IN	8,300	8,000	8,000	8,300
MI ²		3,300	3,300	3,400
OH	6,200	6,400	6,390	6,200
Oth Sts ^{3 4}	4,340			
US	285,840	300,700	297,690	322,900
	Production			
	2005 Total	2006		2007 Contract Intentions ¹
		Total	Contract ¹	
	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>
CA	9,600,000	10,104,000	10,024,000	12,000,000
IN	266,470	225,500	225,500	254,400
MI ²		115,500	115,500	115,300
OH	175,280	166,820	166,665	166,000
Oth Sts ^{3 4}	151,370			
US	10,193,120	10,611,820	10,531,665	12,535,700

¹ Includes acreage from major brokers.

² 2005 data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ 2005 - MD, MI, and NJ.

⁴ MD and NJ dropped from the national estimating program starting in 2006.

Processing Crop Comments

Growers of vegetables for processing intend to plant 1.20 million contracted acres in 2007, virtually unchanged from 2006 for comparable States. Declined contracted acreage for snap beans, sweet corn, and green peas offsets increased acreage for cucumbers for pickles and tomatoes. Area for freezing, at 380,780 acres, is down 1 percent from last year. Area for canning, forecast at 818,460 acres, is up 1 percent from 2006.

Snap Beans: Processors contracted to plant 204,540 acres of snap beans, down 1 percent from last year. Contracted area for freezing, at 64,880 acres, is down 3 percent from 2006. Contracted area for canning, at 139,660 acres, is virtually unchanged from 2006. Wisconsin's contracted area, at 81,800 acres, is up 11 percent from the previous year. The winter months in Indiana provided plenty of precipitation which benefitted crop development. In Oregon, producers are preparing for the upcoming planting season. Farmers are struggling with wet fields in Western Oregon. As of March 1, the snow pack in the Willamette basin was 102 percent of normal.

Sweet Corn: Contract intentions call for 372,900 acres of sweet corn in 2007, down 5 percent from last year. Contracted area for freezing, at 187,400 acres, is down 5 percent from last year's total. Contracted area for canning, at 185,500 acres, is down 6 percent from 2006. Rapid snow melt in Minnesota was reported across the State during mid-March.

Cucumbers for Pickles: Pickle packers intend to contract 93,700 acres of cucumbers for pickles, up 9 percent from last year. Planting of the spring crop in Florida began in January. Favorable weather conditions have kept planting on schedule. Despite a few nights when temperatures were below freezing, cucumbers escaped significant damage because growers covered the crop with freeze cloths or ran overhead sprinklers. Cool temperatures slowed crop development.

Green Peas: Contract intentions are forecast at 205,200 acres in 2007, down 4 percent from 2006. Contract intentions for freezing, at 128,500 acres, are 5 percent above last year. Contracted area for canning, at 76,700 acres, is 15 percent below 2006. In Wisconsin, growers intend to contract 21,500 acres of green peas, down 33 percent from last year. In Minnesota, rapid snow melt was reported across the State, however, remaining frost layer prevented melting snow from soaking into the subsoil.

Tomatoes for Canning: Contracts with growers cover 322,900 acres in 2007, up 8 percent from last year. Contract production, at 12.5 million tons, is 19 percent above 2006. California production is forecast at 12.0 million tons, up 20 percent from 2006. The tomato crop is expected to be on schedule and processors are anticipating a good growing season. In Indiana, prospects for a good crop look positive due to plenty of precipitation during the winter months.

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