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TOTAL COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF ALL VEGETABLES AND MELONS

FOR

FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING

1962 - 1965

This report of the Crop Reporting Board gives estimates of the total commercial production of all vegetables and melons for the United States and supplements the publications: "Vegetables - Fresh Market, 1965 Annual Summary," and "Vegetables - Processing, 1965 Annual Summary" dated December 20, 1965.

Table 1 shows estimated commercial production of all vegetables for fresh market and processing for the years 1962-65. The term "fresh market" as used by the Crop Reporting Board has two connotations. It refers to production solely for fresh market of those crops for which estimates of production for processing are also regularly prepared. It also refers to total production for artichokes, broccoli, brussels sprouts, carrots, cauliflower, celery, garlic, kale, onions, green peppers and melons. The fresh market estimates in Table 1 include, in addition to estimates of the principal crops in major producing States published in the regular program of monthly reports, allowances for: production of principal crops in minor States, production of miscellaneous vegetables in all States, and greenhouse vegetable production.

The breakdown of estimated total production of vegetables and melons for fresh market by crops is shown in Table 2. Fresh market estimates by seasons, published in regular monthly reports, cover those States which are of substantial commercial importance in the production of the principal crops. It is not practical to include, in the monthly reports, estimates in States where production is small. Production estimates of vegetables, melons, and strawberries other than principal crops in major States have been prepared on a national basis and are published in this report. State and seasonal group production for these crops are not available; neither are figures available on acreage or value. In 1964 and 1965, production of principal crops in the major producing States covered in the regular program accounted for over four-fifths of the total commercial tonnage of all vegetables and melons for fresh market.

Table 1.--Total Commercial Production of Vegetables and Melons,  
United States 1/, 1962-65 2/

YEAR	FRESH MARKET CROPS <u>3/</u>	10 PROCESSING CROPS <u>4/</u>	TOTAL
	- Tons -	- Tons -	- Tons -
1962	12,750,650	9,347,630	22,098,280
1963	13,066,650	7,997,930	21,064,580
1964	12,744,200	8,104,290	20,848,490
1965 (Prel.)	13,090,950	8,338,830	21,429,780

1/ Includes Alaska and Hawaii.

2/ Does not include production from farm or nonfarm gardens.

3/ Production of total commercial fresh market vegetables and production for processing vegetables which are not included in the regular processing estimates. Excludes strawberries.

4/ Production of vegetables grown for commercial processing which are in the regular estimating program; asparagus, green lima beans, snap beans, beets, cabbage for sauerkraut, sweet corn, cucumbers for pickles, green peas, spinach, and tomatoes.

Table 2.--Total Commercial Production of Vegetables and Melons for Fresh Market, and Strawberries, by Crops, United States, 1964 and 1965 <sup>1/</sup>

CROP	1964 Revised			1965 Preliminary		
	Production estimated by States <sup>2/</sup>	Other commercial production	Total production	Production estimated by States <sup>2/</sup>	Other commercial production	Total production
	- 1,000 cwt. -			- 1,000 cwt. -		
<b>VEGETABLES</b>						
Artichokes <sup>3/</sup>	566	---	566	644	---	644
Asparagus	1,032	50	1,082	1,022	40	1,062
Lima Beans	360	170	530	340	170	510
Snap Beans	4,166	130	4,296	3,974	145	4,119
Beets	409	740	1,149	405	710	1,115
Broccoli <sup>3/</sup>	2,332	38	2,370	2,203	35	2,238
Br. Sprouts <sup>3/</sup>	730	5	735	677	8	685
Cabbage	19,068	422	19,490	18,917	440	19,357
Carrots <sup>3/</sup>	16,370	470	16,840	17,432	560	17,992
Cauliflower <sup>3/</sup>	2,518	202	2,720	2,410	206	2,616
Celery <sup>3/</sup>	14,113	145	14,258	14,293	148	14,441
Sweet Corn	12,528	1,250	13,778	13,473	1,060	14,533
Cucumbers	5,044	350	5,394	4,965	340	5,305
Eggplant	543	180	723	593	173	766
Escarole	1,041	273	1,314	1,044	268	1,312
Garlic <sup>3/</sup>	506	2	508	552	2	554
Kale <sup>3/</sup>	84	150	234	84	150	234
Lettuce	39,044	1,700	40,744	41,048	1,690	42,738
Onions <sup>3/</sup>	25,904	122	26,026	28,079	110	28,189
Green Peas	203	88	291	169	80	249
Green Peppers <sup>3/</sup>	3,980	835	4,815	3,987	900	4,887
Shallots	26	---	26	28	---	28
Spinach	1,173	174	1,347	1,167	180	1,347
Tomatoes	20,636	1,440	22,076	20,681	1,335	22,016
Misc. Vege. <sup>4/</sup>	---	30,650	30,650	---	29,980	29,980
<b>Total Vegetables</b>	<b>172,376</b>	<b>39,586</b>	<b>211,962</b>	<b>178,187</b>	<b>38,730</b>	<b>216,917</b>
<b>MELONS</b>						
Cantaloups <sup>3/</sup>	12,667	150	12,817	12,164	135	12,299
Honeydews <sup>3/</sup>	1,312	15	1,327	1,470	10	1,480
Watermelons <sup>3/</sup>	27,713	1,065	28,778	30,198	925	31,123
<b>Total Melons</b>	<b>41,692</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>42,922</b>	<b>43,832</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>44,902</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL CROPS</b>	<b>214,068</b>	<b>40,816</b>	<b>254,884</b>	<b>222,019</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>261,819</b>
	- 1,000 lbs. -			- 1,000 lbs. -		
<b>STRAWBERRIES <sup>3/</sup></b>	<b>550,435</b>	<b>11,200</b>	<b>561,635</b>	<b>460,977</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>473,077</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Does not include production from farm or nonfarm gardens. <sup>2/</sup> Fresh market production of principal crops in major producing States. See "Vegetables-Fresh Market, 1965 Annual Summary." <sup>3/</sup> Includes production for processing. <sup>4/</sup> Chinese cabbage, swiss chard, collards, daikon, dandelion greens, mustard greens, turnip greens, horseradish, Kohlrabi, okra, green onions, parsley, parsnips, field peas, pimientos, pumpkins, radishes, rhubarb, rutabagas, squash, turnips, watercress and 20 other miscellaneous vegetables. Includes production of these crops for processing

