

2008 SPRING POTATO ACREAGE INQUIRY (Shippers)



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Dear Reporter:

We need your help to prepare the first forecast for California's 2008 spring potato acreage. Please complete this questionnaire and return it by **March 14** in the enclosed postage-paid envelope or you may fax it to us toll-free at 1-888-478-5637.

Please make corrections to name, address, and Zip Code, if necessary.

Response to this survey is voluntary and not required by law. However, your cooperation is very important to make California's estimates more accurate. Individual reports are kept **confidential** and only used in State totals.

PLEASE MAIL OR FAX BY MARCH 14, 2008

FAX Number: 1-888-478-5637

If you have any questions, please call Rachel Anderson at 1-800-851-1127, Ext. 143. Thank you for your assistance.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Report total acreage for spring potatoes that will be shipped by your firm. Include your own spring potato acreage plus acreage you expect to ship for others.
- Report expected acreage for the entire spring – normally harvested in April through July or early August. If necessary, estimate the acreage for the latter part of this period.
- If you have no acreage to report, or are no longer in the potato business, please note this and return your form.

1. SPRING POTATO ACREAGE

County Where Grown	Total Acreage of Potatoes Shipped or to be Shipped by Your Firm			
	2007		2008	
	Processing Acreage	Table-stock Acreage	Processing Acreage	Table-stock Acreage
Kern				
Tulare				
Other:				

2. COMMENTS on the expected acreage in your locality compared to last season, and factors influencing the change in acreage from last year will be helpful.

3. Would you like to receive a free copy of the survey results in the mail?

(The survey results will also be available on the Internet at: www.nass.usda.gov)

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