## DRY ONION INQUIRY Acreage and Production - 2009 Crop



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

## PLEASE MAIL OR FAX BY JUNE 1, 2009. Fax Number: 1-888-478-5637

Dear Reporter:

Your help is needed to prepare estimates of the dry onion crop. Please report dry onion acreage grown by your operation and/or from which you expect to process/ship. Also, report expected yield or total production from these acres. Return the completed questionnaire in the postage-paid envelope enclosed for your convenience or fax the report to 1-888-478-5637.

Response to the survey is voluntary and not required by law. However, your cooperation is very important to make California's estimates as accurate as possible. Individual reports are kept **confidential** and only used in State totals. If you have questions, please call Lena Schwedler at 1-800-851-1127, Ext. 134. Thank you for your assistance.

Of the following four choices, please mark which best defines your dry onion operation:

Grower only......Please.complete the Grower Section.

Shipper/Processor only......Please.complete the Shipper/Processor Section.

Do not grow, ship or process dry onions......Please fax or return questionnaire in the envelope provided.

## GROWER SECTION

Please report acreage and production of dry onions grown by this operation. (Exclude green onions.)

## Spring/Summer Fresh "Sweet " Dry Onions Varieties not suitable for storage.

٠	Mild early maturing onions planted in late fall to spring for
	Spring/Summer harvest.

- Have higher water content, typically sweeter and milder than storage onions.
- Includes lightly processed (sliced, diced, peelers).
- Exclude dehydrator onions, which should be reported in item 2a.

•	Have thinner, lighter color skin and often used raw.					
			State	Where Growr	ו	
		California	Arizona	Nevada	Oregon	Other (specify)
a)	How many acres of Spring/Summer fresh "sweet" dry onions did you harvest between <b>April-June</b> of:					
	2009 Acres					
	What was the yield for that acreage in: 2009					
b)	What was the total production for that acreage in: 2009Production					
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	OR What was the total production for that acreage in: 2009Production					
	Did you report yield/production in (circle one):	·· Cwt.	Tons Bags =	lbs.	Cartons	s = Ibs.
•	<ul> <li>Moderate to strong, full-flavored onions which are noted for storing, exporting and cooking qualities.</li> <li>Dehydrator onions are much lower in water content (high soluble solids content). Usually grown under contract.</li> <li>Other varieties suitable for storage (including storage varieties used for fresh market).</li> </ul>					
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SHIPPER/PROCESSOR SECTION Please report acreage and production of dry onions <u>shipped/processed</u> by this operation that were grown by this/and other operations. Include information for all points from which your firm ships. <i>(Exclude green onions.)</i>								
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3.	Crop Condition  Report condition now as a percent of normal growth Let 100 percent represent normal	n and vitality ye	ou would expe	ect at this t	time.			cent of Normal

COMMENTS: Please comment on crop progress, condition, weather effects, quality, yields, etc.

Would you like	e to receive a free copy of the survey	results?		099
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			Fax: <u>«PHONEFAX»</u>	

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