

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES

Acreage, Production and Value per Unit



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The information requested in this survey is needed to prepare a report on the 2008 acreage and production of cucumber for pickles. Stocks of pickles on December 1 will also be included in the report. Response is voluntary and not required by law. However, your report is needed to make the estimates as accurate as possible.

Please complete and return this report in the enclosed envelope which does not need a stamp. Your individual report is confidential and used only with other reports for statistical purposes. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

1. ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE PER UNIT FOR 2008
 (Please review Definitions and Instructions for Reporting on back.)

Report Separately for Each State Where Grown	Supplies Contracted or Grown By Your Firm in 2008			Open-market Purchases In 2008	Average Value per Cwt. At Processing Plant Door on Pay Weight Basis	
	Acres Planted	Acres Harvested	Production Pay-weight received	Pay-weight received	Contract Purchases	Open-Market Purchases
	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
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2. STOCK OF SALT, FRESH PACK AND REFRIGERATED PICKLES ON DECEMBER 1, 2008 1/

Report Separately for Each State Where Grown	From Crop of 2008			Carryover From Previous Crops		Total Stocks on Hand Dec. 1, 2008
	Salt Stocks (Incl. dill)	Fresh Pack	Refrigerated	Salt Stock	Fresh Pack	
	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.	
State:						
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1/ Report the equivalent hundredweight of quantity of cucumbers used in stocks on hand.

3. To remove possible duplication, please list below the names of other firms that this report covers:

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Respondent Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

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Date:	_____	_____	_____

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Response			Respondent		Mode			Enum.	Eval.
1-Comp	5-R – Est	9901	1-Op/Mgr	9902	1-Mail	6-e-mail	9903	098	100
2-R	6-Inac – Est		2-Sp		2-Tel	7-Fax			
3-Inac	7-Off Hold – Est		3-Acct/Bkpr		3-Face-to-Face	8-CAPI			
4-Office Hold	8-Known Zero		4-Partner		4-CATI	19-Other			
			9-Oth		5-Web				

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DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING

1. Report Quantity Received and Value Per Unit on a Pay-Weight Basis: The term "pay-weight" refers to the quantity of the product delivered and paid for at the rate (or rates) specified in contracts or purchase agreements. Culls and rejects received, but considered to be of no value (including tonnage for which the grower received a nominal amount, such as \$1.00 a ton in lieu of the return of dockage), should not be included in this report. Processors who establish tolerance for culls and rejects should report the tonnage which was paid for at the contract rate and should deduct only the dockage for culls and rejects in excess of the prescribed tolerance.
2. Value Per Unit: Value per unit is defined as "all payments to growers plus the costs of materials and services provided to get the raw commodity to the plant receiving door."
3. Materials and Services Furnished by Processors: Include cost of the following materials and services furnished without charge to growers and in excess of grower charges:
 - a. Preparation, planting and cultivating, including depreciation and repair of equipment.
 - b. Seeds or plant costs not deducted, including distribution.
 - c. Weed, insect, or disease control, including survey, equipment, application, and materials.
 - d. Harvesting costs, including cost of operation, depreciation, repair, moving equipment, and labor procurement.
 - e. Delivery cost to the processing plant door, including payment to hired truckers, cost of company trucks, and grower hauling allowances.
 - f. Container cost, including upkeep, losses, storage, and transportation.
 - g. Field receiving station cost if located off plant premises (receiving, weighing, loading, etc.).
 - h. Passed acreage if paid for.
 - i. Inspection and grading costs. (Include only if used in purchase of raw product.)
 - j. Icing and hydrocooling prior to delivery to plant.
 - k. Association service fees if not deducted from grower payment.
 - l. Other costs to processing plant door.
 - m. Do not include brokerage, cost of fieldmen, or other buying expenses.
4. Reports by Cooperatives: For cooperatives, the average value per unit reported should reflect total payments to growers plus other costs in Item 3 above for the quantity delivered as defined in Item 1 above. Do not include dividends paid growers which are based on capital stock ownership. If all payments have not been made to growers, please estimate the average total payments to growers in arriving at per unit value as defined in Item 2 above. Label your estimated average value per unit "Estimate," and indicate the date when final figures should be available. We will write you at that time for your final average value per unit.
5. If harvest has not been completed, please estimate the acreage that will be harvested and the total tonnage that will be received.
6. For each crop processed, please designate the States in which the crop was grown.
7. Include all tonnage bought from growers even if some was sold to other processors. Do not include tonnage bought from other processors.
8. For crops not processed by your firm during the year, please write "NONE" in areas provided for reporting these crops.