VEGETABLES FOR PROCESSING

Acreage, Production, and Value per Unit November 2008



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Some States instead of using the National Processing survey will collect additional detailed data for their State cooperators, breaking data for vegetable into canning and freezing. The information requested in this survey is needed to prepare a report on the 2008 processed vegetable crops. 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 postage paid envelope. 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.

ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE PER UNIT FOR 2008 (Please review instructions on Page 4)

Report Separately for Each State Where Grown	Contracted or Grown by Your Firm in 2007			Open-market Purchases	Average Value per Ton in 2008 at Processing Plant	
	Acreage		Tonnage	in 2008	Door	
	Planted	Harvested	Pay-weight received	Pay-weight received	Contract Tonnage	Open-Market purchases
BEANS, LIMA, FOR CANNING:	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
State:						
BEANS, BABY LIMA, FOR FREEZING:						
State:						
State:						
BEANS, LIMA, FORDHOOKS FOR FREEZING:						
State:						
State:						
BEANS, SNAP, FOR FREEZING: (Wax and green beans of string and stringless varieties)						
State:						
State:						
BEANS, SNAP, FOR CANNING: (Soups and other heat-processed products)						
State:						
State:						

Report Separately for Each State Where Grown	Contracted or Grown by Your Firm in 2008			Open-market Purchases	Average Value per Ton in 2008 at Processing Plant	
	Acı	Acreage		in 2008	Door	
	Planted	Harvested	Pay-weight received	Pay-weight received	Contract Tonnage	Open-Market purchases
CARROTS FOR FREEZING:	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
State:						
CARROTS FOR CANNING:						
State:						
State:						
CORN, SWEET, FOR FREEZING:						
State:						
State:						
CORN, SWEET, FOR CANNING						
State:						
State:						
PEAS, GREEN, FOR FREEZING:	Acres	Acres	Tons (shelled)	Tons (shelled)	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
State:						
PEAS, GREEN, FOR CANNING						
State:						
State:						
SPINACH FOR FREEZING:	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
State:						
SPINACH FOR CANNING:						
State:						
State:						

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Report Separately for Each State Where Grown	Contracted or Grown by Your Firm in 2008			Open-market Purchases	Average Value per Ton in 2008 at Processing Plant	
	Acreage		Tonnage	in 2008	Door	
	Planted	Harvested	Pay-weight received	Pay-weight received	Contract Tonnage	Open-Market purchases
TOMATOES FOR CANNING:	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars
State:						
State:						

COMMENTS about processed vegetable crops in your locality are appreciated:

 Respondent Name:

 Phone:

 Date:

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0535-0037. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING

- 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 costs 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.
 - I. 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 their 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.