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ONIONS  
AND  
POTATOES  
1978 CROP**

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FOREWORD

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ACREAGE: According to the Michigan Agricultural Reporting Service, Michigan growers planted 7,500 acres of onions in 1978. This was unchanged from 1977. The area planted for the United States summer onion crop, including non-storage, totaled 94,550 acres. This compares to 87,400 acres a year earlier.

PRODUCTION: The area of onions harvested in Michigan increased 100 acres at 7,200 acres. The United States summer crop harvested acreage increased slightly and totaled 91,370 acres, which was up 7,420 acres from 1977. Acreage harvested for the storage crop totaled 51,520 and was up 3,320 acres. Michigan's onion production totaled 2,448,000 cwt and was up 353,000 cwt. The United States storage onion crop was placed at 18,842,000. This was an increase of 1,492,000 cwt. Most states had increased production.

THE GROWING SEASON: Spring was cool and damp which delayed planting. The weather improved by the end of April and planting became active. The weather remained favorable into May and by the middle of the month most of the crop was planted. Variable weather followed, and by June 3rd, the onion crop was developing at an average rate. Then a cooler than normal June followed, which slowed the development of the crop. Heavy rains fell during the last weekend of June and some acreage in Allegan County was lost. By July 8th, the onion crop was below average due to the cool spring and excess moisture. The balance of the growing season, with the important exception of two rainy periods during the harvest, was favorable.

THE HARVEST: A few Michigan growers began pulling onions on the 14th of August. The volume was light until the end of the month, then increased during the first week of September. A week of intermittent showers during the week ending Sept. 16, slowed the harvest and caused some quality problems. At that time, the harvest was 55% complete. As fields dried, the pace of harvest picked up and peaked with 70% of the crop in by Sept. 23rd. Showers once again caused some delays and handling problems, but even at this, 90% of the onions had been pulled. The remainder of the crop was harvested by the 3rd week of October.

MARKETING: The 1978 marketing season proved to be another disappointing season for many Michigan growers and shippers. With the exception of the early part of the deal, prices were generally at lower levels than growers like to see.

Much of the reason for the low prices was due to heavy supplies of medium onions in Michigan, New York and some other central states. However, the opposite situation occurred to jumbo onions due to tight supplies and heavy export activity in the west. The first FOB prices of the season were issued by the Federal-State Market News Service on Aug. 29th. 50 lb mesh sacks of US#1, 70% or more 2" & lgr Yellow Globes sold from \$4.50-5.10, while 12-3 lb mesh sacks sold from \$4.25-4.50. This was the season's high and compares to the opening price of a year earlier of \$3.75-4.00 on 50 lb sacks, which was also last season's high. 1978's FOB market soon experienced many downward pressures as supplies increased and buyers were able to readily cover their needs. The market continued to be fairly weak through the fall and prices slowly eroded to the low of the season on weekending Jan. 6th. 50 lb sacks sold from \$2.25-2.50, with 12-3 lb mesh sacks from \$2.30-2.65. Even though medium yellow onions were experiencing a weak market, jumbo yellows began experiencing a stronger market by the end of November when sales ranged from \$3.75-4.50 and later in January to a level of \$5.50-6.00. During the middle of January, the market strengthened due to a "weather" market, which was also coupled with cool weather in Texas that threatened to delay their crop. Growers adopted a more "bullish" attitude and the result was a firmer market. Prices advanced slightly through the 1st of March when 50's and 12-3's were selling from \$3.00-3.25. At that time, even though it was evident that Texas would be late, there were still too many fall onions in storage and the market became dull. Prices declined and when the final report of the season was issued on April 18th, 50's sold from \$2.25-2.50, with 12-3's from \$2.50-2.75.

TRANSPORTATION: Practically all shipments moved by truck. In factoring 10,000 lb units, the weights used were those of the actual container.

41 CITIES: Unloads of Michigan onions in the 41 cities through March totaled 10,738 units of 10,000 lbs. A year ago 9,790 units were received.

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## ONIONS FOR FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING: AREA AND YIELD PER ACRE, 1976-78

SEASON AND STATE	AREA HARVESTED			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978
	ACRES			HUNDREDWEIGHT			1,000 CWT.		
SUMMER: STORAGE <sup>2/</sup>									
Colorado	5,900	6,800	7,800	370	300	350	2,183	2,040	2,730
Idaho	5,300	5,300	5,200	550	455	470	2,915	2,412	2,444
MICHIGAN	7,100	7,100	7,200	305	295	340	2,166	2,095	2,448
Minnesota	800	840	970	215	260	230	172	218	223
New York	13,700	13,300	13,900	265	305	300	3,631	4,057	4,170
Ohio	470	560	550	370	385	370	174	216	204
Oregon - East	6,000	6,600	7,100	550	500	470	3,300	3,300	3,337
Oregon - West	2,200	2,100	2,100	515	470	450	1,133	987	945
Utah	1,500	1,700	2,200	300	335	360	450	570	792
Washington	1,800	2,700	3,100	400	410	380	720	1,107	1,178
Wisconsin	1,400	1,200	1,400	295	290	265	413	348	371
TOTAL STORAGE	46,170	48,200	51,520	374	360	366	12,257	17,350	18,842
SUMMER NON STORAGE	11,850	11,250	12,350	300	287	246	3,553	3,231	3,032
TOTAL SUMMER	77,520	83,950	91,370	362	346	331	28,025	29,034	30,262
UNITED STATES	109,220	107,950	120,770	322	319	298	35,197	34,406	35,935

<sup>2/</sup> - Includes some quantities of storage crop onions harvested but not sold because of shrinkage and waste.

SUMMER STORAGE ONIONS, SHRINKAGE AND LOSS <sup>1/</sup>

STATE	1976	1977	1978
	1,000 CWT.		
Colorado	373	450	400
Idaho	950	676	736
MICHIGAN	206	415	392
Minnesota	22	18	40
New York	545	811	625
Ohio	32	28	28
Oregon - East	1,075	926	1,004
Oregon - West	239	242	198
Utah	63	103	137
Washington	120	421	178
Wisconsin	50	38	50
SUB-TOTAL	3,675	4,128	3,788
California	259	200	327
UNITED STATES TOTAL	3,934	4,328	4,115

<sup>1/</sup> - Includes Fresh market and Processing.

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Crop Reporting Board, ESCS, USDA

1978 MONTHLY RAIL & TRUCK SHIPMENTS OF ONIONS IN UNITS OF 1,000 CWT.

MONTH	MICH.	CALIF.	COLO.	IDAHO	NEW MEXICO	NEW YORK	OREGON	TEXAS	WASH.
August	36	256	51	18	230	56	134	456	115
September	227	175	407	182	24	378	358	38	126
October	222	177	319	251	-	339	336	-	196
November	218	178	372	263	-	323	341	-	168
December	209	207	327	349	-	524	500	-	159
January	281	97	252	252	-	430	319	-	68
February	219	73	184	174	-	369	260	-	35
March	223	97	144	194	-	436	200	13	56
April	103	35	33	79	-	305	811	78	15
May 1 - 7	1	63	-	-	-	41	-	324	-
TOTAL	1739	1358	2089	1762	254	3201	3259	909	938

(Crop Reporting Board, ESCS)

ONIONS: STOCKS HELD IN COMMON STORAGE BY GROWERS AND DEALERS, SUMMER AREA

STATE	JAN. 1, 1977	JAN. 1, 1978	JAN. 1, 1979
		1,000 CWT.	
MICHIGAN	700	715	1,050
California	192	172	315
Colorado	533	410	590
Idaho & E. Oregon	1,590	1,625	1,450
Minnesota	85	55	108
New York	1,114	1,343	1,343*
Ohio	53	98	112
Oregon, West	388	490	352
Utah	123	147	182
Washington	200	457	178
Wisconsin	148	108	167
TOTAL	5,125	5,620	5,847*

SUMMER STORAGE ONIONS: UTILIZATION AND STOCKS 1/

YEAR	PRODUCTION	UTILIZATION		JAN 1 STOCKS			UTILIZATION	
		BEFORE JAN 1	AFTER JAN. 1	IN COMMON	IN COLD	TOTAL	SOLD	LOSS
		SOLD	LOSS	STORAGE	STORAGE 2/			
		1,000 CWT.						
1969	19,870	13,381	1,955	4,351	185	4,536	4,250	284
1970	21,569	13,320	2,599	5,470	180	5,650	4,691	959
1971	21,430	14,218	2,239	4,810	170	4,980	4,585	388
1972	20,008	13,790	2,184	3,961	77	4,038	3,761	273
1973	21,024	14,202	1,987	4,754	81	4,835	4,495	340
1974	23,863	16,404	2,270	5,109	80	5,189	4,525	664
1975	23,466	16,390	2,558	4,430	88	4,518	4,132	386
1976	24,472	15,761	3,487	5,126	98	5,224	4,777	447
1977	25,803	16,609	3,511	5,620	63	5,683	4,866	817
1978	27,230	17,526*	3,520*	5,847*	67	5,914*		

1/ UTILIZATION MAY NOT BALANCE WITH THE SUMMER STORAGE ONIONS PRODUCTION OR STOCKS BECAUSE:

- (A) Cold Storage holdings include all onions regardless of the seasonal group.
- (B) Cold Storage onions stored outside of summer producing areas.
- (C) Cross-state movement of onions in some years.

2/ Public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities for 30 days or more.

\* Corrected data.

## 41 CITIES UNION UNLOADS - RAIL &amp; TRUCK COMBINED JULY 1978 - MARCH 1979

10,000 LB. UNITS

CITIES	MI	CA	CO	ID	MN	NM	NY	ORE	TX	UT	WA	WI	MX	OTHERS	TOTAL
Albany, NY	2	19	-	74	-	4	515	19	92	-	3	-	-	6	734
Atlanta, GA	1470	282	626	241	37	466	250	197	451	261	24	33	249	512	5099
Baltimore, MD- Washington, DC	173	337	263	661	-	15	1536	324	572	-	26	-	46	126	4079
Birmingham, AL	223	95	102	167	-	3	1	18	273	-	-	6	98	22	1008
Boston, MA	118	371	189	977	-	16	2361	456	665	14	95	1	35	207	5505
Buffalo, NY	-	127	16	123	-	4	521	26	56	-	-	-	5	9	887
Chicago, IL	1221	416	304	732	20	57	16	386	412	53	45	305	87	579	4633
Cincinnati, OH	842	146	148	348	-	37	27	104	295	-	-	41	87	142	2217
Cleveland, OH	1074	179	-	403	-	13	56	99	470	4	4	-	56	519	2877
Columbia, SC	229	67	133	83	4	74	75	44	188	96	-	4	70	49	1116
Dallas, TX	4	152	767	186	-	64	-	100	541	248	2	-	317	6	2387
Denver, CO	-	47	1638	26	-	10	-	-	141	1	-	-	60	-	1923
Detroit, MI	1121	140	97	444	-	30	21	98	444	42	48	-	22	5	2512
Fort Worth, TX	71	9	119	85	-	2	-	31	129	29	-	-	18	-	493
Houston, TX	-	178	1041	497	10	144	-	35	381	50	39	35	206	1	2617
Indianapolis, IN	550	96	72	228	4	-	-	90	377	17	2	125	16	133	1710
Kansas City, MO	-	161	462	428	-	65	-	52	215	-	19	8	104	1	1515
Los Angeles, CA	-	7373	934	2264	-	71	-	774	92	280	504	-	301	82	12675
Louisville, KY	619	17	125	174	35	31	-	53	244	-	-	96	73	28	1495
Memphis, TN	10	33	418	4	-	14	-	33	175	73	-	26	49	5	840
Miami, FL	215	197	400	484	-	34	994	111	525	25	11	26	4	30	3056
Milwaukee, WI	17	28	25	70	4	-	-	15	20	-	3	82	4	1	269
Minneapolis, MN- St. Paul, MN	-	175	10	993	677	17	-	84	135	6	186	1	2	47	2333
Nashville, TN	358	2	25	103	-	-	-	13	130	-	-	-	9	-	640
New Orleans, LA	499	219	354	188	8	146	1	3	288	9	-	377	51	1	2144
New York, NY- Newark, NJ	19	369	105	1510	-	12	4556	1010	690	-	129	-	18	366	8984
Oklahoma City, OK	-	44	280	94	-	8	-	-	168	-	-	-	55	-	649
Philadelphia, PA	343	596	118	1131	-	76	2167	701	975	4	75	-	86	388	6660
Pittsburgh, PA	958	144	51	197	-	16	263	99	289	-	-	8	44	86	2155
Portland, OR	-	95	24	278	-	-	-	486	29	-	517	-	50	-	1479
Providence, RI	-	14	6	7	-	-	198	16	45	-	-	-	8	23	317
St. Louis, MO	602	126	383	366	16	59	1	66	336	36	-	95	72	34	2192
Salt Lake City, UT	-	157	5	62	-	-	-	4	-	257	15	-	1	-	501
San Antonio, TX	-	12	599	1	-	20	-	-	184	4	-	-	78	1	899
San Francisco, CA- Oakland, CA	-	2375	912	794	-	56	-	681	48	81	852	-	51	4	5854
Seattle, WA- Tacoma, WA	-	95	58	126	-	-	-	204	14	-	1881	-	28	16	2422
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10738</b>	<b>14893</b>	<b>10809</b>	<b>14549</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>1564</b>	<b>13559</b>	<b>6432</b>	<b>10289</b>	<b>1590</b>	<b>4480</b>	<b>1269</b>	<b>2460</b>	<b>3429</b>	<b>92876</b>
Montreal, Que.	-	63	-	151	-	15	-	212	75	-	29	-	5	2502	3052
Ottawa, Ont.	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	12	25	-	-	-	-	517	586
Toronto, Ont.	-	111	51	121	-	-	-	399	286	-	38	-	-	1453	2459
Vancouver, B.C.	-	100	-	48	-	-	-	1885	2	-	611	-	1	804	3451
Winnipeg, Man.	-	43	-	45	4	5	-	33	39	15	243	-	1	573	1001
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2541</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>921</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5849</b>	<b>10549</b>



## MICHIGAN UNION F.O.B. PRICES FOR THE 1978 CROP YEAR

U.S. ONE 70 PERCENT OR MORE 2<sup>n</sup> & LARGER UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

WEEK ENDING	50 LB. MED	50 LB. 3 <sup>n</sup> & LGR.	- - Y E L L O W - - 50 LB. 2 3/4 <sup>n</sup>	12-3 LB.	16-3 LB.	10-5 LB.
Sept. 2	4.25-5.10			3.85-4.50	5.10-6.00	
9	3.75-4.25			3.75-4.00	4.85-5.10	4.90-5.00
16	3.50-4.00	3.75-4.00		3.50-4.00	4.75-5.10	4.55-5.10
23	3.25-3.75	4.00		3.25-3.50	4.40-4.60	4.40-4.55
30	3.25-3.50			3.25-3.50	4.25-4.50	
Oct. 7	3.00-3.25			3.00-3.25	4.00-4.40	
14	2.90-3.00			2.90-3.25	3.75-4.15	3.60-4.00
21	2.75-3.00	3.50-4.00		2.70-3.00	3.70-4.00	3.50-4.00
28	2.70-3.00	3.50-4.00		2.70-3.00	3.60-3.90	3.50-3.75
Nov. 4	2.50-2.80	3.50-4.00		2.55-2.90	3.40-3.75	3.40-3.75
11	2.50-2.75	3.25-4.00		2.55-2.85	3.40-3.75	3.50-3.75
18	2.40-2.75	3.25-3.75		2.50-2.75	3.20-3.65	3.05-3.75
25	2.30-2.75	3.25-4.00		2.30-2.75	3.20-3.65	3.05-3.50
Dec. 2	2.25-2.65	3.75-4.50		2.30-2.65	3.20-3.65	
9	2.25-2.75	4.25-5.00	4.25-5.00	2.30-2.65	3.20-3.65	
16	2.25-2.65		4.25-5.00	2.30-2.65	3.20-3.65	
23	2.25-2.65		4.50-5.00	2.30-2.65	3.00-3.65	
30	2.25-2.50		4.50-5.00	2.30-2.65	3.00-3.50	
Jan. 6	2.25-2.50		4.50-5.00	2.30-2.65	3.00-3.50	
13	2.25-2.50		4.50-5.00	2.30-2.75	3.25-3.65	
20	2.50-2.75		5.00-5.50	2.50-2.85	3.40-3.75	
27	2.75-3.00	6.50	5.50-6.00	2.70-3.00	3.65-4.00	
Feb. 3	2.90-3.25	6.50	5.50-6.00	3.00-3.25	3.90-4.35	
10	2.90-3.25		5.50-6.00	3.00-3.25	3.90-4.35	3.80-4.10
17	2.90-3.25	6.50	5.50-6.00	3.00-3.25	3.90-4.35	3.80-4.10
24	3.00-3.25		6.00-6.50	3.00-3.25	3.90-4.35	
Mar. 3	3.00-3.25		6.00-6.50	3.00-3.25	3.90-4.35	
10	2.75-3.00		5.50-6.50	2.75-3.00	3.75-4.35	
17	2.75-3.00		5.00-6.00	2.65-3.00	3.15-4.35	
24	2.50-3.00		5.50	2.50-3.00	3.40-4.00	
31	2.50-3.00		4.50-5.00	2.50-3.00	3.40-4.00	
April 7	2.25-2.75		4.50-5.00	2.50-2.75	3.25-4.00	
14	2.25-2.75		4.00-5.00	2.50-2.75	3.25-3.75	
21	2.25-2.75		4.50-5.00	2.25-2.75	3.25-3.75	

## MICHIGAN ONION F.O.B. PRICES FOR THE 1978 CROP YEAR

WEEK ENDING	U.S. ONE 70 PERCENT OR MORE 2" & LARGER UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED			
	RED- SMALL-MED. 25 LB.	RED- MEDIUM 25 LB.	RED-LGE. 25 LB.	WHITE BOILERS 25 LB.
Sept. 23		3.75-4.00	6.00	
30		3.50-4.00		
Oct. 7		3.50-3.75	5.00-5.50	
14		3.50-3.75	4.75-5.00	
21		3.00-4.00	4.75-5.50	
28		3.00-3.60	5.00-5.50	5.00
Nov. 4		3.50-4.00	5.00	5.00
11		3.35-4.00	5.00	5.00
18	3.00-3.15	3.35-4.40	5.00	5.00
25	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	5.00	5.00
Dec. 2	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.50	5.00	5.00
9	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	4.50-5.00	5.00
16	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	4.50-5.00	5.00
23	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	5.00	5.00-5.25
30	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	4.50-5.00	
Jan. 6	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	4.50-5.00	
13	3.00-3.15	4.00-4.40	4.50-5.00	
20	3.00-3.15	3.80-4.00	4.00-4.50	
27	3.00-3.15	3.80-4.00	4.00-4.50	
Feb. 3	3.00-3.15	3.80-4.00	4.00-4.50	
10	3.00-3.15	3.80-4.00	4.00-4.50	
17	3.00-3.15		4.00-4.50	
24	3.00-3.15		4.00-4.50	
Mar. 3	3.00-3.15		4.00-4.50	
10	3.00-3.15		4.00-4.40	

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	A T L A N T A				B O S T O N			
	YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	RED MED. 25 LB.	RED LGE. 25 LB.	YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW MED-LGE 50 LB.	WHITE BOILERS 25 LB.	RED MED-LGE 25 LB.
Sept. 16:	4.75-5.00							
23:	4.75-5.00						7.50	
30:			6.00					
Oct. 7:							7.50	
14:								
21:								
28:								
Nov. 4:								
11:								
18:					3.50	3.00-4.00	5.50-7.50	3.25-3.50
25:	3.75-4.00				3.50		6.50-7.00	
Dec. 2:	3.75-4.00	7.00	4.50	6.50			6.00-6.50	
9:	3.75-4.00	7.00	4.50	6.50			6.00	
16:	3.75-4.00	7.00	4.50	6.50				
23:	3.50-3.75						6.50	
30:	3.50-3.75							
Jan. 6:								
13:	3.75-4.00		5.00-5.50	5.50				
20:	3.75-4.00		5.00	5.50			6.00-7.00	3.50-4.00
27:	3.75-4.00		5.00	5.50			6.00-6.50	3.50-4.00
Feb. 3:	4.50		5.00	5.50			6.00-6.50	
10:	4.50		5.00	5.50	4.50		6.00-6.50	3.50-4.00
17:	4.50		5.00	5.50	5.00		6.50	
24:	4.50		5.00	5.50	4.00-4.25	9.00	6.00-7.00	3.50-4.00
Mar. 3:	4.50		5.00	5.50	4.50	9.00	6.00-8.00	3.50
10:	4.25						7.00	4.50
17:	4.25						6.00-7.00	5.00
24:	4.25						6.00	
31:	4.25				3.50-3.75		6.00	3.50
Apr. 7:	3.75-4.25				3.00-3.50		5.00-6.00	3.00-3.50
14:	4.00-4.25				3.50		5.00-6.00	
21:	4.00-4.25					5.00-5.50		

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	B A L T I M O R E					WHITE BOILERS 25 LB.
		YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	YELLOW SMALL-MED. 50 LB.	12-3 LB. YELLOW	15-3 LB.	
Sept.	16	:	4.00-4.50				
	23	:	3.00-4.00				
	30	:			4.00		
Oct.	7	:					
	14	:					
	21	:					
	28	:					
Nov.	4	:					
	11	:	3.50-3.75		3.50		5.00-5.25
	18	:	3.25-3.50		3.50		
	25	:					
Dec.	2	:			3.50	3.75	
	9	:	3.25-3.50	6.75-7.00	3.00-3.25		
	16	:	3.25-3.50	7.00			
	23	:	3.25-3.50		3.00		
	30	:	3.25-3.50		3.00-3.75	3.25-3.50	
Jan.	6	:	3.75-4.00		3.00		
	13	:	3.25-4.00		3.00	3.00	
	20	:	4.00	6.50-7.50	3.00-3.25	3.50	5.00
	27	:	4.25-4.50				
Feb.	3	:	4.00-4.50	7.50-8.00			
	10	:	4.00-4.50				6.50-7.00
	17	:	4.25-4.50	7.75-8.00	4.00		
	24	:	4.00-4.25		3.50-4.00		
Mar.	3	:	4.00-4.25				
	10	:	4.00-4.25		3.75		
	17	:	4.00-4.25				
	24	:	4.00-4.25				
	31	:	4.00		3.00-3.50	3.50	
Apr.	7	:				3.50	
	14	:	4.00-4.25				
	21	:			3.00-3.50	3.25-3.50	

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	C H I C A G O				
		YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	12-3 LB. YELLOW	RED MED-LGE 25 LB.	WHITE BOILERS 25 LB.
Sept.	9	5.00-6.00				
	16	5.00-6.00				
	23	4.50-5.00		4.50-5.00	5.50-6.00	
	30	4.75				
Oct.	7	4.50				
	14	4.50				
	21	4.25-4.50				
	28	3.75-4.50				
Nov.	4	3.75-4.50		3.50-4.00	6.00	
	11	3.75-4.25	4.75-5.00	3.50-4.00	6.00-6.50	
	18	3.50-4.00		3.50-4.00		
	25	3.50-3.75		3.50-4.00		8.00
Dec.	2	3.50-3.75	6.00-6.50	3.50-3.75		7.50-8.00
	9	3.25-3.75			6.00	7.50-8.00
	16	3.25-3.75	6.00-7.00		6.00	7.50-8.00
	23	3.25-3.75	6.00-6.50		5.00-6.00	6.50-7.50
	30	3.50-3.75	6.00-6.50			5.50-6.00
Jan.	6	3.50-3.75	6.00-7.00			
	13	3.50-3.75	6.00-7.00			
	20	3.75-4.00	6.50-7.00			
	27	3.50-4.25	6.50-8.25			
Feb.	3	4.00-4.50	8.00			
	10	4.00-4.50	8.00			
	17	4.00-4.50	7.50-8.00			
	24	4.00-4.50	7.50-8.00			
Mar.	3	4.00-4.50	7.50-8.00		4.00-4.50	
	10	3.50-4.50	7.00-7.50		4.00	
	17	3.50-4.00	7.00-7.50		4.00	
	24	3.00-4.00				
	31	3.00-4.00				
Apr.	7	3.50-4.00	6.00-6.50			
	14	3.75-4.00	6.00-6.50			
	21	3.75-4.00	6.00-6.50			

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	C I N C I N N A T I				:	C L E V E L A N D		
		YELLOW REPACKER SIZE 50 LB.	YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	12-3 LB. YELLOW		YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	12-3 LB. YELLOW
Sept.	2	:	6.00-6.75			:	5.50		
	9	:	5.25			:	5.00-5.50		
	16	:	5.00		4.75	:	4.75-5.25		
	23	:	4.75-5.00		4.50	:	4.00-4.75		
	30	:	4.75		4.50	:	4.00-4.50	3.75-4.25	
Oct.	7	:	4.25-4.50		4.00	:	4.00-4.50	3.75-4.25	
	14	:	4.25-4.50		3.75-4.00	:	4.00-4.50	3.75-4.00	
	21	:	3.50-4.00			:	4.00-4.50	5.00 3.75-4.00	
	28	:	3.50-4.00		3.60-4.00	:	3.75-4.25	5.00 3.50-3.75	
Nov.	4	:	3.50-4.00			:	3.50-4.00	4.75 3.25-3.75	
	11	:	3.50-4.00			:	3.50-4.00	4.75 3.25-3.50	
	18	:	3.75-4.00		6.00	:	3.50-4.00	4.50 3.25-3.50	
	25	:	3.50-4.00			:	3.50-4.00	4.75 3.25-3.50	
Dec.	2	:	3.50-4.00			:	3.50-4.00	5.00-7.00 3.00-3.50	
	9	:	3.50-3.75		5.50	:	3.00-4.00	6.00-8.00 3.00-3.50	
	16	:	3.50-4.00			:	3.50-4.00	7.00-8.00 3.00-3.50	
	23	:	3.50-3.75		6.00-6.50	:	3.00-4.00	6.00-7.50 3.00-3.50	
	30	:	3.50-4.00		6.00-6.50	:	3.25-3.75	6.00-7.50 3.00-3.50	
Jan.	6	:	3.50	5.50-5.75	6.00-6.50	:	3.25-3.75	6.50-7.50 3.00-3.50	
	13	:	3.50		6.50	:	3.00-3.50	6.50-7.50 3.00-3.50	
	20	:	3.50-3.75			:	3.00-3.50	6.50-8.00	
	27	:	3.50-4.00	7.50		:	3.50-4.00	7.00-8.00	
Feb.	3	:	3.50-4.00	7.50		:	3.50-4.00	7.00-8.00 3.25-3.50	
	10	:	3.50-4.00	7.50		:	3.50-3.75	7.00-8.00 3.25-3.50	
	17	:	3.75-4.25	7.50	8.00	:	3.50-3.75	7.00-8.00 3.25-3.50	
	24	:	3.75-4.00	7.00-7.50	8.00-8.50	:	3.50-3.75	7.00-8.00 3.25-3.50	
Mar.	3	:	3.75-4.00	7.00-7.25	7.50-8.00	:	3.00-3.50	7.00-8.00 3.00-3.50	
	10	:	3.50-4.00	7.50-8.00		:	3.25-3.50	7.00-7.50 3.00-3.50	
	17	:	3.50-4.00	7.00		:	3.25-3.50	7.00-7.50 3.25-3.50	
	24	:	3.75-4.00	7.00		:	3.25-3.50	6.00 3.00-3.25	
	31	:	3.50-3.75			:	3.00-3.50	6.00 2.75-3.25	
Apr.	7	:	3.50-3.65			:	3.00-3.50	6.00 2.75-3.25	
	14	:	3.25-3.75	6.50-7.00		:	3.25-3.50	3.00-3.25	
	21	:	3.00-3.50			:	3.25-3.50	3.00-3.25	

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	-- D E T R O I T --						RED MED - LGE 25 LB.
		YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	12-3 LB. YELLOW	WHITE BOILERS 25 LB.	WHITE REPACKED 12-2 LB.	REPK/LOCY 12-2 LB. RED	
Sept.	2	5.25						
	9	4.75						
	16	4.00-4.75						
	23	4.00-4.25	4.50-4.75					
	30	4.00-4.25	4.50-4.75	4.25		5.00-5.50		
Oct.	7	3.75-4.00	4.50-5.00	4.00-4.15		5.00-5.50	5.00	4.50
	14	3.75-4.00	4.75-5.00	3.75-4.00		5.00	5.00	
	21	3.75	4.75	3.50-3.75	5.50	5.00	5.00	
	28	3.50-3.75	4.50-4.75	3.50-3.75	4.50-6.50	5.00	5.00	
Nov.	4	3.00-3.50	4.50	3.25-3.75	5.00-5.50	5.00	5.00	
	11	3.25-3.50	4.50	3.25-3.50	5.00-5.50	5.00	5.00	
	18	3.25-3.50	4.00	3.25-3.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	
	25	3.50	4.00	3.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50
Dec.	2	3.50		3.50	4.50-5.00	5.00-5.50		4.50
	9	3.25-3.50	5.00	3.25-3.50	4.00-4.50	5.50-6.50		4.50-5.00
	16	3.00-3.50	5.00-7.50	3.00-3.50	4.00-5.00	6.25-6.50		4.50-5.00
	23	3.00-3.50	6.00-6.50	3.25-3.50		7.00-7.50		4.50-4.75
	30	3.00-3.50	6.00	3.15-3.50		7.50		4.75
Jan.	6	3.00-3.25	6.00	3.00-3.25		7.00		
	13	3.00-3.50	6.00	3.00-3.50		7.00		
	20	3.00-3.50	5.50-6.00	3.25-3.50		7.00		5.00
	27	3.25-3.50	6.10	3.00-3.50		7.00		
Feb.	3	3.50-3.75	6.25-6.50	3.50		7.00		
	10	3.50-4.00	6.50	3.50-4.00	3.00-5.50	7.00		
	17	3.50-4.00	7.00	3.25-4.00	5.00	7.00		
	24	3.25-4.00	7.00	3.25-4.00	5.00	7.00		
Mar.	3	3.50-4.00	7.00	3.50-4.00		7.00		
	10	3.50-4.00	6.00-7.50	3.50-4.00		7.00		
	17	3.50-4.00	5.75	3.50-4.00		6.50		
	24	3.50-4.00	3.50-5.50	3.50-4.00		6.00-6.50		
	31	3.75		3.75		6.00		5.00
Apr.	7	3.50-3.75	4.00-4.50	3.50-3.75		6.00		
	14	3.50-3.75	4.00-4.50	3.75		6.00		4.50-5.00
	21	3.75	4.00-4.50	3.75		6.00-6.50		

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

		-- L O U I S V I L L E --			-- N E W Y O R K C I T Y --			
WEEK	:	YELLOW	YELLOW	12-3 LB.	YELLOW	YELLOW	WHITE	12-3 LB.
ENDING	:	MED.	LGE.	YELLOW	MED.	MED-LGE	BOILERS	YELLOW
	:	50 LB.	50 LB.		50 LB.	50 LB.	25 LB.	
Oct.	21						5.00-6.00	4.50-5.00
Dec.	23	3.25		3.25			6.50-7.00	
	30						6.50-7.00	
Jan.	6							
	13							
	20				4.00-4.50		7.00	
	27				4.50-4.75		6.50-7.00	
Feb.	3				4.50-4.75	8.00-9.00	6.50-7.00	
	10				4.75-5.00		6.00-6.50	
	17	3.75	8.00-8.50	3.75	4.75-5.00	8.00-9.00	7.00-7.50	
	24	3.75-4.00	8.00-8.50	3.75-4.00	4.50-5.00		6.00-6.50	
Mar.	3	3.60-3.75	7.00		4.50-5.00	8.00	6.50-7.00	5.00-5.50
	10				4.50-4.75	8.00	7.00-7.50	5.00-5.50
	17	3.60-3.75	7.50		4.50-4.75	7.50-8.00	6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50
	24				4.25-4.50	7.00		5.00-5.50
	31	3.35-3.50			3.50-4.25	5.00-6.00		
Apr.	7				4.00	5.00-6.00		
	14				4.00-4.50			
	21				3.50-4.00	4.75-5.50		
		-- N E W O R L E A N S --						
	:	50 LB. YELLOW MED.		50 LB. YELLOW REPACKER SIZE		50 LB. MED-LGE		50 LB. LARGE
Nov.	18	4.50						
	25	5.00-5.50						
Dec.	2							
	9					5.00-7.00		7.00
	16							9.00
	23	4.75-5.50		4.75-5.50				
	30	4.75-5.50		4.50-5.00				
Jan.	6	4.75-6.00		4.50-5.00		6.00		
	13	4.75-5.25		4.50-5.00		6.00		
	20	5.50-6.00		4.50-5.00				
	27	4.70-5.25				6.00-7.00		
Feb.	3	5.50-6.00				6.00-7.25		8.50-10.00
	10	5.50-6.00				7.00-7.50		9.00-10.00
	17	5.50-6.00				7.00-7.50		9.00-10.00
	24	5.50-7.50		5.00-6.00		6.50-7.50		9.00-10.00
Mar.	3	5.50-6.50		5.00-5.75		6.50-7.50		
	10	5.50-6.50		5.00-5.75		6.50-7.50		
	17	5.50-6.50		5.00-5.75				
	24	5.50-6.50		4.75-5.75				
	31	5.50-6.00		4.50-5.00				
Apr.	7	5.50-6.00		4.50-5.00				
	14	5.50-6.00		4.50-5.00				
	21	5.50-6.00						





## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	-- P I T T S B U R G H --						
		YELLOW	YELLOW	12-3 LB.	WHITE	WHITE	RED	RED
		MED. 50 LB.	LGE. 50 LB.	YELLOW	BOILERS 25 LB.	PICKLERS 25 LB.	LGE. 25 LB.	MED. 25 LB.
Sept.	2	5.00-5.50			7.00			
	9	4.50-5.00						
	16	4.50-5.00		4.50-5.00		8.50		
	23	4.25-5.00		4.25-4.75	6.50	8.50	6.50	4.50
	30	3.75-4.75		3.75-4.50	6.50-7.50	8.50	6.50	4.50
Oct.	7	3.75-4.50	5.00		6.50-7.00	4.00-4.50	6.50	
	14	3.75-4.00		3.50-4.00		4.00-4.50	6.50	
	21	3.75-4.00	5.00	3.50-3.75	6.50-7.00		6.00	5.00
	28	3.75-4.00		3.50-4.00	6.50			4.00-4.50
Nov.	4	3.50-4.00		3.25-3.75	6.50-7.00			4.50-5.00
	11	3.50-4.00		3.25-3.75	6.50-7.00		5.50-6.00	5.00-5.50
	18	3.50-3.75		3.00-3.50	6.50			
	25	3.25-3.50	4.50-5.00	3.00-3.25	6.50			
Dec.	2	3.00-3.50	4.50-5.00	3.00-3.50	6.50			
	9	3.25-4.00	5.00-6.00	3.00-3.75				
	16	3.25-4.00	6.50-7.00	3.00-4.00	6.50			
	23	3.25-3.75	6.50-7.00	3.25-3.50	6.50			
	30	3.00-3.75	5.50-6.00	3.25-3.75	6.50			
Jan.	6	3.00-3.75	5.50-6.00	3.25-3.50	6.50			
	13	3.25-3.75	6.00-6.50	3.25-3.50	6.50		6.00-6.50	4.50-5.00
	20	3.25-4.00	6.50-7.00	3.40-4.00	6.50		6.00-6.50	4.50-5.00
	27	3.75-4.25	7.50-8.50	3.75-4.25	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00
Feb.	3	4.00-4.25	7.50-8.50	4.00-4.25	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00
	10	4.00-4.25	7.50-8.50	4.00-4.25	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00-6.00
	17	4.00-4.25	7.50-8.50	4.00-4.25	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50
	24	4.00-4.25	7.50-8.50	4.00-4.25	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50
Mar.	3	3.75-4.00	8.00-8.50	3.75-4.00	6.50		6.00	5.00-5.50
	10	4.00	8.00-8.50	3.75-4.00	6.50		6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50
	17	3.75-4.00	7.50-8.50	3.75-4.00	6.50		6.00-6.50	4.50-5.50
	24	3.75-4.00	7.50-8.00	3.75-4.00	6.50		5.75-6.00	5.00
	31	3.50-4.00	7.50-8.00	3.50-4.00	6.50		5.75-6.00	5.00
Apr.	7	3.50-3.75	7.00-8.00	3.00-3.50	6.50		5.75-6.00	5.00
	14	3.50-4.00	6.50					
	21	3.50-3.75	6.00-6.50					3.50-4.00

## WEEKLY PRICERANGE OF MICHIGAN ONIONS AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	:	-- S T. L O U I S --		
		YELLOW MED. 50 LB.	YELLOW LGE. 50 LB.	RED MED. 25 LB.
Sept.	9	5.00-5.25		5.00-5.25
	16		5.00-5.25	
	23	5.00-5.25		5.00
	30	5.00		5.00
Oct.	7	5.00		5.00
	14			5.00
	21			4.50-5.00
	28	4.50-5.00		4.50-5.00
Nov.	4	4.50		4.50
	11	4.50		
	18	4.00		
	25	4.00-5.00		4.00-5.00
Dec.	2	4.75-5.00		4.00-4.25
	9	4.75-5.50	8.00	4.00-4.25
	16	5.50	6.00	4.00-4.25
	23	5.25	6.00	3.00-4.00
	30	5.25-5.50	6.00	4.00-4.50
Jan.	6	5.50		4.00-4.50
	13	5.50		4.50
	20	5.75-7.00		4.50
	27	5.50-8.00		4.00-4.75
Feb.	3	7.00-7.50		4.00-4.50
	10	7.00-7.50		4.00-4.50
	17	7.00		4.50
	24	6.75-7.00		4.50
Mar.	3	5.50-7.00	9.50	4.50
	10	5.50-7.00	9.00	4.50
	17	5.50-6.75		3.00-4.50
	24			3.00-3.50
	31	6.50		3.00-3.25
Apr.	7	6.00		
	14	6.00		

POTATOES  
1978 CROP

ACREAGE: According to the Michigan Crop Reporting Service, harvested acreage for Michigan's summer and fall crops totaled 42,300 acres, compared to 39,800 acres in 1977. The 1978 summer crop accounted for 8,300 acres, while acreage for the fall crop was 34,000. Harvested acreage for the United States summer potato crop totaled 111,900 acres, with 1,152,400 acres in the fall. Compared to a year ago, the summer crop was down 3,300 acres, while the fall acreage was up 13,700 acres.

PRODUCTION: The production of potatoes in the Bay County area of Michigan for the summer crop totaled 1,453,000 cwt, while fall crop areas produced 8,670,000 cwt. This yielded a total of 10,123,000 for the 1978 crop year, compared to 10,243,000 cwt a year earlier. The United States summer potato crop production totaled 21,181,000 cwt, with the fall states producing 318,702,000 cwt. The summer crop decreased 801,000 cwt, while the fall crop was 11,638,000 cwt heavier than the previous year.

THE GROWING SEASON: The 1978 potato crop began slowly for most Michigan growers as planting was delayed by a cool and wet April. By April 23rd, only a few fields had been planted. This compared to 20% a year earlier and 10% normally. Improved weather during the next three weeks allowed planting to progress actively and by May 13th, 55% of the crop had been planted. More wet weather delays followed, but even at that, 95% of the crop was in by June 3rd. Moderate rains and cold nights damaged some potatoes during mid-June, then heavy rains caused some losses in Allegan County, during the last weekend of June. Damage in each of these cases was spotty and isolated. Drier weather became the rule during most of July and tubers were slow to size and mature. This became the case until mid-August when rains finally relieved the drought.

THE HARVEST: Michigan potato growers began harvesting early varieties on July 13th. The harvest was limited as size had been held back by the weather. The pace slowly increased and by the 2nd week of August was fairly active. It was evident that yields were lower than normal due to the dry weather. Beneficial rain showers delayed harvesting in mid-August when approximately 10% of the crop had been harvested. The first two weeks of September saw favorable weather and the pace picked up, then was slowed during mid-September by a week of intermittent rain. The harvest quickly resumed and by September 30th, 50% of the crop was dug and movement to storage was heavy. October arrived with more wet weather which was soon followed by some scattered frosts during mid-October.

This hastened growers to finish the balance of the harvest and by the end of the 3rd week of October, 90% of the crop had been dug. The remainder of the crop was harvested by the 4th of November.

MARKETING: In 1978, the marketing season was slightly better than the previous season, but was still relatively lackluster and failed to return what many growers felt were adequate returns. Two external factors dominated Michigan's potato market. The first was a burdensome supply of russets from western states. The non size A "stripper" russets competed very sharply with round whites for space on store shelves. The other factor was the heavy supply of low priced chipping potatoes from the Red River Valley. This slowed down the volume of chip stock that was sold on the open market and caused some chip potatoes to go "fresh" market. The first FOB report of the season was issued on July 20th, US#1A washed round whites in 10 lb paper packs sold at 85¢, with a few 50 lb sacks at \$3.85. This compares to an opening price a year earlier of 65-70¢ on loose 10's, and \$2.90-3.25 on 50's. The 1978 opening prices (the highest of the season) failed to pull in enough business and within a week, prices declined to 70-72¢ on 10's with 50's from \$2.90-3.15. As the harvest and supply of potatoes increased, the market declined. The season's lowest prices were recorded for weekending September 30th. 10's sold from 44-48¢, and 50's from \$1.85-2.05. As the harvest was completed the market recovered somewhat and prices advanced 2¢ on 10's. The market see-sawed slightly after this then advanced more sharply during the first week of 1979. In January, prices gradually reached a level of 52-56¢ on 10's, with 50's from \$2.25-2.42. Some of the price increase was due to a "weather" market and as the weather improved the market was adjusted. The final report of the season was issued on March 30th.

41 CITIES: Unloads of Michigan potatoes in the 41 major cities through March totaled 2,324 units of 1,000 cwt. This compares to 2,376 units through the corresponding period one year ago, and 2,192 units two years earlier.

## ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION OF POTATOES 1976-1978

SEASONAL GROUP AND STATES	AREA HARVESTED			YIELD			PRODUCTION		
	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978	1976	1977	1978
	1,000 ACRES			CWT.			1,000 CWT.		
<b>SUMMER:</b>									
Alabama	8.2	7.5	8.0	145	100	150	1,189	750	1,200
California	8.1	8.4	7.9	360	360	360	2,916	3,024	2,844
Colorado	7.5	6.8	6.6	265	265	250	1,988	1,802	1,650
Delaware	5.8	5.3	5.3	200	210	210	1,160	1,113	1,113
Illinois	2.8	2.3	1.8	190	200	200	532	460	360
Indiana	2.1	2.1	2.0	185	175	170	389	368	340
Iowa	2.5	2.1	1.5	185	225	200	463	473	300
Maryland	1.8	1.6	1.5	170	150	150	306	240	225
MICHIGAN	7.6	7.8	8.3	170	185	175	1,292	1,443	1,453
Minnesota	8.0	7.5	7.0	250	275	280	2,000	2,063	1,960
Nebraska	2.2	2.1	1.8	160	150	160	352	315	288
New Jersey	7.6	8.1	8.2	260	265	255	1,976	2,147	2,091
New Mexico	3.2	2.9	3.8	180	190	205	576	551	779
North Carolina	4.0	4.0	4.0	125	125	125	500	500	500
Ohio	1.9	1.8	1.6	210	190	190	399	342	304
Tennessee	4.7	4.5	4.4	95	90	90	447	405	396
Texas	9.6	10.3	11.2	245	230	215	2,352	2,369	2,408
Virginia	28.5	27.7	27.0	123	125	110	3,506	3,463	2,970
West Virginia 1/	2.6	2.4		76	64		198	154	
TOTAL SUMMER	118.7	115.2	111.9	190	191	189	22,541	21,982	21,181
<b>FALL:</b>									
California	18.5	17.0	17.3	350	350	350	6,475	5,950	6,055
Colorado	36.3	36.5	37.5	255	260	260	9,257	9,490	9,750
Connecticut	1.9	1.9	1.9	260	245	220	494	466	418
Idaho - 10 SW Co.	35.0	30.0	32.0	325	300	325	11,375	9,000	10,400
- Other Co.	328.0	330.0	333.0	235	240	260	77,080	79,200	86,580
Indiana	6.0	4.7	3.9	255	240	240	1,530	1,128	936
Maine	112.0	118.0	119.0	245	240	220	27,440	28,320	26,180
Massachusetts	3.5	3.7	3.6	220	240	225	770	888	810
MICHIGAN	34.0	32.0	34.0	245	275	255	8,330	8,800	8,670
Minnesota	67.0	72.0	71.0	165	180	210	11,055	12,960	14,910
Montana	8.4	8.4	8.7	215	240	240	1,806	2,016	2,088
Nebraska	4.9	6.0	7.0	260	240	240	1,274	1,440	1,680
Nevada	14.0	14.0	17.0	380	340	320	5,320	4,760	5,440
New Hampshire 1/	.4	.3		260	235		104	71	
New York - Long Is.	23.9	22.8	23.3	310	315	265	7,409	7,182	6,175
- Upstate	24.9	20.6	25.0	245	260	260	6,101	5,356	6,500
N. Dakota	121.0	135.0	128.0	140	160	175	16,940	21,600	22,400
Ohio	11.5	11.2	10.3	255	245	215	2,933	2,744	2,215
Oreg.-Malheur Co.	11.0	10.0	10.8	370	355	350	4,070	3,550	3,780
-Other Co.	54.6	50.0	56.8	455	440	435	24,843	22,000	24,708
Pennsylvania	28.0	25.5	25.0	255	250	250	7,140	6,375	6,250
Rhode Island	4.2	4.1	4.1	250	230	220	1,050	943	902
South Dakota	4.4	5.9	7.0	65	180	170	286	1,062	1,190
Utah	5.2	5.9	4.6	240	240	245	1,248	1,416	1,127
Vermont	1.1	1.0	.8	205	235	210	226	235	168
Washington	124.0	110.0	109.0	450	460	465	55,800	50,600	50,685
Wisconsin	53.0	55.5	55.0	290	325	315	15,370	18,038	17,325
Wyoming	6.3	6.7	6.8	270	220	200	1,701	1,474	1,360
TOTAL FALL	1,143.0	1,138.7	1,152.4	269	270	277	307,427	307,064	318,702
UNITED STATES	1,374.5	1,358.7	1,368.1	260	261	263	357,674	354,576	360,467

SOURCE: Annual Crop Summary, January 1979  
Crop Reporting Board, ESCS, USDA.

1/ Estimates discontinued after 1977 Crop.

1978-79 PRODUCTION AND STOCKS OF FALL POTATOES ON 1ST OF EACH MONTH <sup>1/</sup>  
1,000 CWT.

	PRODUCTION	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
MICHIGAN	8,670	5,800	4,800	3,800	3,000	2,100
MINNESOTA	14,910	12,000	10,700	9,400	7,600	4,800
NORTH DAKOTA	22,400	17,000	14,700	12,200	9,900	6,100
WISCONSIN	17,325	10,000	7,700	5,500	4,000	2,300
LONG ISLAND, NY	6,175	3,000	2,250	1,200	600	200
UPSTATE NY	6,500	3,300	2,400	1,800	1,200	700
PENNSYLVANIA	6,250	4,550	3,450	2,900	2,150	1,450
MAINE	26,180	19,900	17,500	14,900	12,300	9,000
CALIFORNIA	6,055	4,100	3,400	2,470	1,880	1,410
COLORADO	9,750	6,700	5,550	4,150	3,050	1,800
IDAHO	96,980	75,000	67,500	59,500	50,000	41,000
OREGON	28,488	17,700	15,400	12,500	9,900	7,700
WASHINGTON	50,685	32,000	28,800	24,000	19,300	14,500
OTHERS	12,894	7,635	6,330	4,821	3,644	2,203
TOTAL 23 STATES	313,262	218,685	190,480	159,141	128,524	95,263

<sup>1/</sup> SOURCE: Crop Reporting Board, ESCS

FALL POTATOES: U.S. PRODUCTION AND TOTAL STOCKS

CROP YEAR	Production	Total Stocks				
		December 1	Following Year			
			January 1	February 1	March 1	April 1
1978	318,702	218,685	190,480	159,141	128,524	95,263
1977	307,064	206,690	178,205	149,690	120,970	89,215
1976	307,427	201,980	174,775	143,925	114,140	81,875
1975	278,391	185,965	159,140	131,685	104,050	71,640
1974	289,342	187,935	163,095	133,425	104,116	75,905

POTATOES USED FOR PROCESSING <sup>1/</sup> - SEVEN STATES

STATE AND AREA	From 1978 Crop		From 1977 Crop	
	To April	To March	To April	Entire
	1, 1979	1, 1978	1, 1978	Season
Maine <sup>2/</sup>	5,355	4,980	5,960	8,040
Idaho & Malheur Co., Oregon	37,080	32,913	39,070	61,261
Washington & other areas, Oregon	29,645	26,160	30,280	44,460
Other States <sup>3/</sup>	6,255	6,230	7,385	9,855
SEVEN STATE TOTAL	78,335	70,283	82,695	123,616

<sup>1/</sup> Does not include quantities used for potato chips in Maine and Michigan or Minnesota.

<sup>2/</sup> Maine grown potatoes only.

<sup>3/</sup> Michigan, Minnesota, and North Dakota.

## 1978 POTATO OBJECTIVE YIELD SURVEY

The Economics, Statistics and Cooperatives Service conducted potato objective yield surveys in the 11 major fall producing States in 1978. Sample plots were located in potato fields that were selected on a random basis using a scientifically designed sampling procedure. Field workers recorded counts and measurements from these fields just prior to and immediately after harvest.

The sample data and the derived percentages from the objective yield surveys presented in the following tables are presented to provide current information about the crop and are not official estimates.

## POTATOES: PERCENTAGE OF NET WEIGHT BY SIZE GROUPS, 1977-78 1/

TYPE, STATE AND YEAR	PERCENT									TOTAL
	UNDER 1 1/2"	1 1/2" - 1 7/8"	1 7/8" - 2"	2" - 2 1/4"	2 1/4" - 2 1/2"	2 1/2" - 3 1/2"	3 1/2" - AND OVER			
<b>ROUND WHITES:</b>										
MAINE 1977	1	4	3	12	17	58	5			100
1978	1	6	4	12	17	53	7			100
MICH 1977	*	5	3	10	15	57	10			100
1978	*	4	3	11	12	56	14			100
MINN 1977	*	2	5	12	14	59	8			100
1978	*	2	3	9	12	62	12			100
N Y 1977	1	5	3	9	13	54	15			100
1978	1	4	3	9	14	53	16			100
N DAK 1977	*	2	3	9	12	59	15			100
1978	*	2	2	7	11	65	13			100
PA 1977	*	4	3	10	14	58	11			100
1978	*	4	3	11	15	56	11			100
WIS 1977	1	6	5	14	18	49	7			100
1978	2	6	4	13	19	52	4			100
<b>PERCENT</b>										
	UNDER 1 1/2"	1 1/2" - 1 7/8"	1 7/8" - 2" OR LESS THAN 4 OZ.	2" - 2 1/4" AND OVER BUT LESS THAN 6 OZ.	2 1/4" - 2 1/2" UNDER 8 OZ.	2 1/2" - 3 1/2" UNDER 10 OZ.	3 1/2" - AND OVER 12 OZ.	AND OVER 14 OZ.	AND OVER 14 OZ.	TOTAL
<b>RUSSETS:</b>										
IDAHO 1977	1	11	15	23	18	11	7	5	9	100
1978	1	9	8	27	17	12	9	6	11	100
MAINE 1977	2	10	7	35	17	14	6	3	6	100
1978	1	8	6	30	20	12	9	6	8	100
MICH 1977	1	11	4	25	18	16	9	6	10	100
1978	*	7	4	31	20	14	8	6	10	100
MINN 1977	1	8	12	26	20	13	9	3	8	100
1978	1	7	11	23	18	14	8	6	12	100
N DAK 1977	-	6	9	28	19	14	10	6	8	100
1978	2	8	10	27	17	20	7	5	4	100
WASH 1977	*	5	8	17	18	16	11	7	18	100
1978	*	5	6	23	18	14	10	8	16	100
WIS 1977	1	8	7	38	19	12	6	4	5	100
1978	1	11	8	34	19	12	6	4	5	100

1/ Percentages shown adjusted to allow for harvesting loss.

\* Less than 1/2 percent.

## WEEKLY RAIL &amp; TRUCK SHIPMENTS OF POTATOES FOR SELECTED STATES

1,000 CWT.

WEEK ENDING	MICH.	COLO.	IDAHO	MAINE	MINN-NDAK	N.J.	N.Y.	WISC	OTHERS	TOTAL
July 22	24	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	1621	1675
29	67	-	23	-	31	78	20	114	1402	1830
Aug. 5	133	4	15	-	126	48	83	252	1059	1720
12	135	32	6	-	234	56	82	327	1181	2053
19	107	45	4	-	112	109	105	286	969	1737
26	115	53	4	-	136	121	161	330	957	1877
Sept. 2	117	56	12	-	158	65	218	392	881	1899
9	94	76	6	-	221	106	218	303	803	1827
16	66	100	34	-	286	105	251	357	802	2011
23	71	157	84	-	349	102	252	386	624	2025
30	67	158	118	-	377	138	272	361	453	1944
Oct. 7	94	189	259	-	496	206	280	336	513	2373
14	74	153	311	78	469	101	278	321	421	2206
21	77	149	344	87	383	62	242	332	405	2081
28	67	183	368	106	450	36	239	317	393	2159
Nov. 4	69	171	385	133	524	24	236	273	775	2566
11	66	198	454	160	477	-	226	248	428	2257
18	43	208	445	204	442	-	260	276	404	2282
25	43	189	324	120	438	-	191	211	362	1878
Dec. 2	69	245	464	178	529	-	259	233	416	2393
9	63	102	521	205	489	-	226	243	347	2196
16	57	217	491	235	566	-	195	249	454	2464
23	59	228	396	216	532	-	223	227	386	2266
30	70	134	335	253	422	-	183	204	289	1890
Jan. 6	70	183	310	284	248	-	214	219	357	1885
13	73	268	461	310	513	-	241	308	427	2601
20	62	286	583	284	515	-	225	297	352	2604
27	60	274	497	298	520	-	253	280	382	2564
Feb. 3	55	208	356	298	535	-	238	290	347	2327
10	42	217	453	316	575	-	153	264	338	2358
17	45	208	451	330	478	-	183	246	337	2278
24	44	220	458	342	416	-	186	262	338	2266
Mar. 3	57	204	427	369	501	-	220	294	366	2438
10	62	213	443	397	646	-	194	323	332	2610
17	58	214	446	400	625	-	152	317	367	2579
24	42	198	451	443	718	-	149	300	328	2629
31	44	236	533	472	736	-	112	361	408	2902
April 7	52	220	535	582	655	-	116	330	362	2852
14	49	237	543	439	718	-	66	268	358	2678
21	62	201	235	524	468	-	41	237	401	2169
28	36	210	238	434	495	-	36	98	290	1837
TOTAL	2760	6844	12823	8497	17609	1387	7479	11272	22435	91186



## POTATO UNLOADS - RAIL &amp; TRUCK COMBINED JULY 1978 - MARCH 1979

10,000 LB. UNITS

CITIES	MI	AL	CA	CO	DE	FL	ID	ME	MN	NJ	NY	NC	ND	PA	VA	WA	WI	OTHERS	TOTAL
Albany, NY	-	-	169	-	19	39	418	594	1	-	1478	-	-	-	124	139	47	100	3128
Atlanta, GA	1622	1639	107	213	658	328	2969	47	3136	235	1151	439	551	5	356	511	5489	1229	20685
Baltimore, MD-																			
Washington, DC	190	118	350	136	739	204	1651	1337	57	573	6636	832	768	700	1166	608	751	2651	19467
Birmingham, AL	144	151	76	139	4	343	994	2	227	-	4	22	1032	-	4	308	1531	121	5102
Boston, MA	12	-	2001	-	291	49	1643	6391	90	74	1249	77	97	-	451	703	575	2080	15783
Buffalo, NY	-	-	112	-	12	15	284	3	-	-	3837	8	-	24	357	219	231	100	5202
Chicago, IL	537	298	1687	115	-	217	3888	6	3609	-	-	4	8495	-	-	508	7178	1917	28459
Cincinnati, OH	780	527	104	12	16	122	3329	4	238	-	-	82	2102	-	39	287	1796	1984	11422
Cleveland, OH	3198	64	334	-	220	79	3034	457	176	-	1592	102	543	266	193	50	941	2243	13492
Columbia, SC	26	15	4	7	161	134	237	114	76	153	590	85	-	2	69	29	382	209	2293
Dallas, TX	1	91	346	9099	-	90	2205	-	1335	-	-	-	1709	-	-	756	326	9217	25175
Denver, CO	-	-	153	8180	-	40	1952	-	20	-	-	-	23	-	-	310	-	781	11459
Detroit, MI	10602	648	593	58	-	43	3825	-	602	-	-	452	1358	-	161	60	1369	1079	20850
Fort Worth, TX	-	8	21	930	-	21	1164	-	-	-	-	-	129	-	-	105	-	142	2520
Houston, TX	39	-	1446	3257	-	132	964	-	377	-	-	4	343	-	-	1411	167	2076	10216
Indianapolis, IN	307	247	205	-	-	120	5834	-	204	-	-	-	109	-	1	198	2946	3486	13657
Kansas City, MO	21	214	205	391	-	28	344	-	3363	-	-	-	2426	-	-	1052	426	1900	10370
Los Angeles, CA	-	-	14707	19	-	166	2010	-	69	-	-	-	287	-	-	6076	-	15036	38370
Louisville, KY	2818	488	45	96	-	39	1274	-	492	-	-	135	1183	-	34	73	2161	1944	10782
Memphis, TN	9	636	38	592	-	4	508	-	955	-	-	-	1236	-	-	29	841	643	5491
Miami, FL	9	125	57	116	648	149	2748	1033	106	105	904	30	813	9	158	366	279	351	8006
Milwaukee, WI	-	240	101	2	-	37	509	-	196	-	-	9	1306	-	-	117	1686	73	4276
Minneapolis, MN-																			
St. Paul, MN	10	11	722	-	-	6	228	-	1195	-	-	10	716	-	-	120	124	114	3256
Nashville, TN	422	91	34	19	-	24	2267	-	116	-	4	-	60	-	-	68	1123	90	4318
New Orleans, LA	205	316	107	1556	235	-	1068	-	629	-	-	4	1308	-	-	84	752	623	6887
New York, NY-																			
Newark, NJ	69	22	3513	4	696	202	9982	2569	103	534	4589	67	319	3	545	2801	971	1287	28276
Oklahoma City, OK	2	-	8	4543	-	16	183	-	966	-	-	-	1101	-	-	37	4	1634	8494
Philadelphia, PA	9	30	1052	24	769	163	3031	2761	283	2187	3197	152	107	317	381	842	910	936	17151
Pittsburgh, PA	1677	17	525	-	147	123	1237	883	147	3	1020	12	259	833	85	94	668	266	7996
Portland, OR	-	-	505	-	-	47	142	-	10	-	-	-	66	-	-	1811	-	5046	7627
Providence, RI	5	-	260	-	56	15	339	787	3	8	149	9	18	-	63	94	32	529	2367
St. Louis, MO	529	489	384	149	-	86	2261	-	3253	-	-	13	3345	-	-	185	2342	1177	14213
Salt Lake City, UT	-	-	416	-	-	46	3524	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	445	-	249	4680
San Antonio, TX	-	10	314	2251	-	35	447	-	385	-	-	-	544	-	-	223	10	1566	5785
San Francisco, CA-																			
Oakland, CA	-	-	6846	26	-	158	492	-	7	-	-	-	356	-	-	5453	-	15813	29151
Seattle, WA-																			
Tacoma, WA	-	-	997	-	-	67	157	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10174	84	100	11579
TOTAL	23243	6495	38544	31934	4671	3387	67142	16988	22426	3872	26400	2548	32709	2159	4187	36346	36142	78792	437985

## MICHIGAN F.O.B. POTATO PRICES FOR THE 1978 CROP

F.O.B. prices for Bay County, Kent-Montcalm Counties, and other Central Michigan Counties; prices are for U.S. #1 Size A 2" minimum.

WEEK ENDING		ROUND WHITES			CONTRACT CHIP
		50 LB. SACKS	20 LB. SACKS	10 LB. SACKS	STOCK BULK CWT.
July	22	3.85	1.60	80-85¢	
	29	3.05-3.40	1.30-1.43	70-80¢	
Aug.	5	2.70-2.77½	1.15-1.23	60-67¢	
	12	2.50-2.77½	1.05-1.28	56-65¢	
	19	2.20-2.40	.98-1.06	51-56¢	
	26	2.00-2.30	.88-1.01	48-54¢	
	Sept. 2	1.90-2.10	.85-90¢	45-56¢	
Sept.	9	1.85-2.10	.85-90¢	44-50¢	
	16	1.90-2.05	.85-87¢	44-48¢	
	23	2.02½-2.05	.84-88¢	44-48¢	
	30	1.85-2.05	.82-87¢	44-48¢	3.60
	Oct. 7	1.85-2.05	.83-88¢	44-48¢	3.60
	14	1.95-2.10	.84-88¢	45-48¢	3.60
	21	1.95-2.10	.86-88¢	45-48¢	3.60
Nov.	28	1.95-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	3.60
	4	2.00-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	3.60-4.20
	11	2.00-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	4.20
	18	2.00-2.10	.85-88¢	46-48¢	4.20
	25	1.98-2.10	.84-88¢	46-48¢	4.20
Dec.	2	1.98-2.10	.84-88¢	46-48¢	4.20-4.40
	9	1.98-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	4.40
	16	1.98-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	4.40
	23	1.98-2.10	.86-88¢	46-48¢	4.40
	30	1.98-2.05	.86-88¢	46-48¢	4.40-4.60
Jan.	6	1.98-2.25	.86-96¢	46-54¢	4.60
	13	2.20-2.30	.96-98¢	51-53¢	4.60
	20	2.25-2.30	.96-1.00	51-54½¢	4.60
	27	2.25-2.42	.98-1.04	52-56¢	4.60
Feb.	3	2.25-2.42	.96-1.04	50½-56¢	4.60-4.80
	10	2.25-2.40	.96-99¢	50½-54¢	4.80
	17	2.20-2.40	.94-99¢	50-54¢	4.80
	24	2.20-2.40	.94-99¢	50-54¢	4.80
March	3	2.20-2.35	.94-99¢	50-54¢	4.80-5.00
	10	2.20-2.35	.94-99¢	50-54¢	5.00
	17	2.20-2.35	.94-99¢	50-54¢	5.20
	24	2.20-2.30	.92-99¢	50-54¢	5.20
	31	2.20-2.30	.92-99¢	49-54¢	5.20

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN POTATOES AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	-- ATLANTA --		-- CHICAGO --		-- CINCINNATI --		
	ROUND WHITES		RUSSET BURBANK 100 LB. SACKS	ROUND WHITE 100 LB. SACKS	50 LB.	---ROUND WHITES---	BALED 5/10's
					20 LB.		
Aug. 5	:	:					3.50-4.50
12	:	:					3.50-4.00
19	:	:					3.25-3.75
26	:	:					3.25-3.75
Sept. 2	:	:					3.00-3.25
9	:	:		5.50	3.25	1.30-1.50	3.90-4.00
16	:	:			3.00-3.25	1.25-1.35	3.90
23	:	:			3.00	1.35-1.50	3.75
30	:	:			3.00	1.40	3.85
Oct. 7	:	:			3.00-3.25	1.50	3.75-3.90
14	:	:			3.00-3.25	1.50	3.75-3.90
21	:	:			2.75-3.25		
28	:	:			2.75-3.00		3.50-4.00
Nov. 4	:	:			2.75-3.25		
11	:	:	6.50		2.85-3.00		
18	:	:	6.50		2.75-3.00		
25	:	:			2.75-3.00		
Dec. 2	:	:	6.50		2.85-3.00		
9	:	:	6.25-6.50	5.00-5.25	2.75-3.00		
16	:	:	6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50	3.50		
23	:	:	6.00-6.50	5.00-5.50	2.85-3.50		
30	:	:	6.00-6.50		2.75-3.00		
Jan. 6	:	:	6.25-6.50	5.00-5.25	3.00-3.25		
13	:	:	6.25-6.75	5.25-5.50	3.00-3.50		
20	:	3.50	6.25-7.00	5.25-5.50	3.25-3.50		
27	:	3.50	6.75-7.00		3.25-3.50		
Feb. 3	:	3.25-3.50	6.50-6.75	5.50	3.25-3.75		
10	:	3.25-3.50	6.50-6.75	5.50	3.25-3.50		
17	:	3.25	6.50-6.75	5.50	3.00-3.25		
24	:	3.00-3.25	6.25-6.75	5.50	3.15-3.25		
Mar. 3	:		6.25-6.75	5.50	3.15-3.50		
10	:		6.25-6.75	5.50	3.15-3.25		
17	:		6.25-6.75	5.50	3.15-3.50		
24	:		6.25-6.50	5.25-5.50	3.25		
31	:		6.00-6.50	5.25-5.50	3.25-3.50		

WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN POTATOES AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	--- C L E V E L A N D ---			:	--- P I T T S B U R G H ---			
	50 LB.	20 LB.	10 LB. LSE.		50 LB. SIZE A	20 LB.	10 LB.	50 LB. 3" MIN.
July 22	:	1.75	1.00-1.05	:		1.00		
29	:	3.50-3.60	.90-1.00	:		90-95¢		
Aug. 5	:		80¢	:	3.50-3.75	1.40-1.60	74-85¢	
12	:	3.25-3.50	1.40-1.80	:	3.00-3.75	1.25-1.55	72-80¢	
19	:	3.00-3.25	1.25-1.45	:	3.00-3.60	1.25-1.50	60-73¢	3.75-4.00
26	:	2.90-3.25	1.10-1.35	:	2.50-3.00	1.10-1.25	60¢	3.25-3.50
Sept. 2	:	2.75-3.00	1.05-1.25	:	2.50-2.75	1.15-1.20	59-60¢	
9	:	2.60-2.75	1.10-1.25	:	2.70-2.75	1.10	58¢	
16	:	2.50-2.75	1.10	:	2.75	1.10	57-58¢	
23	:	2.75-3.00	1.10	:	2.75		56-58¢	
30	:	2.75	1.05-1.10	:	2.75-3.25		57-58¢	3.25
Oct. 7	:	2.60-2.75	1.05-1.10	:	2.75-3.00		55-58¢	3.25
14	:	3.00	1.10	:				
21	:	3.00		:			58-63¢	
28	:	3.00		:				
Nov. 4	:	3.00		:		1.22	64¢	3.25
11	:	2.65-2.75	1.10	:		1.22	60-64¢	2.90
18	:	2.65-2.75	1.10	:		1.20	60-64¢	2.75-3.00
25	:	2.65-2.75	1.10	:				
Dec. 2	:	2.65-2.75	1.10	:				
9	:	2.65-2.75	1.10	:				
16	:	2.75	1.10	:	2.75-3.00	1.20-1.25	60-64¢	
23	:	2.65-3.00	1.05-1.10	:				
30	:	2.75-3.00	1.05-1.10	:	3.25		62¢	
Jan. 6	:	2.75-3.00	1.05-1.25	:				
13	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
20	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
27	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
Feb. 3	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
10	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
17	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
24	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
Mar. 3	:	3.00-3.50	1.20-1.25	:				
10	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.30	:				
17	:	3.25-3.50	1.20-1.30	:				
24	:	3.25-3.50	1.15-1.25	:				
31	:	3.25-3.50	1.15-1.25	:				

## WEEKLY PRICE RANGE OF MICHIGAN POTATOES AT WHOLESALE TERMINAL MARKETS

WEEK ENDING	- - D E T R O I T - -						
	50 LB.	ROUND WHITES 20 LB.	10 LB.	20 LB.	RUSSETS BALED 5/10s	100 LB. 10 OZ. MIN.	50 LB. CTNS. COUNT 90s
July 29			97¢				
Aug. 5			95¢				
12							
19	3.50	1.15-1.30					
26							
Sept. 2							
9	3.50	1.25	60¢				
16	3.25	1.25	60-65¢				
23	3.25	1.25	60¢				
30	3.25	1.20-1.25	60-65¢				
Oct. 7	3.00-3.25	1.15-1.25	60¢				
14	3.00	1.15-1.20	60-65¢				
21	3.00-3.25	1.15	65¢				
28	2.75-3.25	1.15-1.35	60-65¢				
Nov. 4	3.00-3.25	1.25-1.30	65¢				
11	3.00-3.25		60¢				
18	3.25		60¢				
25	3.25		60¢				
Dec. 2	3.25	1.00	60-65¢				
9	3.00-3.25	1.10-1.25	60¢	1.35			
16	3.00-3.25	1.10-1.15	60¢	1.20-1.25		8.50	
23	3.00	1.10-1.15	55-60¢	1.25-1.35		7.50-8.50	
30	3.00-3.25	1.15	55-60¢			8.50	
Jan. 6	3.00-3.25	1.10	60¢	1.25	4.50	8.50	5.50
13	3.00-3.25	1.10-1.15	60¢	1.25	3.75-4.50	8.50	5.25-5.50
20	3.25	1.20-1.25	65¢	1.35	4.25	8.25-8.50	5.50
27	3.25	1.20-1.25	60-65¢	1.35	4.25	8.50	5.50-5.75
Feb. 3	3.25	1.20-1.25	60-65¢	1.35-1.40	4.00-4.25	8.50	5.75
10	3.25	1.20-1.30	60-65¢	1.40	4.25	9.00	6.00
17	3.25	1.25	65¢	1.50	4.50		
24	3.25	1.25-1.30	62½-65¢	1.50	4.50	9.00	
Mar. 3				1.50			5.75
10		1.25-1.30	63-65¢	1.50	4.00-4.25	9.50	6.00
17		1.30	62-65¢	1.45-1.50	4.25-4.50	8.00-8.50	
24	3.25	1.30	65¢	1.50	4.25	7.50-9.50	
31	3.25	1.25-1.30	65¢	1.50	4.25-4.50	7.50-8.50	