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SEASON

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## MARKETING WESTERN NEW YORK CELERY - 1958 SEASON

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### UNITED STATES

The acreage planted to celery during 1958 was estimated at 35,920 as compared with 35,190 in 1957, while the 8-year (1949-56) average for the country was 36,020 acres. Yields were lighter than a year ago and during the 8-year period (1949-56). This season the estimated yield was 390 cwt. as compared with 420 last year, while the average was 399 cwt. Production in 1958 was 13,996,000 cwt. as compared with 14,774,000 cwt. in 1957, while the 8-year average was 14,316,000 cwt.

### NEW YORK STATE

The acreage planted in the State during 1958 was decreased by 100 acres as compared with last year; 1,600 as compared with 1,700 acres in 1957, while the 8 year (1949-56) average was 2,310 acres. Yields this season were 330 cwt. as compared with 320 cwt. in 1957 and 303 cwt. for the 8-year average. Production this season was approximately the same as a year ago, 528,000 cwt. as compared with 544,000 cwt. in 1957, while the 8-year average was 696,000 cwt. Production in the State has continued to decline year after year for the past several years.

The weather was unfavorable in some sections at planting time, and plantings were delayed slightly. In Wayne County light harvest commenced the last part of August but in other sections light volume was harvested earlier. Unfavorable weather prevailed in early September delaying harvest to some extent, and some blight was reported. Freezing weather prevailed in early October but no damage was reported and supplies were cleaned up by late October. Most wash-houses closed by October 25. Each season less and less Golden Heart is being planted and growers are changing to the Pascal type rapidly.

The movement by rail this season was only 40 cars as compared with 61 during the 1957 season. Truck unloads in 38 cities from New York State this season was the equivalent of 1,110 cars as compared with 1,122 cars in 1957. Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore received the bulk of the movement from the State and more than half of the total movement was destined to New York City. Unloads in various terminals will be found on page 7 in this summary.

F. o. b. prices at western New York shipping points this season ranged from \$1.65-2.50 per crt. on all sizes as compared with \$2.00-3.25 last season. A considerable portion of sales made by growers this season to dealers were on the per-acre basis rather than net per packed out crate.

CELERY FOR FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION

SEASONAL GROUP AND STATE	ACRES FOR HARVEST			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	8-year average 1949-56	1957	1958	8-year average 1949-56	1957	1958	8-year average 1949-56	1957	1958
	- Acres -			- Hundredweight -			- 1,000. cwt. -		
<b>Winter</b>									
Florida	5,910	6,300	6,900	400	392	305	*2,368	2,470	2,104
Arizona	290	290	500	381	470	540	* 112	136	270
California	3,620	3,400	4,200	488	540	610	1,770	1,836	2,562
Group Total	9,830	9,990	11,600	432	445	426	4,249	4,442	4,936
<b>Spring</b>									
Florida	4,050	4,000	4,500	407	360	255	*1,644	1,440	1,148
California	2,490	3,200	2,700	764	675	675	1,911	2,160	1,822
Group Total	6,540	7,200	7,200	543	500	412	3,555	3,600	2,970
<b>Early Summer</b>									
Massachusetts	300	150	180	181	165	155	54	25	28
New Jersey	620	500	500	229	255	250	141	128	125
Ohio	420	350	350	268	240	315	112	84	110
Michigan	1,290	1,100	1,300	321	300	360	* 410	330	468
California	1,600	2,700	2,400	530	525	520	* 831	1,418	1,248
Group Total	4,220	4,800	4,730	367	414	418	1,549	1,985	1,979
<b>Late Summer</b>									
New York	2,310	1,700	1,600	303	320	330	* 696	544	528
Colorado	860	450	400	302	250	305	* 262	112	122
Washington	400	350	340	302	350	305	* 121	122	104
Oregon	130	---	---	357	---	---	* 45	---	---
Group Total	3,700	2,500	2,340	305	311	322	1,123	778	754
<b>Early Fall</b>									
Massachusetts	320	250	210	166	170	160	54	42	34
New Jersey	440	400	400	241	300	270	105	120	108
Pennsylvania	350	250	250	214	200	200	75	50	50
Ohio	440	350	350	239	205	230	105	72	80
Michigan	1,860	1,300	1,300	290	245	360	* 536	318	468
Utah	360	150	140	353	315	190	129	47	27
Group Total	3,760	2,700	2,650	267	240	289	1,004	649	767
<b>Late Fall</b>									
California	7,980	8,000	7,400	358	415	350	*2,837	3,320	2,590
<b>ALL STATES</b>	<b>36,020</b>	<b>35,190</b>	<b>35,920</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>14,316</b>	<b>14,774</b>	<b>13,996</b>

\*Includes some quantities not marketed and excluded in computing value.

F. O. B. PRICES CELERY AT WESTERN NEW YORK POINTS

Week Ending 1958	Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping point basis 16" wirebound crates, trimmed tops, individually washed - Pascal -					
	2-3 dozen	4-8 dozen	6-8 dozen	4 dozen	4-6-8 dozen	all sizes
Sept. 5	1.75-2.50	1.75-2.20				
12	2.25-2.50	2.00-2.25				
19	2.00-2.25	2.00		1.75-2.00	2.00	
26	1.85-2.00				1.75-2.00	1.75-1.85
Oct. 3						1.65-1.80
10	2.25		2.25	2.00		2.00-2.25
17						2.50
24					2.00-2.25	2.00-2.25

WHOLESALE PRICES NEW YORK CELERY IN IMPORTANT MARKETS

NEW YORK CITY

Western Section -

Week Ending 1958	Pascal 16" crates			Golden Heart 16" crates	
	2-3 dozen	4 dozen	6 dozen	2 1/2-4 dozen	4-8 dozen
Sept. 5	2.50-3.50	2.00-3.00		3.00-3.50	2.00
12	3.00-3.50	2.50-3.00	2.25	2.25-3.00	
19	2.75-4.00	2.50-3.00		3.25-4.00	
26	2.00-3.00	2.00-2.50		2.50-4.50	3.00-5.00
Oct. 3	2.00-2.75	2.00-2.50	1.50	2.00-3.00	2.00-3.00
10	2.25-3.50	2.00-3.00		3.00-4.00	4.00
17	2.50-3.50	2.25-3.00	2.00-2.50	4.50-5.00	3.00-5.00
24	2.25-3.00	2.00-2.75	2.00		

BALTIMORE

PHILADELPHIA

PITTSBURGH

Week Ending 1958	Pascal 16" crates		Pascal 16" crates		Pascal 16" crates	
	2-3 dozen	4-6 dozen	1 1/2-3 dozen	4-8 dozen	1 1/2-3 dozen	4-8 dozen
Sept. 5	2.25-2.75		2.50-3.50	2.75	3.50-4.50	4.00-4.50
12	3.00-3.50	3.00	2.00-3.50	1.75	3.00-4.50	2.50-4.50
19	2.75-3.50	2.75-3.00	2.50-3.00		2.00-3.25	2.50
26	2.25-3.00	2.00-3.00	2.00-2.50	2.00	2.00-3.00	
Oct. 3	2.00-2.50	2.00-2.50	1.65-1.75		2.00	
10	2.00-2.75	2.00-2.50	1.75-3.00		1.75-2.25	
17	2.50-3.00	2.00-3.00	2.00-3.00			
24	2.50		2.00-3.00	2.00-2.75	2.25-3.00	

CARLOT SHIPMENTS CELEERY BY STATES, CALENDAR YEAR 1952-57

State	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
Arizona	290	115	343	210	303	383
California N. D.	2539	1737	1348	1689	1225	788
California C. D.	7676	7122	9292	9354	10227	11211
California S. D.	5059	8477	7180	7095	8262	6619
Colorado	54	25	18	7	5	-
Florida	11684	10225	10026	9771	8679	7048
Michigan	13	20	28	63	1	3
New York	321	347	297	150	85	61
Oregon	11	-	-	-	-	-
Utah	301	148	203	144	69	31
Washington	1	1	5	14	12	-
<b>TOTAL U. S.</b>	<b>27,948</b>	<b>28,217</b>	<b>28,740</b>	<b>28,498</b>	<b>28,868</b>	<b>26,174</b>

CARLOT SHIPMENTS CELEERY BY STATES AND MONTHS CALENDAR YEAR 1958

State	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Arizona	191	173	269	18	3	2	-	-	-	-	1	53	710
California N.D.	17	29	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	397	178	636
California S.D.	1385	1447	792	470	963	1103	293	-	-	2	62	256	6773
California C.D.	437	160	7	-	1	661	1201	754	906	1542	1928	1122	8719
California I.V.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Florida	465	450	774	1058	930	394	-	-	-	-	123	657	4850
Michigan	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	-	-	-	-	6
New York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	27	11	-	-	40
Ohio	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	-	-	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2495</b>	<b>2259</b>	<b>1843</b>	<b>1546</b>	<b>1897</b>	<b>2160</b>	<b>1497</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>1577</b>	<b>2510</b>	<b>2267</b>	<b>21749</b>

RAIL UNLOADS OF CELERY IN 100 U.S. AND 5 CANADIAN CITIES BY STATES OF ORIGIN DURING 1958

City	California	Florida	Other	Total
Akron, Ohio	25	8	2	35
Albany, N.Y.	230	10	20	260
Altoona, Pa.	146	-	5	151
Amarillo, Tex.	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, Ga.	34	3	-	37
Baltimore, Md.	498	172	24	694
Birmingham, Ala.	14	-	-	14
Boston, Mass.	730	488	34	1252
Bridgeport, Conn.	3	10	-	13
Buffalo, N.Y.	409	104	30	543
Butte, Mont.	-	-	-	-
Charleston, S. Car.	2	-	-	2
Charleston, W. Va.	17	-	1	18
Charlotte, N. Car.	14	1	2	17
Chattanooga, Tenn.	5	-	-	5
Chicago, Ill.	1150	400	50	1600
Cincinnati, Ohio	338	119	7	464
Cleveland, Ohio	748	173	50	971
Columbia, S. Car.	12	-	-	12
Columbus, Ohio	239	38	11	288
Dallas, Tex.	-	-	-	-
Davenport, Iowa	14	-	1	15
Dayton, Ohio	43	6	-	49
Decatur, Ill.	13	2	15	30
Denver, Colo.	21	1	2	24
Des Moines, Iowa	2	-	1	3
Detroit, Mich.	902	224	43	1169
Duluth, Minn.	67	-	2	69
El Paso, Tex.	1	-	-	1
Evansville, Ind.	10	-	1	11
Flint, Mich.	54	-	4	58
Fort Wayne, Ind.	82	1	8	91
Fort Worth, Tex.	3	-	-	3
Grand Rapids, Mich.	93	-	9	102
Hartford, Conn.	128	130	1	259
Houston, Tex.	63	1	1	65
Huntington, W. Va.	23	4	4	31
Indianapolis, Ind.	256	16	3	275
Jackson, Miss.	-	-	-	-
Jacksonville, Fla.	49	-	-	49
Kansas City, Mo.	78	2	5	85
Knoxville, Tenn.	1	3	-	4
Lexington, Ky.	2	1	-	3
Lincoln, Nebr.	-	-	-	-
Little Rock, Ark.	2	-	-	2
Los Angeles, Calif.	22	-	-	22
Louisville, Ky.	96	34	4	134
Lubbock, Tex.	-	-	-	-
Madison, Wis.	46	-	4	50
Memphis, Tenn.	2	5	1	8
Miami, Fla.	58	-	-	58
Milwaukee, Wis.	286	8	24	318
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	461	4	7	472

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TELETYPE UNLOADS 1958 (Continued) RAIL

City	California	Florida	Other	Total
Mobile, Ala.	-	-	-	-
Nashville, Tenn.	17	3	-	20
New Haven, Conn.	30	2	2	34
New Orleans, La.	100	1	8	109
New York, N.Y.*	2303	844	89	3236
Norfolk, Va.	41	26	-	67
Oklahoma City, Okla.	2	-	8	10
Omaha, Nebr.	3	-	-	3
Peoria, Ill.	20	1	-	21
Philadelphia, Pa.	1523	394	49	1966
Phoenix, Ariz.	-	-	-	-
Pittsburgh, Pa.	843	110	25	978
Portland, Maine	21	-	3	24
Portland, Oreg.	18	-	-	18
Providence, R.I.	126	6	7	139
Releigh, N. Car.	16	2	-	18
Richmond, Va.	42	3	-	45
Roanoke, Va.	26	-	3	29
Rochester, N.Y.	72	14	3	89
Rockford, Ill.	17	-	3	20
St. Louis, Mo.	387	154	26	567
Salt Lake City, Utah	13	-	-	13
San Antonio, Tex.	2	-	1	3
San Diego, Calif.	-	-	-	-
San Francisco, Calif.*	4	-	-	4
Scranton, Pa.	206	4	9	219
Seattle, Wash.	56	-	1	57
Shreveport, La.	-	-	-	-
Sioux City, Iowa	-	-	-	-
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	-	-	-	-
South Bend, Ind.	23	-	4	27
Spokane, Wash.	9	2	-	11
Springfield, Mass.	65	23	1	89
Springfield, Mo.	-	-	-	-
Syracuse, N.Y.	214	10	4	228
Tacoma, Wash.	-	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.	42	-	-	42
Toledo, Ohio	146	-	13	159
Topeka, Kans.	2	-	-	2
Tulsa, Okla.	-	2	-	2
Washington, D.C.	203	97	14	314
Wheeling, W. Va.	34	-	-	34
Wichita, Kans.	5	3	-	8
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	89	3	8	100
Youngstown, Ohio	101	6	14	121
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14313</b>	<b>3678</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>18662</b>
Montreal, Que.	735	167	49	951
Ottawa, Ont.	119	26	10	155
Toronto, Ont.	416	721	16	1153
Vancouver, B.C.	13	-	-	13
Winnipeg, Man.	39	-	1	40

\* New York, N.Y. includes Newark, N.J.  
 San Francisco, Calif., includes Oakland

TRUCK UNLOADS CELERY IN 38 U.S. & 5 CANADIAN CITIES BY STATES OF ORIGIN  
(in carlot equivalents)

City	Calif.	Fla.	Mich.	N. J.	N. Y.	Ohio	Other	Total
Albany, N. Y.	2	22	-	1	4	-	1	30
Atlanta, Ga.	19	215	91	-	3	-	10	338
Baltimore, Md.	2	98	5	57	66	28	8	264
Birmingham, Ala.	40	129	51	-	-	-	3	223
Boston, Mass.	1	7	-	7	102	-	120	237
Buffalo, N.Y.	-	7	2	-	25	-	-	34
Chicago, Ill.	25	208	581	-	-	6	56	876
Cincinnati, Ohio	6	20	65	-	-	19	22	132
Cleveland, Ohio	8	5	52	-	22	189	1	277
Columbia, S. Carolina	10	131	31	2	5	-	1	180
Dallas, Texas	425	110	-	-	-	-	2	537
Denver, Colo.	331	26	-	-	-	-	142	499
Detroit, Mich.	8	5	111	-	-	1	8	133
Fort Worth, Texas	91	22	-	-	-	-	-	113
Houston, Texas	292	97	-	-	-	-	4	393
Indianapolis, Ind.	11	54	12	-	-	5	7	89
Kansas City, Mo.	279	78	-	-	-	-	21	378
Los Angeles, Calif.	9057	-	-	-	-	-	-	9057
Louisville, Ky.	8	32	30	-	-	2	-	72
Memphis, Tenn.	83	110	27	-	-	-	1	221
Miami, Fla.	22	152	26	2	1	-	-	203
Milwaukee, Wis.	3	12	35	-	-	-	19	69
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	234	8	18	-	-	-	25	285
Nashville, Tenn.	16	39	15	-	-	-	-	70
New Orleans, La.	55	200	30	-	1	-	21	307
New York, N.Y.*	13	549	1	200	638	2	20	1423
Philadelphia, Pa.	2	191	4	59	184	16	16	472
Pittsburgh, Pa.	1	11	19	-	20	42	-	93
Portland, Ore.	375	-	-	-	-	-	70	445
Providence, R. I.	-	1	-	-	-	-	57	58
St. Louis, Mo.	23	54	28	-	-	6	49	160
Salt Lake City, Utah	302	7	-	-	-	-	15	324
San Antonio, Texas	215	66	-	-	-	-	10	291
San Francisco, Calif.*	1473	-	-	-	-	-	-	1473
Washington, D.C.	3	122	1	48	39	-	9	222
Wichita, Kans.	103	10	-	-	-	-	9	122
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3538</b>	<b>2798</b>	<b>1235</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>1110</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>20100</b>

Montreal, Que.	-	34	-	1	-	-	80	115
Ottawa, Ont.	2	19	-	-	-	-	32	53
Toronto, Ont.	42	77	-	-	-	-	394	513
Vancouver, B. C.	261	-	-	-	-	-	123	384
Winnipeg, Man.	2	4	-	-	-	-	37	43

\* New York, N.Y. includes Newark, N.J.  
San Francisco, Calif. includes Oakland