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MARKETING WESTERN NEW YORK CELERY - 1960 SEASON

Daily Market Reports on celery were issued from the Rochester Office of the Federal-State Market News Service, 900 Jefferson Rd., Rochester 23, N.Y. from August 31 through November 1, 1960. The information contained in this summary was obtained principally from these reports and other releases by the Crop Reporting Board, A.M.S., U. S. Department of Agriculture and the State Agricultural Statistician at Albany, N.Y.

UNITED STATES

The estimated acreage planted to celery in the United States during 1960 was 36,390 as compared with 38,410 during 1959 and the 10-year (1949-58) average of 35,920 acres. On the average, yields were slightly higher than either the 1959 or the 10-year average. During 1960 the average yield was 409 hundredweight compared with 404 last season and the 10-year average of 400 hundredweight. Total production this season was estimated at 14,872,000 cwt. as compared with 15,527,000 in 1959, while the 10-year (1949-58) average was 14,337,000 cwt.

NEW YORK STATE

In New York State during 1960, the acreage planted to celery was estimated at 1,800 compared with 1,700 during 1959, while the 10-year average (1949-58) was 2,180 acres. The acreage planted to celery has shown a considerable decline during the past 10 years. During 1950 the estimated acreage planted to celery in the State was 3,050 acres. Yields per acre during the 1960 season were slightly higher than during 1959 or the 10-year average; estimated yield per acre this season was 350 cwt. as compared with 320 during 1959, while the 10-year average was 307 cwt. per acre. Total production this season was estimated at 630,000 cwt., considerably higher than the production in 1959 which was estimated at 544,000 cwt. During the 10-year (1949-58) period, production for the State was estimated at 664,000 cwt. It has been estimated by some of the trade that fully 90 percent of the total production is of the Pascal type and about 10 percent Golden Heart.

Rainy weather and wet fields during mid-June delayed planting to some extent. However, the crop was in about the normal time. Harvesting was delayed slightly during the later part of October and early November but the season closed about November 1 as usual. Most of the wash-houses closed the latter part of October, and the last report was issued on November 1.

F.o.b. prices this season were considerably lower than a year ago. 16" wire-bound crates, individually washed Pascal 2-3 dozen ranged from \$2.00-2.75 this season as compared with \$3.00-4.00 last season, 4-6 dozen this season \$1.75-2.25 as compared with \$1.75-3.00 during the 1959 season. Weekly price ranges on other sizes will be found on another page in this summary.

The movement to market from Western New York shipping points continues to increase by truck as the rail movement declines. Only 18 cars moved by rail this season as compared with 39 during 1959 and 40 during 1958. Ten years ago, during the year 1950, the movement by rail was 465 cars.

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

SEASONAL GROUP AND STATE	ACRES FOR HARVEST			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	10-year average 1949-58	1959	1960	10 yr. av. 1949-58	1959	1960	10 year average 1949-58	1959	1960
	- Acres -			- Cwt. -			- 1,000 cwt. -		
<u>Winter</u>									
Florida	6,050	8,100	6,800	390	360	400	*2,352	*2,916	2,720
Arizona	310	750	350	406	395	400	* 130	* 296	140
California	3,660	4,600	4,700	506	515	500	1,855	2,369	2,350
Group Total	10,020	13,450	11,850	433	415	440	4,337	5,581	5,210
<u>Spring</u>									
Florida	4,090	5,200	4,500	387	320	322	*1,574	*1,664	1,449
California	2,580	3,100	3,400	746	625	560	1,927	1,938	1,904
Group Total	6,670	8,300	7,900	526	434	424	3,501	3,602	3,353
<u>Early Summer</u>									
Massachusetts	270	130	90	177	160	150	49	21	14
New Jersey	600	500	450	234	240	260	138	120	117
Ohio	400	350	350	270	280	325	109	98	114
Michigan	1,250	1,100	1,100	323	350	365	* 401	385	402
California	1,790	2,600	2,300	528	555	555	* 929	1,443	1,276
Group Total	4,310	4,680	4,290	376	442	448	1,626	2,067	1,923
<u>Late Summer</u>									
Colo.	780	350	300	307	320	350	* 664	544	630
New York	2,180	1,700	1,800	307	320	350	* 664	544	630
Washington	390	400	350	307	320	320	* 120	128	112
Oregon	100	---	---	357	---	---	* 36	---	---
Group Total	3,450	2,450	2,450	307	318	335	1,053	779	820
<u>Early Fall</u>									
Massachusetts	300	170	150	166	170	150	51	29	22
New Jersey	430	350	300	248	275	280	106	96	84
Pennsylvania	330	250	220	215	205	215	71	51	47
Ohio	420	360	330	236	245	230	99	88	76
Michigan	1,750	1,100	1,000	292	285	375	* 508	314	375
Utah	310	---	---	333	---	---	111	---	---
Group Total	3,540	2,230	2,000	267	259	302	946	578	604
<u>Late Fall</u>									
California	7,920	7,300	7,900	365	400	375	*2,875	2,920	2,962
<u>ALL STATES</u>	35,920	38,410	36,390	400	404	409	*14,337	15,527	14,872

* Includes some quantities not marketed and excluded in computing value: Winter, Florida 349,000 cwt. in 1959, Arizona, 142,000 cwt. in 1959; Spring, Florida, 334,000 cwt. in 1959.

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

Week Ending Friday	Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping point basis 16" wirebound crates, trimmed tops, individually washed - Pascal -					
	2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	4-6 doz.	6-8 doz.	3 doz.	4 doz.	6 doz.
Sept. 2			2.25-2.50			
9	2.75	2.00-2.25	2.50	2.50-2.75	2.00	2.25-2.50
16	2.50-2.75	2.00-2.25		2.25-2.50	1.90-2.25	2.00-2.25
23	2.00-2.50	2.00		2.00-2.25	1.90-2.00	2.00-2.25
30					1.50-1.75	<u>All Sizes</u> 1.75-2.00
Oct. 7		1.50	<u>2-2$\frac{1}{2}$-3 dozen</u> 1.75-2.00		1.50-1.60	1.50-1.75
14	2.25	1.75-2.00		2.00-2.25		
21		1.75-2.00	2.00-2.25			
28		2.00	2.00-2.25			
Nov. 4						2.00-2.25-

WEEKLY JOBBING PRICES - CELERY

Week Ending Friday	NEW YORK CITY Western Section 16" crates					
	- Pascal -					Golden
	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	2 doz.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	3 doz.	4 doz.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -6 doz.
Sept. 2		2.00-3.00	2.25-2.75	2.50-2.75	2.25-2.75	
9	2.75			3.00-3.75	2.25-3.25	2.50-4.00
16	3.25-3.50	3.50-4.00	3.25-4.00	2.50-4.00	2.00-3.00	2.50-4.00
23		2.75-3.25	3.00-3.50	2.75-3.00	2.50-2.75	
30		2.50		1.50-2.75	1.50-2.50	3.00-4.00
Oct. 7		1.50-2.50	2.00-2.75	2.25-2.50	1.50-2.25	3.00
14	2.75	2.00-3.00	2.50-3.25	2.25-3.25	2.00-2.75	3.00
21	2.50-2.62 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.25-3.00	2.50-3.00	2.25-2.75	2.25-2.75	3.00-3.50
28				2.75-3.00	2.50-3.00	2.50-4.00
Nov. 4	2.25				2.00-2.25	2.50-4.00

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BALTIMORE

Week Ending Friday	16" crates, Pascal					
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 doz.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -4 doz.	3 doz.	4 doz.	6 doz.
Sept. 2					2.50-2.75	
9			3.25-3.50		2.75	
16				3.00-3.50	2.75-3.50	2.50
23	3.00-3.50	2.75-3.50		2.75-3.50	2.50-3.00	2.50-3.50
30	2.50-3.00		2.50-3.00	2.50-3.00		2.50-2.75
Oct. 7					2-3 doz.	
14	2.25-2.50	2.50-2.75	2.00-2.50	2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	2.00-2.50	
21	2.50-3.00		2.50-2.75	2.75		
28	2.25-2.50		2.50-3.00			
Nov. 4					2.25-2.75	

PHILADELPHIA

Week Ending Friday	16" crates, Pascal					
	2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.	2-3 doz.	2-4 doz.	3 doz.	3-4 doz.	4-6 doz.
Sept. 2			2.50-2.75	2.50	1.75-2.25	
9		3.00-3.75	2.50-3.25	2.50	1.75-2.25	3.00-3.50
16	2.75-3.50			2.50-3.00		2.00-2.75
23	2.25-3.00		2.25-2.50		2.50-2.75	
30	1.50-2.75		1.50-2.25		2.00-2.50	
Oct. 7	1.50-2.25		1.50-2.00	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz.		
14				1.25		
21	2.25-3.00	2.75-3.00		4-8 doz.	2.75	1.75-2.25
28	2.50-2.75		2.25-2.50	2.00	2.00-2.50	
Nov. 4	2.50					

CARLOT SHIPMENTS CELERY BY STATES, CALENDAR YEARS 1954-59

State	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
Arizona	343	210	303	383	710	258
California N. Dist.	1348	1689	1225	788	636	606
California C. Dist.	9292	9354	10227	11211	8719	8529
California S. Dist.	7180	7095	8262	6619	6773	6834
California Imp. Vly.	-	-	-	-	1	-
Colorado	18	7	5	-	1	-
Florida	10026	9771	8679	7048	4850	5054
Michigan	28	63	1	3	6	-
New York	297	150	85	61	40	39
Ohio	-	-	-	-	1	-
Oregon	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utah	203	144	69	31	12	-
Washington	5	14	12	-	-	4
TOTAL U. S.	28,740	28,498	28,868	26,174	21,749	21,324

CARLOT SHIPMENTS CELERY BY STATES AND MONTHS CALENDAR YEAR 1960

State	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Arizona	107	-	102	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	241
California N. Dist.	2	8	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	69	284	30	406
California S. Dist.	690	685	805	590	1127	878	25	-	-	1	62	310	5173
California C. Dist.	175	164	23	3	46	659	882	506	774	1293	1962	1414	7901
California Imp. Vly.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Florida	826	885	1197	1195	838	313	2	-	-	-	68	434	5758
New York	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	13	-	-	18
Texas	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Washington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3
TOTAL U. S.	1800	1742	2149	1820	2011	1850	909	511	775	1379	2376	2188	19510

* Subject to revision.

RAIL UNLOADS OF CELERY IN 100 U. S. AND 5 CANADIAN CITIES BY STATES OF ORIGIN DURING 1960

City	California	Florida	Other	Total
Akron, Ohio	24	1	2	27
Albany, N.Y.	147	41	1	189
Altoona, Pa.	108	4	8	120
Amarillo, Tex.	-	-	-	-
Atlanta, Ga.	43	6	-	49
Baltimore, Md.	382	192	18	592
Birmingham, Ala.	13	4	-	17
Boston, Mass.	767	396	12	1175
Bridgeport, Conn.	7	23	-	30
Buffalo, N.Y.	363	49	14	426
Butte, Mont.	-	-	-	-
Charleston, S. C.	1	-	-	1
Charleston, W. Va.	7	1	-	8
Charlotte, N. C.	8	4	-	12
Chattanooga, Tenn.	6	4	-	10
Chicago, Ill.	1110	511	34	1655
Cincinnati, Ohio	242	156	2	400
Cleveland, Ohio	716	132	12	860
Columbia, S. C.	7	5	-	12
Columbus, Ohio	132	44	8	184
Dallas, Tex.	5	-	-	5
Davenport, Iowa	13	14	-	27
Dayton, Ohio	29	7	-	36
Decatur, Ill.	8	2	-	10
Denver, Colo.	18	-	-	18
Des Moines, Iowa	14	-	-	14
Detroit, Mich.	626	339	6	971
Duluth, Minn.	58	43	3	104
El Paso, Tex.	1	-	-	1
Evansville, Ind.	2	6	1	9
Flint, Mich.	36	4	6	46
Fort Wayne, Ind.	66	10	2	78
Fort Worth, Tex.	1	-	-	1
Grand Rapids, Mich.	48	8	9	65
Hartford, Conn.	123	95	1	219
Houston, Tex.	24	7	-	31
Huntington, W. Va.	15	-	2	17
Indianapolis, Ind.	197	81	6	284
Jackson, Miss.	-	-	-	-
Jacksonville, Fla.	43	-	-	43
Kansas City, Mo.	59	15	1	75
Knoxville, Tenn.	-	1	-	1
Lexington, Ky.	1	2	-	3
Lincoln, Nebr.	-	-	-	-
Little Rock, Ark.	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.	14	-	-	14
Louisville, Ky.	114	36	3	153
Lubbock, Tex.	-	-	-	-
Madison, Wis.	44	9	-	53
Memphis, Tenn.	4	2	-	6
Miami, Fla.	64	-	-	64
Milwaukee, Wis.	215	32	3	250
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	425	29	3	457
Mobile, Ala.	-	-	-	-
Nashville, Tenn.	9	20	-	29

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RAIL UNLOADS CELERY 1960 (Continued)

City	California	Florida	Other	Total
Newark, N.J.	-	-	-	-
New Haven, Conn.	25	2	-	27
New Orleans, La.	107	40	-	147
New York, N.Y.*	1938	1047	17	3002
Norfolk, Va.	12	68	-	80
Oklahoma City, Okla.	3	4	-	7
Omaha, Nebr.	3	-	-	3
Peoria, Ill.	16	3	-	19
Philadelphia, Pa.	1201	468	21	1690
Phoenix, Ariz.	1	-	-	1
Pittsburgh, Pa.	690	80	13	783
Portland, Maine	17	9	-	26
Portland, Ore.	41	-	-	41
Providence, R.I.	85	15	-	100
Raleigh, N. C.	19	8	-	27
Richmond, Va.	27	10	-	37
Roanoke, Va.	6	4	-	10
Rochester, N. Y.	45	22	3	70
Rockford, Ill.	35	3	-	38
St. Louis, Mo.	251	185	6	442
Salt Lake City, Utah	32	-	1	33
San Antonio, Tex.	-	-	-	-
San Diego, Calif.	-	-	-	-
San Francisco, Calif.*	6	-	-	6
Scranton, Pa.	119	79	-	198
Seattle, Wash.*	59	1	-	60
Shreveport, La.	-	-	-	-
Sioux City, Iowa	1	-	-	1
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	-	-	-	-
South Bend, Ind.	27	-	6	33
Spokane, Wash.	3	-	-	3
Springfield, Mass.	45	6	-	51
Springfield, Mo.	1	-	-	1
Syracuse, N. Y.	156	21	2	179
Tacoma, Wash.	-	-	-	-
Tampa, Fla.	35	-	-	35
Toledo, Ohio	89	49	4	142
Topeka, Kans.	1	-	-	1
Tulsa, Okla.	-	4	-	4
Washington, D. C.	128	158	10	296
Wheeling, W. Va.	31	-	-	31
Wichita, Kans.	3	10	-	13
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	32	10	1	43
Youngstown, Ohio	121	16	5	142
TOTAL	11770	4657	246	16673
* New York, N.Y. includes Newark, N.J., San Francisco, Calif. includes Oakland, Calif. and Seattle, Washington includes Tacoma, Washington.				
Montreal, Que.	679	152	32	863
Ottawa, Ont.	91	24	8	123
Toronto, Ont.	337	508	21	866
Vancouver, B. C.	48	-	-	48
Winnipeg, Man.	10	-	-	10
TOTAL	1165	684	61	1910

TRUCK UNLOADS CELERY IN 41 U.S. & 5 CANADIAN CITIES BY STATES OR ORIGIN DURING 1960
(in carlot equivalents)

City	Calif.	Fla.	Mich.	N.J.	N.Y.	Ohio	Other	Total
Albany, N.Y.	13	22	-	-	20	-	2	57
Atlanta, Ga.	11	194	32	-	23	-	3	263
Baltimore, Md.	2	82	11	27	71	16	4	213
Birmingham, Ala.	21	112	40	-	-	-	3	176
Boston, Mass.	-	34	1	-	131	6	44	216
Buffalo, N.Y.	-	5	-	-	29	-	-	34
Chicago, Ill.	13	130	330	-	5	25	29	532
Cincinnati, Ohio	-	8	67	1	1	23	12	112
Cleveland, Ohio	-	4	26	-	8	119	1	158
Columbia, S. C.	3	108	27	4	14	-	10	166
Dallas, Tex.	333	145	12	-	-	-	4	494
Denver, Colo.	385	12	-	-	-	-	108	505
Detroit, Mich.	1	60	126	-	-	-	2	189
Ft. Worth, Texas	54	17	-	-	-	-	-	71
Houston, Texas	190	90	-	-	-	-	2	282
Indianapolis, Ind.	10	60	35	-	-	5	-	110
Kansas City, Mo.	254	68	3	-	-	-	9	334
Los Angeles, Calif.	7916	-	-	-	-	-	-	7916
Louisville, Ky.	2	36	28	-	-	1	3	70
Memphis, Tenn.	51	79	23	-	-	-	-	153
Miami, Fla.	19	129	60	-	10	-	3	221
Milwaukee, Wis.	27	23	9	-	-	-	14	73
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	141	16	8	-	-	-	13	178
Nashville, Tenn.	7	11	8	-	1	-	-	27
New Orleans, La.	42	139	27	-	-	-	-	208
New York, N.Y.*	14	315	5	127	764	4	1	1230
Philadelphia, Pa.	1	93	2	67	157	37	7	364
Pittsburgh, Pa.	3	28	29	-	3	53	-	116
Portland, Ore.	346	-	-	-	-	-	66	412
Providence, R.I.	-	8	-	1	1	-	29	39
St. Louis, Mo.	46	59	26	-	-	4	23	158
Salt Lake City, Utah	337	-	-	-	-	-	13	350
San Antonio, Texas	211	34	-	-	-	-	9	254
San Francisco, Calif.*	1262	-	-	-	-	-	-	1262
Seattle, Wash.*	392	-	-	-	-	-	159	551
Washington, D.C.	5	146	3	26	113	-	5	298
Wichita, Kans.	75	29	-	-	-	-	2	106
TOTAL	12187	2296	938	253	1351	293	580	17898
*New York, N.Y. includes Newark, N.J., San Francisco, Calif. includes Oakland and Seattle, Wash. includes Tacoma.								
Montreal, Que.	-	40	-	-	-	-	55	95
Ottawa, Ont.	2	24	-	-	-	-	44	70
Toronto, Ont.	-	62	-	-	-	-	421	483
Vancouver, B.C.	178	-	-	-	-	-	128	306
Winnipeg, Man.	13	16	-	-	-	-	38	67
TOTAL	193	142	-	-	-	-	686	1021