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UNITED STATES

The harvested acreage of tomatoes for fresh market this season was estimated at 159,840 acres as compared with 160,150 during 1962 while the five year average for the country was 190,780 acres. Yields per acre during this season was estimated at 126 hundredweight as compared with 130 hundredweight during 1962 while the five year (1957-61) average was 105 hundredweight. Production for fresh market this season was slightly lower than a year ago but higher than the five year average. This season the production was estimated at 20,070 thousand hundredweight as compared with 20,822 thousand hundredweight while the five year (1957-61) average for the country was 19,720 thousand hundredweight.

The harvested acreage of TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING during 1963 was estimated at 246,360 acres as compared with 326,700 acres during 1962, while the five year (1957-61) average for the country was 305,640. Yields per acre during 1963 was estimated at 16.5 tons the same as during 1962, while the five year average for the country was 12.8 tons. Production for the United States during 1963 was estimated at 4,072,240 tons slightly lower than 5,377,000 tons during 1962 while the five year (1957-61) average was 3,885,040 tons.

NEW YORK STATE

The harvested acreage of TOMATOES FOR THE FRESH MARKET in New York State during 1963 was estimated at 4,300 acres as compared with 4,700 during 1962, while the five year (1957-61) average for the State was 5,040 acres. Yields per acre were the same as during 1962 but slightly higher than the five year 1957-61 average. During 1963 yields were estimated at 120 hundredweight the same as during 1962 while the five year average for the State was 113 hundredweight. Production for the fresh market this season was estimated at 516 thousand hundredweight as compared with 564 thousand hundredweight during 1962 while the five year (1957-61) average for the State was 570 thousand hundredweight.

The harvested acreage of TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING in New York State this season was estimated at 7,400 as compared with 8,400 during 1962 while the five year (1957-61) average for the State was 10,740 acres. Yields per acre were down considerably from a year ago but was about average for the past five years. Yields this season were estimated at 10.8 tons per acre as compared with 13.7 tons per acre during 1962 while the five year average was 10.9 tons per acre. Total production was down considerably from 1962 as well as the five year average. During 1963 the estimated production was 79,900 tons as compared with 115,100 tons during 1962 while the five year (1957-61) average for the State was 114,060 tons.

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Harvesting started around the middle of August for both fresh market and processing. Cool, dry weather prevailed during June which delayed the crop to some extent. Weather was favorable in most sections during the remainder of the season. Cool weather with an occasional frost during the latter part of September brought the Green Tomato season to a close about the same time as usual.

F.o.b. prices this season were slightly higher than during the 1962 season. Cartons of US#1 stock, 6 x 6 and larger ranged from \$1.60-2.65, and 6 x 7 \$1.20-2.35, with containers extra. Last season, including containers, 6 x 6 and larger ranged from \$1.95-2.35 while 6 x 7 sizes ranged from \$1.50-2.00.

PROCESSING

As in previous years, most of the tomato crop for processing was contracted for by processors at prices ranging from \$32.00-35.00 per ton for US#1 and \$17.00-23.50 for US#2s. In some cases an additional allowance of \$1.00 per ton was allotted for delivery charges.

TOMATOES FOR FRESH MARKET: ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

SEASONAL GROUP AND STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	Average 1957-61	1962	1963	Average 1957-61	1962	1963	Average 1957-61	1962	1963
	Acres			Hundredweight			1,000 cwt		
Winter:									
Florida	16,200	16,000	17,900	121	205	180	1,974	3,280	3,222
Early Spring:									
Florida	15,540	12,400	12,200	132	180	195	*1,943	2,232	2,379
Texas	21,860	10,800	10,500	46	95	43	969	1,026	452
California	4,200	3,000	3,600	194	175	140	811	525	504
Group Total	41,600	26,200	26,300	94	144	127	3,723	3,783	3,335
Late Spring:									
South Carolina	6,260	6,200	8,100	68	60	65	428	372	526
Georgia	6,660	3,300	3,000	43	40	50	* 284	132	150
Mississippi	1,460	900	900	32	35	30	* 48	32	27
Louisiana	1,080	1,200	1,300	45	50	50	* 48	60	65
Texas	8,440	5,500	5,500	39	50	47	* 281	275	258
Group Total	23,900	17,100	18,800	48	51	55	1,089	871	1,026
Early Summer:									
New Jersey	7,900	7,500	8,000	101	110	100	794	825	800
Ohio	1,280	1,200	1,300	120	120	125	154	144	162
Illinois	530	550	450	53	60	60	28	33	27
Missouri	1,240	1,000	900	96	100	100	119	100	90
Delaware	380	250	250	106	130	130	39	32	32
Maryland	2,300	2,000	2,000	115	135	135	262	270	270
Virginia	5,640	3,800	4,000	85	125	100	476	475	400
North Carolina	2,800	2,300	2,200	46	50	50	* 129	115	110
Kentucky	650	650	700	71	80	75	46	52	52
Tennessee	3,100	2,500	2,800	79	85	110	241	212	308
Alabama	4,580	4,400	4,300	59	55	60	269	242	258
Arkansas	2,760	2,900	3,200	88	100	120	236	290	384
California	12,700	12,500	12,200	179	160	190	2,261	2,000	2,318
Group Total	45,850	41,550	42,300	111	115	123	5,055	4,790	5,211
Late Summer:									
Massachusetts	1,320	1,100	1,000	177	200	190	233	220	190
Rhode Island	220	170	170	153	170	160	33	29	27
Connecticut	1,400	1,300	1,200	141	145	145	198	188	174
New York	5,040	4,700	4,300	113	120	120	570	564	516
Pennsylvania	3,320	3,200	3,100	109	120	110	362	384	341
Ohio	2,720	1,800	1,800	111	120	110	302	216	198
Indiana	4,860	4,400	4,000	73	75	85	354	330	340
Illinois	1,060	1,000	1,100	63	70	60	66	70	66
Michigan	8,160	7,500	7,700	80	80	85	653	600	654
Iowa	280	270	---	67	70	---	19	19	---
North Carolina	350	800	1,000	115	170	220	45	136	220
Colorado	940	900	1,000	152	155	140	143	140	140
New Mexico	660	550	600	129	170	135	87	94	81
Washington	1,030	850	800	159	140	145	162	119	116
Oregon	660	450	350	121	120	120	80	54	42
Group Total	32,020	28,940	28,120	103	109	110	3,306	3,163	3,105
Early Fall:									
California	20,940	20,300	17,000	166	185	170	3,478	3,756	2,890
Late Fall:									
Florida	8,240	8,600	8,600	123	125	140	995	1,075	1,204
Texas	1,680	1,100	1,600	29	35	35	42	38	21
Group Total	9,920	9,700	9,200	108	115	133	1,037	1,113	1,225
Total All Groups	190,430	159,840	159,620	105	130	125	19,662	20,756	20,014
Hawaii	350	310	220	169	213	253	58	* 66	* 56
ALL STATES	190,780	160,150	159,840	105	130	126	19,720	20,822	20,070

1/ Estimates discontinued in 1963.

* Includes some quantities not marketed and excluded in computing value: Hawaii, 1,000 cwt. in 1962, 1,000 cwt in 1963.

TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING: HARVESTED ACREAGE, YIELD PER ACRE AND PRODUCTION

STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	Average 1957-61	1962	1963	Average 1957-61	1962	1963	Average 1957-61	1962	1963
	Acres			Tons			Tons		
New York	10,740	8,400	7,400	10.9	13.7	10.8	114,060	115,100	79,900
New Jersey	18,140	18,300	15,000	13.2	20.5	17.0	237,460	375,200	255,000
Pennsylvania	15,220	13,400	9,500	10.9	12.2	11.5	160,780	163,500	109,200
Delaware	2,320	1,900	1,900	12.6	18.6	12.8	27,520	35,300	24,300
Maryland	10,160	9,400	7,700	8.7	11.8	10.3	86,680	110,900	79,300
Virginia	10,100	8,400	6,500	4.5	7.5	6.5	45,100	63,000	42,200
South Carolina	1,180	1,300	1,000	3.4	3.5	3.5	3,990	4,600	3,500
Florida	6,780	5,100	5,900	6.3	8.5	8.6	42,480	43,500	50,700
Ohio	21,620	21,300	16,300	13.4	20.5	19.0	289,400	436,600	309,700
Indiana	26,820	25,100	17,100	9.5	13.6	16.0	252,700	341,400	273,600
Illinois	9,360	9,100	7,400	13.1	17.8	17.6	122,460	162,000	130,200
Michigan	7,380	6,800	5,300	11.5	13.8	13.9	84,140	93,800	73,700
Texas	12,220	6,100	6,200	3.8	5.9	4.9	46,200	36,000	30,400
Colorado	2,660	3,100	2,100	8.9	11.6	12.9	23,580	36,000	27,100
New Mexico	1,010	1,400	1,100	10.1	13.5	11.7	9,980	18,900	12,900
Utah	3,720	4,500	2,700	11.5	15.1	15.1	43,980	68,000	40,800
California	137,620	177,200	128,000	16.3	18.2	19.4	2,243,180	3,218,000	2,483,000
Other States 1/	8,490	5,900	5,260	6.3	9.4	8.9	51,350	55,200	46,740
UNITED STATES	305,640	326,700	246,360	12.8	16.5	16.5	3,885,040	5,377,000	4,072,240

1/ Alabama, Arkansas, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

CARLOT SHIPMENTS OF TOMATOES JULY 1963 THRU JUNE 1964 BY STATES AND MONTHS

RAIL

State	1963	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1964	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
	July						Jan.					
Calif. C. Dist.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Calif. S. Dist.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Calif. I. V.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	115
Florida	-	-	-	-	453	1033	495	260	396	887	2368	267
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
S. Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	504
Texas	-	-	3	13	3	-	-	-	-	-	167	403
TOTAL U.S.	-	-	3	13	456	1033	496	260	396	887	2539	1339

IMPORTS

Bahama Is.	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	4	44	-	-	-
Mexico East.	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	5	-	1	-
Mexico West.	-	-	-	-	21	328	715	607	578	479	157	26
West Indies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

TRUCK

Arizona	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
California	1625	1522	1262	1813	651	93	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida	-	-	-	1	1041	1657	2179	1955	2287	2803	2935	538
Texas	-	-	-	-	31	22	1	-	-	-	275	87

Shipments are final through March, 1964. April, May and June are preliminary.

WESTERN NEW YORK SHIPPING POINT PRICES - TOMATOES

1963		Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping point basis.	
		40 lb. cartons, U. S. No. 1, green, waxed containers extra	1 6 X 7
September	2		
	3		
	4		
	5		
	6	1.75	1.20-1.25
	9	1.75-1.85	1.20-1.30
	10	1.75-1.85	1.20-1.30
	11	1.65-1.75	1.20-1.35
	12	1.60-1.75	1.20-1.30
	13	1.75	1.20-1.30
	16	1.75	1.20-1.30
	17	1.75	1.20-1.30
	18	2.00	2.00
	19	2.00	2.00
	20	1.75-2.15	1.85-2.00
	23	2.60-2.65	2.35
	24		
	25		
	26		
	27		

TRUCK UNLOADS OF TOMATOES IN 41 U. S. AND 5 CANADA CITIES DURING 1963

City	Ala	Ark	Cal	Fla	Ind	Md	Mich	N J	N Y	N C	Ohio	Pa	S C	Tenn	Tex	Va	Mex	Oth	Total
Albany, N. Y.	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	59	-	37	-	-	-	-	1	-	112	213
Atlanta, Ga.	30	22	88	648	11	-	1	1	36	70	3	19	36	12	10	3	18	192	1200
Baltimore, Md.	-	2	18	282	1	262	1	9	16	24	50	19	51	-	1	66	3	2	807
Birmingham, Ala.	399	2	34	394	25	-	-	-	22	14	4	6	-	-	5	-	9	1	915
Boston, Mass.	-	1	28	215	-	5	-	7	2	-	1	5	44	-	-	76	2	280	666
Buffalo, N. Y.	-	-	-	66	-	-	-	3	58	-	85	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	218
Chicago, Ill.	12	75	338	618	64	-	192	6	2	10	137	-	32	15	25	13	206	999	1944
Cincinnati, Ohio	-	45	32	136	2	-	7	-	-	4	308	-	-	26	-	-	3	10	573
Cleveland, Ohio	-	25	10	176	1	-	9	3	4	2	1170	19	1	12	1	16	11	61	1527
Columbia, S. C.	-	-	42	877	1	3	6	1	27	77	-	31	358	4	-	3	-	19	1448
Dallas, Texas	-	4	418	143	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	280	-	400	2	1255
Denver, Colo.	-	-	374	108	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	17	-	196	98	794
Detroit, Mich.	-	25	36	237	18	-	27	9	-	20	234	-	4	0	1	23	10	34	688
Fort Worth, Texas	-	-	78	12	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	32	-	55	-	178
Houston, Texas	-	4	260	165	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	-	162	1	623
Indianapolis, Ind.	1	11	8	91	204	-	2	1	-	-	6	-	-	6	1	-	5	7	343
Kansas City, Mo.	-	31	61	121	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	45	68	342
Los Angeles, Calif.	-	-	5044	112	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	29	-	1858	9	7093
Louisville, Ky.	2	60	26	125	24	-	3	-	1	2	26	-	2	4	1	-	39	33	353
Memphis, Tenn.	-	2	43	100	2	-	9	-	-	9	-	1	-	101	7	-	15	9	303
Miami, Fla.	-	-	169	304	-	-	-	7	13	42	8	9	1	-	9	2	3	-	567
Milwaukee, Wis.	-	3	9	44	8	5	26	-	-	-	20	-	-	20	-	-	1	28	164
Minneapolis, Minn. 1/	-	1	73	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	27	-	78	26	230
Nashville, Tenn.	2	39	42	115	1	-	12	-	-	7	5	-	3	76	-	-	8	3	313
New Orleans, La.	5	8	111	136	-	-	-	6	-	1	-	1	9	-	4	-	24	97	399
New York, N. Y. 2/	-	3	228	1515	-	44	-	428	70	18	115	242	199	-	11	266	29	42	3210
Philadelphia, Pa. 2/	-	13	40	368	-	2	-	451	2	3	35	131	44	-	4	51	7	5	1156
Pittsburgh, Pa.	-	58	45	425	-	14	24	32	40	2	336	120	27	23	1	26	23	8	1213
Portland, Oreg.	-	-	257	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	9	-	299
Providence, R. I.	-	-	-	31	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	7	-	55	97
St. Louis, Mo.	3	93	95	202	4	-	56	-	-	2	-	1	4	11	5	-	77	216	769
Salt Lake City, Utah	-	3	293	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	160	1	481
San Antonio, Texas	-	-	321	118	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	5	-	41	-	206	-	733
San Francisco, Calif. 3/	-	1	1709	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	797	3	2543
Seattle, Wash. 4/	-	-	452	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	82	129	673
Washington, D. C.	-	-	19	148	-	3	-	2	30	19	27	28	24	1	3	25	1	2	332
Wichita, Kans.	-	11	35	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	2	92	150
TOTAL	454	542	10877	6129	366	340	380	962	397	337	2611	632	338	328	572	579	4674	1877	34865
1/ Includes St. Paul	2/ Includes Newark, N. J.	3/ Includes Oakland	4/ Includes Tacoma																
Montreal, Que.	-	17	-	276	-	12	-	-	4	6	212	-	10	-	-	70	-	491	1098
Ottawa, Ont.	-	-	3	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	94	132
Toronto, Ont.	-	-	5	40	-	-	-	-	-	1	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	880	955
Vancouver, B. C.	-	-	123	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	82	217
Winnipeg, Man.	-	-	26	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	1	66	122
TOTAL	-	17	162	384	-	12	-	-	4	7	231	-	10	-	8	70	6	1613	2524

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City	Calif.	Florida	Texas	Mexico	Other	Total
Albany, N. Y.	16	64	3	-	2	85
Atlanta, Ga.	20	45	2	10	2	79
Baltimore, Md.	34	151	25	74	8	292
Birmingham, Ala.	4	42	-	1	-	47
Boston, Mass.	348	688	113	130	31	1310
Buffalo, N. Y.	25	94	10	27	9	165
Chicago, Ill.	314	268	89	155	2	828
Cincinnati, Ohio	11	64	8	3	-	86
Cleveland, Ohio	38	49	3	34	1	125
Columbia, S. C.	1	20	-	-	3	24
Dallas, Texas	5	4	5	8	-	22
Denver, Colo.	29	16	17	20	-	82
Detroit, Mich.	92	344	33	80	20	569
Fort Worth, Texas	6	-	-	34	-	40
Houston, Texas	116	19	-	18	-	153
Indianapolis, Ind.	6	109	12	37	9	173
Kansas City, Mo.	20	71	20	60	-	171
Los Angeles, Calif.	3	34	-	110	-	147
Louisville, Ky.	2	58	7	1	2	70
Memphis, Tenn.	3	6	-	4	-	13
Miami, Fla.	27	-	1	-	2	30
Milwaukee, Wis.	6	10	2	1	-	19
Minneapolis, Minn. 1/	54	58	26	90	3	231
Nashville, Tenn.	7	47	-	2	-	56
New Orleans, La.	30	74	1	35	-	140
New York, N. Y. 2/	776	876	156	162	63	2033
Philadelphia, Pa.	295	764	90	144	49	1342
Pittsburgh, Pa.	19	108	18	22	1	168
Portland, Oreg.	11	62	13	134	-	220
Providence, R. I.	9	27	8	3	1	48
St. Louis, Mo.	28	53	30	50	-	161
Salt Lake City, Utah	5	-	-	2	-	7
San Antonio, Texas	40	-	15	5	-	60
San Francisco, Calif. 3/	-	-	-	57	-	57
Seattle, Wash. 4/	58	117	9	187	9	380
Washington, D. C.	39	119	18	21	9	206
Wichita, Kans.	-	-	-	2	-	2
TOTAL	2497	4461	734	1723	226	9641

- 1/ Includes St. Paul
 2/ " Newark, N. J.
 3/ " Oakland
 4/ " Tacoma

Montreal, Que.	208	257	5	462	8	940
Ottawa, Ont.	24	18	12	47	-	101
Toronto, Ont.	96	268	45	345	20	774
Vancouver, B. C.	97	24	5	253	1	380
Winnipeg, Man.	47	5	16	139	3	214
TOTAL	472	576	83	1246	32	2409