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Daily Market Reports on GREEN TOMATOES were issued from the Rochester office of the Federal-State Market News Service, 900 Jefferson Road, Rochester, New York 14623 from September 2nd through September 28, 1964.

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NEW YORK STATE

Dry weather prevailed during this season and there was considerable more irrigation than normal. The weather was favorable in mid-May and transplanting was in full swing the last week of May. Rather heavy frost occurred during the first week of June causing some damage and delayed tomatoes in some sections. Heavy rains after mid-August was beneficial to the crop but it caused some cracking. Killing frost occurred during the week of September 13th causing considerable damage to tender vegetables, only crops near the lake escaped. For Upstate New York, 1964 was one of the shortest freeze free seasons on record. Many growers reported that the 1964 crop year was the driest within their memory.

The harvested acreage of TOMATOES FOR THE FRESH MARKET in New York State during 1964 was estimated at 3,800 acres, considerably less than during 1963 when 4,300 acres were harvested. The five year average 1958-62 was 4,960 acres. Yields per acre were lower than last year and the five-year average; 110 hundredweight as compared with 120 hundredweight during 1963 while the five year average for the State was 113 hundredweight. Production for the State during 1964 was 418 thousand hundredweight as compared with 516 thousand hundredweight in 1963 while the five year average for the State was 560 thousand hundredweight.

The harvested acreage of TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING in New York State this season was 7,700 acres as compared with 7,500 acres during 1963 while the five year 1958-62 average was 9,720 acres. Yields per acre this season were 10.6 tons slightly lower than 1963 when the yield was 10.8 tons. The five year average for the State was 11.8 tons.

The total production of TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING was 81,600 tons this season as compared with 81,000 tons during 1963 while the five-year 1958-62 average for the State was 113,320 tons.

F.o.b. prices this season were considerably higher than last year. 40 lb cartons 85% or better, USA stock, green, waxed, 6 x 6 and larger ranged from \$2.40-4.00 as compared with \$1.60-2.65, 6 x 7 this season ranged from \$2.00-3.50 as compared with \$1.20-2.35 last season. On another page of this summary will be found daily price ranges f.o.b. shipping point from September 8th through September 25th.

PROCESSING

Most of the tomatoes for processing was contracted for by processors at prices ranging from \$34.00-35.00 per ton for No. 1 canners grade, \$22.00-23.00 per ton for No. 2 stock. In some cases an additional allowance of \$1.00 per ton was allowed for delivery charges.

UNITED STATES

The harvested acreage in the United States for FRESH MARKET was 189,890 acres as compared with 159,510 acres in 1963 while the five year 1958-62 average was 179,070 acres. Yields per acre this season was estimated at 128 hundredweight as compared with 126 hundredweight last season and the five year 1958-62 average was 113 hundredweight. Total production during 1964 was estimated at 20,434 thousand hundredweight as compared with 20,134 thousand hundredweight during 1963 and the five year average 1958-62 was 19,843 thousand hundredweight.

The harvested acreage of tomatoes for PROCESSING during 1964 for the United States was 267,780 acres compared with 248,060 acres during 1963 and the five year average 310,120 acres. Yields per acre this season was estimated at 17.0 tons just slightly higher than the 16.4 tons during 1963 while the five year average for the country was 17.9 tons per acre. Total production was slightly higher than last year. During 1964 the estimated production was 4,545,810 tons as compared with 4,070,640 tons in 1963 while the five year average for the country was 4,297,620 tons.

TOMATOES FOR FRESH MARKET: ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

SEASONAL GROUP AND STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	Average 1958-62	1963	1964	Average 1958-62	1963	1964	Average 1958-62	1963	1964
	Acres			Hundredweight			1,000 cwt.		
Winter:									
Florida	14,780	17,900	16,800	139	180	195	2,099	3,222	3,276
Early Spring:									
Florida	14,620	12,200	12,000	148	195	205	*2,050	2,379	2,460
Texas	19,620	10,500	9,900	56	43	31	*985	452	307
California	3,900	3,600	3,200	194	140	125	759	504	400
Total or average	38,140	26,300	25,100	107	127	126	3,793	3,335	3,167
Late Spring:									
S. Carolina	6,320	8,100	7,900	68	65	75	431	526	592
Georgia	5,320	3,000	3,000	43	50	45	*230	150	135
Mississippi	1,180	900	800	31	30	45	*36	27	36
Louisiana	1,100	1,300	1,300	47	50	45	*52	65	58
Texas	6,340	5,500	5,500	45	47	45	*266	258	248
Total or average	20,260	18,800	18,500	52	55	58	1,015	1,026	1,069
Early Summer:									
New Jersey	7,800	8,000	8,000	104	100	100	807	800	800
Ohio	1,240	1,300	1,300	119	125	120	148	162	156
Illinois	520	450	500	53	60	55	28	27	28
Missouri	1,160	900	850	100	100	100	116	90	85
Delaware	330	250	200	116	130	115	38	32	23
Maryland	2,180	2,000	2,000	122	135	125	264	270	250
Virginia	5,100	4,000	3,800	93	100	120	461	400	432
N. Carolina	2,660	2,100	2,300	47	55	55	*125	116	126
Kentucky	670	700	700	73	75	80	49	52	56
Tennessee	2,900	2,800	2,800	86	110	100	248	308	280
Alabama	4,480	4,300	4,000	60	60	60	269	258	240
Arkansas	2,700	3,200	3,400	93	120	105	246	384	357
California	12,720	12,200	12,200	179	190	185	2,265	2,318	2,257
Total or average	44,460	42,200	41,850	114	124	122	5,063	5,217	5,090
Late Summer:									
Massachusetts	1,240	1,000	950	183	185	180	226	185	171
Rhode Island	190	170	150	159	160	155	31	27	23
Connecticut	1,360	1,200	1,200	140	145	145	190	174	174
New York	4,960	4,300	3,800	113	120	110	560	516	418
Pennsylvania	3,300	3,100	3,200	112	110	105	369	341	336
Ohio	2,480	1,800	1,800	112	110	105	276	198	189
Indiana	4,820	4,000	3,500	74	85	75	355	340	262
Illinois	1,040	1,100	1,200	65	60	55	67	66	66
Michigan	8,100	7,700	7,500	78	85	75	632	654	562
N. Carolina	470	1,000	1,400	133	225	200	69	225	280
Colorado	940	1,000	900	151	140	145	142	140	130
New Mexico	590	500	500	134	135	135	80	68	68
Washington	940	650	700	159	170	170	150	110	119
Oregon	590	350	320	121	120	130	71	42	42
Total or average	31,300	27,870	27,120	104	111	105	3,239	3,086	2,840
Early Fall:									
California	20,700	17,000	19,400	172	160	175	3,562	2,720	3,395
Late Fall:									
Florida	7,840	8,400	9,900	126	170	150	976	1,428	1,485
Texas	1,260	800	900	32	50	40	36	40	36
Total or average	9,100	9,200	10,800	113	160	141	1,012	1,468	1,521
All Groups	178,740	159,270	159,570	113	126	128	19,783	20,074	20,358
Hawaii	330	240	320	182	250	238	*60	*60	*76
UNITED STATES	179,070	159,510	159,890	113	126	128	19,843	20,134	20,434

* Includes some quantities not marketed and excluded in computing value: Hawaii, 1,000 cwt. in 1963 and 1,000 cwt. in 1964.

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

STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	Average 1958-62	1963	1964	Average 1958-62	1963	1964	Average 1958-62	1963	1964
	Acres			Tons			Tons		
New York	9,720	7,500	7,700	11.8	10.8	10.6	113,320	81,000	81,600
New Jersey	17,600	15,000	16,100	15.7	17.0	15.5	278,060	255,000	249,600
Pennsylvania	14,200	8,500	8,600	12.1	11.5	13.1	170,920	97,800	112,700
Delaware	2,020	1,900	1,400	14.6	12.8	17.3	28,660	24,300	24,200
Maryland	10,060	7,700	7,200	10.0	10.3	13.0	98,360	79,300	93,600
Virginia	10,080	6,500	7,600	5.1	6.5	7.5	50,060	42,200	57,000
South Carolina	1,220	1,000	900	3.5	3.5	3.0	4,270	3,500	2,700
Florida	6,500	6,100	6,800	6.9	9.1	9.0	44,040	55,400	61,200
Ohio	21,860	17,000	20,300	15.7	18.9	15.8	341,340	321,300	320,700
Indiana	26,420	17,500	16,400	10.7	16.0	12.3	279,020	280,000	201,700
Illinois	9,380	7,400	7,700	14.5	17.6	17.0	135,420	130,200	130,900
Michigan	7,100	5,300	5,800	12.4	13.9	12.0	88,140	73,700	69,600
Texas	11,540	6,200	7,000	4.3	5.0	4.8	46,940	31,000	33,600
Colorado	2,800	2,100	2,400	9.5	12.9	9.2	26,460	27,100	22,100
New Mexico	1,110	1,100	1,200	10.5	11.7	10.0	11,720	12,900	12,000
Utah	3,440	3,000	2,700	12.1	15.1	10.6	43,540	45,300	28,600
California	147,320	129,000	143,000	16.8	19.1	21.0	2,482,660	2,463,900	3,003,000
Other States 1/	7,750	5,260	4,980	7.3	8.9	8.2	54,680	46,740	41,010
UNITED STATES	310,120	248,060	267,780	13.9	16.4	17.0	4,297,620	4,070,640	4,545,810

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

WESTERN NEW YORK SHIPPING POINT PRICES - TOMATOES

		Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping point basis 40 lb. cartons, 85% or better U.S. No. 1, green, waxed	
1964		6 X 6 and larger	6 X 7
September	8	2.50	2.00
	9	2.50	2.00
	10	2.50-3.00	2.10-2.50
	11	3.00-3.50	2.25-3.00
	14	2.75-3.50	2.25-3.00
	15	3.00-4.00	2.50-3.00
	16	3.00-4.00	2.50-3.00
	17	3.00-4.00	2.50-3.25
	18	3.00-4.00	2.50-3.00
	21	3.00-4.00	2.50-3.50
	22	3.00-3.50	2.50-3.00
	23	3.00-3.50	2.50-2.75
	24	2.50-3.75	2.50-3.00
	25	2.40-3.75	2.50-3.00

TRUCK UNLOADS OF TOMATOES IN 41 U. S. AND 5 CANADA CITIES DURING 1964

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.	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	41	--	44	--	--	--	--	--	--	119	207
Atlanta, Ga.	38	5	139	622	9	--	2	--	6	90	6	19	51	11	13	9	17	179	1216
Baltimore, Md.	1	1	9	266	--	218	--	4	17	17	44	18	30	--	2	62	3	2	694
Birmingham, Ala	285	2	62	369	1	--	--	--	5	12	6	4	--	2	6	--	10	3	767
Boston, Mass.	--	1	32	254	--	--	--	8	6	1	3	3	22	1	--	75	6	232	646
Buffalo, N. Y.	--	--	7	85	--	1	--	4	45	--	97	--	3	--	--	6	3	1	252
Chicago, Ill.	--	60	409	752	47	--	155	2	1	17	9	1	27	10	31	7	260	154	2032
Cincinnati, Ohio	--	14	52	154	6	1	7	--	1	6	236	--	1	24	1	--	8	11	522
Cleveland, Ohio	--	18	33	187	2	1	9	5	4	6	1130	24	1	--	4	4	4	53	1485
Columbia, S. C.	--	--	58	899	2	--	--	--	19	59	--	25	351	6	2	26	--	14	1461
Dallas, Texas	--	5	412	161	--	--	--	--	--	11	--	--	--	1	301	--	365	1	1257
Denver, Colo.	--	--	340	74	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	12	--	184	49	661
Detroit, Mich.	--	35	59	306	14	1	26	3	--	12	204	--	1	4	9	12	25	40	751
Fort Worth, Texas	--	--	116	25	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	2	--	41	--	67	--	258
Houston, Texas	--	3	249	174	--	--	--	--	--	3	1	--	--	--	68	--	113	1	612
Indianapolis, Ind.	1	5	28	138	115	--	--	--	--	5	2	--	--	9	1	--	12	9	325
Kansas City, Mo.	1	16	67	63	1	--	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	--	65	80	313
Los Angeles, Calif.	--	--	5042	119	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	2147	2	7312
Louisville, Ky.	--	30	48	169	21	--	2	--	5	5	17	--	6	4	3	--	34	40	384
Memphis, Tenn.	5	7	63	122	8	--	1	--	11	3	--	--	5	89	6	--	11	7	338
Miami, Fla.	10	--	129	320	2	2	2	9	5	30	4	28	11	--	6	9	3	1	569
Milwaukee, Wis.	--	1	24	41	8	--	23	--	--	2	22	--	--	22	--	--	20	34	197
Minneapolis, Minn. 1/	--	--	110	75	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	19	--	91	15	313
Nashville, Tenn.	2	20	48	119	--	--	2	--	--	13	3	--	1	36	3	1	--	2	250
New Orleans, La.	4	--	132	147	--	--	--	--	--	9	--	--	--	4	10	--	34	50	390
New York, N. Y. 2/	--	4	255	1602	--	52	--	404	76	30	133	279	160	--	2	292	115	37	3441
Philadelphia, Pa.	1	25	32	409	--	1	--	459	25	9	53	66	72	--	2	56	28	15	1253
Pittsburgh, Pa.	--	51	70	456	--	12	5	32	34	4	304	78	36	18	2	12	35	24	1173
Portland, Oreg.	--	--	356	11	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	82	56	505
Providence, R. I.	--	--	--	40	--	--	--	1	1	--	5	--	--	--	--	11	--	61	119
St. Louis, Mo.	--	80	165	170	4	--	23	--	2	13	2	1	3	6	5	--	114	186	774
Salt Lake City, Utah	--	--	302	13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	118	1	434
San Antonio, Tex.	--	--	280	123	--	--	--	--	--	7	--	--	1	--	47	--	225	--	683
San Francisco, Calif. 3/	--	--	1642	33	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	929	1	2607
Seattle, Wash. 4/	--	--	505	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	195	139	840
Washington, D. C.	--	13	44	258	--	--	--	8	26	39	41	40	30	2	1	40	--	2	544
Wichita, Kans.	--	8	43	13	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	10	12	93
Total	348	404	11367	8773	238	292	265	939	319	418	2459	586	818	249	615	622	5333	1633	35678

1/ Includes St. Paul, Minn. 2/ Includes Newark, N. J. 3/ Includes Oakland, Calif. 4/ Includes Tacoma, Wash.

Montreal, Que	--	12	--	436	--	9	2	2	--	35	254	1	29	--	--	23	1	609	1413
Ottawa, Ont.	--	--	3	49	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--	3	--	--	1	2	108	171
Toronto, Ont.	--	4	30	127	1	--	--	--	--	4	1	--	1	--	2	--	7	914	1091
Vancouver, B. C.	--	--	167	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	37	107	311
Winnipeg, Man.	--	--	20	15	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	--	15	32	94
Total	--	16	220	627	1	9	2	2	5	39	255	1	33	--	14	24	72	1770	3080

RAIL UNLOADS OF TOMATOES IN 41 U. S. AND 5 CANADA CITIES DURING 1964

City	Calif.	Florida	Texas	Mexico	Other	Total
Albany, N. Y.	18	48	5	4	4	79
Atlanta, Ga.	19	67	2	1	1	90
Baltimore, Md.	90	163	16	49	17	335
Birmingham, Ala.	13	18	-	-	-	31
Boston, Mass.	292	659	49	41	81	1122
Buffalo, N. Y.	37	92	2	16	12	159
Chicago, Ill.	299	222	44	160	10	735
Cincinnati, Ohio	14	20	2	6	1	43
Cleveland, Ohio	38	63	-	13	3	117
Columbia, S. C.	3	44	-	-	4	51
Dallas, Texas	7	2	3	2	-	14
Denver, Colo.	48	38	10	2	4	102
Detroit, Mich.	183	301	32	28	19	563
Fort Worth, Texas	-	-	1	13	-	14
Houston, Texas	199	30	4	16	-	249
Indianapolis, Ind.	23	53	7	6	-	89
Kansas City, Mo.	26	61	6	15	-	108
Los Angeles, Calif.	-	62	-	98	-	160
Louisville, Ky.	1	55	2	2	4	64
Memphis, Tenn.	-	13	1	3	-	17
Miami, Fla.	50	-	-	1	2	53
Milwaukee, Wis.	17	20	4	4	-	45
Minneapolis, Minn. 1/	76	58	15	89	4	242
Nashville, Tenn.	4	34	3	-	-	41
New Orleans, La.	78	57	2	7	1	145
New York, N. Y. 2/	819	853	85	77	138	1972
Philadelphia, Pa.	366	642	19	89	43	1159
Pittsburgh, Pa.	40	85	3	7	4	139
Portland, Oreg.	5	27	3	59	-	94
Providence, R. I.	10	23	5	-	3	41
St. Louis, Mo.	16	46	23	21	-	106
Salt Lake City, Utah	10	-	-	-	-	10
San Antonio, Tex.	41	4	7	4	-	56
San Francisco, Calif. 3/	1	-	-	20	-	21
Seattle, Wash. 4/	55	105	3	114	8	285
Washington, D. C.	56	95	12	29	5	197
Wichita, Kans.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2954	4060	370	996	368	8748
Montreal, Que.	207	210	22	394	25	858
Ottawa, Ont.	22	17	1	45	5	90
Toronto, Ont.	90	238	66	368	10	772
Vancouver, B. C.	93	11	8	214	-	326
Winnipeg, Man.	70	7	6	122	2	207
Total	482	483	103	1143	42	2258

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