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SUMMARY OF THE

1960

SEASON

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MARKETING WESTERN NEW YORK TOMATOES (GREEN)  
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UNITED STATES

The acreage planted for fresh market during 1960 was estimated at 170,020 acres, considerably lower than the 1959 plantings of 201,120, while the 10-year (1949-58) average for the country was 229,710 acres. Yields per acre this season were estimated at 111 cwt. as compared with 99 cwt. during 1959 and the 10-year (1949-58) average of 83 cwt. Total estimated production this season was 18,856,000 cwt. as compared with 19,874,000 cwt. during 1959, while the 10-year average was 18,996,000 cwt.

The acreage planted to tomatoes for processing was considerably lower than either last year or the 10-year average; 282,850 acres as compared with 292,130 acres in 1959, while the 10-year average for the country was 335,700 acres. Yields were higher than last year or the 10-year average; 14.2 tons per acre this season as compared with 12.0 tons during 1959 and the average for the 10-year period (1949-58) of 10.2 tons per acre. Although the acreage planted was considerably lower than last year, yields were higher which caused an increased production this year over 1959 or the 10-year average. Total production this season was estimated at 4,013,500 tons (2,000 lbs.) as compared with 3,508,800 tons in 1959, while the 10-year average (1949-58) was 3,438,800 tons.

NEW YORK STATE

The acreage planted to tomatoes for fresh market in New York State this season was estimated at 5,200 acres, a slight increase over the 4,900 acres planted in 1959 but less than the 10-year (1949-58) average of 7,500 acres. Yields were considerably better than a year ago; 110 cwt. per acre as compared with 95 cwt. during 1959 and 117 cwt. during the 10-year period (1949-58). The estimated production this season in the State was 572,000 cwt. as compared with 466,000 cwt. in 1959, while the 10-year average was 884,000 cwt.

The estimated harvested acreage for processing this season was 9,100 acres as compared with 10,900 acres in 1959, while the 10-year average for the State was 16,100 acres. Yields per acre were considerably higher than either last year or the 10-year average. This season yields were estimated at 12.5 tons (2,000 lbs.) as compared with 10.1 tons in 1959 and 9.1 tons for the 10-year average. With a reduced acreage and an increase in yield per acre, the total production for the State this season was estimated at 113,800 tons as compared with 110,100 tons in 1959, while the 10-year average for the State was 147,800 tons.

Rain and mild weather prevailed over some of the tomato-growing sections in May but there was very little delay in planting the crop. Growing conditions were favorable during most of June but rains delayed the crop to some extent. Fairly good growing conditions prevailed during July and August and the crop made normal progress. A few scattered frosts occurred the first part of October but very little damage was reported to the crop.

F.o.b. prices this season were slightly higher than a year ago. 60 lb. wirebound crates, green, waxed 6 x 6 and larger ranged from \$3.00-4.25 this season as compared with \$2.25-3.25 last season. Daily price ranges at Western New York shipping points will be found on another page in this summary.

PROCESSING

Bulk of the crop was contracted for by the processors. This season prices paid for US#1 Cannery Grade was mostly \$36.50 and for No 2's \$24.50. In a few instances an additional allowance of \$1.00 for delivery charges was paid.

TOMATOES FOR FRESH MARKET: 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	15,870	16,100	10,700	106	115	140	1,713	1,852	1,498
<u>Early Spring</u>									
Florida	20,990	14,700	13,300	98	125	160	*2,052	1,838	2,128
Texas	29,270	28,000	14,500	37	45	40	*1,067	1,260	580
California	4,140	4,100	4,300	155	230	165	*644	943	710
Group Total	54,400	46,800	32,100	70	86	106	3,764	4,041	3,418
<u>Late Spring</u>									
S. Carolina	4,910	6,600	7,500	36	45	40	178	297	300
Georgia	11,870	9,800	5,000	40	42	40	*470	412	200
Mississippi	1,660	1,100	800	29	35	35	*46	38	28
Louisiana	1,190	1,100	1,000	40	40	50	48	44	50
Texas	20,130	6,000	4,800	29	40	35	*607	240	168
Group Total	39,760	24,600	19,100	34	42	39	1,348	1,031	746
<u>Early Summer</u>									
New Jersey	8,730	8,000	7,300	96	95	110	834	760	803
Ohio	1,290	1,600	1,700	109	100	105	*141	160	178
Illinois	780	1,500	1,500	54	60	55	42	30	28
Missouri	1,860	1,400	1,400	61	100	100	110	140	140
Delaware	520	400	300	90	100	120	47	40	36
Maryland	2,810	2,400	2,200	106	105	120	298	252	264
Virginia	5,100	5,500	5,000	98	70	95	496	385	475
N. Carolina	2,730	2,800	3,000	43	45	50	*117	126	150
Kentucky	530	700	700	66	75	65	34	52	46
Tennessee	3,700	3,600	3,200	60	80	85	*224	288	272
Alabama	6,280	4,900	4,600	46	50	50	286	245	230
Arkansas	3,860	2,900	2,700	49	100	65	*188	290	176
California	9,740	14,500	11,500	147	170	210	1,423	2,465	2,415
Group Total	47,940	49,200	44,100	89	106	118	4,239	5,233	5,213
<u>Late Summer</u>									
Massachusetts	1,630	1,300	1,300	164	155	185	266	202	240
Rhode Island	380	350	300	152	140	155	58	49	46
Connecticut	1,780	1,700	1,800	135	125	160	241	212	288
New York	7,500	4,900	5,200	117	95	110	*884	466	572
Pennsylvania	3,150	3,200	3,200	103	105	115	323	336	368
Ohio	4,360	5,300	5,700	97	90	100	424	477	570
Indiana	4,520	4,800	4,900	70	75	70	315	360	343
Illinois	1,320	900	900	58	70	65	76	63	58
Michigan	7,850	8,500	8,700	90	80	80	705	680	696
Iowa	380	270	270	63	75	65	24	20	18
Colorado	1,160	950	900	144	150	150	165	142	135
Utah	200	---	---	116	---	---	22	---	---
Washington	1,800	1,400	1,200	132	130	130	240	182	156
Oregon	830	650	650	132	100	140	112	65	91
Group Total	36,860	34,220	35,020	105	95	102	3,854	3,254	3,581
<u>Early Fall</u>									
California	18,940	20,800	22,000	156	180	165	2,944	3,744	3,630
<u>Late Fall</u>									
Florida	9,610	8,200	6,000	100	85	125	966	697	750
Texas	6,340	1,200	1,000	26	18	20	167	22	20
Group Total	15,950	9,400	7,000	75	76	110	1,134	719	770
<u>ALL STATES</u>	229,710	201,120	170,020	83	99	111	18,996	19,874	18,856

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

TOMATOES FOR PROCESSING: HARVESTED ACREAGE, YIELD & PRODUCTION

STATE	HARVESTED ACREAGE			YIELD PER ACRE			PRODUCTION		
	Average 1949-58	1959	1960	A.V. 1949-58	1959	1960	Average 1949-58	1959	1960
	- Acres -			Tons (2,000 lb.)			Tons (2,000 lb.)		
New York	16,100	10,900	9,100	9.1	10.1	12.5	147,800	110,100	113,800
New Jersey	26,400	14,000	17,200	8.7	12.6	15.8	225,900	176,400	271,800
Pennsylvania	21,900	13,000	10,500	7.9	10.1	12.9	173,000	131,300	135,400
Ohio	19,800	22,300	21,300	9.8	13.3	17.7	190,300	296,600	377,000
Indiana	36,400	26,100	26,500	7.6	10.2	10.6	268,800	266,200	280,900
Illinois	10,400	9,400	8,700	10.1	12.2	14.9	104,400	114,700	129,600
Michigan	7,500	7,500	6,900	8.8	11.0	12.1	65,100	82,500	84,200
Wisconsin	1,100	1,600	1,400	8.4	10.5	9.3	8,500	6,300	3,700
Iowa	1,500	1,400	1,800	7.1	16.4	16.5	10,700	23,000	29,700
Missouri	2,800	1,000	1,550	2.4	5.0	6.0	6,900	5,000	3,300
Delaware	4,300	1,900	1,700	8.1	9.0	16.0	33,100	17,100	27,200
Maryland	17,600	10,600	8,600	7.0	6.6	12.0	122,800	70,000	103,200
Virginia	14,100	10,000	9,000	4.1	3.5	4.8	58,300	35,000	43,200
S. Carolina	1,600	1,800	2,000	2.0	2.3	2.0	3,000	4,100	4,000
Florida 2/	7,000	6,500	4,800	5.1	5.3	7.2	36,200	34,400	34,500
Kentucky	1,500	1,900	1,000	3.5	2.8	2.2	5,000	2,500	2,200
Arkansas	3,800	2,600	2,100	2.6	2.0	2.7	10,000	5,200	5,700
Texas	16,700	12,000	7,700	2.6	3.8	3.9	43,600	45,600	30,000
Colorado	3,000	3,400	2,400	8.0	8.7	11.3	23,600	29,600	27,100
Utah	6,000	3,800	3,200	11.2	8.7	14.5	69,900	33,100	46,400
California	112,400	129,700	135,000	15.9	15.4	16.6	1,815,600	1,997,400	2,241,000
Other States 3/	4,000	2,730	2,400	4.1	8.3	8.2	16,200	22,700	19,600
UNITED STATES	335,700	292,130	282,850	10.2	12.0	14.2	3,438,800	3,508,800	4,013,500

2/ Sum of estimates by seasonal groups.

3/ Alabama, Arizona, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Washington and West Virginia.

CARLOT SHIPMENTS OF TOMATOES CALENDAR YEAR 1960 BY STATES AND MONTHS

State	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Arkansas	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
Calif. N. Dist.	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	43	13	16	5	-	107
Calif. S. Dist.	1	-	-	-	2	3	82	60	211	438	239	21	1057
Calif. C. Dist.	-	-	-	-	-	347	675	365	589	1456	372	1	3805
Calif. Imp. Vly.	2	1	-	-	46	119	1	-	-	-	-	-	169
Florida	282	208	209	828	1758	589	-	-	-	-	74	789	4737
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
N. Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	4
S. Carolina	-	-	-	-	-	279	18	-	-	-	-	-	297
Texas	-	-	-	-	265	1135	24	-	-	2	-	4	1430
Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5
TOTAL U.S.	285	209	209	828	2071	2481	841	468	813	1912	690	815	11622*

\* Subject to revision

WESTERN NEW YORK SHIPPING POINT PRICES - TOMATOES

1960	Sales f.o.b. shipping point and delivered sales, shipping pt. basis Crates - 60 lbs. wirebound, green, waxed US #1 plus crates		
	6 x 6 & lgr.	6 x 7 & lgr.	5 x 6 & lgr.
August 31	3.00	2.00	
Sept. 1	3.00	2.00	
2	3.00-3.25	2.00-2.25	
Sat. 3			
Sun. 4			
5			
6	3.50	2.50	
7	3.25-3.50	2.50-2.75	
8	3.25-3.50	2.75	
9	3.25-3.50	2.50-2.75	
Sat. 10			
Sun. 11			
12	3.50	2.50	
13	3.75	3.75	
14	3.75	3.25-3.75	
15	3.75	3.25-3.75	
16	3.75-4.25	3.25-4.00	
Sat. 17			
Sun. 18			
19	3.75-4.25	3.25-3.75	3.75-4.25
20	3.75-4.25	3.25-3.75	
21	3.25	2.75	
22	3.25-3.75	2.75-3.25	
23	3.25-3.75	2.75-3.25	
Sat. 24			
Sun. 25			
26	3.25-3.75	3.00	
27	3.25-3.75	3.00-3.25	
28	3.25-3.75	3.25-3.50	
29	3.25-3.75	3.25	
30	3.25-3.75	3.25	
Oct. 1			
Sat. 2			
Sun. 3	3.25-3.50	2.50-3.00	
4	3.25-3.50	2.50-3.00	
5	3.25-3.50	2.50-3.00	
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1960 TRUCK UNLOADS IN 41 CITIES BY STATES OF ORIGIN  
(in carlot equivalents)

TOMATOES																
City	Ala.	Calif	Fla.	Ga.	Mich	N.J.	N.Y.	Ohio	Pa.	S.C.	Tex.	Va.	Cuba	Mex.	Other	Total
Albany																
N.Y.	-	-	3	-	-	-	71	41	-	-	1	-	-	-	107	22
Atlanta																
Ga.	17	114	460	151	9	1	14	13	19	37	6	22	45	42	75	102
Baltimore																
Md.	-	20	171	1	-	4	34	17	35	26	2	42	63	9	300	72
Birmingham																
Ala.	449	83	394	-	3	-	6	1	1	-	3	-	14	19	38	101
Boston																
Mass.	-	30	122	-	-	7	23	-	-	19	1	70	5	4	293	57
Buffalo																
N.Y.	-	4	37	-	-	5	69	104	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	22
Chicago																
Ill.	-	549	400	-	227	4	4	98	-	3	34	9	70	168	276	184
Cincinnati																
Ohio	4	41	174	-	7	-	-	208	-	-	2	2	12	8	61	51
Cleveland																
Ohio	-	15	111	-	6	12	1	1026	2	4	-	2	32	1	110	132
Columbia																
S.C.	1	59	588	14	1	-	14	2	14	226	10	32	-	4	29	99
Dallas																
Tex.	-	469	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	364	1	1	377	12	125
Denver																
Colo.	-	362	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	184	98	69
Detroit																
Mich.	-	68	147	-	53	10	-	158	-	8	-	10	36	20	68	57
Fort Worth																
Tex.	-	111	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	-	-	97	2	28
Houston																
Tex.	-	317	64	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	43	-	1	157	3	58
Indianapolis																
Ind.	4	29	77	2	5	-	-	2	-	2	3	-	5	45	147	32
Kansas City																
Mo.	-	72	46	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	1	75	129	33
Los Angeles																
Calif.	-	6450	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1234	-	769
Louisville																
Ky.	3	44	76	-	2	-	5	23	-	2	14	-	39	20	72	30
Memphis																
Tenn.	-	106	45	-	2	-	-	2	-	1	13	-	9	32	94	30
Miami																
Fla.	1	256	183	-	-	-	1	1	1	11	3	11	-	1	9	47
Milwaukee																
Wis.	-	23	10	-	46	-	-	34	-	-	-	-	12	-	31	15
Minneapolis-																
St.Paul, Minn.	-	80	13	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	41	16	16
Nashville																
Tenn.	3	51	102	-	1	-	-	2	4	7	7	-	19	7	51	25
New Orleans																
La.	3	137	126	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	49	2	22	57	54	45
New York*																
N.Y.	-	232	1442	6	-	457	209	72	311	178	1	377	237	22	158	370
Philadelphia																
Pa.	-	35	300	-	-	454	13	9	182	35	-	63	92	2	43	122
Pittsburgh																
Pa.	-	39	285	-	8	19	12	281	54	7	-	19	38	21	24	80
Portland																
Ore.	-	365	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	100	48
Providence																
R.I.	-	-	56	=	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	80	14
St. Louis																
Mo.	-	139	114	-	47	-	1	-	-	-	8	1	6	42	361	71
Salt Lake City																
Utah	-	470	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	83	3	55
San Antonio																
Tex.	-	361	61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	-	6	269	-	75
San Francisco																
Calif.*	-	1740	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	406	-	216
Seattle																
Wash.*	-	424	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	67	167	66
Washington																
D.C.	-	13	137	-	-	3	5	9	44	11	-	35	12	-	30	29
Wichita																
Kans.	-	53	6	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	13	45	13
TOTAL	485	3361	5868	175	431	977	483	2103	667	577	729	709	779	3547	3087	3397

\*New York, N.Y. includes Newark, Seattle Wash. includes Tacoma and San Francisco, Calif. includes Oakland.