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This publication presents final 1997 potato estimates of acreage, yield per acre, production, farm disposition, season average price, value, and utilization of sales including processing with historic comparisons. First of the month (December through May) stocks of potatoes for the 15 major fall producing States are also included. Production, disposition, and value data for Alaska are shown separately.

These final estimates are based on information furnished by crop reporters, processors, and cooperating State or Federal Agencies. The various sources include: Market News Service rail and truck shipments and unloads, Federal-State inspections, and miscellaneous data available through marketing programs.

Price estimates represent average returns to growers for all uses and for all methods of sale. These prices are applied to total production to compute value of production and to the quantity sold to compute value of sales. Some unsold potatoes contribute to the value of production, including farm use for seed, feed, home use, and loss. The United States season average price is obtained by weighting State prices by quantities sold.

Potato production, utilization, and value of sales in each State has been classified by seasonal group according to the period (quarter) when the largest supplies are harvested.

The four seasonal groups are as follows:

Season	Usual Time of Harvest
Winter	January through March
Spring	April through June
Summer	July through September
Fall	September through November

Crop year is associated with the calendar year in which harvest is accomplished.

Seasons are not fixed dates but are approximations because there is some overlapping of harvest before or after the specified season. Generally, the marketing season closely follows the harvesting season except for the fall crop when marketing from storage may extend through August of the following year. Thus, the marketing year for fall potatoes is generally from the start of harvest through August of the following year.

Third Largest Potato Production; Value Up 7 Percent

Total 1997 potato production is estimated at 466 million cwt, down 7 percent from 1996 but 5 percent above 1995. Harvested area, at 1.35 million acres, was down 6 percent from 1996 and 2 percent below 1995. The average yield of 346 cwt per acre was down 4 cwt from 1996 but 23 cwt above 1995. In 1997, all seasonal groups had production below the previous year: Winter fell 5 percent; spring decreased 3 percent; summer dropped 8 percent; and fall potatoes declined 7 percent. This is the third largest total potato production in the United States.

Summer potato production was revised to 17.9 million cwt for 1997, down 8 percent from 1996 and less than 1 percent below 1995. Harvested area of 65,900 acres fell 12 percent from 1996, while the average yield of 271 cwt per acre gained 10 cwt from a year earlier. The revised production estimate places the summer potato crop 9 percent above the July 1997 forecast.

Fall potatoes were finalized at 423 million cwt, down 7 percent from 1996 but 5 percent above 1995. This is the second largest production of fall potatoes in the United States, exceeded only by the record large crop of 1996. Area harvested in 1997 was estimated at 1.18 million acres, down 6 percent from 1996 and 3 percent below two years ago. The average yield, at 359 cwt per acre, was down 5 cwt from 1996. Final production of fall potatoes was 1 percent above the first forecast made in November 1997.

Value of all potato production was estimated at \$2.60 billion, up 7 percent from

last year but 13 percent below the record high value in 1995. The average price, at \$5.62 per cwt gained 70 cents from a year earlier but was \$1.15 short of 1995.

Sales from the 1997 potato crop totaled 428 million cwt, down 5 percent from 1996 but 5 percent above 1995. Non sales accounted for 37.4 million cwt of 1997

potatoes, down 21 percent from 1996 but 7 percent above 1995. Over the past five years, an average of 90.7 percent of the potatoes produced have been sold.

The other 9.3 percent was either lost (shrinkage and loss) or used for seed, home use, and livestock feed on farms where grown. In the 1997 season, farmers sold 91.9 percent of their crop and kept or lost 8.1 percent.

Processors used 268 million cwt of raw potatoes from the 1997 crop, down 5 percent from 1996 but 5 percent above 1995. Table stock sales totaled 131 million cwt, less than 1 percent below last year. Seed sales of 25.4 million cwt were up 5 percent. Sales for livestock feed, at 3.60 million cwt, backed off sharply from the 1996 diversion program but were 12 percent above 1995.

Chip potato use totaled 48.1 million cwt, slightly below a year earlier. Freezers took 165 million cwt of raw potatoes, down 5 percent, while dehydrating claimed 48.4 million cwt, down 11 percent. Canning use, at 5.50 million cwt, gained 10 percent. Starch, flour and other products were made from 1.31 million cwt of potatoes, a drop of 33 percent from last year.

Shrinkage and loss was estimated at 32.2 million cwt, down 22 percent from last year but 9 percent above 1995. Livestock feed and home use totaled 1.33 million cwt, down 7 percent. Growers kept an additional 4.14 million cwt for seed on their own farms, down 14 percent from last year.

Potatoes: Utilization of Crops, United States, 1994-97

Utilization Items	Crop Year			
	1994	1995	1996 1/	1997
	1,000 Cwt			
Sales				
Table Stock	133,989	124,482	130,907	
130,508				
Processing				

48,130	Chips and Shoestrings	:	49,299	47,284	48,305
48,389	Dehydration	:	41,381	45,065	54,261
131,628	Frozen French Fries	:	136,531	129,029	145,489
33,397	Other Frozen Products	:	26,362	27,073	28,972
2,822	Canned Products	:	2,503	3,342	2,785
2,675	Other Canned Products (Hash, Stews, Soups)	:	3,006	2,385	2,167
1,311	Starch, Flour, and Other	:	2,176	1,668	1,956
268,352	Total	:	261,258	255,846	283,935
		:			
3,603	Other Sales	:			
25,424	Livestock Feed 2/ Seed	:	4,147	3,224	12,073
29,027	Total	:	24,616	24,779	24,275
		:	28,763	28,003	36,348
427,887	Total Sales	:	424,010	408,331	451,190
		:			
4,138	Non-Sales	:			
1,326	Seed Used on Farms Where Grown	:	4,732	4,783	4,801
32,186	Household Use and Used for Feed on Farms Where Grown	:	1,146	962	1,420
37,650	Shrinkage and Loss	:	37,166	29,530	41,222
	Total Non-Sales	:	43,044	35,275	47,443
		:			
465,537	Total Production	:	467,054	443,606	498,633

1/ Revised.

2/ 1996 includes about 7 million cwt under a Government diversion program.

Potatoes: Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production
by Season, State, and United States, 1995-97

Season and	:	Area Planted			:	Area Harvested						
State	:	1995	:	1996	:	1997	:	1995	:	1996	:	1997

		1,000 Acres				
Winter	:					
CA	:	5.0	5.7	6.6	5.0	5.7
6.6						
FL	:	8.3	8.8	9.0	6.9	8.8
8.8						
Total	:	13.3	14.5	15.6	11.9	14.5
15.4						
Spring	:					
AL	:	2.6	2.0	1.6	2.5	1.9
1.5						
AZ	:	6.5	9.0	6.2	6.5	9.0
6.2						
CA	:	18.0	20.1	20.7	17.8	20.1
20.7						
FL	:	38.5	38.0	34.5	36.0	35.5
33.3						
Hastings	:	28.5	28.5	25.5	27.0	27.5
24.5						
Other FL	:	10.0	9.5	9.0	9.0	8.0
8.8						
NC	:	17.5	17.5	17.0	16.5	17.0
16.5						
TX	:	5.2	6.8	8.3	5.0	6.5
8.0						
Total	:	88.3	93.4	88.3	84.3	90.0
86.2						

		Yield			Production		
		1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
		Cwt			1,000 Cwt		
Winter	:						
CA	:	260	250	240	1,300	1,425	
1,584							
FL	:	170	210	175	1,173	1,848	
1,540							
Total	:	208	226	203	2,473	3,273	
3,124							
Spring	:						
AL	:	160	160	175	400	304	
263							
AZ	:	270	275	275	1,755	2,475	
1,705							
CA	:	350	375	400	6,230	7,538	
8,280							
FL	:	218	219	199	7,830	7,765	
6,641							

Hastings	:	220	230	210	5,940	6,325
5,145						
Other	:	210	180	170	1,890	1,440
1,496						
NC	:	185	190	200	3,053	3,230
3,300						
TX	:	185	170	195	925	1,105
1,560						
Total	:	240	249	252	20,193	22,417
21,749						

 Potatoes: Area Planted and Harvested by Season,
 State, and United States, 1995-97

Season	:	Area Planted			:	Area Harvested		
and	:	-----						
State	:	1995	:	1996	:	1997	:	1995
			:		:		:	1996
			:		:		:	1997

	:	-----						
	:	1,000 Acres						
	:	-----						
Summer	:	-----						
AL	:	6.8	:	6.8	:	6.0	:	6.7
5.9			:		:		:	6.7
CA	:	5.5	:	5.8	:	5.9	:	5.5
5.9			:		:		:	5.8
CO	:	9.3	:	10.0	:	7.8	:	9.1
7.6			:		:		:	9.8
DE	:	6.0	:	5.3	:	4.3	:	5.9
4.2			:		:		:	5.2
IL	:	5.6	:	6.3	:	4.8	:	5.5
4.6			:		:		:	6.0
IA	:	1.6	:	1.5	:	1.3	:	1.6
1.3			:		:		:	1.5
MD	:	1.5	:	2.7	:	3.4	:	1.5
3.4			:		:		:	2.6
MO	:	7.1	:	7.8	:	6.4	:	6.9
5.8			:		:		:	7.1
NE	:	4.5	:	5.6	:	4.4	:	4.4
4.3			:		:		:	5.5
NJ	:	2.7	:	2.6	:	2.2	:	2.6
2.2			:		:		:	2.5
NM	:	4.2	:	3.9	:	4.4	:	4.2
4.3			:		:		:	3.9
NC	:	1.4	:	1.2	:	1.2	:	1.3
1.2			:		:		:	1.2
TX	:	7.3	:	10.5	:	8.5	:	7.0
7.7			:		:		:	9.5
VA	:	9.0	:	8.0	:	8.0	:	8.5
7.5			:		:		:	7.5
Total	:	72.5	:	78.0	:	68.6	:	70.7
65.9			:		:		:	74.8
	:	-----						
Fall	:	-----						

CA	:	13.0	11.5	10.5	13.0	11.5
10.5						
CO	:	77.0	78.0	77.0	76.8	77.8
76.9						
ID	:	400.0	415.0	400.0	398.0	413.0
398.0						
10 SW Co	:	27.0	28.0	27.0	27.0	28.0
27.0						
Other ID	:	373.0	387.0	373.0	371.0	385.0
371.0						
IN	:	5.0	5.7	5.3	4.6	5.2
4.9						
ME	:	78.0	78.0	71.0	78.0	77.0
71.0						
MA	:	3.3	2.7	2.8	3.3	2.6
2.8						
MI	:	55.0	52.0	48.0	54.5	46.0
47.5						
MN	:	83.0	85.0	77.0	77.0	82.0
73.0						
MT	:	9.8	10.4	10.4	9.8	10.2
10.4						
NE	:	12.0	12.7	19.6	11.5	12.4
19.3						
NV	:	7.6	8.0	7.0	7.6	7.9
6.9						
NM	:	6.3	6.7	6.3	6.3	6.4
6.3						
NY	:	29.0	29.0	28.5	28.5	28.5
28.0						
ND	:	125.0	134.0	125.0	121.0	131.0
105.0						
OH	:	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.1
5.0						
OR	:	54.0	62.0	54.5	53.2	61.0
53.5						
Malheur	:	13.0	13.6	11.0	12.8	13.3
10.9						
Other OR	:	41.0	48.4	43.5	40.4	47.7
42.6						
PA	:	18.0	17.0	15.0	17.0	16.5
14.5						
RI	:	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8
0.8						
SD	:	6.0	5.0	4.5	5.2	4.8
4.2						
UT	:	5.2	4.3	3.1	5.1	4.2
3.1						
WA	:	147.0	163.0	152.0	147.0	161.0
152.0						
WI	:	82.0	83.0	84.0	80.0	81.0
83.5						
WY	:	1.5	0.9	0.5	1.5	0.8
0.5						
Total	:	1,224.1	1,269.9	1,208.1	1,205.2	1,246.7
1,177.6						
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US : 1,398.2 1,455.8 1,380.6 1,372.1 1,426.0
 1,345.1

Potatoes: Yield and Production by Season,
 State, and United States, 1995-97

Season and State	Yield			Production		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
	Cwt			1,000 Cwt		
Summer						
AL	170	150	150	1,139	1,005	
885						
CA	320	360	360	1,760	2,088	
2,124						
CO	305	345	340	2,776	3,381	
2,584						
DE	250	240	230	1,475	1,248	
966						
IL	270	275	325	1,485	1,650	
1,495						
IA	150	210	210	240	315	
273						
MD	240	215	280	360	559	
952						
MO	230	230	255	1,587	1,633	
1,479						
NE	285	270	390	1,254	1,485	
1,677						
NJ	270	265	270	702	663	
594						
NM	320	360	320	1,344	1,404	
1,376						
NC	95	90	100	124	108	
120						
TX	235	240	245	1,645	2,280	
1,887						
VA	240	225	195	2,040	1,688	
1,463						
Total	254	261	271	17,931	19,507	
17,875						
Fall						
CA	410	400	400	5,330	4,600	
4,200						
CO	310	375	325	23,808	29,175	
24,993						
ID	333	346	353	132,657	142,800	
140,314						

10 SW Co	:	420	425	470	11,340	11,900
12,690						
Other ID	:	327	340	344	121,317	130,900
127,624						
IN	:	260	260	270	1,196	1,352
1,323						
ME	:	220	275	270	17,160	21,175
19,170						
MA	:	260	260	270	858	676
756						
MI	:	300	300	300	16,350	13,800
14,250						
MN	:	270	300	280	20,790	24,600
20,440						
MT	:	300	315	320	2,940	3,213
3,328						
NE	:	320	355	390	3,680	4,402
7,527						
NV	:	365	400	430	2,774	3,160
2,967						
NM	:	380	400	420	2,394	2,560
2,646						
NY	:	270	280	275	7,695	7,980
7,700						
ND	:	210	220	205	25,410	28,820
21,525						
OH	:	260	250	235	1,404	1,275
1,175						
OR	:	466	494	508	24,788	30,124
27,161						
Malheur	:	390	400	440	4,992	5,320
4,796						
Other OR	:	490	520	525	19,796	24,804
22,365						
PA	:	240	255	220	4,080	4,208
3,190						
RI	:	270	240	270	243	192
216						
SD	:	190	280	250	988	1,344
1,050						
UT	:	240	280	295	1,224	1,176
915						
WA	:	550	590	580	80,850	94,990
88,160						
WI	:	325	390	355	26,000	31,590
29,643						
WY	:	260	280	280	390	224
140						
Total	:	334	364	359	403,009	453,436
422,789						
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US	:	323	350	346	443,606	498,633
465,537						

 Potatoes: Production, Farm Disposition, Price, and Value
 by Season, State, and United States, 1996 Crop

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:           :           : Farm Disposition :           : Value of
:           :           :-----:           :-----
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Season      :           :Total :Where Grown :           :Price :           :
and        : Prod  : Used :-----:           : per  :           :
State      :       : for  :Seed, :Shrink: Sold  : Cwt  : Prod  :
Sales      :       : Seed :Feed, : and  :       :       :       :
:         :       : Home : Loss :       :       :       :
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: ----- 1,000 Cwt ----- Dols --- 1,000 Dols
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Winter
CA      : 1,425   158   71   1,354  21.10   30,068
28,569
FL      : 1,848   252   11   1,837  24.60   45,461
45,190
Total   : 3,273   410   82   3,191  23.10   75,529
73,759
:
Spring
AL      :   304    24    5     299   9.95    3,025
2,975
AZ      : 2,475   124    5    50    2,420  10.20   25,245
24,684
CA      : 7,538   455   15   151    7,372  13.00   97,994
95,836
FL      : 7,765   897    1    37    7,727  10.50   81,400
80,975
Hastings : 6,325   663    1    25    6,299   9.50   60,088
59,841
Other FL : 1,440   234    12   1,428  14.80   21,312
21,134
NC      : 3,230   238   35   85    3,110   6.75   21,803
20,993
TX      : 1,105   102   28   22    1,055   8.90    9,835
9,390
Total   : 22,417  1,840  84  350   21,983  10.70  239,302
234,853
:
Summer
AL      : 1,005    91   10   50     945   8.90    8,945
8,411
CA      : 2,088   180    9   91    1,988  14.60   30,485
29,025
CO      : 3,381   179    5  206    3,170   4.10   13,862
12,997
DE      : 1,248    65    4   50    1,194   7.95    9,922
9,492
IL      : 1,650   106   25   41    1,584   4.70    7,755
7,445
IA      :   315    20    3   12     300   4.80    1,512
1,440

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MT	:	3,213	239	137	221	2,855	6.60	21,206
18,843								
NE	:	4,402	451	169	439	3,794	5.35	23,551
20,298								
NV	:	3,160	140	50	380	2,730	3.45	10,902
9,419								
NM	:	2,560	158	7	249	2,304	4.60	11,776
10,598								
NY	:	7,980	627	140	370	7,470	7.40	59,052
55,278								
ND	:	28,820	2,188	360	5,270	23,190	4.70	135,454
108,993								
OH	:	1,275	109	5	35	1,235	7.35	9,371
9,077								
OR	:	30,124	1,297	305	2,560	27,259	4.60	138,574
125,770								
Malheur	:	5,320	253	5	60	5,255	5.30	28,196
27,852								
Other OR	:	24,804	1,044	300	2,500	22,004	4.45	110,378
97,918								
PA	:	4,208	285	83	325	3,800	6.95	29,246
26,410								
RI	:	192	16		2	190	6.50	1,248
1,235								
SD	:	1,344	72	16	60	1,268	5.05	6,787
6,403								
UT	:	1,176	78	1	108	1,067	4.90	5,762
5,228								
WA	:	94,990	3,648	300	6,800	87,890	4.75	451,203
417,478								
WI	:	31,590	1,680	305	1,360	29,925	4.35	137,417
130,174								
WY	:	224	12	8	16	200	7.00	1,568
1,400								
Total	:	453,436	25,564	6,054	40,056	407,326	4.35	1,965,558
1,772,037								
	:							
US	:	498,633	29,077	6,221	41,222	451,190	4.92	2,426,117
2,220,494								

 Potatoes: Production, Farm Disposition, Price, and Value
 by Season, State, and United States, 1997 Crop

	:	:	: Farm Disposition			:	: Value of	
	:	:	:-----:			:	:-----:	
Season	:	:Total	:Where Grown	:	:	:Price	:	:
and	:	: Prod	: Used	:-----:	:	: per	:	:
State	:	: for	: Seed, : Shrink:	Sold	:	: Cwt	:	: Prod
Sales	:	:	: Seed	: Feed, : and	:	:	:	:
	:	:	: Home	: Loss	:	:	:	:

	: ----- 1,000 Cwt -----				Dols	--- 1,000 Dols	
--	:						
Winter	:						
CA	: 1,584	189	65	1,519	18.10	28,670	
27,494							
FL	: 1,540	238	9	1,531	16.90	26,026	
25,874							
Total	: 3,124	427	74	3,050	17.50	54,696	
53,368							
	:						
Spring	:						
AL	: 263	27	4	259	10.80	2,840	
2,797							
AZ	: 1,705	164	5	20	1,680	8.75	
14,700							
CA	: 8,280	416	42	496	7,742	9.85	
76,259							
FL	: 6,641	957	1	33	6,607	10.90	
72,327							
Hastings	: 5,145	689	1	21	5,123	10.70	
54,816							
Other FL	: 1,496	268	12	1,484	11.80	17,653	
17,511							
NC	: 3,300	245	25	102	3,173	6.55	
20,783							
TX	: 1,560	130	39	31	1,490	8.10	
12,069							
Total	: 21,749	1,939	112	686	20,951	9.50	
198,935							
	:						
Summer	:						
AL	: 885	85	9	44	832	7.90	
6,573							
CA	: 2,124	183	9	26	2,089	14.50	
30,291							
CO	: 2,584	202	5	143	2,436	5.30	
12,911							
DE	: 966	71	5	39	922	8.25	
7,607							
IL	: 1,495	128	22	38	1,435	5.50	
7,893							
IA	: 273	18	4	12	257	5.45	
1,401							
MD	: 952	64	29	29	894	6.85	
6,124							
MO	: 1,479	182	1	15	1,463	5.30	
7,754							
NE	: 1,677	99	75	1,602	5.15	8,637	
8,250							
NJ	: 594	26	3	18	573	6.50	
3,725							
NM	: 1,376	86	5	55	1,316	6.95	
9,146							
NC	: 120	15	3	3	114	8.00	
912							

OH	:	1,175	103	8	37	1,130	8.25	9,694
9,323								
OR	:	27,161	1,332	195	1,555	25,411	5.20	141,636
132,461								
Malheur	:	4,796	276	5	55	4,736	5.05	24,220
23,917								
Other OR	:	22,365	1,056	190	1,500	20,675	5.25	117,416
108,544								
PA	:	3,190	285	79	176	2,935	8.20	26,158
24,067								
RI	:	216	14		3	213	7.60	1,642
1,619								
SD	:	1,050	80	10	90	950	4.90	5,145
4,655								
UT	:	915	68	1	65	849	4.35	3,980
3,693								
WA	:	88,160	3,648	300	6,400	81,460	4.90	431,984
399,154								
WI	:	29,643	1,743	275	1,418	27,950	5.70	168,965
159,315								
WY	:	140	11	3	31	106	5.05	707
535								
Total	:	422,789	25,811	5,250	30,840	386,699	5.20	2,197,967
2,010,344								
	:							
US	:	465,537	29,562	5,464	32,186	427,887	5.62	2,604,116
2,402,773								

 Potatoes: Area Planted and Harvested
 by State and United States, 1995-97

State	Area Planted			Area Harvested		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
	1,000 Acres					
AL	9.4	8.8	7.6	9.2	8.6	
7.4						
AZ	6.5	9.0	6.2	6.5	9.0	
6.2						
CA	41.5	43.1	43.7	41.3	43.1	
43.7						
CO	86.3	88.0	84.8	85.9	87.6	
84.5						
DE	6.0	5.3	4.3	5.9	5.2	
4.2						
FL	46.8	46.8	43.5	42.9	44.3	
42.1						
ID	400.0	415.0	400.0	398.0	413.0	
398.0						
IL	5.6	6.3	4.8	5.5	6.0	
4.6						

IN	:	5.0	5.7	5.3	4.6	5.2
4.9						
IA	:	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.5
1.3						
ME	:	78.0	78.0	71.0	78.0	77.0
71.0						
MD	:	1.5	2.7	3.4	1.5	2.6
3.4						
MA	:	3.3	2.7	2.8	3.3	2.6
2.8						
MI	:	55.0	52.0	48.0	54.5	46.0
47.5						
MN	:	83.0	85.0	77.0	77.0	82.0
73.0						
MO	:	7.1	7.8	6.4	6.9	7.1
5.8						
MT	:	9.8	10.4	10.4	9.8	10.2
10.4						
NE	:	16.5	18.3	24.0	15.9	17.9
23.6						
NV	:	7.6	8.0	7.0	7.6	7.9
6.9						
NJ	:	2.7	2.6	2.2	2.6	2.5
2.2						
NM	:	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.5	10.3
10.6						
NY	:	29.0	29.0	28.5	28.5	28.5
28.0						
NC	:	18.9	18.7	18.2	17.8	18.2
17.7						
ND	:	125.0	134.0	125.0	121.0	131.0
105.0						
OH	:	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.1
5.0						
OR	:	54.0	62.0	54.5	53.2	61.0
53.5						
PA	:	18.0	17.0	15.0	17.0	16.5
14.5						
RI	:	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8
0.8						
SD	:	6.0	5.0	4.5	5.2	4.8
4.2						
TX	:	12.5	17.3	16.8	12.0	16.0
15.7						
UT	:	5.2	4.3	3.1	5.1	4.2
3.1						
VA	:	9.0	8.0	8.0	8.5	7.5
7.5						
WA	:	147.0	163.0	152.0	147.0	161.0
152.0						
WI	:	82.0	83.0	84.0	80.0	81.0
83.5						
WY	:	1.5	0.9	0.5	1.5	0.8
0.5						
	:					
US	:	1,398.2	1,455.8	1,380.6	1,372.1	1,426.0
1,345.1						

(Continued)

Potatoes: Yield and Production by State
and United States, 1995-97 (continued)

State	Yield			Production		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
	Cwt			1,000 Cwt		
AL	167	152	155	1,539	1,309	
1,148						
AZ	270	275	275	1,755	2,475	
1,705						
CA	354	363	370	14,620	15,651	
16,188						
CO	309	372	326	26,584	32,556	
27,577						
DE	250	240	230	1,475	1,248	
966						
FL	210	217	194	9,003	9,613	
8,181						
ID	333	346	353	132,657	142,800	
140,314						
IL	270	275	325	1,485	1,650	
1,495						
IN	260	260	270	1,196	1,352	
1,323						
IA	150	210	210	240	315	
273						
ME	220	275	270	17,160	21,175	
19,170						
MD	240	215	280	360	559	
952						
MA	260	260	270	858	676	
756						
MI	300	300	300	16,350	13,800	
14,250						
MN	270	300	280	20,790	24,600	
20,440						
MO	230	230	255	1,587	1,633	
1,479						
MT	300	315	320	2,940	3,213	
3,328						
NE	310	329	390	4,934	5,887	
9,204						
NV	365	400	430	2,774	3,160	
2,967						
NJ	270	265	270	702	663	
594						

MA 5,513	:	756	61		40	716	7.70	5,821
MI 82,238	:	14,250	900	200	1,300	12,750	6.45	91,913
MN 101,415	:	20,440	1,640	450	1,717	18,273	5.55	113,442
MO 7,754	:	1,479	182	1	15	1,463	5.30	7,839
MT 20,924	:	3,328	244	152	208	2,968	7.05	23,462
NE 52,541	:	9,204	523	183	444	8,577	6.15	56,433
NV 11,525	:	2,967	140	50	356	2,561	4.50	13,352
NJ 3,725	:	594	26	3	18	573	6.50	3,861
NM 21,890	:	4,022	241	69	320	3,633	6.05	24,116
NY 63,000	:	7,700	660	138	362	7,200	8.75	67,375
NC 21,695	:	3,420	260	28	105	3,287	6.60	22,575
ND 107,011	:	21,525	2,210	365	2,220	18,940	5.65	121,616
OH 9,323	:	1,175	103	8	37	1,130	8.25	9,694
OR 132,461	:	27,161	1,332	195	1,555	25,411	5.20	141,636
PA 24,067	:	3,190	285	79	176	2,935	8.20	26,158
RI 1,619	:	216	14		3	213	7.60	1,642
SD 4,655	:	1,050	80	10	90	950	4.90	5,145
TX 34,369	:	3,447	237	45	69	3,333	10.30	35,469
UT 3,693	:	915	68	1	65	849	4.35	3,980
VA 15,239	:	1,463	119	1	51	1,411	10.80	15,800
WA 399,154	:	88,160	3,648	300	6,400	81,460	4.90	431,984
WI 159,315	:	29,643	1,743	275	1,418	27,950	5.70	168,965
WY 535	:	140	11	3	31	106	5.05	707
US 2,402,773	:	465,537	29,562	5,464	32,186	427,887	5.62	2,604,116

 Potatoes: Number of Chip Plants, Quantity Used for Chipping, and Quantity
 Used for Shoestring by Area and United States, 1996-97

: 1996 1/ : 1997

Area	Plants	Quantity	Plants	Quantity
	Number	1,000 Cwt	Number	1,000
New England CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT	8	3,088	8	2,848
Eastern DE, DC, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA	27	9,362	25	9,112
North Central MI, OH, WV	16	4,147	16	4,495
Mid-Central KS, MO, NE	4	2,578	4	2,669
Midwest IL, IN, IA, MN, ND, SD, WI	16	6,968	15	6,677
Southeast AL, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, TN	18	9,608	16	8,963
Southwest AR, OK, TX	6	3,904	7	3,974
Rocky Mountains CO, ID, MT, NM, UT, WY	10	2,072	10	2,121
West Coast AZ, CA, NV, OR, WA, HI	17	6,087	18	6,669
Total	122	47,814	119	47,527
Shoestrings		491		603
Total Used for Chips and Shoestrings		48,305		48,130

1/ Revised.

Potatoes: Quantity Used for Processing, Eight States, 1995-97 1/

State and Crop Year	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1
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: 1,000 Cwt

	:			
ID & OR-Malheur Co	:			
1995	:	27,310	35,040	43,260
1996	:	31,060	38,210	45,420
1997	:	26,880	33,950	41,050
	:			
ME 2/	:			
1995	:	1,455	1,850	2,430
1996	:	1,790	2,115	2,820
1997	:	1,250	1,720	2,265
	:			
WA & OR-Other	:			
1995	:	30,000	35,170	39,460
1996	:	31,670	36,660	41,700
1997	:	28,580	33,990	38,690
	:			
Other States 3/	:			
1995	:	12,650	15,630	18,815
1996	:	13,720	17,000	20,645
1997	:	11,645	13,960	17,115
	:			
Total	:			
1995	:	71,415	87,690	103,965
1996	:	78,240	93,985	110,585
1997	:	68,355	83,620	99,120

	:	To Mar 1	:	To Apr 1	:	To May 1	:	Total
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	:	1,000 Cwt			:
	:				
ID & OR-Malheur Co	:				
1995	:	51,530	59,060	66,690	89,250
1996	:	54,640	62,570	70,720	96,970
1997	:	49,470	57,620	65,750	91,450
	:				
ME 2/	:				
1995	:	2,850	3,435	3,965	5,725
1996	:	3,280	3,820	4,420	6,495
1997	:	2,735	3,355	3,900	5,870
	:				
WA & OR-Other	:				
1995	:	45,280	51,730	57,360	70,250
1996	:	48,740	55,570	62,320	80,970
1997	:	46,400	53,720	59,780	76,930
	:				
Other States 3/	:				
1995	:	21,985	25,510	28,610	33,580
1996	:	24,085	27,650	30,830	43,100
1997	:	19,905	23,515	26,365	37,842
	:				
Total	:				
1995	:	121,645	139,735	156,625	198,805
1996	:	130,745	149,610	168,290	227,535
1997	:	118,510	138,210	155,795	212,092

1/ 1996 revised. Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of

the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities

used for potato chips in ME, MI, MN, ND, and WI.

2/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

3/ MI, MN, ND, and WI.

Potatoes: Stocks Held by Growers, Local Dealers, and Processors,
15 Fall States, 1996-97

Crop Year and State	: Current Year :		: Following Year :			
	Dec 1	Jan 1	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 1	May 1

State	Dec 1	Jan 1	Feb 1	Mar 1	Apr 1	May 1
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	: 1,000 Cwt					
1996						
CA	: 3,500	3,000	2,500	2,200	1,700	
1,100						
CO	: 23,100	20,700	18,100	15,500	12,900	
9,900						
ID	: 102,000	92,000	82,000	70,000	56,000	
41,000						
ME	: 16,900	15,300	13,100	11,200	8,400	
5,300						
MI	: 8,000	6,600	4,600	3,300	1,900	
1,000						
MN	: 16,500	14,900	13,200	11,000	8,500	
5,500						
MT	: 3,050	2,950	2,850	2,700	1,900	
300						
NE	: 3,160	2,800	2,440	2/1,930	2/1,025	
2/390						
NY	: 3,700	2,400	1,400	800	350	
160						
ND	: 20,500	18,000	15,000	12,400	10,000	
7,300						
OH	: 290	170	90	2/	2/	
2/						
OR	: 23,600	21,500	19,000	16,000	13,300	
9,200						
PA	: 2,800	1,800	1,300	880	410	
160						
WA	: 48,000	42,000	36,500	30,000	23,000	
16,500						
WI	: 20,000	18,000	15,000	11,500	8,500	
5,000						
Total 15 States	: 295,100	262,120	227,080	189,410	147,885	
102,810						

1997 1/	:											
CA	:	2,700	2,300	2,100	1,800	1,500						
1,200												
CO	:	19,400	17,000	14,700	12,800	10,500						
7,700												
ID	:	102,000	91,500	81,000	69,500	56,000						
41,500												
ME	:	15,600	14,100	12,100	10,300	7,400						
4,500												
MI	:	8,500	7,000	5,500	3,800	2,300						
1,000												
MN	:	13,500	12,000	10,500	8,800	6,800						
4,500												
MT	:	3,180	3,080	2,980	2,350	700						
150												
NE	:	5,300	4,300	3,300	2/2,430	2/1,210						
2/300												
NY	:	3,600	2,500	1,500	800	400						
100												
ND	:	16,000	13,800	11,900	9,300	7,000						
4,700												
OH	:	350	170	82	2/	2/						
2/												
OR	:	20,500	19,000	16,000	13,000	9,800						
6,500												
PA	:	2,000	1,500	1,200	890	480						
190												
WA	:	47,000	41,500	36,500	29,500	22,500						
16,000												
WI	:	19,000	16,000	13,000	10,000	7,000						
4,500												
	:											
Total 15 States	:	278,630	245,750	212,362	175,270	133,590						
92,840												

 1/ Revised.
 2/ Combined to prevent disclosure of individual operations.
 Fall Potatoes: Farm Marketings, Selected States,
 1997 Marketing Year

State	:Jul	:Aug	:Sep	:Oct	:Nov	:Dec	:Jan	:Feb	:Mar	:Apr	:May	:Jun
:Jul	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

	:	Percent										
CO	:	1	4	8	9	11	10	8	11	11	10	10
7												
ID	:	6	15	12	8	8	8	6	7	7	9	7
7												
ME	:	1	6	7	8	8	10	9	15	17	10	9
MI	:	3	9	10	8	11	11	11	12	11	8	6
MN	:	5	22	25	11	7	5	6	7	7	5	

Jan	: 6.9	6.9	7.0	6.6	6.7	7.1	6.4	6.1	6.1
6.9									
Feb	: 6.6	6.8	6.7	7.1	6.7	6.3	5.7	5.8	6.1
6.0									
Mar	: 8.5	8.5	8.2	7.8	7.4	8.1	7.2	7.8	7.6
7.3									
Apr	: 8.5	7.1	7.8	7.1	7.7	8.6	8.3	7.7	7.2
7.0									
May	: 5.5	4.5	6.0	6.3	6.8	5.5	6.5	6.1	6.2
6.8									
Jun	: 3.2	2.9	3.9	4.0	4.3	3.8	4.0	4.1	3.9
4.3									
Jul	: 1.7	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.5
2.6									
	:								
Total	:100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
100.0									

 Potatoes: Area, Yield, Production, Farm Disposition, Price,
 and Value, Alaska, 1995-97

Crop Year	Area		Yield		Production		
	Planted	Harvested	per Cwt				
	----- Acres -----		Cwt	1,000 Cwt			
1995	1,100	1,040	212	220			
1996	870	630	200	126			
1997	920	790	213	168			
	Farm Disposition		Value				
	Total	Where Grown	Price				
	Used	Seed : Shrink : Sold	per Cwt	Prod	Sales		
	for	Seed : Feed, : and : Home : Loss :					
	Seed						
	----- 1,000 Cwt -----		Dols	-- 1,000 Dols --			
1995	15.7	33.0	61.0	126.0	18.60	4,092	2,344
1996	16.6	24.0	19.0	83.0	19.80	2,495	1,643
1997	16.6	24.0	20.0	124.0	20.00	3,360	2,480

 Potatoes: Total Stocks Held by Growers and Local Dealers,
 Alaska, 1995-97

Crop Year	Oct 1 Current Year	Dec 1 Current Year	Jan 1 Following Year	Feb 1 Following Year

	1,000 Cwt			
1995	207.0	178.0	166.0	150.0
1996	111.0	94.0	84.0	73.0
1997	151.0	127.5	118.0	102.5

Crop Year	Mar 1 Following Year	Apr 1 Following Year	May 1 Following Year	Jun 1 Following Year

	1,000 Cwt			
1995	130.0	114.0	93.0	54.0
1996	61.0	50.0	39.0	13.0
1997	91.0	74.0	56.0	26.0

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