

IRISH POTATOES

Utilization of 1969 Crop with Comparisons

September 8, 1970

Potatoes sold for table stock from the 1969 crop totaled 126.9 million hundredweight, 2 percent more than the 124.5 million a year earlier and 3 percent less than from the 1967 crop, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The quantity processed for food products (excluding starch and flour) from the 1969 crop was 116.3 million cwt., 10 percent more than a year earlier and 23 percent above the 1967 crop. Quantities sold for starch, flour and livestock feed totaled 18.4 million cwt., an increase of 1.8 million from the 1968 crop.

Household use of potatoes for food on farms where grown continued to decline. The 2.0 million cwt. used from the 1969 crop compares with 2.1 million a year earlier. The quantity fed to livestock on farms where grown was 28 percent less than a year earlier. The quantity used for seed on farms where grown totaled 7.0 million from the 1969 crop, about the same as the 1968 crop. Shrinkage and loss totaled 22.2 million cwt. for the 1969 crop, compared to 18.8 million for 1968.

Total sales accounted for 279.2 million cwt. from the 1969 crop, while 264.0 million cwt. were sold a year earlier.

Quantities used in the processing of frozen french fries accounted for 44.7 million cwt. from the 1969 crop, compared with 37.8 million a year earlier. Other frozen products used 6.9 million cwt. from the 1969 crop, slightly above the amount used for the 1968 crop.

Potatoes used for chips and shoestrings totaled 35.5 million cwt. from the 1969 crop, 4 percent above the quantity used from the 1968 crop. On a fiscal year basis (July 1, 1969 through June 30, 1970), the quantity used for chips and shoestrings was 36.1 million cwt., compared with the 34.2 million used a year earlier, and 33.0 million cwt. for the year ended June 30, 1968.

IRISH POTATOES: Number of Potato Chip Plants and Quantity Used for Chipping by Areas and U.S. and Quantity Used for Shoestring Potatoes, U.S. July 1 - June 30, 1968, 1969, and 1970

Area	: July 1, 1967 :		: July 1, 1968 :		: July 1, 1969 :	
	Plants	to	Plants	to	Plants	to
	: Number	: June 30, 1968:	: Number	: June 30, 1969:	: Number	: June 30, 1970
		1,000 cwt.		1,000 cwt.		1,000 cwt.
New England						
Me., N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.	21	1,738	21	1,685	21	1,759
Eastern						
Del., Md., N.J., N. Y., Pa., Va., D.C.	74	8,206	73	8,236	69	8,457
North Central						
Mich., Ohio, W. Va.	59	4,075	57	4,224	53	4,498
Mid-Central						
Kans., Mo., Nebr.	20	1,558	19	1,712	19	1,764
Midwest						
Ill., Ind., Iowa, Minn., S. D., N. D., Wisc.	48	5,350	48	5,285	45	5,431
Southeast						
Ala., Fla., Ga., Ky., La., Miss., N. C., S. C., Tenn.	29	3,990	28	4,398	28	4,808
Southwest						
Ark., Texas, Okla.	22	1,965	22	2,104	22	2,398
Rocky Mountain						
Colo., Idaho, Mont., N. Mex., Utah, Wyo.	18	1,201	18	1,253	18	1,265
West Coast						
Ariz., Calif., Nev., Oreg., Wash.	23	4,024	21	4,341	20	4,681
Total	314	32,107	307	33,238	295	35,061
Shoestrings		922		961		1,060
Total Used for Chips and Shoestrings		33,029		34,199		36,121

IRISH POTATOES: Utilization of the 1967, 1968, and 1969 Crops

Utilization Items	1967 Crop	1968 Crop 1/	1969 Crop
----- 1,000 cwt. -----			
A. Sales			
1. Table stock	131,184	124,537*	126,872*
2. For processing			
a. Chips and shoestrings	32,406	34,035	35,459
b. Dehydration	19,084	22,761	25,483
c. Frozen french fries	34,601	37,794	44,654*
d. Other frozen products	5,008	6,768	6,899*
e. Canned potatoes	1,821	2,192	2,066
f. Other canned products			
(hash, stews, soups) ..	1,537	1,849	1,750
g. Starch and flour	12,049	7,752*	8,801*
Total	106,506	113,151*	125,112*
3. Other sales			
a. Livestock feed	16,800	8,877	9,620
b. Seed	15,846	17,407	17,562
Total	32,646	26,284	27,182
Total Sales	270,336	263,972	279,166
B. Non-sales			
1. Seed used on farms where			
grown	7,427	6,985	7,043
2. Household use	2,289	2,114	1,967
3. Feed	2,781	2,068	1,495
4. Shrinkage and loss	22,501	18,845	22,232
Total non-sales	34,998	30,012	32,737
TOTAL PRODUCTION	305,334	293,984	311,903

1/ Revised. * Correction.

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