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Utilization of 1971 Crop with Comparisons

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Potatoes sold for table stock from the 1971 crop totaled 120.2 million hundredweight, 7 percent less than the 129.8 million a year earlier and 6 percent less than the 1969 crop, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Quantities processed were 138.3 million hundredweight, 1 percent more than the 136.6 million hundredweight for the 1970 crop. The quantity processed for food products (excluding starch and flour) from the 1971 crop was 130.5 million cwt., 2 percent more than a year earlier and 12 percent above the 1969 crop. The quantity processed for food products exceeded potatoes sold for table stock for the first time. Quantities sold for starch, flour, and livestock feed totaled 15.0 million cwt., a decrease of 1.9 million from the 1970 crop.

Quantities used in the processing of frozen french fries accounted for 54.7 million cwt. from the 1971 crop compared with 54.5 million a year earlier. Other frozen products used 8.9 million cwt. from the 1971 crop compared with 7.4 million used from the 1970 crop.

Potatoes used for chips and shoestrings totaled 35.4 million cwt. from the 1971 crop compared with 35.9 million cwt. used from the 1970 crop. The quantity used for chips and shoestrings from July 1, 1971 through June 30, 1972 was 35.8 million cwt. compared with 35.1 million cwt. a year earlier and 36.1 million cwt. for the year ended June 30, 1970. In the period July 1 - June 30, some potatoes from the new crop year are included.

Total sales of 1971 crop potatoes accounted for 282.5 million cwt. compared with 292.1 million cwt. sold from the 1970 crop.

Seed usage on farms where grown totaled 5.6 million cwt., 19 percent less than a year earlier. Shrinkage and loss totaled 27.9 million cwt. for the 1971 crop compared with 23.8 million cwt. from the 1970 production.

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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 I - June 30, 1970, 1971, and 1972

Area	: :Plants :	:June 30, 1970	:Plants :	: June 30, 197	:Plants	:June 30, 1972
	:Number :	1,000 cwt.	Number	1,000 cwt.	Number	1,000 cwt.
New England: Maine, N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn.	: : : : 21	1,759	21	1,841	21	1,982
Eastern: Del., Md., N. J., N. Y., Pa., Va., D. C.	: : : : 69	8,457	66	8,199	64	8,097
North Central: Mich., Ohio, W. Va.	: 53	4,498	48	4,187	46	4,642
Mid-Central: Kans., Mo., Nebr.	: 19	1,764	18	1,772 19		1,887
Midwest: 111., Ind., Iowa, Minn., S. D., N. D., Wis.	: : : : 45	5,431	42	5,459	38	5,531
Southeast: Ala., Fla., Ga., Ky., La., Miss., N. C., S. C., Tenn.	: : : : 28	4,808	29	4,910	30	4,984
Southwest: Ark., Texas, Okla.	: : : 22	2,398	17	2,412	17	2,292
Rocky Mountains: Colo., Idaho, Mont., N. Mex., Utah, Wyo.	: 18	1,265	16	1,163	17	1,173
West Coast: Ariz., Calif., Nev., Oreg., Wash., Hawaii	: 20	4,681	21	4,340	20	4,524
Total	: : 295	35,061	278	34,283	272	35,112
Shoestrings	: :	1,060		774		679
Total used for chips and shoestrings	<u>:</u>	36,121		35,057		35,791

IRISH POTATOES: Utilization of the 1969, 1970, and 1971 Crops

	Utilization items	: : 1969 Crop		: 1970 Crop 1/		: : 1971 Crop		
		: : 1,000 cwt.						
Α.	Sales). Table stock	: :	127,434	129,809			120,150	
	2. For processing a. Chips and shoestrings b. Dehydration c. Frozen french fries d. Other frozen products e. Canned potatoes f. Other canned products (hash, stews, soups) g. Starch and flour	: 35,459 : 25,483 : 44,654 : 6,899 : 2,066 : 1,750 : 8,801		35,861 26,053 54,478 7,381 2,367 1,870 8,564		35,376 27,021 54,667 8,884 2,556 2,014 7,792		
	Total	:	125,112		136,574		138,310	
	 Other sales Livestock feed Seed 	9,620 : 17,639	27,259	8,301 17,371	25,672	7,184 16,811	23,995	
	Total sales	: :	279,805		292,055		282,455	
В.	Non-sales 1. Seed used on farms where grown 2. Household use 3. Feed 4. Shrinkage and loss	: 6,851 : 1,544 : 1,557 : 22,661		6,886 1,403 1,559 23,849		5,584 1,363 2,042 27,910		
	Total non-sales	:	32,613		33,697		36,899	
TOT	TOTAL PRODUCTION		312,418		325,752		319,354	

^{1/} Revised.

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