

Table 13. Vegetables, Sweet Corn, or Melons for Sale: 1974 and 1969

Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over	Vegetables, sweet corn, or melons harvested, 1974 (acres)		Total acreage of crops harvested, 1969	Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over	Vegetables, sweet corn, or melons harvested, 1974 (acres)		Total acreage of crops harvested, 1969
	Land area used	Total acreage of crops harvested			Land area used	Total acreage of crops harvested	
United States.....	3,070,068	3,259,339	3,260,355	West North Central--Con.			
The Northeast....	317,187	325,959	345,119	Nebraska.....	1,122	1,122	1,406
The North Central	872,298	889,032	852,287	Kansas.....	3,643	3,729	3,020
The South.....	678,177	744,381	906,900	South Atlantic:			
The West.....	1,202,407	1,299,967	1,156,049	Delaware.....	33,633	41,658	39,036
New England.....	38,405	38,797	40,502	Maryland.....	50,945	55,458	65,340
Middle Atlantic.....	278,782	287,162	304,617	Virginia.....	29,619	31,823	36,522
East North Central.....	669,829	683,662	641,449	West Virginia.....	1,524	1,524	1,184
West North Central.....	202,469	205,370	210,838	North Carolina.....	38,167	39,260	41,204
South Atlantic.....	434,279	491,065	547,181	South Carolina.....	26,397	27,431	41,300
East South Central.....	63,095	67,497	84,274	Georgia.....	40,301	41,009	51,893
West South Central.....	180,803	185,819	275,445	Florida.....	213,693	252,902	270,702
Mountain.....	146,268	152,013	185,005	East South Central:			
Pacific.....	1,056,139	1,147,954	971,044	Kentucky.....	3,746	3,804	5,019
New England:				Tennessee.....	28,157	31,980	31,007
Maine.....	9,062	9,077	12,711	Alabama.....	22,626	23,037	33,270
New Hampshire.....	3,902	3,930	3,400	Mississippi.....	8,566	8,676	14,978
Vermont.....	1,177	1,177	791	West South Central:			
Massachusetts.....	14,731	14,961	14,296	Arkansas.....	11,726	12,702	21,487
Rhode Island.....	1,808	1,822	1,971	Louisiana.....	6,566	6,709	9,501
Connecticut.....	7,725	7,831	7,333	Oklahoma.....	12,995	13,568	15,609
Middle Atlantic:				Texas.....	149,516	152,840	228,848
New York.....	146,207	148,460	144,111	Mountain:			
New Jersey.....	89,703	95,463	109,088	Montana.....	676	676	1,525
Pennsylvania.....	42,872	43,238	51,418	Idaho.....	45,460	45,635	44,104
East North Central:				Wyoming.....	653	658	1,405
Ohio.....	55,706	57,954	63,720	Colorado.....	22,621	23,102	26,500
Indiana.....	46,165	46,988	49,071	New Mexico.....	15,649	16,039	14,336
Illinois.....	127,825	129,900	127,855	Arizona.....	52,561	56,869	86,208
Michigan.....	104,471	106,400	96,522	Utah.....	8,113	8,499	9,640
Wisconsin.....	335,661	342,421	304,281	Nevada.....	535	535	1,287
West North Central:				Pacific:			
Minnesota.....	175,179	177,037	177,527	Washington.....	165,020	166,905	165,356
Iowa.....	13,061	13,379	13,769	Oregon.....	148,716	149,710	128,225
Missouri.....	7,862	8,500	13,303	California.....	739,721	828,137	673,896
North Dakota.....	490	490	297	Alaska.....	148	148	197
South Dakota.....	1,113	1,113	1,516	Hawaii.....	2,536	3,056	3,370

Table 14. Value of Vegetables Sold: 1974

Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over	Value (mil. dol.)	Value per acre ¹ (dollars)
United States.....	2,339	718
California.....	1,045	1,262
Florida.....	245	968
Texas.....	101	663
All other States.....	948	468

¹Land used for vegetable crops.

York, Oregon, and Florida. These four States had 56 percent of the total acres for snapbeans harvested in 1974.

Lettuce and romaine—They were fifth in the number of vegetable acres harvested from farms with sales of \$2,500 and over in 1974, and accounted for 7 percent of the total acres of vegetables harvested. California harvested 72 percent of the total acres and Arizona harvested 15 percent of the total acres in 1974.

Watermelons—They were the sixth leading vegetable crop in the amount of acres harvested from farms with sales of

\$2,500 and over in 1974 and comprised 4 percent of the total acres of all vegetables harvested. The leading State for the cultivation of watermelons was Texas with the largest number of acres harvested, followed by Florida and Georgia. These three States accounted for 56 percent of the total acres harvested in 1974.

The total acreage for the six largest vegetable crops—sweet corn, tomatoes, green peas, snap beans, lettuce and romaine, and watermelons—accounted for two-thirds of the acreage of all vegetables harvested from farms with sales of \$2,500 and over in 1974.

Vegetables for fresh market and processing—Acres of each kind of vegetable harvested for fresh market and for processing were reported for the first time in the 1974 Census of Agriculture. Processing includes canning, freezing, pickling, etc. It is known there is misreporting among the fresh and processing breakdown because some respondents did

not know what final use was made of the vegetable crop when sold. Some respondents misinterpreted the questions on the form such as reporting total acres of the vegetable for the fresh market item, the first data entry cell, and then reported the same acreage again for processing, the second data entry cell (see fascimile page 22). Generally, the data entries were verified and corrected if necessary for the larger acre entries but because of cost and time constraints not all data could be adequately verified.

Table 86 shows data for fresh and processing for selected vegetables. These data are shown for States where each vegetable harvested for processing is important. Therefore, for some vegetables a large amount of fresh market acreage is shown for "all other States" because in many States fresh market is the predominant use of the vegetable.

Table 16 shows several vegetable crops and their corresponding fresh and processing acres.