

FLORIDA Field Crops

Potato Stocks

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The 13 major potato States held 252 million cwt of potatoes in storage December 1, 2006, down 1 percent from last year and 6 percent below December 1, 2004, for comparable States. Ohio and Pennsylvania were dropped from the potato stocks program starting with the 2005 storage season. Potatoes in storage account for 66 percent of the 2006 fall storage States' production, down 2 percentage point from last year. The Klamath Basin was added to the potato stocks program beginning with December 2006 and totaled 4.0 million cwt. The Klamath Basin includes California and Klamath County, Oregon, potato stocks.

Disappearance of 130 million cwt from the start of harvest to December 1, is up 8 percent from last year. Shrink and loss, at 14.0 million cwt, is up 10 percent from the previous year.

Processors have used 72.3 million cwt of 2006 crop potatoes so far this season, up 10 percent from a year ago and 2 percent above 2 years ago. Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon, total processing increased 14 percent from a year ago, Maine's total processing was 29 percent above the same date in 2005, and Washington and the rest of Oregon total processing was up 2 percent from last season. Dehydrating usage accounts for 12.9 million cwt of the total processing, up 8 percent from last year but 11 percent below the same date in 2004.

Western States held 171 million cwt of potatoes in storage on December 1, down 4 percent from last year. Idaho's potato stocks are down 1 percent from last year, Washington's potato sheds held 7 percent less than last year, and Oregon's stocks declined 16 percent from last season. Colorado and Montana's December potato stocks were unchanged from 2005. California's potato stocks are up 13 percent from last year.

Central States accounted for 63.4 million cwt of potato stocks on December 1, up 6 percent from last year. Wisconsin's potato stocks increased 7 percent from last year, North Dakota's sheds held 24 percent more than the previous year, and Michigan and Nebraska's stocks are both 4 percent above 2005. Minnesota's potato stocks declined 11 percent from the same date in 2005.

Eastern States stored 17.5 million cwt of potatoes on December 1, up 14 percent from last year. Maine's potato sheds held 18 percent more than last year, while New York's potato stocks decreased 3 percent from a year ago.

FALL POTATOES: Production and Stocks on December 1, 2005 and 2006^{1/}

State	Crop of 2005			Crop of 2006		
	Production	Stocks Dec 1, 2005	Percent of production	Production	Stocks Dec 1, 2006	December as percent of production
	1,000 cwt	1,000 cwt	Percent	1,000 cwt	1,000 cwt	Percent
California	3,306	1,600	48	3,783	1,800	48
Colorado	22,910	17,200	75	22,686	17,200	76
Idaho	118,288	85,000	72	121,820	84,000	69
Maine	15,455	12,500	81	18,270	14,700	80
Michigan	13,910	7,900	57	14,190	8,200	58
Minnesota	17,630	13,500	77	20,400	12,000	59
Montana	3,445	3,400	99	3,413	3,400	100
Nebraska	8,245	5,600	68	8,589	5,800	68
New York	5,226	2,900	55	5,700	2,800	49
North Dakota	20,500	14,000	68	25,480	17,300	68
Oregon	22,023	19,000	86	18,533	16,000	86
Washington	95,480	52,500	55	89,900	49,000	55
Wisconsin	27,880	18,700	67	29,370	20,100	68
Total 13 States	374,298	253,800	68	382,134	252,300	66
Klamath Basin ^{2/}				4,000		

^{1/} Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2006 totaled 25.6 million cwt

^{2/} Estimates began in 2006. Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co. OR.



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POTATOES: Quantity used for processing, nine States, 2004-2006^{1/}

State	Crop year	To Dec 1	To Jan 1	To Feb 1	To Mar 1	To Apr 1	To May 1	To Jun 1	Entire season
		<i>1,000 cwt</i>							
Idaho & Malheur County, Oregon	2004	24,360	30,840	36,820	44,610	51,000	58,090	65,800	84,600
	2005	22,840	29,300	35,970	43,300	50,820	57,830	65,030	77,360
	2006	26,130							
Maine ^{2/}	2004	1,540	1,970	2,600	3,135	3,700	4,340	4,910	6,590
	2005	1,365	1,880	2,485	3,090	3,800	4,450	5,130	6,825
	2006	1,755							
Washington and Other areas, Oregon	2004	32,305	38,130	43,570	50,730	57,140	63,855	71,355	78,680
	2005	30,310	35,895	40,545	48,290	55,320	61,855	69,360	78,550
	2006	30,980							
Other States ^{3/}	2004	12,490	15,000	17,965	20,910	24,150	27,480	30,945	41,175
	2005	11,055	14,070	17,005	19,895	22,520	25,270	27,740	35,535
	2006	13,465							
Total	2004	70,695	85,940	100,955	119,385	135,990	153,765	173,010	211,045
	2005	65,570	81,145	96,005	114,575	132,460	149,405	167,260	198,270
	2006	72,330							
Dehydrated ^{4/}	2004	14,525	18,540	21,875	25,970	30,020	33,685	38,505	47,805
	2005	11,920	15,655	19,225	22,765	26,605	30,065	34,130	41,625
	2006	12,860							

^{1/} 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, and WI.

^{2/} Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

^{3/} CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

^{4/} Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.