



Vegetables

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2007 VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

Ohio's principal fresh market vegetable acreage decreased 7 percent from 34,980 acres in 2006 to 32,380 acres in 2007. Total fresh market production decreased to 6.28 million cwt in 2007, down 9 percent from 2006. Total farm value for Ohio's principal fresh market vegetables in 2007 was 167.0 million dollars, down 26 percent from the previous year. Sweet corn, pumpkins and tomatoes accounted for approximately 83 percent of the fresh market acres harvested, and 73 percent of Ohio's total fresh market production in 2007.

Ohio's fresh vegetable growers increased production of cabbage, pumpkins, and sweet corn in 2007 from the previous year. The production of tomatoes, squash, and bell peppers in 2007 was below that of the previous year.

Sweet corn acres harvested in 2007 remained unchanged at 16,000 acres. Yield per acre increased 11 cwt per acre to 105 cwt per acre. Sweet corn production decreased in 2007 by 11.7 percent to 1.7 million cwt, and price decreased \$0.20/cwt to \$23.20/cwt. Total farm value of sweet corn increased to 39.0 million dollars in 2007 from 35.2 million dollars. Ohio's sweet corn production contributed 5.9 percent of the 2007 U.S. total.

Harvested acres of fresh market tomatoes decreased 2,300 acres to 4,300 acres in 2007 from 6,600 acres. Yield decreased to 210 cwt per acre, down from 300 cwt per acres in 2006. Fresh market tomato production decreased from 1.98 million cwt last year to 0.90 million cwt in 2007. Price per cwt was \$59.40 for 2007, up from 56.60 in 2006. Total farm value of tomatoes decreased to 53.6 million dollars in 2007 from 112.1 million dollars. Ohio's

tomato production contributed 2.4 percent of the 2007 U.S. total.

Squash acres harvested, at 1,400, dropped by 200 acres from 2006. Yield decreased to 230 cwt per acre, down from 340 cwt in 2006. Fresh market squash production decreased from 544 cwt in 2006 to 322 cwt. Price per cwt was \$20.10 for 2007, down from 25.80 in 2006. Total farm value of squash decreased to 6.5 million dollars in 2007 from 14.0 million dollars. Ohio's squash production contributed 4 percent of the 2007 U.S. total.

Cabbage acres harvested increased 200 acres from the 2006 total of 1,300 acres to 1,500. Yield increased 50 cwt from 2006 to 430 cwt for 2007. Total production for 2006 was 645,000 cwt, up 30.6 percent from last year. The 2007 cabbage price was estimated at \$16.80 per cwt, a decrease of \$2.60 per cwt from the 2006 average price of \$19.40. The total farm value at 10.84 million dollars was up from 9.58 million dollars in 2006. Ohio's cabbage production accounted for 2.5 percent of the 2007 U.S. total.

Ohio's pumpkin growers harvested an estimated 6,600 acres of fresh market pumpkins in 2007, a decrease of 100 acres from 2006. Yield was estimated at 305 cwt. per acre, up 105 cwt from the previous year. Total production for 2007 was 2.01 million cwt, up 50.2 percent from last year. The pumpkin price was estimated at \$16.70 per cwt, unchanged from last year. The total farm value at 33.6 million dollars was up from 22.4 million dollars from 2006. Ohio's pumpkin production accounted for 18.0 percent of the U.S. total in 2007.

FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING VEGETABLES; OHIO; 2006-2007

Crop	Acres harvested		Yield per acre		Production		Price per unit		Total farm value	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Acres		Cwt		Thou. Cwt		\$/Cwt		Thou. Dol.	
FRESH MARKET:										
Bell Peppers	2,400	2,200	380	300	912	660	33.20	34.80	30,278	22,968
Cabbage	1,300	1,500	380	430	494	645	19.40	16.80	9,584	10,836
Pumpkins	6,700	6,600	200	305	1,340	2,013	16.70	16.70	22,378	33,617
Squash	1,600	1,400	340	230	544	322	25.80	20.10	14,035	6,472
Sweet Corn	16,000	16,000	94	105	1,504	1,680	23.40	23.20	35,194	38,976
Tomatoes	6,600	4,300	300	210	1,980	903	56.60	59.40	112,068	53,638
Total Fresh Mkt	34,980	32,380	-	-	6,924	6,283	-	-	225,809	167,027
Strawberries	750	780	57	49	43	38	152.00	154.00	6,536	5,852
PROCESSING										
	Acres		Tons		Tons		\$/Ton ^{i/}		Thou. Dol.	
Tomatoes	6,300	5,900	26.48	29.10	166,820	171,690	81.60	85.40	13,613	14,662
Cucumbers	2,600	2,600	8.04	8.21	20,900	21,350	395.00	445.00	8,256	9,501
Total Proc.	8,900	8,500	-	-	187,720	193,040	-	-	21,869	24,163

^{i/} Processing crop prices per unit includes all payments to the growers, including the cost of materials and services provided by the contractor to get the commodity to the plant door.

PROCESSING VEGETABLES

Ohio's fresh market bell pepper growers harvested 2,200 acres in 2007, a decrease of 200 acres from the previous year. Yield per acre was estimated at 300 cwt. per acre, down 80 cwt per acre from 2006. Bell pepper production totaled 660,000 cwt, a decrease of 252,000 cwt. from 2006. Price was estimated at \$34.80 per cwt, up \$1.60 per cwt from the 2006 price. Total farm value at 23.0 million dollars, increased 7.3 million dollars from 2006. Ohio's bell pepper production accounted for 4.4 percent of the U.S. total in 2007.

There were 780 acres of strawberries harvested in 2007, up 30 acres from 2006. The 2007 average yield of 49 cwt per acre is down 8 cwt per acre from 2006. Strawberry grower's produced an estimated 38,000 cwt in 2007, down 5,000 cwt from 2006. Season average price estimate at \$154 per cwt is up from \$152 in 2006. The value of utilized production at 5.85 million dollars, was down 10.5 percent from the previous year. Ohio's strawberry production accounted for 0.2 percent of the U.S. total in 2007.

Processing tomato production increased 2.9 percent in 2007 to 171,690 tons, compared to 166,820 tons in 2006. Acreage harvested decreased to 5,900 for 2007, down 400 acres from 2006. Yield for 2007 processing tomatoes increased to 29.10 tons per acre from 26.48 tons per acre in 2006. Processing tomato price per ton and total farm value increased to \$85.40 per ton and 14.7 million dollars, respectively. Ohio processing tomatoes accounted for 1.4 percent of the 2007 U.S. total.

Processing cucumber 2007 harvested acreage remained unchanged at 2,600 acres. Production increased in 2007 to 21,350 tons compared to 20,900 tons in 2006, an increase of 2.2 percent. Yield per acre increased 0.17 tons per acre in 2007 to 8.21 tons per acre. Price per ton of processing cucumbers in 2007 was estimated at \$445.00, an increase of \$50.00 per ton from the 2006 price of \$395.00. The total farm value increased 15 percent from 8.3 million dollars in 2006 to 9.5 million dollars in 2007. Ohio's processing cucumber production accounted for 4.2 percent of the U.S. total in 2007.

PROCESSING TOMATOES BY COUNTY: HARVESTED ACRES, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

Counties	Ranking by Production	Harvested acreage		Yield		Production	
		2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
		Acres		Tons		Tons	
Darke	-	790	-	27.85	-	22,000	-
Fulton	3	590	550	26.37	32.73	15,560	18,000
Hancock	8	-	200	-	21.00	-	4,200
Henry	2	1,110	1,030	27.95	31.12	31,020	32,050
Mercer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miami	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ottawa	6	320	250	25.78	28.50	8,250	7,125
Putnam	1	1,950	2,120	29.34	31.08	57,210	65,880
Sandusky	5	310	400	18.07	24.76	5,600	9,905
Williams	7	-	180	-	32.44	15,760	5,840
Wood	4	730	520	21.59	23.13	-	12,030
Other Counties ^{1/}		500	650	22.84	25.63	11,420	16,660
Total		6,300	5,900	26.48	29.10	166,820	171,690

^{1/} Other counties; 2006: Hancock, Mercer, Miami, Williams, 2007: Darke, Mercer.

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