

OREGON POTATOES



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Potato Size and Grade

Size and grade measurements came from potatoes harvested in the objective yield survey sample plots. Potatoes were harvested from six hills per sample randomly selected in each State using a scientifically designed sampling procedure. Potatoes were sent to laboratories for sizing and grading according to accepted U.S. fresh grading standard. The following tables contain percent measurements as they actually occurred.

Potatoes: Percent by grading categories ¹

Type and State	Number 1 2 inch minimum ²		Number 2 or processing usable 1 1/2 inch minimum ³		Cull ⁴		Total	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Round red potatoes:								
MN	66.3	77.9	24.5	17.3	9.2	4.8	100.0	100.0
Round white potatoes:								
ME ⁵	78.1	89.1	9.6	8.7	12.3	2.2	100.0	100.0
WI	80.5	77.6	19.2	20.9	0.3	1.5	100.0	100.0
Long potatoes: (Russet and Shepody)								
ID ⁶	77.0	71.9	21.8	27.1	1.2	1.0	100.0	100.0
ME ⁵	62.9	68.8	20.3	18.6	16.8	12.6	100.0	100.0
MN	70.7	73.1	19.9	19.4	9.4	7.5	100.0	100.0
ND	65.8	70.9	23.1	21.1	11.1	8.0	100.0	100.0
OR	75.3	73.4	23.7	24.9	1.0	1.7	100.0	100.0
WA	80.2	76.0	18.0	22.1	1.8	1.9	100.0	100.0
WI	80.8	83.0	18.3	16.0	0.9	1.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Gross yield basis. ² Potatoes which meet the requirements for US #1, as stated in United States Standards for Grades of Potatoes, United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. ³ Potatoes which meet the requirements for US #2, as stated in United States Standards for Grades of Potatoes, United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. ⁴ Potatoes not meeting the requirements for US #1 or US #2, as stated in United States Standards for Grades of Potatoes, United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service. ⁵ Percent of net yield - adjusted for field loss. ⁶ Russets only.

Long potatoes (Russet and Shepody): Percentage by size category ¹

State and year	Inches			< 2 in. and over 4.0 oz. OR > 2 in. and and < 6.0 oz.	Ounces										Total
	1 1/2 to 1 5/8	1 5/8 to 1 7/8	1 7/8 to 2		6.0 to 7.0	7.0 to 8.0	8.0 to 9.0	9.0 to 10.0	10.0 to 11.0	11.0 to 12.0	12.0 to 13.0	13.0 to 14.0	14.0 and over		
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
2006															
ID ²	1.6	6.8	3.6	26.1	9.6	9.0	7.0	6.4	5.3	4.7	3.5	3.1	13.3	100.0	
MN	1.5	6.3	5.4	25.8	10.8	9.5	8.5	6.6	5.3	4.6	3.1	3.3	9.3	100.0	
ND	1.0	6.6	4.8	28.0	10.8	9.1	8.4	6.3	5.2	4.7	3.8	2.3	9.0	100.0	
OR	1.7	5.3	3.1	21.9	8.4	9.8	7.7	6.7	7.1	4.9	3.9	3.6	15.9	100.0	
WA	0.9	4.3	2.5	23.6	9.0	9.6	8.7	7.3	6.2	5.2	4.5	2.7	15.5	100.0	
WI	0.8	5.2	4.5	28.1	11.2	9.1	8.3	7.6	5.3	4.4	4.3	2.7	8.5	100.0	
2007															
ID ²	1.9	6.5	3.8	22.8	10.0	9.1	7.2	6.2	5.9	5.3	4.1	2.9	14.3	100.0	
MN	1.3	5.2	4.9	22.3	11.0	10.8	7.9	7.1	6.1	5.9	3.4	3.4	10.7	100.0	
ND	0.8	6.5	3.5	25.8	11.8	10.2	9.4	8.1	5.9	5.1	3.5	2.2	7.2	100.0	
OR	1.3	4.2	3.3	21.5	9.3	8.5	8.6	6.7	6.3	5.6	5.1	3.6	16.0	100.0	
WA	0.9	3.8	2.9	22.0	9.5	9.1	8.2	7.5	6.6	5.8	4.7	3.8	15.2	100.0	
WI	0.3	4.4	3.6	23.7	10.3	8.3	9.3	8.2	5.4	5.0	3.3	3.2	15.0	100.0	

¹ Gross yield basis.

² Russets only.

View the entire survey results at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/PUBS/TODAYRPT/pstk1207.pdf>

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