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2011 U.S. Dry Edible Pea Production Lowest Since 2003 U.S. Lentil Production Lowest Since 2008



OLYMPIA, Wash., November 9, 2011--**Dry Edible Peas:** Nationally, planted area of dry edible peas in 2011 is estimated at 366,000 acres, down 51 percent from 2010. Area for harvest, at 349,800 acres, is 51 percent below a year ago. Production is estimated at 5.4 million cwt, down 62 percent from the previous year with the average yield down 457 pounds per acre from the previous year. Production dropped substantially in North Dakota due to massive flooding and extremely wet conditions in the growing areas.

Washington producers planted dry edible peas on 70,000 acres, 3 percent above the previous year's planting. Planted acres in North Dakota are at 85,000 acres, down 345,000 acres from 2010. Montana dry edible pea growers planted 190,000 acres, down 14 percent from a year ago. Washington's yield was 2,100 pounds per acre, 200 pounds above 2010. Production, at 1,470,000 cwt, was 14 percent above the previous year. Washington harvest began in late June and ended in mid September.

Lentils: Planted area of lentils in the United States is estimated at 448,000 acres, down 32 percent from 2010. Harvested area is estimated at 434,000 acres, also down 32 percent from last year. Production decreased to 4.72 million cwt. Planted acreage in North Dakota is 80,000 acres, compared with 265,000 acres in 2010. Montana growers planted 280,000 acres this year, an increase of 8 percent over last year.

Washington growers planted 60,000 acres a decrease from 2010. Production decreased to 840,000 cwt. Washington State's lentil production was ranked second behind Montana.

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Dry Edible Peas: Area Planted and Harvested, Yield and Production, by States, and U.S., 2010-2011

State	2010				2011			
	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per	Production	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per	Production
	1,000 Acres		Pounds	1,000 Cwt.	1,000 Acres		Pounds	1,000 Cwt.
Idaho	31.0	30.0	1,600	480	16.0	15.0	1,800	270
Montana	220.0	207.0	2,000	4,140	190.0	180.0	1,300	2,340
N. Dakota	430.0	400.0	2,030	8,120	85.0	80.0	1,450	1,160
Oregon	7.0	6.4	2,950	189	5.0	4.8	3,190	153
Washington	68.0	68.0	1,900	1,292	70.0	70.0	2,100	1,470
United States	756.0	711.4	1,999	14,221	366.0	349.8	1,542	5,393

Lentils: Area Planted and Harvested, Yield and Production, by States, and U.S., 2010-2011

State	2010				2011			
	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Production	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Production
	1,000 Acres		Pounds	1,000 Cwt.	1,000 Acres		Pounds	1,000 Cwt.
Idaho	55.0	54.0	950	513	28.0	27.0	1,300	351
Montana	260.0	247.0	1,360	3,359	280.0	270.0	1,000	2,700
N. Dakota	265.0	255.0	1,540	3,927	80.0	77.0	1,070	824
Washington	78.0	78.0	1,100	858	60.0	60.0	1,400	840
United States	658.0	634.0	1,365	8,657	448.0	434.0	1,086	4,715

Dry Edible Peas: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, & Value, Washington, 2001-2011

Crop Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Production	Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Harvested Acre
	Acres		Pounds	Cwt.	\$ Per Cwt.	1,000 Dollars	Dollars
2001	62,000	62,000	2,000	1,240,000	6.40	7,936	128
2002	76,000	76,000	2,000	1,520,000	8.85	13,452	177
2003	83,000	82,000	1,500	1,230,000	8.80	10,824	132
2004	88,000	87,000	2,400	2,088,000	6.80	14,198	163
2005	80,000	78,000	1,700	1,326,000	5.54	7,346	94
2006	67,000	66,000	1,800	1,188,000	7.42	8,815	134
2007	67,000	66,000	1,900	1,254,000	14.50	18,183	276
2008	75,000	75,000	1,600	1,200,000	14.40	17,280	230
2009	85,000	85,000	2,000	1,700,000	11.30	19,210	226
2010	68,000	68,000	1,900	1,292,000	10.80	13,954	205
2011	70,000	70,000	2,100	1,470,000	1/	1/	1/

1/ Preliminary price available February 2012.

Lentils: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, & Value, Washington, 2001-2011

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Production	Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Harvested Acre
	Acres		Pounds	Cwt.	\$ Per Cwt.	1,000 Dollars	Dollars
2001	80,000	80,000	1,600	1,280,000	9.40	12,032	150
2002	80,000	80,000	1,400	1,120,000	15.20	17,024	213
2003	93,000	91,000	1,000	910,000	18.20	16,562	182
2004	95,000	93,000	1,200	1,116,000	14.90	16,628	179
2005	85,000	84,000	1,000	840,000	11.70	9,828	117
2006	77,000	76,000	1,000	760,000	16.60	12,616	166
2007	68,000	67,000	1,200	804,000	31.30	25,165	376
2008	55,000	55,000	1,100	605,000	34.10	20,631	375
2009	75,000	75,000	1,400	1,050,000	26.80	28,140	375
2010	78,000	78,000	1,100	858,000	27.60	23,681	304
2011	60,000	60,000	1,400	840,000	1/	1/	1/

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