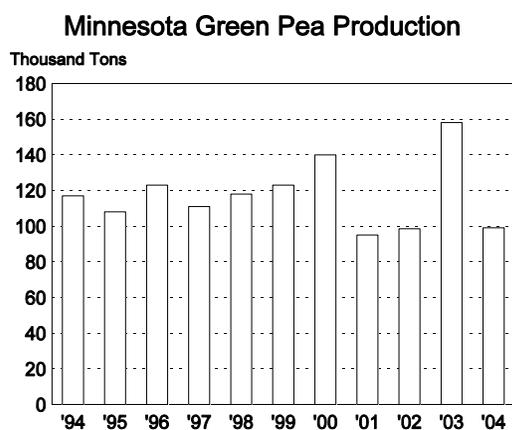
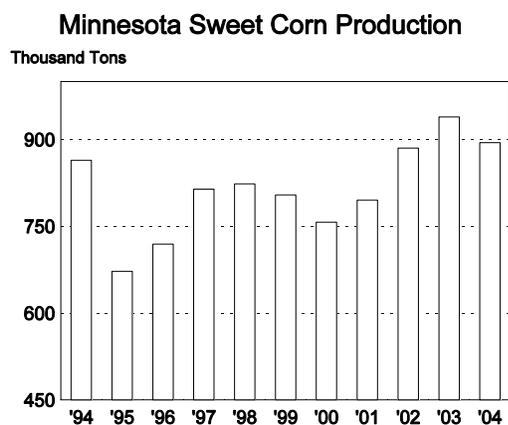




CORN, GREEN PEAS, CARROTS, AND ONION PRODUCTION ALL DECREASED IN 2004

SWEET CORN FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota's 2004 production was estimated at 894,590 tons, a decrease of 44,210 tons from the 2003 production, according to the Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service. The average yield of 6.61 tons per acre was a 0.12 ton per acre decrease from 2003. Planted acreage was estimated at 138,000 acres compared to 142,200 acres in 2003. Harvested acreage of 135,400 acres was 4,000 acres less than the previous year. Average value^{1/} per ton was \$72.50 compared to \$64.50 in 2003.

GREEN PEAS FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota's 2004 production was estimated at 99,080 tons, a decrease of 59,030 tons from 2003. The average yield of 1.46 tons per acre was a 0.47 ton per acre below the previous years yield. Planted acreage in 2004 was estimated at 71,700 acres which was 17,000 acres less than the previous year. Harvested acreage decreased to 68,000 acres compared with 81,800 acres in 2003. Average value^{1/} per ton was \$294.00, a \$6.00 per ton increase from 2003.



CARROTS FOR PROCESSING: Minnesota's 2004 production was estimated at 3,010 tons, a decrease of 18,090 tons from the previous year's production. The average yield of 18.81 tons per acre was a 6.0 ton per acre decrease from 2003. Planted acreage was estimated at 800 acres which was 100 acres less than in 2003. Harvested acreage at 160 acres was 690 acres less than 2003. This was due to flooding in the Hollandale, MN area. Average value^{1/} per ton was \$55.50 per ton, which was up \$2.10 per ton from 2003.

ONIONS FOR FRESH MARKET: Minnesota's 2004 production, including shrinkage and loss, was estimated at 48,000 cwt, a decrease of 17,000 cwt from the previous year's production. The shrinkage and loss was estimated at 10,000 cwt for 2004. The average yield for the state was 320 cwt per acre was a 10 cwt per acre increase from 2003. Planted acreage was estimated at 300 which was 20 acres more than 2003. Harvested acreage of 150 acres was 60 acres below the previous year. Average value per cwt was \$6.40, down \$2.85 per cwt from 2003.

^{1/} Value includes price received by the producer plus expenses incurred by the processor to get the commodity to the processing plant door.

