

Mushrooms

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Pennsylvania growers produced 460 million pounds of Agaricus mushrooms during the 2001-2002 season. The Agaricus crop was valued at 390 million dollars, an increase of 9 percent from the previous season.

Pennsylvania accounted for 55 percent of U.S. production of Agaricus mushrooms, the conventional button variety responsible for most of the nation's sales. The state's growers supplied 51 percent of the nation's fresh market sales and 74 percent of the mushrooms used in processing. This compares with last season's sales of 50 and 71 percent, respectively.

Fresh market sales accounted for 353.2 million pounds, up 3 percent from 2001-02; while processing sales, at 106.4 million pounds, were down 3 percent.

During the 2001-2002 season, Pennsylvania growers received an average of 95.2 cents per pound for fresh market sales and 50.8 cents per pound for sales to processors. Prices for mushrooms are the average prices producers received at the point of first sale. **Statistics on specialty mushrooms grown in Pennsylvania are not published separately to avoid disclosure of individual operations. The data is included as part of the national statistics on specialty mushrooms.**

Pennsylvania & U.S.: Agaricus Mushroom Sales By Type & Percent of Total, 1993-2002

Year	Pennsylvania					United States				
	Fresh Market		Processing		Total Production	Fresh Market		Processing		Total Production
	Volume of Sales	Percent	Volume of Sales	Percent		Volume of Sales	Percent	Volume of Sales	Percent	
	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>
1993-94	184,913	52	169,880	48	354,793	516,836	69	233,963	31	750,799
1994-95	182,250	51	172,250	49	354,500	532,232	68	250,108	32	782,340
1995-96	186,818	53	166,297	47	353,115	537,124	69	240,746	31	777,870
1996-97	206,384	57	154,521	43	360,905	553,780	71	222,897	29	776,677
1997-98	256,881	68	122,414	32	379,295	621,537	77	187,141	23	808,678
1998-99	296,756	70	129,352	30	426,108	657,833	78	189,927	22	847,760
1999-00	310,590	70	132,025	30	442,615	668,541	78	185,853	22	854,394
2000-01	343,450	76	109,556	24	453,006	692,630	82	153,579	18	846,209
2001-02	353,219	77	106,374	23	459,593	694,537	83	143,329	17	837,866

Pennsylvania & Other States: Agaricus Mushrooms - Area, Sales, Price & Value

State	Area In Production		Volume of Sales	Price Per Pound ¹	Value of Sales
	Growing Area	Total Fillings			
	<i>1,000 Sq. Ft.</i>		<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>1,000 Dols.</i>
	July 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001				
Pennsylvania	20,488	73,398	453,006	78.9	357,252
Other States	12,852	70,474	393,206	119.1	468,248
United States	33,340	143,873	846,209	97.6	825,500
	July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002				
Pennsylvania	21,350	79,286	459,593	84.9	390,302
Other States	11,965	66,977	378,273	128.0	484,234
United States	33,315	146,263	837,866	104.0	874,536

¹ Prices for mushrooms are the average prices producers receive at the point of first sale, commonly referred to as the average price as sold.

U.S.: Specialty Mushrooms - Number of Growers, Total Production, Volume of Sales, Price & Value of Sales by Variety, July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002 ¹

Variety	Growers ²	Total Production ³	All Sales		
			Volume of Sales ⁴	Price Per Pound ⁵	Value of Sales
	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dols.</i>
Shiitake	123	8,263	7,893	2.94	23,196
Oyster	51	4,265	4,028	2.00	8,050
Other	23	1,541	1,424	4.02	5,727
United States ⁶	152	14,069	13,345	2.77	36,973

¹ Specialty mushroom estimates represent growers who have at least 200 natural wood logs in production or commercial indoor growing areas. ² Growers counted only once for US total if growing more than one specialty type mushroom. Growers growing Agaricus and Specialty are included. ³ Total production includes all fresh market and processing sales plus amount harvested but not sold (shrinkage, cullage, dumped, etc.). ⁴ Virtually all specialty mushroom sales are for fresh market. ⁵ Prices for mushrooms are the average prices producers receive at the point of first sale, commonly referred to as the average price as sold. For example, if in a given State, part of the fresh mushrooms are sold F.O.B. packed by growers, part are sold bulk to brokers or repackers, and some are sold retail at roadside stands, the mushroom average price as sold is a weighted average of the average price for each method of sale. ⁶ AR, CA, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, KY, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MT, NH, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, VT, VA, WA, WV, and WI.