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Oregon Vegetable Production

The production of fresh market and processed garlic increased 34 thousand hundred weight from 2005. White rot was only reported in one small field, which did not stop the increase in harvested acres, production, and total value from a year ago. Fresh market and processed squash production increased from 498 thousand hundred weight in 2005 to 530 thousand hundred weight in 2006. The total value in 2006 decreased 4 percent from a year ago.

The production of fresh market sweet corn increased 4 percent from 2005 to a total of 549 thousand hundred weight in 2006. Harvested acres increased slightly while total value decreased slightly. Production of processing sweet corn increased 7 percent to 249,160 tons. Irrigation did not cause a problem this year as harvested acres, production, and total value all increased from a year ago. Processing snap bean production decreased 20 percent from 116,350 tons in 2005 to 92,970 tons in 2006. Wet fields in the Willamette Valley caused problems for many farmers and led to a drop in yield from 6.29 tons/acre to 4.95 tons/acre. Production of processing green peas rose dramatically from 31,040 tons in 2005 to 40,800 tons in 2006, a 31 percent increase. Green peas were already planted when Oregon received large amounts of rain starting in April which helped raise the yield from 1.93 tons/acre in 2005 to 2.52 tons/acre in 2006.

Bulb onion production in 2006 totaled 9,880,000 cwt, down 3 percent from the previous year. Malheur County accounted for 6,136,000 cwt, down 17 percent from last year. All other counties accounted for 3,744,000 cwt, up 33 percent from a year ago. Yellow spot virus and extreme hot weather conditions reduced onion production in Malheur County. Harvested acreage for bulb onions in the state totaled 19,600 acres, up 300 acres from 2005. Malheur County harvested 11,800 acres, while all other counties harvested 7,800 acres. Total value of production is estimated at \$80,199,000 statewide, an increase of 21 percent from the previous year. Malheur County showed an increase of 17 percent in value of production, while all other counties showed an increase of 31 percent from a year ago.

Vegetables: Acres harvested, production, and value, Oregon, 2005-2006

Area	Acres harvested		Production		Value	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
Fresh Market						
Sweet corn	4,400	4,500	528	549	11,088	10,980
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
Processing						
Green peas	16,100	16,200	31,040	40,800	5,326	7,418
Snap beans	18,500	18,800	116,530	92,970	21,893	16,249
Sweet corn	23,200	26,000	233,810	249,160	18,523	20,391
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
Dual Usage ¹						
Bulb onions						
Malheur County	11,500	11,800	7,360	6,136	50,312	58,921
Other Oregon	7,800	7,800	2,808	3,744	16,201	21,278
Garlic	4,300	4,400	538	572	11,848	13,268
Squash	2,600	2,800	498	530	9,674	9,280

¹ Dual usage includes both fresh market and processing.

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