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Hawaii Vegetables

A monthly summary of acreage, sales, and farm prices for Hawaii's major vegetables

Head Cabbage

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Crop condition

Crop conditions were good to fair through the end of September. Temperatures remained fairly warm as the end of summer neared and was less than ideal for growth. Insect pressure varied by location and was moderate in some areas. However, insects and diseases were kept in check by timely spraying.

September review

Statewide sales totaled 965,000 pounds in September, down 17 percent from August. Average yield increased to 23,000 pounds per harvested acre during

September.

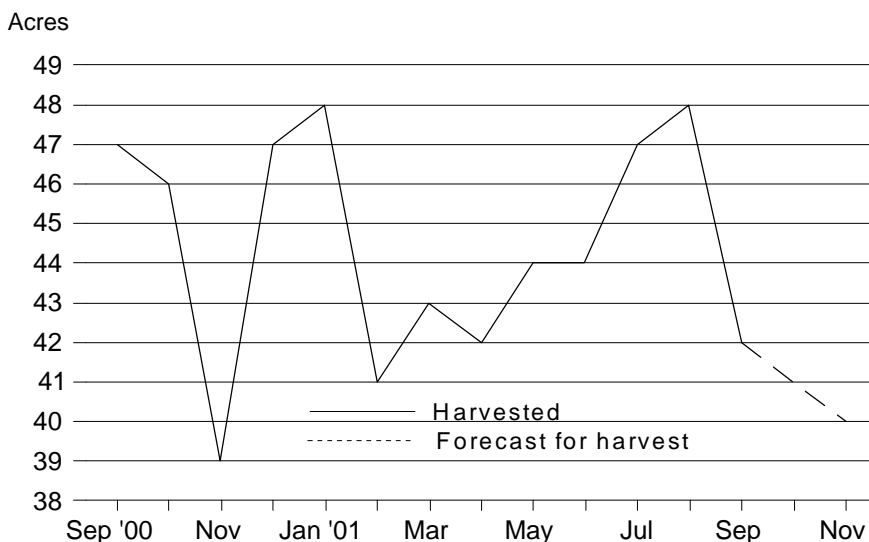
Farm prices averaged 22.2 cents per pound in September, up 19 percent from August.

Outlook

Harvested acreage is projected to decline 2 percent in October to 41 acres. Harvested acreage is expected to decline further in November to 40 acres, another 2 percent drop from October.

The advent of cooler temperatures in the coming months is expected to have a favorable impact on crop progress. The cooler temperatures will also likely reduce irrigation needs.

HEAD CABBAGE: Monthly acres harvested and forecast for harvest. State of Hawaii



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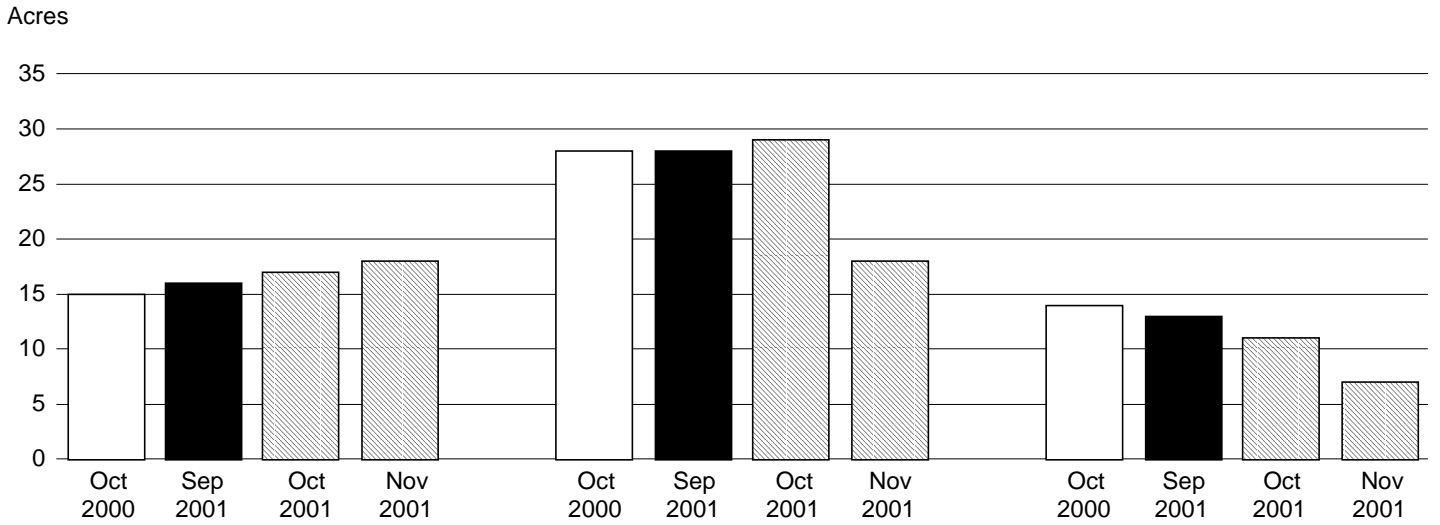
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Crop highlights

Crop conditions, acres harvested, and acres intended to be harvested for selected vegetables, State of Hawaii.

Acres harvested year ago
 Acres harvested
 Acres intended for harvest



Snap Beans

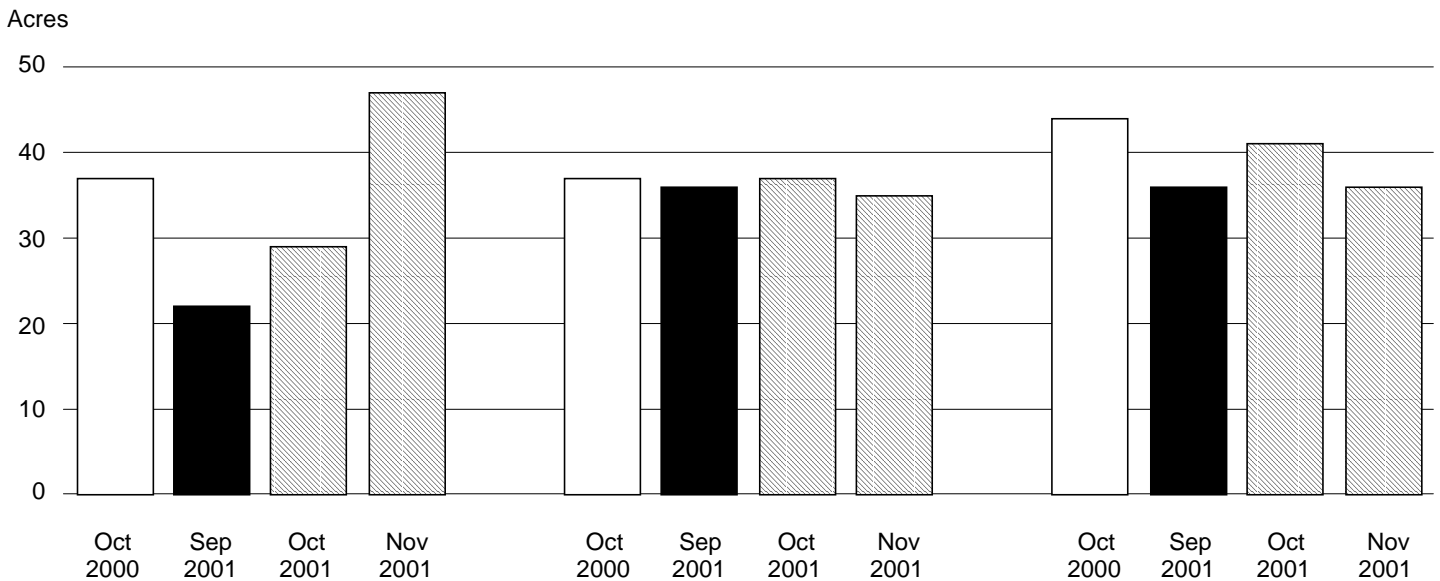
Crop conditions ranged from fair to good. Cooler temperatures have slowed crop progress. Wet field conditions also hampered planting activity in parts of Hawaii island.

Chinese Cabbage

Crop conditions were generally fair. Weather conditions were less than favorable on the Big Island; resulting in a higher incidence of disease. On Maui, insect damage continued to be the main problem for farmers.

Romaine

The Big Island crop was in generally good condition. Heavy irrigation was necessary to maintain good crop growth. Insect and disease damage was minimal. New plantings made steady progress.



Dry onion

Crop conditions were fair to good. Bulb size has increased on Maui. The advent of cooler temperatures and shorter daylight hours will begin to slow crop progress in the coming months.

Cucumbers

Crop conditions were mostly fair with isolated fields in poor to good condition. Disease was the main problem in poor performing fields. Market demand for the disease resistant *Taiwan* variety was reportedly low.

Sweet corn

Crop conditions were fair to good. Ear size on some Oahu farms was smaller than expected due to insufficient water supplies.

September statistics

Total acres, harvested acres, average yield, total sales, and average farm prices for 13 selected vegetables with January-to-date totals, State of Hawaii.

Crop	Total acres on Oct 1 st	September 2001				January-to-date sales		
		Acres harvested	Average yield ^{1/}	Total sales	Average farm price	2000 ^{2/}	2001	Change
			<i>1,000 lbs per acre</i>	<i>1,000 lbs</i>	<i>Cents per lb.</i>	<i>----- 1,000 lbs -----</i>	<i>Percent</i>	
Beans, snap	30	16	5.1	81	102.9	948	844	-11
Cabbage, Chinese	48	28	14.9	418	30.8	5,602	5,080	-9
Cabbage, head	86	42	23.0	965	22.2	11,276	9,631	-15
Cabbage, mustard	15	8	11.0	88	55.3	1,081	1,046	-3
Corn, sweet	82	36	3.4	121	60.3	1,860	1,414	-24
Cucumbers	50	36	10.0	360	43.5	4,366	4,179	-4
Lettuce, head	9	8	8.8	70	43.7	744	696	-6
Lettuce, semi-head	8	5	4.6	23	79.2	283	243	-14
Onions, dry	92	22	11.6	256	99.4	3,772	4,903	30
Onions, green	32	12	8.3	99	91.0	1,109	1,083	-2
Peppers, green	38	18	14.4	260	56.9	2,098	2,336	11
Romaine	17	13	6.9	90	44.5	1,347	1,532	14
Tomatoes	3/	60	19.9	1,192	51.1	11,645	12,645	9

^{1/} Total sales divided by acres harvested. ^{2/} Revised. ^{3/} Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Acreage summary

Monthly new plantings, acres harvested, and acres for harvest for 13 selected vegetables, State of Hawaii.

Crop	New acres planted			Acres harvested			Acres for harvest	
	Jul 2001	Aug 2001	Sep 2001	Jul 2001	Aug 2001	Sep 2001	Oct 2001	Nov 2001
Beans, snap	17	17	21	13	17	16	17	18
Cabbage, Chinese	23	30	31	29	19	28	29	18
Cabbage, head	41	42	46	47	48	42	41	40
Cabbage, mustard	7	10	10	8	7	8	10	8
Corn, sweet	34	40	28	39	44	36	41	36
Cucumbers	37	34	36	38	37	36	37	35
Lettuce, head	6	10	5	7	6	8	7	2
Lettuce, semi-head	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Onions, dry	8	16	44	11	18	22	29	47
Onions, green	12	13	14	14	14	12	13	13
Peppers, green	1/	1/	1/	18	18	18	1/	1/
Romaine	12	13	11	10	11	13	11	7
Tomatoes	1/	1/	1/	57	56	60	1/	1/

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