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Northwest Region Potato Stocks on April 1, 2018 Totaled 87.0 million Hundredweight

Potato stocks in Idaho on April 1, 2018 totaled 50.0 million cwt. Disappearance of the Idaho crop to date was 81.3 million cwt. April 1 potato stocks in Oregon totaled 7.00 million cwt. Disappearance to date was 14.4 million cwt. In Washington, April 1 potato stocks totaled 30.0 million cwt. Disappearance to date totaled 69.0 million cwt. Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 134 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2018, up 2 percent from April 1, 2017. Potatoes in storage accounted for 33 percent of the fall storage States' 2017 production, 1 percentage point more than last year. Potato disappearance, at 266 million cwt, was down 3 percent from April 1, 2017. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 19.3 million cwt, was 8 percent lower than the same time last year.

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon used 54.0 million cwt of potatoes for the season, down 1 percent from April 1, 2017. In Washington and other Oregon counties, 61.8 million cwt of potatoes had been used by processors for the season, down slightly from the previous year. Processors in the 8 major States used 146 million cwt of potatoes for the season, up 1 percent from April 1, 2017. Dehydrated usage accounted for 25,790 cwt of the total potatoes processed, down 3 percent from the previous year.

Fall Potato Production and Stocks — 13 Major States: April 1, 2017-2018

[Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2017 totaled 29.9 million cwt]

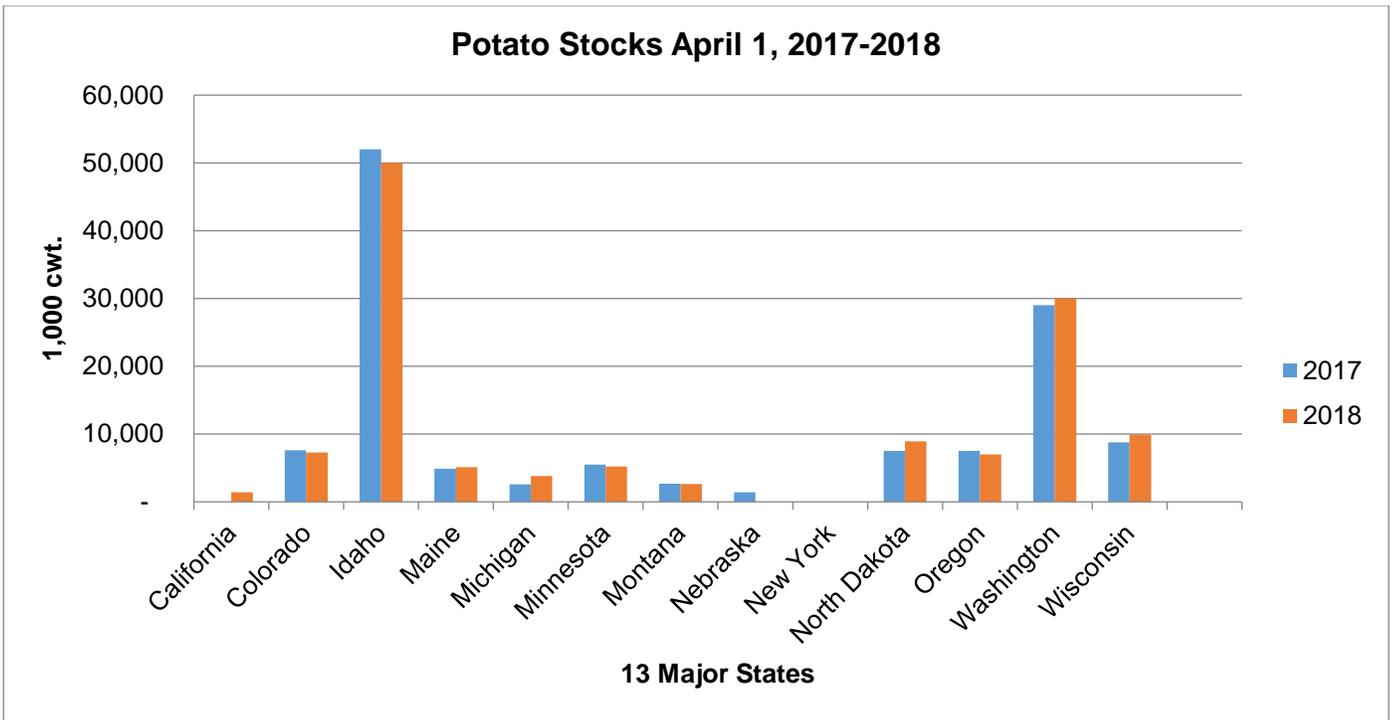
State	Crop of 2016			Crop of 2017			
	Production	Stocks April 1, 2017	April stocks as a percent of production	Production	Stocks February 1, 2018	Stocks April 1, 2018	April stocks as a percent of production
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(percent)
California	3,516	(D)	(D)	3,690	2,100	1,400	38
Colorado.....	22,236	7,600	34	21,527	11,800	7,300	34
Idaho	139,320	52,000	37	131,325	73,000	50,000	38
Maine	15,113	4,900	32	15,035	8,100	5,100	34
Michigan.....	17,020	2,600	15	18,000	6,900	3,800	21
Minnesota.....	16,800	5,500	33	18,428	8,200	5,200	28
Montana	3,685	2,700	73	3,740	3,450	2,650	71
Nebraska.....	7,380	1,400	19	9,072	3,800	(D)	(D)
New York.....	3,552	(D)	(D)	4,321	1,300	(D)	(D)
North Dakota	21,600	7,500	35	25,160	13,400	8,900	35
Oregon	22,951	7,500	33	21,395	11,300	7,000	33
Washington	105,625	29,000	27	99,000	45,000	30,000	30
Wisconsin.....	27,840	8,800	32	29,145	14,400	9,900	34
Other States	(NA)	1,900	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2,400	(NA)
Total	406,638	131,400	32	399,838	202,750	133,650	33
Klamath Basin ¹	(NA)	1,800	(NA)	(NA)	3,400	2,000	(NA)

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes potato stocks in California and Klamath County, Oregon. Already included in the 13-State total.

Potato Stocks April 1, 2017-2018



Quantity of Potatoes Used for Processing — 8 States: 2015-2017

[Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

State and crop year	To December 1	To January 1	To February 1	To March 1	To April 1	To May 1	To June 1	Season
	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)
Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon								
2015.....	26,850	33,115	39,655	46,455	53,710	61,050	68,435	86,250
2016.....	25,720	32,650	39,475	46,880	54,625	61,950	70,110	92,760
2017.....	24,840	31,915	38,950	46,615	54,075			
Maine								
2015.....	1,170	1,590	2,050	2,490	2,980	3,495	4,065	5,724
2016.....	1,260	1,665	2,175	2,660	3,080	3,470	3,825	5,059
2017.....	1,510	1,880	2,370	2,880	3,460			
Washington and Oregon, other ¹								
2015.....	33,955	39,970	46,320	54,455	60,985	67,560	74,285	91,720
2016.....	36,700	42,180	47,835	55,365	62,125	68,705	76,635	90,785
2017.....	32,885	39,925	46,515	54,355	61,780			
Other States ²								
2015.....	8,995	12,515	16,380	20,720	24,550	28,665	33,020	38,742
2016.....	10,035	13,570	17,140	21,005	25,085	28,505	32,385	38,631
2017.....	9,995	14,146	18,040	22,710	26,505			
United States								
2015.....	70,970	87,190	104,405	124,120	142,225	160,770	179,805	222,943
2016.....	73,715	90,065	106,625	125,910	144,915	162,630	182,955	227,235
2017.....	69,230	87,866	105,875	126,560	145,820			
Dehydrated ³								
2015.....	12,155	15,885	19,620	23,560	27,605	31,585	35,645	47,135
2016.....	11,560	15,305	19,085	22,675	26,565	30,545	34,890	46,317
2017.....	10,595	14,304	18,085	21,685	25,790			

¹ Oregon excluding Malheur County.

² Other States include Colorado, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, and Wisconsin.

³ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Includes Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Oregon, and Washington.

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