



# News Release

## Michigan Vegetable Report

Michigan produced 8.05 million hundredweight (cwt) of fresh market vegetables in 2015, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office; a 1 percent decrease from 2014. The value of fresh market vegetables, at the farm level, was \$209.6 million, a 21 percent increase from 2014.

Fresh market vegetable and melon production in the U.S. for the 24 selected fresh market crops estimated in 2015 totaled 400 million hundredweight, down 2 percent from last year. Harvested area covered 1.55 million acres, down 1 percent from 2014. Value of the 2015 crop is estimated at \$11.9 billion, up 11 percent from a year ago. The three largest crops, in terms of production, were onions, head lettuce, and watermelons, which combined accounted for 36 percent of the total production.

U.S. processing production for eight selected vegetables estimated in 2015 totaled 19.4 million tons, up 1 percent from last year. Area harvested is estimated at 1.08 million acres, down 2 percent from a year ago. Processing crop value is estimated at \$2.25 billion, 3 percent below 2014. The three largest crops, in terms of production, are tomatoes, sweet corn, and snap beans, which combined accounted for 93 percent of the total.

### Vegetables: Michigan and U.S., 2014-2015

Item	Michigan				United States			
	Harvested		Production		Harvested		Production	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	Acres	Acres	1,000 cwt	1,000 cwt	Acres	Acres	1,000 cwt	1,000 cwt
<b>Fresh market</b>								
Asparagus <sup>1</sup>	9,000	8,900	220	228	23,800	23,500	743	685
Beans, snap	2,600	2,900	182	212	68,600	71,170	3,720	3,952
Cabbage	3,100	3,300	837	957	59,650	55,920	21,141	20,113
Carrots	1,600	1,500	496	360	74,200	71,550	25,379	24,282
Celery <sup>1</sup>	1,700	1,600	985	930	28,900	30,100	18,393	18,030
Corn, sweet	9,200	9,000	828	927	211,050	229,090	24,649	27,952
Cucumbers	3,400	3,700	680	592	37,570	37,980	6,895	6,725
Onions <sup>2</sup>	2,500	2,400	925	792	93,900	92,500	52,672	51,710
Peppers, bell <sup>1</sup>	1,400	1,400	364	392	44,000	43,800	15,536	16,478
Pumpkins <sup>1</sup>	6,100	5,000	970	770	49,100	40,900	13,019	7,538
Squash <sup>1</sup>	6,000	5,600	1,200	1,114	39,330	38,690	6,017	6,016
Tomatoes	1,900	2,600	466	780	97,600	94,300	27,280	27,026
	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons
<b>Processing</b>								
Beans, snap	(D)	16,000	(D)	71,200	159,070	158,920	681,240	764,900
Carrots	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	11,430	11,020	321,820	294,000
Cucumbers	27,400	29,000	167,140	171,100	84,430	85,110	536,910	533,460
Tomatoes	3,400	3,200	129,200	95,040	306,100	310,600	14,637,300	14,754,350

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

<sup>1</sup> Dual purpose crops. Processing included in fresh market.

<sup>2</sup> Summer storage.