



# Minnesota Ag News – Vegetables Annual Summary

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Minnesota remained in third place in the nation for acres harvested, but fell to fourth place in total production and value of production for the major processing vegetables in 2015, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Vegetables* report. California remained the number one state in all three categories and accounted for 75 percent of the total production of these vegetables.

Minnesota maintained its first place standing for **processing sweet corn** in 2015, producing 761,320 tons, 31 percent of the nation’s total. Harvested acres decreased by 6,200 to 103,200 acres, the lowest harvested acreage since 1980. Yields rose, however, up 8 percent to 7.38 tons per acre. U.S. processing sweet corn production was down 3 percent to 2.49 million tons.

**Green pea** production in Minnesota in 2015 totaled 112,450 tons, up 44 percent from the previous year. This was due to an increase in yield from 1.22 tons/acres in 2014 to 2.32 tons/acre this year. This is the highest yield on record. Harvested acreage, however, fell to 48,500. Minnesota remained the second largest green pea processing state in the nation. Processing pea production in the U.S. rose 13 percent to 411,320 tons.

## Processing Vegetables, Acreage, Yield, Production, and Value – Minnesota and United States: 2014-2015

Crop	Planted		Harvested		Yield per acre		Production		Value				
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	Per ton		Total		
	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(acres)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	
<b>MINNESOTA</b>													
Green Peas	68,600	57,700	64,000	48,500	1.22	2.32	78,150	112,450	567.00	402.00	44,273	45,156	
Sweet corn	116,600	115,500	109,400	103,200	6.85	7.38	749,440	761,320	113.00	96.20	84,805	73,214	
<b>UNITED STATES</b>													
Green Peas	195,700	181,200	187,600	166,200	1.93	2.47	362,860	411,320	367.00	320.00	133,261	131,568	
Sweet corn	325,180	325,100	312,280	307,500	8.22	8.09	2,567,820	2,488,110	113.00	103.00	289,573	255,480	

