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## **New Jersey Principal Vegetables, 2018**

TRENTON, NJ - New Jersey 2018 acres harvested for principal vegetables totaled 36,600 acres up from 35,100 harvested the previous year. Acreage increases came from asparagus, cabbage, eggplant, herbs, kale, parsley, bell peppers, snap beans, summer squash, winter squash, and tomatoes.

Overall production and prices decreased so that value of utilized production decreased from \$194 million to \$182 million in 2018 for these 18 principal crops. Tomatoes and bell peppers led considerably in value of production, accounting for 45 percent of the total. Planted acres in 2018 were 39,400 compared to 36,600 acres planted in 2017. Planted kale acres increased from 700 acres to 1000 acres.

Сгор	Acres Planted	Acres	Yield	Production		Season	Value of Utilized
	Planted	Harvested	per Acre	Total	Utilized	Average Price	Production
Principal Vegetables	acres	acres	cwt	1,000 cwt		\$ per cwt	\$ 1,000
Asparagus	2,200	2,100	33	69.3	69.3	167.00	11,562
Cabbage 2/	1,900	1,700	254	432.0	432.0	17.30	7,470
Collards 2/	900	800	115	92.0	92.0	33.50	3,082
Cucumbers	2,600	2,600	94	244.4	240.7	29.20	7,028
Eggplant 2/	900	800	200	160.0	158.8	37.30	5,968
Escarole & Endive 2/	300	250	180	45.0	45.0	46.90	2,111
Other Herbs 2/ 3/	1,900	1,600	80	128.0	128.0	55.00	7,040
Kale 2/	1,000	1,000	105	105.0	105.0	37.00	3,885
Lettuce, All 2/ 4/	1,500	1,300	160	208.0	208.0	41.10	8,549
Parsley 2/	700	650	156	101.0	101.0	51.10	5,182
Peppers, Bell	3,500	3,400	275	935.0	929.4	42.70	39,726
Pumpkins	2,100	1,700	65	110.5	108.8	38.40	4,178
Snap Beans	2,900	2,700	44	118.8	117.6	50.90	5,986
Spinach	2,200	2,000	115	230.0	230.0	22.70	5,230
Squash, All	4,100	3,500	93	325.5	307.3	27.30	8,387
Squash, Summer 2/	2,700	2,300	107	246.0	246.0	25.30	6,226
Squash, Winter 2/	1,400	1,200	66	79.5	61.3	35.30	2,161
Sweet Corn	6,500	6,400	87	556.8	542.9	25.50	13,868
Tomatoes	4,200	4,100	230	943.0	716.7	59.20	42,411
Total	39,400	36,600	131.3	4,804.3	4,532.5	37.80	181,663
Or Production in tons	acres	acres	tons	tons		\$ per ton	\$ 1,000
Total	39,400	36,600	6.56	240,215	226,625	756.00	181,663

<sup>1/</sup> Preliminary. Principal vegetables included fresh and processing usuage.

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<sup>2/</sup> Not in the Federal Estimating Program, state estimate only.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes arugula, basil, chives, coriandor, cress, fennel, sage, thyme, etc. 4/ Includes head lettuce, Romaine, and all other lettuce.