

Vegetables and Nuts

Chile: Planted chile acreage in 2013 decreased 9 percent to 9,000, with 96 percent of the acres harvested at 8,600 acres. Production came in at 65,000 tons compared to 77,780 the previous year. Most varieties decreased in acreage harvested from the 2012 crop year. Paprika harvested acreage dropped from 4,860 acres in 2012 to 3,400 harvested acres in 2013.

At the state level, yields were lower in 2013 for most varieties. Paprika yield remained consistent at 1.9 tons per acre. Long Mild Green yields were 13.4 tons per acre and Long Hot Green was 12.9 tons per acre. Long Red was 1.6 tons per acre.

The value of New Mexico chile was estimated at \$49.5 million, compared to \$65.4 million in 2012.

2013 Chile: Acreage and Production by District and County

District/County	Planted Acreage			Harvested Acreage			Production (Tons)		
	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013
Luna	3,190	3,000	2,500	3,190	3,000	2,500	33,020	32,740	25,540
Doña Ana	2,500	2,400	2,400	2,050	2,200	2,100	21,610	25,910	20,250
Other Counties	4,310	4,500	4,100	4,260	4,400	4,000	14,220	19,130	19,210
STATE	10,000	9,900	9,000	9,500	9,600	8,600	68,850	77,780	65,000

SOURCE: New Mexico Department of Agriculture

