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## 2012 NEW MEXICO CHILE PRODUCTION

Planted chile acreage in 2012 decreased by 100 acres to 9,900, with 97 percent of the acres harvested at 9,600 acres. Production came in at 77,780 tons compared to 68,850 the previous year. Most varieties saw an increase in acreage harvested from the 2011 crop year. Paprika harvested acreage rose from 4,400 acres in 2011 to 4,860 harvested acres in 2012.

At the state level, yields were higher in 2012 for most varieties. Paprika yield was at 1.9 tons per acre compared to 1.6 in 2011. Long Mild Green yields were 16.2 tons per acre and Long Hot Green was 15.6 tons per acre. Long Red was 1.4 tons per acre.

The value of New Mexico chile was estimated at \$65.4 million, compared to \$46.7 million in 2011.

### 2012 Chile: Acreage and Production by District & County

	Planted Acreage			Harvested Acreage			Production (Tons)		
	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Luna	3,100	3,190	3,000	2,950	2,950	3,000	24,900	33,020	32,740
Doña Ana	2,900	2,500	2,400	2,800	2,800	2,200	25,750	21,610	25,910
Other Counties	3,150	4,310	4,500	2,950	3,750	4,400	15,900	14,220	19,130
<b>STATE</b>	<b>9,150</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>9,900</b>	<b>8,700</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>66,550</b>	<b>68,850</b>	<b>77,780</b>

## Chile Acreage, Yield, Production & Value by Variety

Variety	Acreage Harvested <sup>1/</sup>		Yield Per Acre <sup>2/</sup>		Production		Average Price Per Ton		Value of Production	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
<b>Green</b>			-----Tons-----				-----Dollars-----		-----\$1,000-----	
Long Mild	3,140	2,840	15.3	16.2	47,900	46,000	457	477	21,880	21,950
Long Hot	1,100	1,230	10.0	16.0	10,980	19,620	524	606	5,757	11,893
<b>Red</b>										
Paprika	4,400	4,860	1.6	1.9	6,930	9,200	1,884	2,778	13,054	25,560
Long Hot/Mild	2,110	2,140	1.4	1.4	3,040	2,960	1,983	2,030	6,028	6,010
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>68,850</b>	<b>77,780</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>46,719</b>	<b>65,413</b>

<sup>1/</sup> 1,470 acres were harvested for both green and red, but only counted once in the total.

<sup>2/</sup> Yields influenced by lower yielding acreage harvested for both green and red.

