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NORTH DAKOTA DECEMBER 1 POTATO STOCKS AND ACREAGE BY VARIETY

FARGO, N.D. December 19, 2018 - North Dakota growers, dealers, and processors held 17.0 million cwt of potatoes in storage on December 1, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Current stocks represent 72 percent of the 2018 production. Total stocks are defined as all potatoes on hand, regardless of use, including those that will be lost through future shrinkage and dumping.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service collects variety data in seven States, accounting for 83 percent of the 2018 United States fall potato planted acres. The seven States conduct objective yield surveys where all producing areas are sampled in proportion to planted acreage. Variety data are actual percentages from these surveys.

In North Dakota, the following varieties accounted for 10 percent or more of acres planted in 2018. Russet Burbank variety accounted for 42.7 percent of potato acreage planted. This was followed by Umatillas at 14.8 percent of plantings.

Access the National publication for the Potato Stocks release at:
<https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/47429915b>

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