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Pennsylvania 2015 Vegetable Production Summary

Cabbage production is estimated at 208 thousand cwt, down 2 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 250 cwt, 29 cwt above the 2014 average yield of 221 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 830 acres, down 14 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 4.43 million dollars, up 5 percent from 2014.

Cantaloupes production is estimated at 154 thousand cwt, up 7 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 128 cwt, 8 cwt above the 2014 average yield of 120 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 1,200 acres, unchanged from last year. The value of production totaled 4.81 million dollars, up 19 percent from 2014.

Sweet Corn production is estimated at 623 thousand cwt, down 21 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 67 cwt, 3 cwt below the 2014 average yield of 70 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 9,300 acres, down 18 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 24.0 million dollars, down 16 percent from 2014.

Pumpkins production is estimated at 794 thousand cwt, down 24 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 155 cwt, 25 cwt below the 2014 average yield of 180 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 5,200 acres, down 12 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 14.6 million dollars, down 11 percent from 2014.

Tomatoes production is estimated at 389 thousand cwt, down 6 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield in Pennsylvania is estimated at 177 cwt, 11 cwt above the 2014 average yield of 166 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 2,200 acres, down 12 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 33.2 million dollars, up 22 percent from 2014.

Strawberries for fresh market production is estimated at 34 thousand cwt, up 3 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 57 cwt, 12 cwt above the 2014 average yield of 45 cwt per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 600 acres, down 18 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 7.24 million dollars, up 37 percent from 2014.

Snap Beans for processing production is estimated at 23,330 tons, down 32 percent from the 2014 estimate. The average yield per acre is estimated at 4.40 tons, 1.39 tons above the 2014 average yield of 3.01 tons per acre. Area harvested is estimated at 5,300 acres, down 54 percent from last year. The value of production totaled 7.39 million dollars, down 29 percent from 2014.

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