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2019 U.S. Vegetable Production Down 3 Percent from 2018

In 2019, the Nation's production for the 26 estimated vegetable and melon crops totaled 739 million cwt, 3 percent below 2018 for comparable crops and States. Area harvested in 2019 was 2.38 million acres, a 1 percent reduction from the previous year. In terms of total production, the three largest crops were tomatoes, onions, and sweet corn, which combined accounted for 50 percent of the all vegetables total. The value of utilized production for 2019 vegetable crops was \$14.2 billion, up 12 percent from the previous year. Head lettuce, tomatoes, and onions claimed the highest values, accounting for 32 percent of the utilized value of production when combined.

Florida and Georgia ranked third and fourth, respectively, in value of utilized production nationally and accounted for 12.3 percent of the total value of utilized production. Value of utilized production in Florida totaled \$1.22 billion, up 9 percent from last year. Tomatoes were the leading crop in Florida with a value of \$426 million. Value of utilized production in Georgia totaled \$518 million, up 14 percent from last year. Onions, with a value of \$144 million, were the leading crop in Georgia.

Vegetable Value of Production by Crop — States and United States: 2018 and 2019

| Crop / State | Value of production | | Crop / State | Value of production | |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | | 2018 | 2019 |
| | (1,000 dollars) | (1,000 dollars) | | (1,000 dollars) | (1,000 dollars) |
| Beans, snap | | | Onions | | |
| Florida | 58,702 | 68,866 | Georgia..... | 110,519 | 144,181 |
| Georgia..... | 28,025 | 27,647 | United States | 886,941 | 1,001,986 |
| United States | 351,909 | 303,480 | Peppers, bell | | |
| Cabbage | | | Florida | 180,642 | 234,968 |
| Florida | 62,806 | 58,394 | Georgia..... | 40,110 | 54,467 |
| Georgia..... | 14,845 | 30,723 | United States | 533,307 | 557,660 |
| United States | 408,091 | 518,920 | Squash | | |
| Cantaloupe | | | Florida | (D) | 35,412 |
| Florida | (D) | 8,179 | Georgia..... | (D) | 16,343 |
| Georgia..... | (D) | 21,868 | United States | 192,922 | 219,961 |
| United States | 331,542 | 303,387 | Tomatoes ¹ | | |
| Corn, sweet | | | Florida | 344,131 | 425,912 |
| Florida | 142,920 | 140,883 | United States | 1,863,915 | 1,600,307 |
| Georgia..... | 111,684 | 75,042 | Watermelons | | |
| United States | 864,064 | 652,057 | Florida | 160,866 | 161,539 |
| Cucumbers | | | Georgia..... | 76,438 | 101,216 |
| Florida | 118,524 | 89,277 | South Carolina..... | 17,174 | 16,022 |
| Georgia..... | 35,212 | 46,172 | United States | 663,435 | 560,924 |
| United States | 322,999 | 278,794 | | | |

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Beginning in 2019 grape tomatoes are included in estimates.

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Principal Vegetable Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production — States and United States: 2018 and 2019

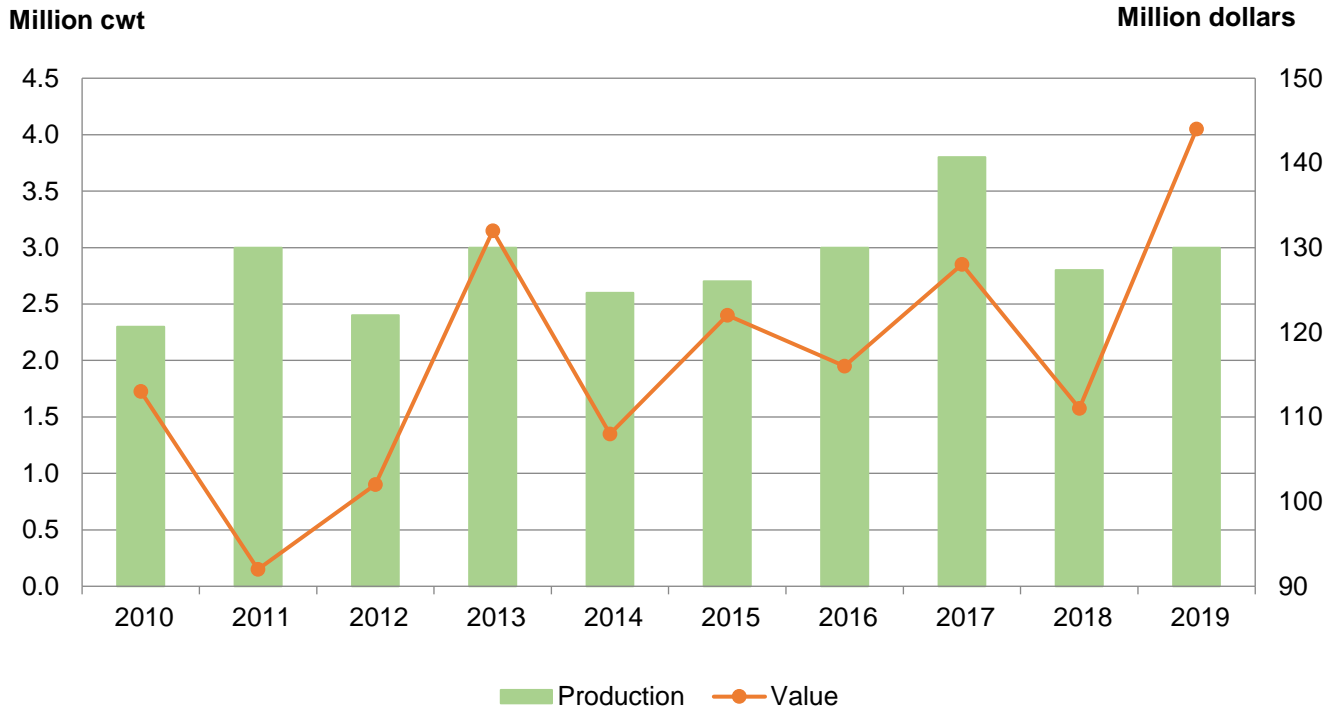
| Crop / State | Area planted | | Area harvested | | Yield per acre | | Production | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------|----------------|---------|----------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 | 2018 | 2019 |
| | (acres) | (acres) | (acres) | (acres) | (cwt) | (cwt) | (1,000 cwt) | (1,000 cwt) |
| Beans, snap | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 29,000 | 27,000 | 27,600 | 26,200 | 50.0 | 67.0 | 1,380.0 | 1,755.4 |
| Georgia..... | 12,200 | 11,000 | 11,900 | 10,200 | 47.0 | 60.0 | 559.3 | 612.0 |
| United States | 226,900 | 196,400 | 213,800 | 189,700 | 79.9 | 87.3 | 17,073.5 | 16,557.1 |
| Cabbage | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 9,300 | 8,500 | 8,900 | 8,200 | 360.0 | 360.0 | 3,204.0 | 2,952.0 |
| Georgia..... | 4,300 | 5,000 | 2,900 | 4,800 | 400.0 | 400.0 | 1,160.0 | 1,920.0 |
| United States | 58,300 | 61,100 | 54,200 | 59,100 | 358.1 | 367.3 | 19,406.5 | 21,706.0 |
| Cantaloupe | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | (D) | 2,400 | (D) | 2,300 | (D) | 210.0 | (D) | 483.0 |
| Georgia..... | (D) | 4,100 | (D) | 4,000 | (D) | 220.0 | (D) | 880.0 |
| United States | 62,300 | 53,500 | 60,700 | 53,100 | 240.6 | 239.4 | 14,607.0 | 12,713.0 |
| Corn, sweet | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 42,000 | 42,000 | 39,700 | 41,000 | 120.0 | 115.0 | 4,764.0 | 4,715.0 |
| Georgia..... | 30,000 | 28,000 | 29,000 | 26,900 | 150.0 | 120.0 | 4,350.0 | 3,228.0 |
| United States | 495,600 | 406,400 | 474,100 | 390,700 | 154.9 | 161.2 | 73,459.7 | 62,966.0 |
| Cucumbers | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 25,000 | 23,000 | 24,900 | 23,000 | 170.0 | 150.0 | 4,233.0 | 3,450.0 |
| Georgia..... | 10,200 | 9,200 | 9,400 | 9,100 | 150.0 | 200.0 | 1,410.0 | 1,820.0 |
| United States | 114,300 | 101,700 | 110,900 | 100,800 | 139.3 | 148.3 | 15,450.4 | 14,944.7 |
| Onions | | | | | | | | |
| Georgia..... | 11,600 | 9,800 | 10,800 | 9,500 | 260.0 | 320.0 | 2,808.0 | 3,040.0 |
| United States | 134,800 | 132,400 | 129,600 | 129,400 | 558.9 | 540.1 | 72,438.0 | 69,892.5 |
| Peppers, bell | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 12,400 | 12,200 | 11,900 | 11,800 | 300.0 | 295.0 | 3,570.0 | 3,481.0 |
| Georgia..... | 3,400 | 3,700 | 3,200 | 3,600 | 265.0 | 310.0 | 848.0 | 1,116.0 |
| United States | 41,600 | 39,200 | 39,700 | 38,300 | 324.8 | 316.8 | 12,895.0 | 12,134.5 |
| Squash | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | (D) | 7,900 | (D) | 7,700 | (D) | 105.0 | (D) | 808.5 |
| Georgia..... | (D) | 3,800 | (D) | 3,700 | (D) | 120.0 | (D) | 444.0 |
| United States | 47,400 | 45,000 | 44,800 | 43,500 | 165.0 | 163.8 | 7,392.5 | 7,125.5 |
| Tomatoes¹ | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 29,000 | 27,000 | 27,000 | 26,000 | 280.0 | 300.0 | 7,560.0 | 7,800.0 |
| United States | 330,800 | 282,000 | 321,900 | 273,700 | 863.8 | 874.7 | 278,071.0 | 239,399.5 |
| Watermelons | | | | | | | | |
| Florida..... | 22,600 | 25,500 | 22,500 | 24,500 | 360.0 | 370.0 | 8,100.0 | 9,065.0 |
| Georgia..... | 23,000 | 22,000 | 20,600 | 21,100 | 260.0 | 390.0 | 5,356.0 | 8,229.0 |
| South Carolina | 4,500 | 5,000 | 4,300 | 4,500 | 230.0 | 320.0 | 989.0 | 1,440.0 |
| United States | 116,800 | 106,100 | 112,000 | 101,800 | 351.3 | 363.9 | 39,345.0 | 37,049.0 |

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Georgia Onion Production and Value: 2010-2019



Florida Tomato Production and Value: 2010-2019

