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Processing of 2011 Potato Crop up 28 percent from Last Year

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon have used 41.8 million cwt of 2011 crop raw potatoes to February 1, an increase of 28 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 36.2 million cwt of the total processed, up 29 percent from last year. The remaining 5.62 million cwt were produced in other states. Processing in Idaho and Malheur County during December and January totaled 13.7 million cwt, an increase of 18 percent from the same period last year.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 106 million cwt of potatoes this season, up 15 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 20.9 million cwt of the total processing, up 53 percent from last year.

Potatoes Used for Processing, Selected States, 2009 - 2011 Crops 1/

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STATE	STORAGE SEASON	TO OCT 1	TO NOV 1	TO DEC 1	TO JAN 1	TO FEB 1	TO MAR 1	TO APR 1	TO MAY 1	TO JUNE 1	ENTIRE SEASON
		1,000 Cwt									
ID & Malheur Co, OR All Potatoes	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12	9,860 7,560 13,030	16,950 14,620 20,520	23,110 21,040 28,060	29,180 26,840 34,800	35,170 32,700 41,800	42,050 39,240	49,200 46,180	56,100 52,830	62,930 59,440	79,400 70,050
Idaho Potatoes	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12	6,360 4,490 8,870	12,380 10,450 15,740	18,300 16,510 23,020	24,170 22,140 29,440	29,960 28,000 36,180	36,570 34,270	43,430 40,340	49,640 45,930	55,700 52,010	71,500 62,500
Maine 2/	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12			1,575 1,860 1,860	2,060 2,390 2,365	2,680 3,000 3,070	3,265 3,620	3,915 4,320	4,550 4,980	5,260 5,645	7,160 7,490
WA & Other Area, OR	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12	13,590 14,170 16,390	19,045 20,850 24,210	25,395 27,670 31,745	31,245 33,570 38,160	36,530 38,815 44,465	43,780 46,700	50,130 53,660	56,700 60,145	64,805 67,655	75,690 77,940
Other States 3/	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12			10,865 11,820 11,215	13,565 14,785 13,650	16,305 17,435 16,330	18,995 20,370	21,600 23,215	24,355 25,775	27,375 28,690	34,240 35,430
Total	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12			60,945 62,390 72,880	76,050 77,585 88,975	90,685 91,950 105,665	108,090 109,930	124,845 127,375	141,705 143,730	160,370 161,430	196,490 190,910
Dehydrated 4/	2009-10 2010-11 2011-12			10,985 7,960 13,375	14,035 10,795 16,845	17,150 13,645 20,860	19,895 16,485	23,155 19,415	26,630 22,740	30,045 25,855	38,915 32,700

1/ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities used for

potato chips in ME and WI. 2/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only. 3/ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

^{4/} Dehydrated products except starch and flour; included in above totals; Includes CO, ID, NV, OR, and WA.

Idaho Potato Stocks up 8 Percent from Last Year

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on February 1 totaled 67.5 million cwt, 5.0 million cwt more than on hand February 1, 2011. Disappearance, at 59.6 million cwt is up 18 percent from last year's 50.5 million cwt.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 187 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2012, up 4 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 49 percent of the 2011 fall storage States' production, one percentage point below February 1, 2011. Potato disappearance, at 193 million cwt, was 9 percent above February 1, 2011. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 19.3 million cwt, was up 16 percent from the same date in 2011.

Fall Potatoes Production & Stocks, Crop Years 2006 - 2011, Idaho & 13 Fall States Total 1/

CROR		TOTAL STOCKS								
CROP YEAR I	PRODUCTION	DEC 1	FOLLOWING YEAR							
			JAN 1	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 1	MAY 1	JUN 1		
		<u>1,000 Cwt</u>								
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2006	128,915	90,000	80,000	70,000	59,500	46,500	33,000	21,000		
2007	130,010	92,000	82,000	71,500	60,500	49,000	35,000	23,000		
2008	116,475	85,000	75,500	66,000	56,500	45,000	32,500	21,000		
2009	132,500	98,000	88,500	78,500	67,500	53,000	38,500	25,500		
2010	112,970	81,000	72,000	62,500	53,000	41,000	28,500	17,500		
2011 2/	127,070	88,000		67,500						
13 States 1/										
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460		
2007	397,753	265,500	232,300	199,300	163,400	125,500	83,960	50,420		
2008	369,866	243,700	213,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300		
2009	383,962	265,800	234,300	203,500	169,700	128,700	89,610	55,120		
2010	357,191	240,200	209,400	180,300	148,500	111,000	72,000	41,320		
2011 2/	379,916	250,000		186,900						

1/ See table below for listing of 13 states.

Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on February 1, 2011 and February 1, 2012 1/

STATE	21000	CROP OF 2010		CROP OF 2011			
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2011	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2012	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	
	1,000 Cwt		<u>Percent</u>	1,000 Cwt		Percent	
California	2,828	1,200	42	4,128	1,700	41	
Colorado	21,528	11,400	53	21,291	11,800	55	
Idaho	112,970	62,500	55	127,070	67,500	53	
Maine	15,892	9,300	59	14,310	7,300	51	
Michigan	15,660	5,900	38	15,180	4,700	31	
Minnesota	17,010	7,700	45	16,685	8,300	50	
Montana	3,673	3,300	90	3,795	3,500	92	
Nebraska	7,719	3,400	44	7,800	3,600	46	
New York	5,120	1,500	29	4,050	1,200	30	
North Dakota	22,000	10,300	47	18,865	9,300	49	
Oregon	20,058	12,700	63	23,342	13,000	56	
Washington	88,440	40,600	46	98,400	44,000	45	
Wisconsin	24,293	10,500	43	25,000	11,000	44	
13 STATES	357,191	180,300	50	379,916	186,900	49	
Klamath Basin 2/		2,500			3,600		

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2011 totaled 23.6 million cwt.

^{2/} January 1, March 1, and May 1 stocks estimates discontinued for 2011 crop.

^{2/} Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR.