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Processing of 2012 Potato Crop Down 3 Percent from Last Year

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon have used 40.8 million cwt of 2012 crop raw potatoes to February 1, a decrease of 3 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 35.7 million cwt of the total processed, down 1 percent from last year. The remaining 5.04 million cwt were produced in other states. Processing in Idaho and Malheur County during December and January totaled 13.5 million cwt, a decrease of 2 percent from the same period last year.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 107 million cwt of potatoes this season, down 2 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 20.8 million cwt of the total processing, virtually unchanged from last year.

Potatoes Used for Processing, Selected States, 2010 – 2012 Crops 1/

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	2010-11	7,560	14,620	21,040	26,840	32,700	39,240	46,180	52,830	59,440	70,050
	2011-12	13,030	20,520	28,060	34,800	41,800	49,460	56,680	63,800	71,510	84,780
	2012-13	12,090	20,080	27,260	33,870	40,750					
Idaho Potatoes	2010-11	4,490	10,450	16,510	22,140	28,000	34,270	40,340	45,930	52,010	62,500
	2011-12	8,870	15,740	23,020	29,440	36,180	43,410	50,240	56,240	63,280	75,640
	2012-13	8,520	15,690	22,590	29,020	35,710					
Maine 3/	2010-11			1,860	2,390	3,000	3,620	4,320	4,980	5,645	7,490
	2011-12			1,860	2,380	3,095	3,695	4,360	4,940	5,345	6,790
	2012-13			1,735	2,215	2,875					
WA & Other Area, OR	2010-11	14,170	20,850	27,670	33,570	38,815	46,700	53,660	60,145	67,655	77,940
	2011-12	16,395	24,215	31,750	38,165	44,475	51,630	58,515	65,320	73,040	84,105
	2012-13	16,180	23,255	30,590	37,030	43,120					
Other States 4/	2010-11			11,820	14,785	17,435	20,370	23,215	25,775	28,690	35,430
	2011-12			14,205	16,770	19,525	21,930	24,910	27,230	29,960	36,200
	2012-13			14,305	16,770	19,795					
Total	2010-11			62,390	77,585	91,950	109,930	127,375	143,730	161,430	190,910
	2011-12			75,875	92,115	108,895	126,715	144,465	161,290	179,855	211,875
	2012-13			73,890	89,885	106,540					
Dehydrated 5/	2010-11			7,960	10,795	13,645	16,485	19,415	22,740	25,855	32,700
	2011-12			13,375	16,845	20,875	24,410	28,070	31,533	35,310	42,585
	2012-13			13,350	16,765	20,845					

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/ Processing data to December 1 and to January 1 revised.

3/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

4/ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI.

5/ Dehydrated products except starch and flour; included in above totals; Includes CO, ID, NV, OR, WA and WI.

Idaho Potato Stocks Up 16 Percent from Last Year

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on February 1 totaled 80.5 million cwt, 11.0 million cwt more than on hand February 1, 2012. Disappearance, at 62.7 million cwt is up 6 percent from last year's 59.3 million cwt.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 214 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2013, up 14 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 52 percent of the 2012 fall storage States' production, up 3 percent from the previous year. Potato disappearance, at 199 million cwt, was 2 percent above February 1, 2012. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 18.9 million cwt, was up slightly from the same date in 2012.

Fall Potatoes Production & Stocks, Crop Years 2007 - 2012, Idaho & 13 Fall States Total 1/

CROP YEAR	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS						
		DEC 1	FOLLOWING YEAR					
			JAN 1	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 1	MAY 1	JUN 1
1,000 Cwt								
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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/	128,760	90,000		69,500		46,000		19,500
2012	143,240	101,000		80,500				
13 States 1/								
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/	381,928	253,000		187,500		115,650		43,340
2012	412,831	279,515		214,000				

1/ See table below for listing of 13 states.

2/ January 1, March 1, and May 1 stocks estimates discontinued beginning with 2011 crop.

Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on February 1, 2012 and February 1, 2013 1/

STATE	CROP OF 2011			CROP OF 2012		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2012	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2013	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	1,000 Cwt		Percent	1,000 Cwt		Percent
California	4,312	1,700	39	4,312	1,500	35
Colorado	21,291	11,800	55	21,021	11,500	55
Idaho	128,760	69,500	54	143,240	80,500	56
Maine	14,310	7,400	52	15,675	9,700	62
Michigan	15,180	4,700	31	15,925	5,700	36
Minnesota	16,685	7,800	47	18,800	9,500	51
Montana	3,795	3,400	90	3,744	3,600	96
Nebraska	7,800	3,600	46	10,146	5,400	53
New York	4,050	1,000	25	4,703	1,200	26
North Dakota	18,865	8,900	47	25,200	12,700	50
Oregon	23,342	12,900	55	23,045	13,400	58
Washington	97,600	43,000	44	97,580	44,500	46
Wisconsin	25,938	11,800	45	29,440	14,800	50
13 STATES	381,928	187,500	49	412,831	214,000	52
Klamath Basin 2/		3,600			2,800	

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/ Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR.