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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	START AND 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	YTD SEASON
1,000 Cwt											
ID & Malheur Co, OR All Potatoes 2/	2010-11	7,590	13,620	21,970	28,870	42,700	49,270	56,180	62,830	69,170	79,090
	2011-12	15,090	20,520	26,950	31,800	41,800	49,360	56,680	63,800	71,310	81,780
	2012-13	17,090	20,090	27,590	33,870	40,550					
Idaho Potatoes 2/	2010-11	4,490	10,450	16,510	22,140	30,680	34,770	40,340	45,930	51,010	60,530
	2011-12	8,870	15,740	23,070	29,440	36,180	43,410	50,540	56,240	63,780	75,640
	2012-13	9,520	15,950	22,590	29,020	35,710					
Maine 3/	2010-11			1,080	2,390	3,080	3,520	4,320	4,980	5,640	7,490
	2011-12			1,890	2,680	3,690	4,260	5,090	5,910	6,730	9,790
	2012-13			1,740	2,210	2,870					
WA & Other Area, OR	2010-11	11,170	20,850	27,670	35,970	48,210	58,000	62,890	69,190	87,650	77,970
	2011-12	16,390	24,210	31,750	38,100	44,470	51,890	58,510	65,320	73,040	84,120
	2012-13	16,180	23,250	30,590	37,090	45,320					
Other States 4/	2010-11			11,820	14,780	17,430	20,370	23,210	25,770	28,690	35,490
	2011-12			14,910	18,770	24,110	29,990	34,610	37,530	40,950	55,950
	2012-13			14,310	18,770	24,940					
Total	2010-11			62,390	77,500	91,950	108,920	127,370	143,730	161,450	190,910
	2011-12			79,870	92,110	108,850	128,710	149,160	161,290	178,850	211,870
	2012-13			73,870	89,880	109,910					
Dehydrated 5/	2010-11			7,980	10,790	15,610	18,780	20,110	22,740	25,850	32,730
	2011-12			13,370	16,940	20,870	24,410	26,070	28,530	31,310	42,580
	2012-13			13,350	17,050	20,840					

1/ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount includes quantities used for potato chips in ME and WI.

2/ Processing data to the value 1 and to January 1 included.

3/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

4/ CO, MI, NY, 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 159 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	62,500	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	163,100	125,500	83,900	50,120
2008	369,856	245,100	215,200	183,900	152,700	115,800	78,100	45,300
2009	383,962	265,800	234,500	203,500	169,700	128,700	89,810	55,120
2010	357,191	240,200	209,400	180,900	148,500	111,000	72,000	41,320
2011 2/	381,928	253,000		187,500		115,600		47,140
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 2013		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS	FEBRUARY 1	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS	FEBRUARY 1
		FEBRUARY 1, 2012	STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION		FEBRUARY 1, 2013	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	21,071	11,500	55
Idaho	128,760	69,500	54	143,240	80,500	56
Maine	14,310	7,400	52	15,675	8,700	62
Michigan	13,180	4,700	31	13,913	5,700	36
Minnesota	16,683	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	10,196	5,100	53
New York	4,050	1,000	25	4,703	1,200	26
North Dakota	18,865	8,900	47	23,200	12,700	50
Oregon	23,342	12,900	55	23,015	13,100	58
Washington	97,600	43,000	41	97,580	41,500	46
Wisconsin	25,038	11,800	45	29,440	14,800	50
13 STATES	381,928	187,500	49	412,831	211,000	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 25.6 million cwt.

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