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Processing during November Up 17 Percent from Last Year

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon used 7.54 million cwt of raw potatoes during November, an increase of 17 percent from last November. Accumulated processing of 2011 crop raw potatoes to December 1 was 28.1 million cwt, up 33 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 23.0 million cwt of the total processed, up 39 percent from last year. The remaining 5.04 million cwt were produced in other states.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 73.0 million cwt of potatoes this season, up 17 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 13.4 million cwt of the total processing, up 68 percent from last year.

Potatoes Used for Processing, Selected States, 2009 – 2011 Crops¹

STATE	SEASON NUMBER	CWT										SEASON NUMBER
		OCT. 1	NOV. 1	DEC. 1	JAN. 1	FEB. 1	MAR. 1	APR. 1	MAY. 1	JUN. 1	JULY. 1	
(000 CWT)												
ID & Malheur Co., OR	2009-10	9,360	16,910	24,310	29,180	33,170	47,650	49,300	36,300	67,750	79,400	
All Potatoes	2010-11	7,560	14,520	21,040	26,840	32,700	39,240	46,180	52,820	59,440	70,050	
Malheur Potatoes ²	2009-10	6,360	12,380	18,300	24,170	29,560	34,520	43,430	46,440	55,700	71,500	
2010-11	4,890	10,150	16,010	22,140	28,000	31,270	39,340	40,930	52,010	62,300		
2011-12	8,870	15,710	23,020									
Maine ³	2009-10			1,575	2,060	2,680	3,265	3,915	4,330	5,260	7,160	
2010-11				1,860	2,390	3,000	3,670	4,370	4,580	5,645	7,460	
2011-12				1,895								
WA & Other Area, OR	2009-10	13,590	19,010	20,395	31,215	36,030	43,780	30,130	36,400	61,800	75,690	
2010-11		14,170	20,830	27,670	33,370	38,915	46,700	33,680	40,145	67,655	77,540	
2011-12		16,390	21,130	31,715								
Other States ⁴	2009-10			10,365	13,565	16,405	18,945	27,600	31,315	37,575	44,740	
2010-11				11,820	14,785	17,435	20,370	25,215	25,775	28,890	35,430	
2011-12				11,770								
Total	2009-10			63,945	76,050	90,685	108,000	174,845	141,305	160,120	196,400	
2010-11				62,390	77,385	91,930	109,500	127,375	111,730	161,120	190,510	
2011-12				72,955								
Dehydrated ⁵	2009-10			10,985	14,085	17,130	16,805	29,155	26,690	30,045	38,515	
2010-11				7,860	10,795	13,645	16,485	19,415	21,240	23,855	37,500	
2011-12				13,275								

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 VT.

² Previous data in October 1 and in November 1 revised.

³ Includes Maine-grown potatoes only.

⁴ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WY.

⁵ Dehydrated products except starch and flour, included in above totals, includes CO, HI, NV, OR, and WA.

Idaho Potato Stocks Up 9 Percent from Last Year

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on December 1 totaled 88.0 million cwt, 7.0 million cwt more than on hand December 1, 2010. Disappearance, at 39.1 million cwt is up 22 percent from last year's 32.0 million cwt.

Nationally, 13 major potato States held 250 million cwt of potatoes in storage December 1, 2011, up 4 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 66 percent of the 2011 fall storage States' production, one percentage point below December 1, 2010. Potato disappearance, at 129 million cwt, was 10 percent above December 1, 2010. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 13.5 million cwt, was up 6 percent from the same date in 2010.

Fall Potatoes Production & Stocks, Crop Years 2006–2011, 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	
			1,000 Cwt.					
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2006	128,915	90,000	89,000	70,000	59,000	46,000	33,000	21,000
2007	130,610	92,000	82,000	71,000	60,000	49,000	35,000	21,000
2008	116,475	85,000	75,000	66,000	56,000	45,000	32,000	21,000
2009	132,500	98,000	88,000	78,000	67,000	53,000	38,000	25,000
2010	119,970	81,000	72,000	62,000	53,000	41,000	28,000	17,000
2011	127,670	98,000						
13 States^{2/}								
2006	389,327	238,000	225,000	192,000	159,000	120,000	79,000	51,000
2007	397,733	265,000	251,000	199,000	163,000	121,000	83,960	50,420
2008	349,866	243,700	211,700	181,900	157,700	115,800	78,100	41,300
2009	393,362	266,000	234,000	203,000	169,000	128,700	89,610	55,120
2010	357,191	240,200	209,400	190,300	148,000	111,000	72,000	41,320
2011	378,785	249,000						

^{1/}See table below for listing of 13 states.

Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on December 1, 2010 and December 1, 2011^{1/}

STATE	DECEMBER 1, 2010			DECEMBER 1, 2011		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS DECEMBER 1, 2010	PERCENTAGE OF STOCKS AS A PERCENT OF PRODUCTION	ADDITION	TOTAL STOCKS DECEMBER 1, 2011	PERCENTAGE OF STOCKS AS A PERCENT OF PRODUCTION
		1,000 Cwt.	Percent		1,000 Cwt.	Percent
California	2,628	1,900	67	4,128	2,500	61
Colorado	21,528	15,000	72	21,291	15,400	72
Idaho	111,970	81,000	72	122,670	88,000	69
Maine	11,893	12,500	77	14,170	10,000	75
Michigan	11,660	9,000	59	12,620	8,000	57
Minnesota	11,010	10,000	62	11,370	10,000	60
Mississippi	3,072	3,000	98	3,276	3,000	98
Montana	7,719	4,000	53	7,800	4,000	53
New York	5,120	2,000	49	4,650	2,100	52
North Dakota	22,000	14,000	64	18,480	12,000	68
Oregon	20,058	16,000	82	21,342	17,000	77
Washington	33,440	32,000	97	35,300	37,000	98
Wisconsin	34,391	16,000	46	34,688	16,000	46
13 STATES	357,191	240,200	67	375,785	249,000	66
Klamath Basin^{2/}		4,000			5,700	

^{1/}Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all varieties in 2010 totaled 22.5 million cwt.

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