

THE Vegetable SITUATION

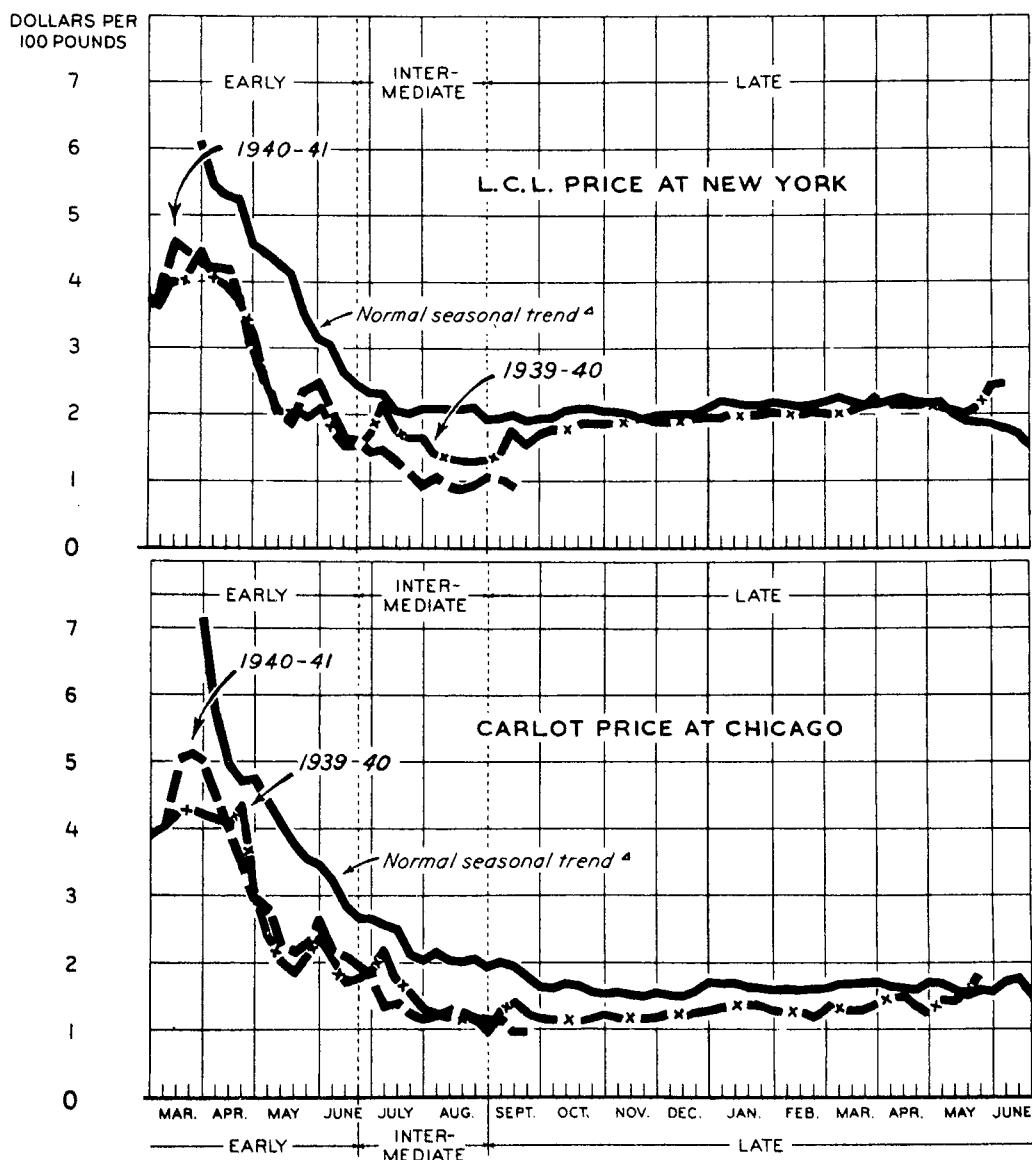
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POTATOES, U.S. NO. 1: PRICES AT NEW YORK AND CHICAGO,
NORMAL SEASONAL TREND, AND 1939 TO DATE *



* EXCLUDING IMPORTANT WESTERN VARIETIES
^a ARITHMETIC MEAN OF THE SIX MIDDLE PRICES FOR EACH WEEK OF THE 10-YEAR PERIOD, 1921-30

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Summary

Supplies of potatoes, dry edible beans, and many truck crops for market for the winter marketing period are indicated to be larger than a year earlier, but those of sweetpotatoes and most canned vegetables probably will be smaller.

Prospects for the late potato crop improved somewhat during August, and the estimate was increased 8 million bushels as of September 1. It is also about 8 million bushels larger than the 1939 late crop. Partly because of this improvement in the late crop prospect and partly because of an increase in marketings, prices of important varieties declined during recent weeks. The outlook for 1941 is for some expansion in the fall and early acreage to be planted in the Southern States.

The crop prospect for sweetpotatoes was improved slightly during August, but production is still indicated to be somewhat smaller than that of last season. Market prices declined seasonally during recent weeks.

Supplies of dry edible beans this season probably will be somewhat larger than the relatively large supply available last season. The carry-over is now indicated to be about as large as a year earlier but the crop is about 1.1 million bags larger.

Production of many of the late truck crops for market is substantially larger this season than last and is expected to provide ample market supplies for the fall months. Only the output of late onions, green peas, and tomatoes is indicated to be smaller than that of last season. Adequate quantities of such storage crops as cabbage, carrots, celery, and onions are in prospect. Also the outlook is for some expansion in the fall plantings of most of the

truck crops grown in the Southern States for the early winter market.

Because of smaller yields per acre than a year earlier, the production of truck crops for processing is not much larger than in 1939, despite an increase in the planted acreage. A slight increase in the total pack is in prospect, but this increase will be more than offset by a decreased carry-over.

- September 30, 1940

POTATOES

The late potato crop made some improvement during August and was reported as of September 1 at 298 million bushels. The crop is 8 million bushels larger than that of 1939 and 2.6 million larger than the 10-year (1929-38) average. As compared with production in 1939, the crop this season is nearly 9 million bushels larger in the 8 Eastern late States, and about 4 million bushels larger in the 10 Central States. It is about 5 million bushels smaller in the 12 Western States. Market supplies for the fall and winter months, therefore, probably will be larger than a year earlier in the east, and about the same in the Central and Western States.

For the spring months supplies will depend upon the quantity of late crop potatoes held in storage about April 1 and upon the size of the 1941 early crop. The first part of the spring supply will depend largely upon the rate of marketings of the 1940 late crop between now and April 1.

With regard to the early crop, the first harvest of which is marketed during the winter months, the outlook is for a somewhat larger planted acreage. In South Florida, where the acreage has increased sharply in recent years, growers received an average of \$1.35 per bushel for last year's crop as compared with \$1.25 the previous year and 70 cents for the crop of 2 years earlier. These higher prices are the result of a decreased production occasioned by low yields, a situation that should be given consideration in planning 1941 production. A fall and winter acreage of potatoes like that grown in 1939 and 1940 with average yields would result in a crop somewhat larger than the 1,138,000 bushels produced in 1940.

In the North Florida-Lower Valley of Texas area yields were unusually high in 1940; and with a slightly increased acreage, this resulted in a very large spring production. Prices to growers averaged only 96 cents per bushel compared with \$1.11 a year earlier. In the North Florida section a shift to higher yielding varieties has resulted in increased total returns. It is probable, therefore, that there will be some increase in plantings in this area in 1941 despite the lower prices received for the 1940 crop.

In the second section of early commercial States, which includes the Gulf Coast States and California, prices for the 1940 crop averaged 75 cents per bushel compared with 58 cents in 1939 and 56 cents in 1938. Yields in

this area in 1940 were lower than in 1939, and resulted in a slightly smaller crop despite an increased acreage. This situation should be given consideration in planning acreage in 1941.

Although the acreage of commercial potatoes in the second early and intermediate groups of States was reduced slightly in 1940 from that in 1939, higher yields per acre resulted in a somewhat expanded production. This larger output resulted in lower prices in 1940 compared with the previous season, and probably will cause growers to reduce plantings further in 1941. Both acreage and production in some of these States have been declining in recent years as a result of increasing competition from other areas and declining prices.

In summary, it appears that the market supply of potatoes available for the next 6 to 9 months will be somewhat larger than that available last season. Offsetting the increased supply to some extent is the prospect that consumer purchasing power will be higher than in the 1939-40 season.

SWEETPOTATOES

Prospects for the 1940 sweetpotato crop increased slightly during August, and a crop of 66.9 million bushels was indicated as of September 1. The crop is about 5.8 million bushels smaller than the 1939 crop, which was about equal to the 10-year (1929-38) average. Present prospects point to smaller market supplies this season as compared with a year earlier in important Atlantic Coast and South Central States, but to slightly larger supplies in the North Central States and in California.

Smaller marketings this season to date together with the smaller crop prospect have resulted in higher market prices than a year earlier. Prices declined seasonally, however, during recent weeks. The seasonal low level or prices is usually reached in late October when the bulk of the crop is being harvested. A part of the crop is usually stored for marketing during the winter and spring months when the price trend is upward.

The outlook for 1941 is for a slight increase in plantings. In the cotton-growing States the sweetpotato acreage probably will show little change from that planted in 1940, but in the commercial areas it is likely that the acreage will be increased slightly because of the higher prices prevailing in the current season.

DRY EDIBLE BEANS

The prospect for dry edible beans improved somewhat during August, and resulted in an increased crop indication for September 1. The total crop is indicated to be 15.1 million bags (100 pounds), or 1.1 million bags more than were produced in 1939. Present prospects point to a pea bean crop somewhat smaller than that of a year earlier, but to larger crops of Great Northern, Pintos, and some important commercial classes produced in California.

Although no definite information concerning the carry-over of dry beans for the country as a whole is yet available, apparently it is larger than anticipated some months ago. It appears that the carry-over as of September 1,

1940 was almost as large as the 3.2 million bags (revised estimate) available in 1939. Recent reports indicate that there is an unusually large carry-over of the Pinto, Cranberry, and Red Kidney varieties this season. The carry-over of Great Northern and pea beans is also large, whereas there is a reduced carry-over of the miscellaneous varieties in California.

If the carry-over this season is about as large as a year earlier, the total supply of beans for the 1940-41 season is about 18.3 million bags as compared with 17.2 million last year. Exports of beans in the season just closed (totaling close to 800,000 bags) were the largest since 1920-21, and together with shipments to United States territories make a total movement out of the country of about 1.2 million bags. Disappearance within the United States totaled about 12.8 million bags as compared with 13.3 million in 1938-39.

Market prices of beans generally declined slightly during August but recovered most of the loss in September. New York City wholesale prices of pea beans declined from \$3.82 per bag in July to \$3.60 in August but were quoted at \$3.90 in late September. Red Kidneys dropped from \$4.60 to \$4.50 and then advanced to \$5.00 per 100 pound bags. Prices of Pintos at Colorado shipping points declined from \$3.30 in July to \$2.82 in August but bounded back to \$3.15 in late September; Great Northerns at Idaho shipping points dropped from \$2.82 to \$2.48 during the July-August period and then came back to around \$2.68 in September. In California the recent price decline started later and continued through most of September. Bean prices in late September were generally below the relatively high levels reached in September 1939 following the outbreak of war in Europe.

TRUCK CROPS

Snap Beans: Production of snap beans in the second section of late States (Maryland, New Jersey, and Virginia) is indicated to total 982,000 bushels, or about 15 percent more than was produced in this area in 1939. This large crop following a sharply increased production in the first group of late States just preceding in the marketing of the crop has caused market prices to decline sharply. Shipments from the large first late crop are still going forward, as are those from the market garden areas. Also a sizeable crop is yet to come from a third late group composed of California, Louisiana, Mississippi, and the Carolinas. Supplies of snap beans from the Northern late States will be available until frost, and then the source will shift to the Southern States. It is apparent that there will be ample market supplies available until the new fall crops are available. Plantings in Florida, the first of the new crop areas to come into production, were light up to mid-September because of unfavorable weather, but the prospect is for a heavy planting by the latter part of the month. Growers received relatively high prices for the fall and early crops of snap beans last season, largely because of reduced production occasioned by low temperatures, and it is probable that plantings in all these areas will be increased materially in 1941. If yields are about equal to the average of recent years, increased plantings are likely to result in greatly increased market supplies during the first half of 1941 as compared with those in the first half of 1940.

Cabbage: Production of late Danish or storage type cabbage is indicated to total 272,700 tons this season compared with 240,400 tons produced in 1939.

Prospects for the late domestic crop declined slightly during August. The crop is indicated to total 371,600 tons as of September 1 compared with 297,900 tons in 1939. These two crops indicate that the market supply of cabbage will be plentiful during the fall and winter months. Market prices in late September averaged substantially below those of a year earlier as a result of these large supplies. The acreage planted to fall cabbage in the Norfolk district of Virginia and in the Carolinas is indicated to total 2,270 acres, or slightly less than a year earlier. Prices received for the crop in the early States, California, Florida, and Texas, in 1940 averaged slightly higher than those received in 1939, and it is probable that plantings in 1941 will be expanded somewhat. Production in these fall and early States competes directly with the stored portion of the late Danish crop. Plantings in the second early States may be decreased slightly in 1941, since prices last spring were somewhat lower than in 1939.

Carrots: Production in the late Northern States is indicated to total 3,072,000 bushels this season compared with 2,861,000 bushels in 1939. This crop is the principal source of market supplies during the fall months and a portion is usually stored for the winter months. California also has a fall crop of carrots which will begin to move to market in October. Because of the relatively low prices received for both the fall and early (Arizona and Texas) crops last season, it is probable that there will be slight reductions in plantings for the new season.

Cauliflower: The crop in the first section late States improved slightly during August, and was indicated to total 2,558,000 crates as of September 1. This is about 12 percent more than was produced in this area in 1939 and about 48 percent greater than the 10-year (1929-38) average production. In the Long Island area of New York the acreage planted to cauliflower this season is increased about 5 percent, but unless yields are equal to the unusually high yields of the previous season, the crop will not be as large as in 1939.

Growers received slightly higher prices for the fall and winter and the early cauliflower crops in 1940 as compared with 1939. It is probable, therefore, that the acreage planted in these areas for 1941 will be expanded slightly.

Celery: Production of celery in the first section of late States (Colorado, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Oregon, and Pennsylvania) totals 4,172,000 crates this season compared with 3,543,000 crates in 1939. The marketing of this large crop has caused prices to decline in recent weeks, but in mid-September they averaged slightly higher than those of a year earlier. A second late crop in Idaho, Indiana, New Jersey, Utah, and Washington has been planted. The acreage this season is slightly smaller than that of a year ago, but if yields are equal to the average of the last 10 years production will be as large as in 1939. It is probable, therefore, that there will be ample market supplies of celery for the fall months.

The new fall crop in California has been planted, and because of the lower prices received for this crop last season, the acreage was reduced to 8,400 acres from 8,850 acres the previous year. In both the early

and second early celery States, however, prices received for the 1940 crop were somewhat higher than those of the previous year and these improved prices probably will result in some expansion of acreage in these areas in 1941.

Green Peas: Production of green peas in the third section of late States (Arizona, California, and New Mexico) is indicated to total 1,116,000 bushels this season, or slightly less than the 1,215,000 bushels produced in this area in 1939. The marketing of this crop is in full swing. Market prices have risen in recent weeks and in late September averaged somewhat higher than a year earlier. This higher level of prices is a direct result of the smaller supplies available.

Tomatoes: The late crop of tomatoes in the southern district of California is indicated to total only 765,000 bushels this season compared with 1,095,000 bushels a year earlier. The estimate of the crop in the first section of late States was also reduced as of September 1 from that indicated a month earlier, so that the total supply of late tomatoes this season is about 10 percent smaller than in 1939. This smaller supply together with seasonal factors has resulted in a fairly sharp rise in eastern market prices during recent weeks.

Rains have necessitated replanting low fields of fall tomatoes in certain sections of Florida. Tomato producers received relatively low prices for the fall crop last season, and this may retard acreage expansion somewhat. The fall acreage has increased sharply during recent years. Because of freeze damage in late January 1940, prices for the early tomato crops were somewhat higher than the year before. These higher prices are likely to result in increased plantings in 1941. The acreage for harvest in the first section of early States, particularly, will be increased since there were heavy losses of acreage in 1940 from freeze damage.

TRUCK CROPS FOR PROCESSING

Although the acreage planted to the important processing vegetables in 1940 was about 15 percent larger than that planted in 1939, production is indicated to be about the same as a year earlier. Yields of most of these vegetables except green peas and beets have been disappointing this season. Production of snap beans, beets, cabbage for kraut, sweet corn, green peas, and spinach is indicated to be larger than a year earlier, but that of lima beans, pimientos, and tomatoes is smaller. On the basis of these production indications, the total pack of canned vegetables probably will be about 8 percent larger than the 95 million cases packed in 1939. Because of a sharp reduction in the carry-over this season, however, the total supply probably will be about 5 percent smaller than the 120 million cases available in 1939 but will be about 6 percent larger than total disappearance in 1939-40. The supply of green peas, the marketing of which began in June, is unusually large, but the supply of the other canned vegetables, except asparagus, will be generally smaller.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield per acre and production,
average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group and State	Acreage			Production			Price per bushel 1/		
	10-year:		1940	10-year:		Indicated	10-year:		Indicated
	av.	1939	1940	av.	1939	cated	av.	1939	cated
	: 1929-38:	: :	:	: 1929-38:	: :	: 1940	: 1929-38:	: :	: 1940
					1,000	1,000	1,000		
	: Acres	Acres	Acres	bu.	bu.	bu.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Fall and winter 2/ :									
Florida, south ...:	6,700	11,300	11,200	797	1,582	1,008	1.47	1.25	1.35
Texas	2,700	2,700	2,600	121	108	130	1.08	.95	1.35
Total	9,400	14,000	13,800	918	1,690	1,138	1.26	1.23	1.35
Early (1) :									
Florida, north ...:	18,800	15,400	14,400	2,037	1,653	2,992	1.18	1.01	.91
Hastings	16,100	13,000	12,000	1,736	1,365	2,640	1.22	1.10	.90
La Crosse	2,100	1,600	1,600	231	208	272	1.08	.56	1.00
West	600	800	800	70	80	80	.92	.60	1.00
Texas Lower Valley:	9,200	5,200	7,900	785	416	648	1.38	1.50	1.20
Total	28,000	20,600	22,300	2,822	2,069	3,640	1.25	1.11	.96
Early (2) :									
Alabama	13,200	24,300	26,700	1,634	3,402	2,937	.82	.60	.65
California	17,900	33,300	36,000	4,436	11,089	10,260	.83	.51	.75
Georgia	1,600	2,300	4,000	225	363	560	.96	.65	.85
Louisiana	22,900	24,000	22,000	1,691	1,440	1,496	.85	.75	.80
Mississippi	2,300	3,500	3,000	208	280	180	.85	.55	.70
South Carolina ...:	12,400	13,500	14,000	1,862	2,025	2,100	.90	.70	.85
Texas, other	12,900	9,200	9,800	854	600	698	.87	.73	.75
Total	83,200	110,100	115,500	10,910	19,204	18,231	.79	.58	.75
Second early :									
Arkansas	5,000	4,600	4,100	436	391	410	.75	.60	.53
North Carolina ...:	32,700	36,000	32,400	4,680	4,500	4,860	.83	.65	.60
Oklahoma	8,900	5,600	5,600	867	504	525	.70	.55	.51
Tennessee	2,200	2,300	2,400	179	363	385	.87	.60	.60
Total	48,800	49,500	45,000	6,162	5,758	6,180	.76	.63	.59
Intermediate (1) :									
Kansas	13,500	12,600	10,100	1,730	1,512	1,515	.66	.55	.47
Kaw Valley	12,700	12,100	9,600	1,593	1,452	1,440	.67	.55	.47
Scott County	800	500	500	132	60	75	.79	.55	.47
Kentucky	4,800	3,100	3,100	446	474	372	.80	.80	.70
Maryland	7,500	6,100	5,500	1,099	580	825	.74	.90	.65
Missouri	5,300	5,700	5,400	768	1,140	1,215	.71	.55	.58
Virginia	60,600	45,800	42,900	8,701	4,830	7,002	.77	.84	.61
Norfolk district :	10,500	9,500	9,500	1,527	1,188	1,900	.79	.90	
Eastern Shore ...:	46,900	33,900	31,200	6,761	3,590	4,805	.78	.82	
Other	3,200	2,400	2,200	413	252	297	.73	.85	
Total	92,200	73,300	67,000	12,744	8,536	10,929	.75	.75	.59
Intermediate (2) :									
Nebraska	2,000	3,900	4,800	440	878	1,152	.75	.55	.47
New Jersey	38,500	45,700	49,000	6,774	6,398	8,575	.77	.78	.51
Total	40,500	49,600	53,800	7,214	7,276	9,727	.71	.75	.5
All States ...:	302,100	317,100	317,400	40,770	44,533	49,845	.80	.70	.68

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Prices received by growers for harvested crop.

2/ Fall and winter crop States supply earliest new crop movement, starting in fall preceding year shown.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield and production, average
1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group and classification	Acreage			Yield			Production		
	Aver-	For	Aver-	Indi-	Aver-	Indi-			
	age	har-	age	cated	age	cated			
	1929-	1939	1929-	1939	1929-	1939			
	: 38	: 1940	: 38	: 1940	: 38	: 1940			
	: 1,000	: 1,000	: 1,000				: 1,000	: 1,000	: 1,000
	: acres	: acres	: acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
Early :									
Total	421.0	450.3	461.5	87.9	103.2	105.9	37,205	46,473	48,880
Commercial	169.4	194.2	196.6	122.9	147.9	148.5	20,812	28,721	29,189
Other	251.6	256.1	264.9	65.2	69.3	74.3	16,393	17,752	19,691
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Intermediate :									
Total	321.2	289.0	293.3	106.0	95.6	122.3	33,972	27,617	35,883
Commercial	130.7	119.0	116.0	149.3	125.5	168.1	19,518	14,934	19,504
Other	190.5	170.0	177.3	75.9	74.6	92.4	14,454	12,683	16,379
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18 surplus late :									
Total	2,137.3	1,923.3	1,958.8	120.3	130.0	133.0	256,482	249,988	260,617
3 eastern	611.0	568.0	583.0	161.7	154.0	164.8	98,875	87,487	96,100
5 central	1,028.0	881.0	905.0	81.1	88.9	94.0	83,222	78,326	85,058
10 western	498.2	474.3	470.8	150.1	177.5	168.8	74,384	84,175	79,459
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12 other late :									
Total	416.2	364.1	373.8	94.6	109.7	101.1	39,291	39,938	37,792
5 eastern	60.4	62.9	67.4	146.1	158.9	151.4	8,822	9,997	10,204
5 central	348.0	293.0	298.0	86.1	99.8	90.2	29,862	29,241	26,868
2 western	8.0	8.2	8.4	75.2	85.4	85.7	607	700	720
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30 late	2,553.5	2,287.4	2,332.6	116.1	126.7	127.9	295,772	289,926	298,409
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37 late and intermediate :									
medieate	2,874.7	2,576.4	2,625.9	115.0	123.3	127.3	329,744	317,543	334,292
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United States :									
total	3,295.7	3,026.7	3,087.4	111.5	120.3	124.1	366,949	364,016	383,172
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30 late :									
8 eastern	671.4	630.9	650.4	160.4	154.5	163.4	107,697	97,484	106,304
10 central	1,376.0	1,174.0	1,203.0	82.2	91.6	93.0	113,084	107,567	111,926
12 western	506.2	482.5	479.2	148.1	175.9	167.3	74,991	84,875	80,179
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Potatoes: Unweighted price per 100 pounds for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) at shipping points and terminal markets, week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons.

Market and variety	Week ended					
	1939		1940			
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.			
	23	24	31	7	14	21
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
<u>F.o.b. shipping point</u>						
No. and Central N.J. points	1.42	.87	1.00	.92	.89	.86
Waupaca, Wisconsin .....	.90	---	---	.88	.82	.75
Presque Isle, Maine	1.10	---	---	---	---	.66
Rochester, New York	1.32	---	---	---	---	.93
<u>Warehouse, cash to grower</u>						
Waupaca, Wisconsin .....	.74	---	---	---	---	.57
Presque Isle, Maine .....	.88	---	---	---	---	.47
Rochester, New York .....	.98	---	---	---	---	.75
<u>Terminal markets</u>						
<u>New York City</u>						
Cobblers, L. I.	1.51	.90	1.00	.97	.90	.84
" N. J.	1.47	.91	1.00	.97	.87	.82
Long Whites, Idaho	---	2.48	2.47	---	2.45	---
Chippewas, L. I.	1.63	.96	1.05	1.02	.97	.92
Green Mountains, L. I.	1.64	---	---	1.06	.98	.96
Russet Burbanks, Idaho	2.48	2.64	2.64	2.70	2.56	2.29
Excluding western stock	1.57	.94	1.04	1.02	.92	.89
<u>Chicago</u>						
Cobblers, Nebraska	---	1.34	1.38	1.29	1/1.25	---
" Iowa	1.23	---	---	.95	.86	.90
" Wisconsin	1.23	---	---	1.02	1.02	1.03
" Minnesota	1.21	1.12	1.16	1.07	.88	.88
Bliss Triumphs, Nebraska	1.60	1.54	1.48	1.43	1.40	1.45
" " Oregon	2.00	1.60	1.54	1.57	1/1.30	1/1.55
" " Idaho	1.93	1.55	1.60	1.56	1.40	1.58
Long Whites, Oregon	---	1.70	2.00	1.49	1.38	1.31
Early Chios, midwestern	1.23	1.05	1.08	1.05	.88	.89
Russet Burbanks, Idaho	1.66	2.18	1.87	1.61	1.76	1.52
Excluding western stock	1.23	1.17	1.17	1.13	.94	.94

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1/ Average for 1 day.

Beans, dry edible: Acreage, yield and production by groups of States,
average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production 1/		
	Average: 1929-38:	For harvest: 1939	Average: 1940	Average: 1929-38:	Indi- cated: 1939	Average: 1940	Average: 1929-38:	Indi- cated: 1940	
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 bags	1,000 bags	1,000 bags
Me., Vt., N.Y.,									
Mich., Wis., and Minn. 2/	723	610	683	714.0	949.2	780.7	5,162	5,790	5,371
Nebr., Mont.,									
Idaho, Wyo. and Oreg. 3/	200	187	218	1,157.5	1,278.1	1,279.8	2,315	2,390	2,790
Kans., Colo.,									
N. Mex., and									
Ariz. 4/	489	428	487	353.8	418.7	424.2	1,730	1,792	2,066
Calif. 5/	326	329	358	1,187.0	1,213.0	1,370.0	3,879	3,990	4,906
Total									
United States:	1,737	1,554	1,751	759.0	898.5	864.2	13,086	13,962	15,133

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1/ Bags of 100 pounds; includes beans for seed. 2/ Largely pea beans, but most important source of Red Kidney, Yelloweye, and Cranberry. 3/ Largely Great Northern but Idaho most important source of supply of Small Reds. 4/ Largely Pinto. 5/ Miscellaneous varieties, mostly Lima, Baby Lima, Blackeye, Small White and Pink.

Vegetables, frozen: Cold storage holdings, September 1, 1940,
with comparisons

Commodity	1939			1940	
	Aug. 1		Sept. 1	Aug. 1	
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Asparagus	6,472		6,511	7,126	7,010
Beans, lima	8,087		10,540	8,414	9,410
Beans, snap	6,312		6,846	5,433	6,351
Broccoli, green	941		989	1,049	910
Corn, sweet	4,462		7,280	4,065	4,623
Peas, green	28,040		30,103	35,607	38,440
Spinach	2,999		2,834	4,330	3,773
Other vegetables	1,911		2,091	2,660	2,507
Classification not reported	4,062		4,445	3,251	3,789
Total	63,286		71,639	71,935	76,813

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Beans, dry, edible: F.o.b. price per 100 pounds, rail, California, 1938-40

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Compiled as follows:

September 1938 to February 1940 from Federal State Market News Service, "Bulletin No. 315", Sacramento; beginning March 1940 from "Bean Market Review", weekly, San Francisco.

Beans, dry, edible: Average wholesale price per 100 pounds at New York City, and f.o.b. quotations per 100 pounds at Colorado and Idaho shipping points, 1938-40

Period	Wholesale price New York City								F.o.b. quotations 1/			
	Marrow	Calif.	Pea	Red	Colo.	Idaho	points	points				
	lima		Kidney		Pinto		Great Northern					
	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939
Month	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Sept.	5.33	5.76	5.42	6.43	3.12	4.76	3.86	5.84	3.62	4.95	2.30	3.83
Oct.	5.11	5.02	5.34	6.35	2.90	3.84	4.17	5.32	3.82	4.18	2.23	3.28
Nov.	4.72	4.81	5.31	6.09	2.72	3.71	3.57	4.78	3.86	3.92	2.31	3.04
Dec.	4.47	4.63	5.27	5.97	2.66	3.77	3.29	4.86	4.11	4.04	2.27	2.90
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
Jan.	4.61	4.56	5.25	5.82	2.75	3.98	3.38	5.04	4.25	3.94	2.25	3.20
Feb.	5.21	4.55	5.25	5.74	2.75	4.00	3.23	4.95	4.15	3.66	2.25	3.09
Mar.	5.32	4.55	5.14	5.55	2.75	3.86	3.10	4.75	4.18	3.48	2.20	2.94
Apr.	5.02	4.50	5.15	5.50	2.78	3.81	2.98	4.71	4.38	3.59	2.39	3.04
May	4.95	4.50	5.36	5.51	3.04	3.90	3.67	4.75	4.31	3.72	2.65	3.26
June	4.89	4.50	5.39	5.55	2.98	3.87	3.78	4.68	3.74	3.49	2.45	2.91
July	4.75	4.46	5.40	5.51	2.99	3.82	3.63	4.60	3.82	3.13	2.52	2.77
Aug.	4.65	4.51	5.38	5.43	3.05	3.72	3.72	4.57	3.88	3.01	2.59	2.54
Season												
average	4.92	4.70	5.30	5.79	2.87	3.92	3.53	4.90	4.01	3.76	2.37	3.07
Week ended												
Aug. 3	4.65	4.49	5.38	5.45	3.15	3.82	3.75	4.56	3.95	2.78	2.60	2.70
10	4.65	4.50	5.37	5.45	3.03	3.76	3.75	4.55	3.98	2.82	2.58	---
17	4.65	4.50	5.40	5.45	3.00	3.68	3.75	4.50	3.98	2.90	2.58	2.50
24	4.65	4.50	5.40	5.41	3.00	3.60	3.62	4.50	3.50	3.10	2.60	2.48
31	4.65	4.54	5.43	5.40	3.15	3.76	3.60	4.72	4.00	3.20	---	2.65
Sept. 6	6.05	4.53	6.33	5.40	5.22	3.90	5.42	4.90	6.00	3.20	4.50	2.65
13	6.25	4.75	6.50	5.35	5.30	3.86	6.44	4.95	4.60	3.15	3.95	2.68
20	5.60	4.92	6.48	5.35	4.57	3.90	6.22	5.00	4.55	3.15	3.30	2.58

New York, compiled from The Producers Price Current; f.o.b. quotations from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Prices are for Wednesday of week shown.

Sweetpotatoes: Acreage, yield and production by groups of States, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1929-38	For 1939	harvest 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indi- cated 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indi- cated 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
4 Central							1,000	1,000	1,000
Atlantic 1/	67	61	61	121.5	140.5	129.8	8,141	8,568	7,920
4 Lower									
Atlantic 2/	283	280	257	82.2	91.0	82.6	23,263	25,490	21,221
8 South Central 3/	470	483	439	79.4	72.4	76.8	37,340	34,963	33,703
5 North Central 4/	30	28	28	84.3	87.8	95.4	2,528	2,458	2,670
California	11	10	12	105.0	120.0	115.0	1,164	1,200	1,380
Total									
United States	860	862	797	84.6	84.3	83.9	72,436	72,679	66,894

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia. 2/ North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. 3/ Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas. 4/ Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, and Kansas.

Sweetpotatoes: Unweighted price per bushel for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) at New York and Chicago, week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons

Market and variety	Week ended						
	1939		1940				
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.		Sept.		
	23	24	31	7	14	21	Dol.
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York							
Goldens, Md. ....	.88	1.88	1.70	1.16	.93	.93	
" N.C.	-	1.64	1.38	1.03	.68	-	
" Va. ....	.71	-	-	.94	.70	.71	
Jerseys, N.J. ....	.90	-	-	1.41	1.32	1.23	
" Va. ....	.61	1.50	1.19	.93	.69	.70	
" N. & S. Car.	-	1.64	1.38	.98	.70	-	
Puerto Ricans, N. & S. Car.	1.09	2.25	1.55	1.30	1.19	1.27	
" " Va. ....	.83	1.75	1.46	1.11	.88	.73	
All varieties ....	.88	1.92	1.47	1.16	.99	1.04	
Chicago							
Puerto Ricans, La.	1.25	2.35	2.06	1.86	1.76	1.68	
" " Tenn.	1.14	2.00	1.76	1.44	1.28	1.29	
" " Texas	-	-	2.01	1.84	1.73	1.67	
Nancy Halls, Tenn.	1.07	1.80	1.52	1.25	1.10	1.02	
Jerseys, Iowa	1.14	-	-	1.50	1.42	1.42	
All varieties	1.28	1.94	1.77	1.52	1.42	1.32	

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale prices at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1939		1940			
		Sept.	Aug.	Sept.			
		23	24	31	7	14	21
New York		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Beans, lima, L. Is.	Bushel	1.94	2.08	2.42	2.12	1.50	1.23
" " N. Y.	"	2.15	2.19	2.69	1.96	1.55	1.27
" " N. J.	"	—	1.88	2.12	1.81	1.46	1.12
Beans, snap, green, Pa.	"	.81	1.41	1.22	.74	.84	.89
" " " N. Y.	"	.82	1.80	1.40	1.06	.97	1.06
" " " N. J.	"	.89	1.45	1.26	—	.95	.88
" " " Md. and Va.	"	.79	—	—	.86	.94	.76
Beans, snap wax, N. Y.	"	1.12	1.94	1.64	1.46	1.12	1.21
Beets, topped, N. J.	"	.57	.53	.50	.44	.36	.41
" " Pa.	"	.54	.50 1/4	.40	.44	.40	.40
Broccoli, Calif.	Pony crate	2.30	3.50	4.17	4.02	3.50	3.35
" " Pa.	Crt. 1 doz. bunches	.92	.76	1.38	1.06	1.28	1.33
Brussel sprouts, Calif.	1/2 drum	2.00	3.00	3.06	2.38	2.31	2.72
" " Eastern	Quart	.13	.14	.14	.14	.13	.13
Cabbage, Danish, N. Y.	50 lb. sack	.92	—	—	—	.47	.42
" domestic "	" "	.78	.55	.53	.45	.38	.37
" " Pa.	1-1/2 bu. hamper	1.08	.68	.61	.60	.60	.62
" red, nearby	" "	1.20	.68	.65	.58	.56	.58
Cantaloupes, Calif.	Jumbos 36's and						
" " " 45's		3.92	3.79	3.38	3.70	3.17	2.90
" Utah	" "	3.94	3.64	2.94	3.20	2.69	2.60
" Colo.	" "	3.68	3.75	2.83	3.02	2.48	2.40
" Md. and Del.	2/3 crate	—	1.44	1.26	.83	.61	.54
Carrots, topped, N. Y.	Bushel	.87	.72	.92	.64	.60	.67
" bunched, Calif.	L. A. crate	4.12	3.68	4.44	4.28	3.69	3.46
" " Idaho	" "	—	3.44	3.88	3.91	3.10	2.83
" " Utah	" "	—	—	—	1/4.00	3.04	3.17
Casaba melons, Calif.	Crate, all sizes	1.85	1.78	1.79	1.79	2.10	1.94
" " Utah	" 6's - 8's	1.50	—	—	—	—	1.62
Cauliflower, Colo.	Pony crate	1.36	1.58	1.81	1.54	1.62	1.51
" N.Y. and L. Is.	Crate	1.64	—	1.83	1.50	1.77	1.64
Celery, N. Y. and N. J.	1/2 crate	—	.78	1.46	1.07	.90	.98
" "	10-inch crate	1.30	—	—	1.96	1.48	1.37
Celery cabbage, N. Y.	Eastern lettuce						
" " Ohio	crate	—	.69	.80	.74	.68	.60
" " 16 qt. basket		—	.70	.66	.57	.48	.47
Corn, yellow, Pa.	Bushel	.90	.93	1.13	.92	1.06	1.08
" " N. Y.	"	.85	.87	1.18	.88	.85	1.06
Cucumbers, L. Is.	"	2.40	1.12	1.52	1.19	1.31	1.60
" N. J.	"	—	1.06	1.34	1.18	1.12	1.42
" N. Y.	"	2.50	1.14	1.48	1.40	1.42	1.69

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1939		1940			
		Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.	Sept.
		23	24	31	7	14	21
New York - Continued		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Eggplant, N. J.	Bushel	.40	.56	.55	.55	.46	.60
Endive, Ohio	16 qt. basket	--	.40	.39	.62	--	.51
Garlic, Calif.	Pound	.08	.13	.13	.13	.14	.15
Honeyball melons, Calif.	Jumbos 36's and 45's	3.25	2.92	3.14	3.18	3.04	2.75
Honeydew " "	Crt. 6's - 12's	2.15	1.98	1.99	1.97	1.77	1.81
Lettuce, iceberg, " "	L. A. crate	2.71	2.86	3.12	3.10	3.73	3.25
" " N. Y.	Crt., 2 doz. heads	.57	--	--	.75	.65	1/ .68
" Big Boston " "	" "	1.05	.56	.56	.56	.48	.65
Mushrooms, N. Y. and Pa.	3 lb. basket	.45	.84	.85	.66	.60	.57
Okra, N. C.	1-1/2 bu. hamper	--	1.00	1.42	1.00	1.20	1.38
" Fla.	Bushel	1.83	1.52	2.20	1.70	2.00	2.97
" N. J.	12 qt. basket	.63	1.02	1.09	.86	1.05	1.10
Onions, yellows, N. Y.	50 lb. sack	.66	.71	.79	.80	.74	.71
" red "	" "	.70	.78	.88	.96	.90	.82
" sweet Spanish, Idaho :	" "	1.28	2.09	1.78	1.58	1.44	1.42
Parsley	1-1/2 bu. hamper	.25	.44	.59	.44	.31	.39
Parsnips, Pa.	1/2 bu. hamper	.58	--	--	.53	.50	.50
Peas, Colo.	Bushel	2.36	1.99	2.22	2.38	2.40	2.72
" Idaho	"	2.31	1.88	2.14	2.34	2.30	2.57
" Oregon	"	--	1/1.95	1/2.18	--	2.38	2.58
" Utah	"	2.27	--	--	--	2.00	2.08
" N. Y.	"	--	1.19	1.42	1.62	--	--
Peppers, green, N. J.	"	.43	.58	.55	.47	.48	.48
" red "	"	.40	.94	1.01	.84	1.04	1.12
" hot "	"	.38	.49	.48	.45	.46	.42
Persian melons, Calif.	Jumbos 4's & 6's	2.25	--	1.82	1.71	1.58	1.57
" " "	Ponys 6's - 8's	1.48	1.39	1.42	1.33	1.16	1.12
Radishes, nearby	Bushel	--	.62	.57	.53	.71	.62
" Ohio	16 qt. basket	.52	.44	.42	.68	1/ .55	.41
Rutabagas, nearby and N. J.	50 lb. sack	1/ .50	.52	.60	.61	.50	.47
Spanish melons, Calif.	Std. crate	--	2.12	2.08	1.94	2.00	2.21
Spinach, N. Y.	Bushel	.82	.88	.99	.92	.98	.76
" Pa.	"	.65	.74	.72	.76	.82	.74
" N. J.	"	.68	1/ .70	.72	.58	.98	--
Squash, acorn, N. J.	"	.59	--	1.23	.92	.90	.75
" white "	"	.54	.42	.55	.40	.42	.39
" yellow "	"	.63	.49	.65	.58	.62	.62
Tomatoes, N. Y.	Lug	.58	.55	.55	.89	.82	.81
" Pa.	"	.71	.60	.66	.89	.78	.74
Turnips, nearby	Bushel and crate	1.09	.61	.62	.62	.53	.52

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1939			1940		
		Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	14	21
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Chicago							
Beans, lima	12 qt. basket	.57	1.29	1.31	1.22	1.31	.81
" snap, green, Ill. ...	Bushel	1.62	1/2.62	1.83	1.52	1.06	1.05
" " Mich. ...	"	1.75	2.69	1.88	1.50	1.10	1.11
" " N. Y. ...	"	1.38	--	2.88	1.54	1.39	--
" wax "	"	--	2.88	2.19	1.79	1.64	--
" " Ill. ...	"	--	--	--	1.12	1.50	1.54
Beets, topped, Ill.	"	.55	.28	.28	.28	.30	1/ .38
Broccoli, Calif.	Pony crate	2.30	2.62	2.97	2.92	2.70	2.48
Brussel sprouts, Calif. ...	1/2 drum	1.75	2.52	2.48	2.25	2.18	2.32
Cabbage, domestic, Ill. ...	Crate 50-60 lbs.	.76	.50	.47	.51	.48	.44
" " Wis. ...	"	1.00	.55	.56	.55	.46	.44
" savory, Ill.	Bushel	.46	.30	.35	.34	.28	.25
" red "	"	.89	.60	.57	.34	.35	.40
Cantaloups, Calif.	Jumbos 36's and 45's	3.75	3.44	3.20	3.00	2.85	2.72
" Colo.	"	3.28	3.14	2.66	2.50	2.38	2.12
" Utah	"	3.67	3.05	2.81	2.62	2.60	2.52
" Hearts of Gold, Mich.:	Crate, all sizes	--	1.22	1.08	.82	.56	.52
Carrots, topped, Ill.	Bushel	.55	.76	.75	.67	.70	.42
" bunched, Calif. ...	L. A. crate	3.60	3.22	3.25	3.66	3.55	2.98
" " N. Mex. ...	"	--	--	--	1/4.00	3.65	3.08
Casaba melons, Calif.	Crate 6's - 8's	1.75	1.86	1.70	1.69	1.75	1/2.12
Cauliflower, Colo.	Pony crate	1.08	1.16	1.32	1.36	1.32	1.16
" Mich.	Crate	.64	--	--	--	.96	1/ .95
Celery, Utah type, Calif. ..	16-inch crate	--	--	2.29	2.25	2.20	2.00
" " Wash. ...	1/2 crate	--	--	--	2.25	2.25	2.19
" Mich.	Flat crate	.33	.44	.47	.44	.41	.39
Celery cabbage, Mich.	Lug 10's - 12's	--	.80	.76	.74	.73	1/ .75
" Ohio	24 qt. basket	--	.50	1/ .60	.41	1/ .40	--
Corn, white and yellow, Ill.:	Bushel	.80	.32	.46	.38	.42	.47
Cucumbers, Mich.	"	1.81	1.12	1.53	1.31	1.12	1/ .56
Dill, Ill.	Bundle	--	.20	.23	.46	.39	.46
Eggplant, Ill.	Bushel	.53	1.21	1.09	.77	.58	.71
" Mo.	"	--	1.25	1.00	.91	--	1/ .75
Endive, Ill.	"	.62	.69	.66	.55	.60	.52
" Ohio	24 qt. basket	--	.46	.57	.48	.53	.49
Escarole, Ill.	Bushel	.54	.39	.38	.38	.44	.45
Garlic, Calif.	50-lb. sack	4.25	5.69	5.95	6.12	6.50	7.00

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) for week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1939		1940			
		Sept.	Aug.	Sept.			
		23	24	31	7	14	21
Chicago - Continued				Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Honeydew melons, Calif.	Std. and Jumbo						
" " Colo.	crt. 6's - 12's	1.44	1.88	1.84	1.72	1.54	1.56
Lettuce, Calif.	L. A. crate	2.50	2.55	2.70	2.69	3.16	2.66
Mushrooms, Ill.	Pound	.36	.32	.31	.32	.31	.31
Mustard, "	Bushel	.68	.43	.50	.45	.33	.26
Okra, Tenn.	"	.94	1.22	1.34	.78	.93	1.12
" Ill.	"	1.12	1.31	1.62	1.00	1.25	—
" Tenn.	12 qt. basket	—	.40	.56	.39	.42	.52
Onions, yellows, Midwestern	50-lb. sack	.56	.69	.71	.71	.70	.56
" whites, Idaho	"	—	—	—	1.16	1.10	1.02
" sweet Spanish, Idaho	"	.86	1.70	1.44	1.14	1.13	1.15
Parsley, Ill.	Box	.25	.27	.30	.24	.24	.20
Parsnips,	1/2 bushel	—	.75	.75	.70	.58	.45
Peas, Idaho	Bushel	2.25	1.70	1.96	2.19	2.19	2.29
" Colo.	"	2.10	1.72	1.94	2.19	2.38	2.58
Peppers, Ill. and Ind.	"	.94	.64	.84	.78	.62	.67
Persian melons, Calif.	Crate std. 6's	2.02	1.90	1.50	1.41	1.40	1.44
Radishes, Ohio	24 qt. basket	.48	.46	.53	.56	.53	.49
Rhubarb, Ill.	Bushel box	.40	.75	.71	.60	.64	—
Rutabagas, Minn.	50-lb. sack	.50	—	.65	.55	.59	.58
Spinach, Wash.	Crate, 20 lbs.	1.18	1.73	1.44	1.21	1.35	1.22
Squash, acorn, Ill.	Bushel	.32	1.19	.92	.61	.49	.54
" white "	"	.45	.48	.54	.47	.44	.36
Tomatoes, Mich.	12 qt. basket	.39	.70	.50	.96	.49	—
" Calif.	Lug	1.39	1.25	—	2.12	1.84	1.25
Turnips, Ill.	Bushel	.81	.75	1.13	1.12	.94	.92

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Average for 1 day.

Truck crops and potatoes: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from originating points in the United States for the week ended September 21, 1940 with comparisons

Commodity	Week ended						
	1939		1940				
	Sept.		Aug.		Sept.		Sept.
	23		24		31		7
	Cars		Cars		Cars		Cars
Asparagus	---		1		1		---
Beans, snap and lima ..	39		2		12		2
Beets	2		---		---		2
Broccoli	14		7		9		12
Cabbage	171		37		32		23
Cantaloups	105		398		457		486
Carrots	155		73		119		107
Casaba melons	1		---		1		2
Cauliflower	186		169		142		143
Celery, old	156		99		83		116
" new	4		---		---		3
Corn, green	10		12		8		17
Cucumbers	58		11		13		22
Greens except spinach ..	12		7		7		7
Honey ball melons	6		5		2		1
Honeydew melons	233		147		228		232
Lettuce and romaine	805		383		849		877
Mixed melons	43		62		58		48
Mixed vegetables	349		264		274		249
Onions	802		297		344		465
Peas	121		186		155		102
Peppers	6		---		---		2
Persian melons	16		43		42		44
Spinach	34		61		67		62
Sweetpotatoes	304		82		124		194
Tomatoes	565		240		322		381
Turnips and rutabagas ..	10		5		6		7
Watermelons	6		492		106		151
Total	4,213		3,583		3,461		3,753
Potatoes, total	2,882		1,637		1,544		1,934
Early	7		2		2		14
Intermediate	67		294		124		348
Late	2,806		1,341		1,418		1,572
Total above	7,095		5,220		5,005		5,687
Relief	11		---		---		---
Onions	---		203		37		147
Potatoes	---		5		---		290
Sweetpotatoes	---		---		---		356

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre		
	Average : 1939		1940		Average : 1939	1940	
	1929-38	Acres	Acres		1929-38	Acres	
Artichokes	8,350	10,200	10,600	Boxes	106	110	---
Asparagus							
Early	80,090	87,090	90,120	Crates	90	76	80
Late	26,900	36,200	39,150	"	97	117	120
Total U. S. ...:	106,990	123,290	129,270	"	91	88	92
Lima beans							
Fall	130	---	---	Bushels	60	---	---
Early	2,340	4,800	4,000	"	78	100	70
Second early	3,030	2,100	2,300	"	53	80	62
Intermediate (1) ..:	1,210	1,600	1,500	"	56	45	50
Intermediate (2) ..:	5,240	4,600	4,550	"	68	76	78
Total U. S. ...:	11,460	13,750	:	"	62	80	
Snap beans							
Fall	15,140	20,500	17,500	"	92	136	94
Early (1)	20,730	31,000	17,000	"	90	85	70
Early (2)	29,750	24,450	31,650	"	87	120	113
Second early	23,410	25,500	23,600	"	61	65	55
Intermediate (1) ..:	17,360	24,900	21,600	"	65	53	59
Intermediate (2) ..:	12,150	11,500	10,700	"	96	79	88
Intermediate (3) ..:	---	7,350	7,200	"	---	103	90
Late (1)	6,950	13,050	13,700	"	133	129	146
Late (2)	9,430	9,120	10,320	"	85	93	95
Total U. S. ...:	144,170	177,190	:	"	84	94	
Beets							
Early	5,800	6,600	6,400	"	148	130	120
Second early	2,360	1,670	1,700	"	136	158	178
Intermediate	2,450	2,820	2,800	"	271	245	255
Late	330	550	560	"	346	380	415
Total U. S. ...:	10,940	11,640	11,460	"	178	174	176
Cabbage							
Fall	1,430	2,700	2,330	Tons	6.7	5.3	6.9
Early	39,970	50,030	49,700	"	5.4	5.1	5.3
Second early	20,250	22,200	23,400	"	5.1	4.9	4.2
Intermediate	31,900	35,490	36,400	"	5.8	6.2	6.3
Late							
Domestic	41,030	40,300	43,000	"	8.0	7.4	8.6
Danish	36,390	31,500	32,400	"	8.0	7.6	8.4
Total	77,420	71,800	75,400	"	8.0	7.5	8.5
Total U. S. ...:	170,970	182,220	187,230	"	6.64	6.24	6.7
For kraut	20,420	19,710	18,900	"	7.74	7.44	
Market	150,550	162,510	168,330	"	6.48	6.10	
	:	:	:	:	:	:	

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Unit	Production			Price per unit		
		Average 1929-38	1939	1940	Average 1929-38	1939	1940
		: Thousand:			Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Artichokes	: boxes	875	1,122	---	1.81	1.80	---
Asparagus	: Thousand:						
Early	: crates	7,189	6,647	7,206	1.18	1.13	---
Late	" :	2,597	4,228	4,714	1.55	1.34	---
Total U. S. ...	" :	9,786	10,875	11,920	1.28	1.21	---
Lima beans	: Thousand:						
Fall	: bushels	10	---	---	1.83	---	---
Early	" :	178	480	280	1.87	1.50	1.55
Second early	" :	161	168	162	1.26	1.04	1.07
Intermediate (1) ..	" :	67	72	75	1.16	1.50	---
Intermediate (2) ..	" :	357	351	354	1.41	1.05	---
Total U. S. ...	" :	714	1,100	..	1.39	1.29	---
Snap beans	:						
Fall	" :	1,392	2,788	1,638	1.26	.70	1.56
Early (1)	" :	1,775	2,635	1,190	1.86	1.28	2.05
Early (2)	" :	2,575	2,933	3,578	1.28	1.08	1.19
Second early	" :	1,434	1,362	1,306	.83	.80	1.05
Intermediate (1) ..	" :	1,132	1,325	1,283	.81	.62	.86
Intermediate (2) ..	" :	1,171	911	941	.87	.86	1.02
Intermediate (3) ..	" :	---	757	649	---	.63	---
Late (1)	" :	921	1,682	2,006	.87	.36	---
Late (2)	" :	799	850	982	.94	.56	---
Total U. S. ...	" :	12,076	16,580	..	1.11	.90	---
Beets	:						
Early	" :	840	858	768	.26	.23	.35
Second early	" :	322	264	302	.50	.53	.90
Intermediate	" :	663	690	714	.73	.55	.66
Late	" :	117	209	232	.73	.55	---
Total U. S. ...	" :	1,942	2,021	2,016	.50	.41	---
Cabbage	:						
Fall	Tons	9,600	14,300	16,000	25.42	14.20	24.19
Early	"	216,400	256,900	265,600	17.53	12.73	15.62
Second early	"	103,600	108,000	99,400	21.57	20.05	16.84
Intermediate	"	185,500	219,700	228,400	17.76	15.71	..
Late .....	"	..	..	..	..	..	..
Domestic	"	326,500	297,900	371,600	10.13	13.92	..
Danish	"	292,800	240,400	272,700	10.08	16.11	..
Total	"	619,300	536,300	644,300	10.10	14.90	..
Total U. S. ...	"	1,134,400	1,137,200	1,253,700	13.87	15.11	..
For kraut	"	158,100	146,600	..	7.59	7.62	..
Market	"	976,300	990,600	..	14.92	16.27	..

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre		
	Average 1929-38	1939	1940		Average 1929-38	1939	1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres				
Cantaloups							
Early	36,450	33,040	26,600	Crates	146	110	104
Second early	40,710	52,000	56,580	"	119	106	109
Intermediate	21,420	25,450	22,250	"	98	93	108
Late	19,630	22,920	23,630	"	133	128	121
Total U. S. ...	118,210	133,410	129,060	"	126	108	110
Carrots							
Fall	5,890	8,600	9,000	Bushels	515	488	500
Early	9,720	8,900	10,700	"	176	168	190
Second early	11,570	16,600	16,250	"	401	422	464
Intermediate	1,680	2,170	2,000	"	277	237	182
Late	6,220	7,250	7,400	"	453	395	415
Total U. S. ...	35,080	43,520	45,350	"	358	369	386
Cauliflower							
Fall and winter ..	9,180	7,800	7,950	Crates	264	290	291
Early	8,120	7,650	9,010	"	273	336	318
Late (1)	7,860	8,500	9,350	"	220	270	274
Late (2)	3,980	4,500	4,700	"	228	300	
Total U. S. ...	29,140	28,450	31,010	"	250	298	
Celery							
Fall and winter ..	7,510	9,050	8,850	"	186	145	240
Early	6,700	8,150	8,350	"	323	340	375
Second early	3,330	3,600	4,100	"	366	533	430
Intermediate	4,130	4,640	4,680	"	258	295	268
Late (1)	11,710	12,700	13,960	"	273	279	299
Late (2)	1,660	2,100	2,050	"	299	291	
Total U. S. ...	35,040	40,240	41,990	"	272	286	
Corn							
Green	24,350	26,000	25,000	Ears	4,750	4,400	5,600
Cucumbers							
Fall	1,670	1,800	1,800	Bushels	71	100	90
Early (1)	12,400	10,200	9,200	"	72	95	98
Early (2)	12,690	12,400	12,350	"	96	118	101
Second early	6,340	5,550	5,300	"	82	76	83
Intermediate	8,320	8,100	7,800	"	126	134	145
Late (1)	2,520	3,560	3,870	"	115	104	133
Total U. S. ...	45,200	43,410		"	92	107	

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Unit	Production			Price per unit		
		Average 1929-38	1939	1940	Average 1929-38	1939	1940
					Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
<u>Cantaloups</u>	: Thousand:						
Early	: crates	5,326	3,619	2,775	1.31	1.44	
Second early	"	4,845	5,486	6,191	.91	.93	
Intermediate	"	2,109	2,558	2,411	.86	.61	
Late	"	2,610	2,939	2,860	.91	.83	
Total U. S. ...	"	14,890	14,402	14,237	1.04	.98	
<u>Carrots</u>	: Thousand:						
Fall	: bushels	2,934	4,197	4,500	.64	.63	.55
Early	"	1,706	1,491	2,035	.35	.54	.33
Second early	"	4,639	6,998	7,539	.61	.57	.77
Intermediate	"	466	514	365	.76	.66	.73
Late	"	2,815	2,861	3,072	.42	.57	
Total U. S. ...	"	12,560	16,061	17,511	.54	.59	
<u>Cauliflower</u>	: Thousand:						
Fall and winter ...	: crates	2,423	2,259	2,310	.62	.51	.59
Early	"	2,216	2,573	2,864	.69	.60	.60
Late (1)	"	1,733	2,294	2,558	.81	.69	
Late (2)	"	912	1,350		.91	.71	
Total U. S. ...	"	7,284	8,476		.72	.66	
<u>Celery</u>	:						
Fall and winter ...	"	1,387	1,312	2,124	1.38	1.80	1.40
Early	"	2,165	2,772	3,134	1.93	1.91	2.12
Second early	"	1,218	1,919	1,761	2.00	1.83	2.53
Intermediate	"	1,066	1,370	1,256	1.58	1.87	2.11
Late (1)	"	3,193	3,543	4,172	1.16	1.07	
Late (2)	"	496	611		1.33	1.07	
Total U. S. ...	"	9,525	11,527		1.53	1.58	
<u>Corn</u>	: Thousand:						
Green	: ears	116,020	114,400	140,000	11.91	10.00	
<u>Cucumbers</u>	: Thousand:						
Fall	: bushels	118	180	162	1.87	1.35	1.85
Early (1)	"	890	969	906	1.65	1.52	1.74
Early (2)	"	1,215	1,466	1,245	.78	.79	.95
Second early	"	517	421	441	.81	1.05	.60
Intermediate	"	1,048	1,085	1,128	.69	.61	.68
Late (1)	"	290	572	513	.71	.90	---
Total U. S. ...	"	4,171	4,056		.98	.96	
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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre		
	Average : 1929-38	1939	1940		Average: 1929-38:	1939	1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres				
Eggplant							
Fall	1,280	1,500	1,450	Bushels	147	211	121
Early	860	1,000	400	"	326	400	350
Second early	480	800	600	"	144	125	90
Late	1,090	1,200	1,200	"	265	230	250
Total U. S. ...	3,710	4,500	3,650	"	222	243	181
Garlic 1/	3,840	4,300	3,900	Sacks	40.9	44.9	46.7
Kale	1,700	1,100	1,100	Bushels	368	500	300
Lettuce							
Early	44,140	37,000	41,150	Crates	116	180	173
Second early	49,400	70,150	52,040	"	110	107	133
Intermediate	4,850	4,130	4,340	"	195	194	225
Late (1)	26,060	27,590	28,580	"	139	153	145
Late (2)	32,390	32,550	35,900	"	136	151	
Total U. S. ...	156,840	171,420	162,010	"	125	140	
Onions							
Early	49,660	50,900	30,550	Sacks	44	43	43
Intermediate (1) ..	12,470	15,300	15,900	"	66	70	61
Intermediate (2) ..	6,440	6,190	6,050	"	134	102	121
Late							
Eastern	13,560	17,310	17,560	"	227	261	238
Central	24,260	21,350	21,180	"	161	183	185
Western	15,590	20,090	16,550	"	212	275	223
Total	53,410	58,750	55,290	"	193	238	213
Total U. S. ...	121,980	131,140	107,790	"	116	136	137
Peas, green							
Early	10,460	14,400	17,500	Bushels	71	88	70
Second early	41,480	41,350	26,350	"	64	76	69
Intermediate (1) ..	5,800	5,400	5,900	"	66	63	75
Intermediate (2) ..	3,920	5,040	4,950	"	64	78	86
Late (1)	19,380	22,910	23,700	"	102	117	105
Late (2)	3,210	5,100	6,700	"	96	103	85
Late (3)	10,160	10,050	9,650	"	101	121	116
Total U. S. ...	101,830	107,250	"	"	76	91	
Peppers, green							
Fall	2,480	4,400	4,800	"	169	144	150
Early	5,570	4,900	3,600	"	244	361	225
Second early	1,680	1,530	1,560	"	174	135	147
Intermediate (1) ..	950	2,000	1,900	"	182	140	165
Intermediate (2) ..	5,940	6,700	6,900	"	244	230	260
Total U. S. ...	18,020	21,930	"	"	226	231	

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Unit	Production			Price per unit		
		Average 1929-38	1939	1940	Average 1929-38	1939	1940
						Dol.	Dol.
Eggplant	: Thousand:						
Fall	bushels:	188	316	176	.85	.73	1.06
Early	" :	274	400	140	.88	.75	1.55
Second early	" :	69	100	54	.84	.70	.85
Late	" :	291	276	300	.51	.40	
Total U. S. ...	" :	822	1,092	670	.73	.65	
Garlic 1/	: Thousand:						
	sacks :	157	193	182	3.32	3.19	
Kale	: Thousand:						
	bushels:	598	550	330	35	25	
Lettuce	: Thousand:						
Early	crates :	5,136	6,670	7,113	1.48	1.43	1.29
Second early	" :	5,438	7,485	6,922	1.71	1.31	1.82
Intermediate	" :	948	801	975	.90	.77	1.80
Late (1)	" :	3,622	4,210	4,139	1.35	1.33	
Late (2)	" :	4,392	4,904		1.46	1.68	
Total U. S. ...	" :	19,536	24,070		1.49	1.40	
Onions	: Thousand:						
Early	sacks :	2,176	2,180	1,303	1.59	1.08	3.18
Intermediate (1) ..	" :	829	1,066	967	1.20	.84	
Intermediate (2) ..	" :	862	630	731	1.32	1.05	
Late	" :						
Eastern	" :	3,082	4,523	4,174	1.24	1.04	
Central	" :	3,909	3,917	3,921	1.10	.96	
Western	" :	3,299	5,524	3,692	1.06	.58	
Total	" :	10,290	13,964	11,787	1.13	.84	
Total U. S.	" :	14,157	17,840	14,788	1.21	.88	
Peas, green	: Thousand:						
Early	bushels:	739	1,269	1,225	1.60	1.71	1.53
Second early	" :	2,674	3,163	1,818	1.23	1.12	1.17
Intermediate (1) ..	" :	381	339	442	.79	.72	.69
Intermediate (2) ..	" :	250	392	426	1.02	.54	.53
Late (1)	" :	1,979	2,671	2,490	1.01	.77	
Late (2)	" :	309	527	572	.81	.71	
Late (3)	" :	1,024	1,215	1,116	1.68	1.82	
Total U. S. ...	" :	7,690	9,726		1.25	1.14	
Peppers, green	:						
Fall	" :	420	634	720	1.18	.86	1.22
Early	" :	1,360	1,768	810	1.04	1.29	1.69
Second early	" :	292	207	230	.66	1.15	.84
Intermediate (1) ..	" :	164	280	314	.60	.70	
Intermediate (2) ..	" :	1,445	1,541	1,794	.42	.35	
Total U. S. ...	" :	4,063	5,066		.75	.85	
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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage			Unit	Yield per acre		
	Average : 1929-38	: 1939	: 1940		Average: 1929-38	: 1939	: 1940
	: Acres	: Acres	: Acres		: Pounds	: Bushels	: Bushels
Peppermint for oil	37,660	28,670	30,930	of oil	23.2	29.1	28.0
Shallots	---	5,400	5,000	Bushels	---	125	111
Spinach							
Fall	2,570	3,000	2,400	"	253	340	250
Early	39,950	40,200	39,400	"	183	177	169
Second early	9,100	9,090	11,230	"	287	310	290
Intermediate	840	1,400	1,600	"	139	125	125
Total U. S. ...	59,430	61,030		"	212	220	
Tomatoes							
Fall	6,480	7,300	11,800	"	58	76	120
Early (1)	13,140	18,000	5,000	"	122	160	100
Early (2)	29,680	42,100	41,000	"	73	88	78
Second early	42,550	51,700	52,700	"	85	69	75
Intermediate	43,810	48,050	52,230	"	134	139	147
Late (1)	33,700	36,100	36,190	"	147	175	163
Late (2)	7,900	7,300	5,100	"	124	150	150
Total U. S. ...	117,260	210,550	204,020	"	110	118	115
Watermelons							
Early	33,230	27,700	29,000	Melons	362	325	284
Second early	163,390	172,100	176,200	"	221	175	236
Late	58,160	77,420	72,530	"	356	351	384
Total U. S. ...	254,780	277,220	277,730	"	270	239	280
Total planted acreage reported as of September 15: 1,549,110 1,799,850 1,746,750							

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, production for market and price per unit, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and 1940 - Continued

Crop and seasonal group	Unit	Production			Price per unit			
		Average	1939	1940	Average	1939	1940	
		1929-38			1929-38			
: Thousand:								
: pounds:								
Peppermint for oil	: of oil	874	835	867	2.01	1.91		
: Thousand:								
Shallots	: bushels	---	674	556	1.06	.50		
Spinach	:							
Fall	" :	695	1,020	600	.54	.40		
Early	" :	7,329	7,104	6,665	.40	.33		
Second early	" :	2,609	2,819	3,261	.44	.41		
Intermediate	" :	109	175	200	.42	.45		
Total U. S. ...:	" :	12,603	13,430		.43	.35		
Tomatoes	:							
Fall	" :	374	556	1,420	2.28	2.46	2.11	
Early (1)	" :	1,608	2,830	500	2.50	2.40	2.85	
Early (2)	" :	2,174	3,713	3,190	2.06	2.14	2.38	
Second early	" :	3,634	3,564	3,973	1.24	1.31	.77	
Intermediate	" :	5,873	6,667	7,666	.91	.94	.92	
Late (1)	" :	4,957	6,307	5,890	.83	.81		
Late (2)	" :	964	1,095	765	1.52	1.50		
Total U. S. ...:	" :	19,584	24,732	23,404	1.26	1.37		
Watermelons	: Thousand:							
Early	: melons	12,031	8,995	8,240	168.00	164.00	187.00	
Second early	" :	36,135	30,070	41,620	96.00	122.00	94.00	
Late	" :	20,734	27,139	27,843	105.00	97.00	---	
Total U. S. ...:	" :	68,900	66,204	77,703	112.00	117.00		
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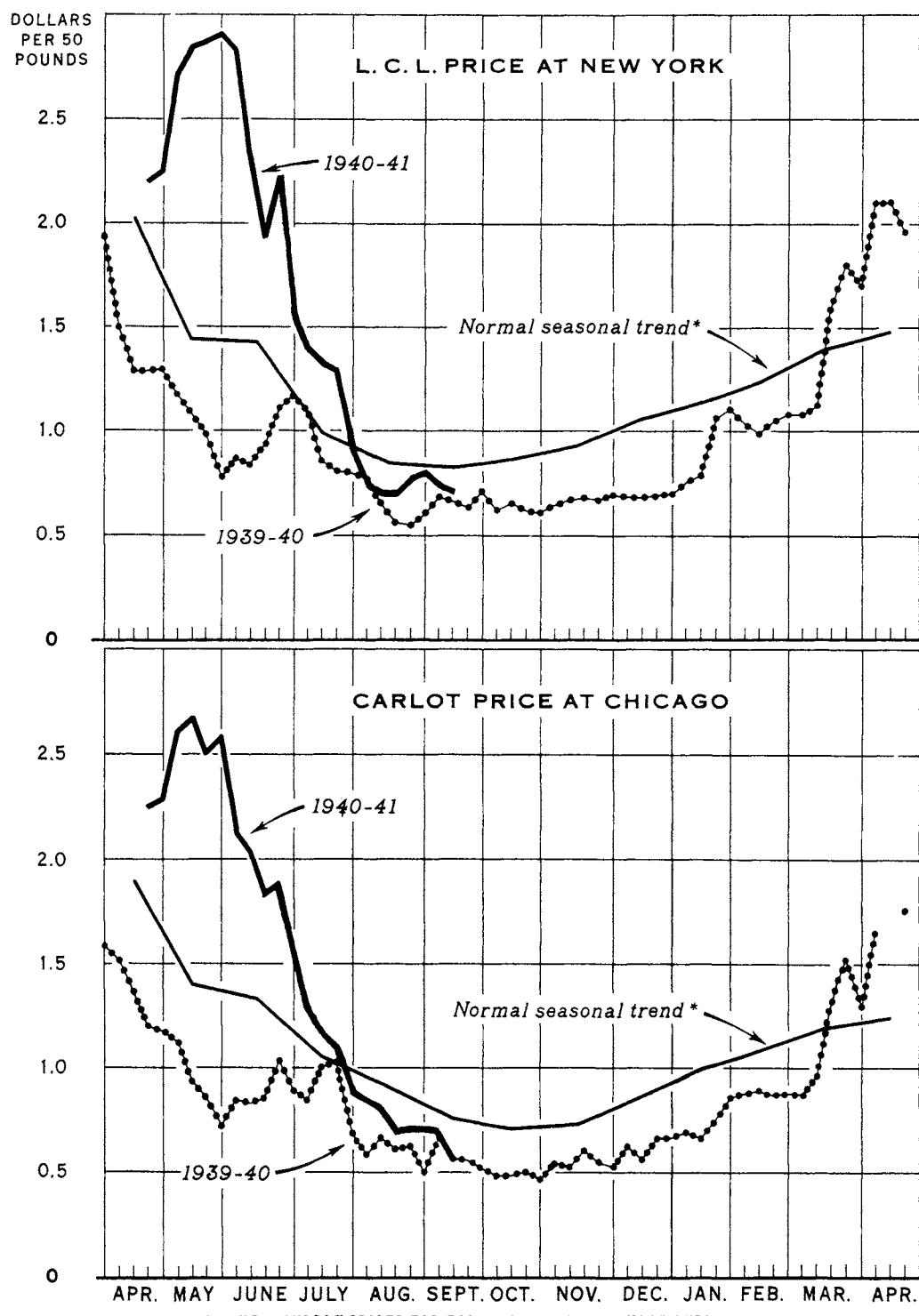
Commodity	Planted acreage			Production		
	1938	1939	1940 <u>1/</u>	1938	1939	1940 <u>1/</u>
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Tons
	:	:	:	:	:	:
Beans, lima ...:	55,010	50,540	50,670	28,730	29,790	27,640
Beans, snap ...:	76,010	54,860	57,590	128,400	94,150	97,300
Beets:	12,380	9,060	12,200	70,780	44,740	74,110
Cabbage for kraut	18,600	20,140	18,900	195,400	146,600	158,600
Corn, sweet ...:	361,170	254,460	328,710	882,800	661,100	724,100
Peas, green ...:	334,920	260,070	323,980	302,540	198,110	302,290
Pimentos:	26,390	22,090	15,490	38,840	23,210	12,460
Spinach <u>2/</u>:	17,470	13,860	12,400	30,400	36,500	36,910
Tomatoes:	410,160	371,730	391,630	1,742,600	1,996,800	1,801,500
Total above.: :	1,312,110	1,056,810	1,211,570	3,420,490	3,231,000	3,234,910
Asparagus : (Calif.)....:	47,510	50,120	---	44,664	47,616	---
Cucumbers for pickles	88,700	64,620	92,760	146,568	92,400	---
Grand total : :	1,448,320	1,171,550	---	3,611,722	3,371,016	---

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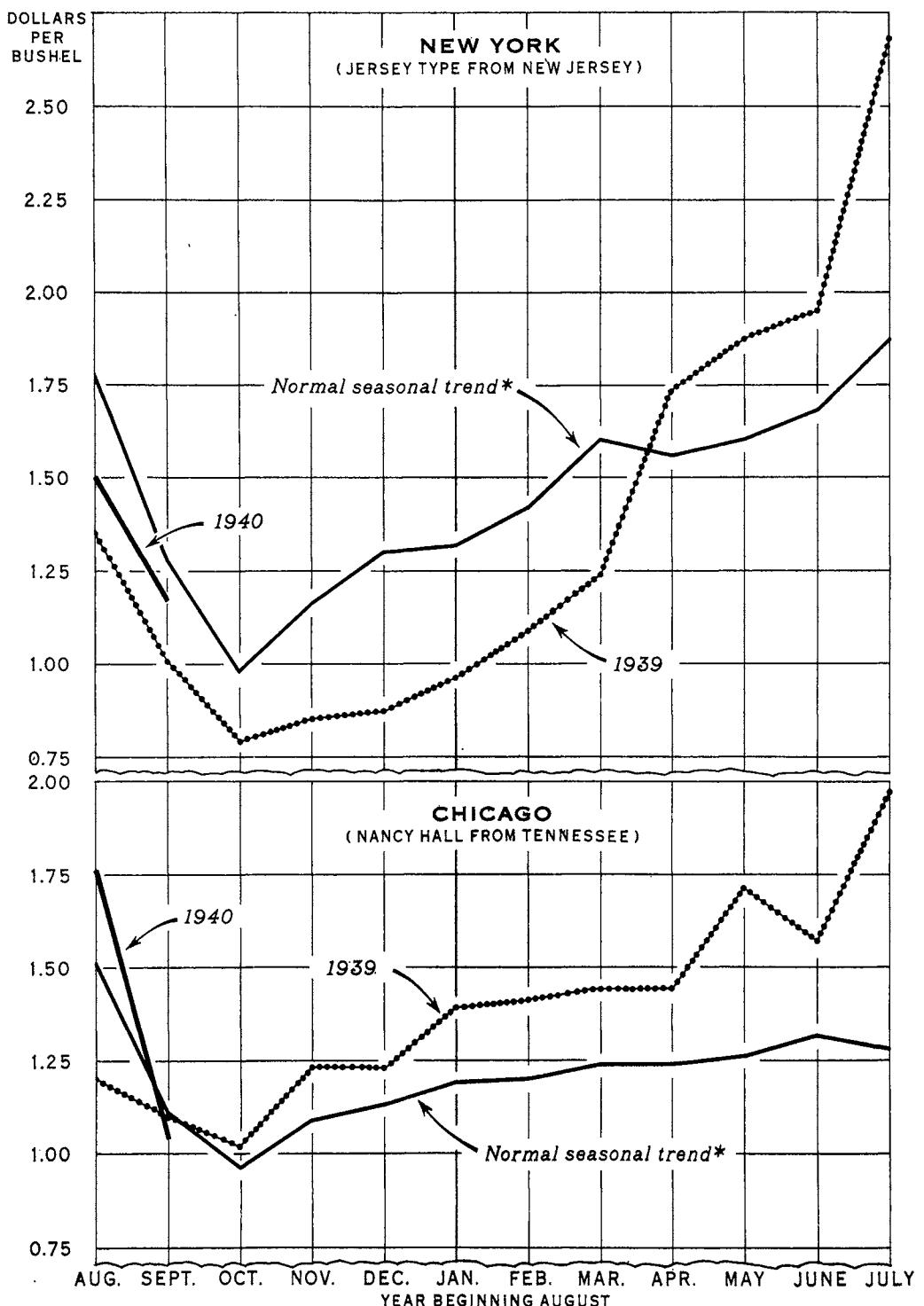
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