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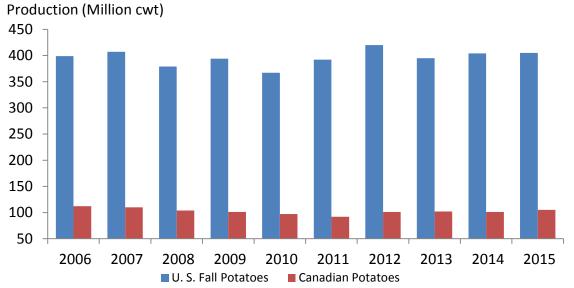
North American Potatoes

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Combined United States Fall Potato and Canadian Potato Production Up 1 Percent From 2014

This publication is the result of a joint effort by Statistics Canada and USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to publish potato production for both countries in one report. United States 2015 fall potato production was released January 12, 2016 and Canadian production was released January 22, 2016.

The 2015 fall potato production for the United States and Canada combined is estimated at 510 million cwt, up 1 percent from 2014. The United States fall potato production is estimated at 405 million cwt, up slightly from last year. Canada's potato growers harvested 105 million cwt, up 5 percent from 2014.



Potato Production - United States and Canada

Fall Potato Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value - United States: 2006-2015

[Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Crop year	Ar	ea	Yield per	Total	Utilized	Price per	Value of	
Crop year	Planted	Harvested	acre	production	production ¹	cwt	sales ²	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	
2006	995.7	984.0	406	399,176	370,797	6.67	2,448,546	
2007	1,007.8	993.2	410	406,800	378,518	7.04	2,636,885	
2008	931.1	922.0	411	378,588	353,635	8.49	2,967,871	
2009	936.7	917.2	429	393,544	365,559	7.62	2,751,550	
2010	895.3	882.7	416	366,781	343,386	8.79	2,984,771	
2011	959.2	941.0	416	391,570	364,845	8.87	3,201,310	
2012	1,007.8	994.9	422	420,030	392,275	8.05	3,131,956	
2013	939.3	930.5	425	395,275	370,975	9.05	3,320,712	
2014	938.4	931.1	434	403,703	377,762	8.35	3,113,990	
2015	944.6	937.7	431	404,513				

¹ Includes potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed.

² Includes value of potatoes sold.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Potato Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value - Canada: 2006-2015

[Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet begun]

Crop year	Are	ea	Yield per	Total	Utilized	Price per cwt ²	Farm value ²³
Crop year	Planted	Harvested	acre	production	production ¹		
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)
2006	401.9	391.0	287.1	112,241	107,926	7.64	824,897
2007	399.2	395.2	278.3	109,982	106,510	8.94	952,719
2008	379.9	373.4	277.3	103,560	99,950	10.13	1,012,381
2009	369.9	359.7	280.4	100,859	96,812	10.78	1,043,196
2010	357.0	344.0	282.4	97,153	93,355	11.68	1,090,680
2011	360.5	348.8	264.8	92,372	89,085	12.20	1,086,795
2012	373.2	367.1	274.4	100,741	94,578	11.84	1,120,019
2013	356.1	351.8	291.0	102,383	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2014	346.8	342.4	293.9	100,654	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2015	348.8	343.4	306.8	105,382			

(NA) Not available.

¹ Includes potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed.

² Converted to United States dollars.

³ Includes value of potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed. Source: Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada

Potato Area Planted, Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value - United States and Canada: 2006-2015

[Fall potatoes only for the United States and all potatoes for Canada. Blank cells indicate estimation period has not yet be	gun]
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Cropycor	Area		Yield	Total	Utilized	Price per	Value ²³	
Crop year	Planted	Harvested	per acre	production	production ¹	cwt ²	value	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	
2006	1,397.6	1,375.0	371.9	511,417	478,723	6.84	3,273,443	
2007	1,407.0	1,388.4	372.2	516,782	485,028	7.40	3,589,604	
2008	1,311.0	1,295.4	372.2	482,148	453,585	8.78	3,980,252	
2009	1,306.6	1,276.9	387.2	494,403	462,371	8.21	3,794,746	
2010	1,252.3	1,226.7	378.2	463,934	436,741	9.33	4,075,451	
2011	1,319.7	1,289.8	375.2	483,942	453,930	9.45	4,288,105	
2012	1,381.0	1,362.0	382.4	520,771	486,853	8.73	4,251,975	
2013	1,295.4	1,282.3	388.1	497,658	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
2014	1,285.2	1,273.5	396.0	504,357	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	
2015	1,293.4	1,281.1	398.0	509,895				

(NA) Not available.

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² Converted to United States dollars.

³ Includes value of potatoes sold for the United States and value of potatoes sold and used on farm where grown for human consumption, seed, and livestock feed for Canada.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service and Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada

Potato Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, Total Production, Utilized Production, Price, and Farm Value by Season - United States: 2014-2015 [Blank cells indicate estimation period has not vet begun]

Crop year	Area		Yield	Total	Utilized	Price per	Value of	
and season	Planted Harvested		per acre	production	production ¹	cwt	sales ²	
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(1,000 cwt)	(dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	
2014								
Spring	73.8	71.1	318	22,608	21,899	14.93	325,559	
Summer	50.4	48.9	324	15,859	15,747	13.98	218,730	
Fall	938.4	931.1	434	403,703	377,762	8.35	3,113,990	
United States	1,062.6	1,051.1	421	442,170	415,408	8.88	3,658,279	
2015								
Spring	70.1	68.5	296	20,251				
Summer	50.5	47.1	334	15,734				
Fall	944.6	937.7	431	404,513				
United States	1,065.2	1,053.3	418	440,498				

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² Includes value of potatoes sold.

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedures: Potato estimates are the results of a variety of surveys. Fall potatoes are included in the June and December Quarterly Agricultural Surveys, but also follow Grower Special Surveys. Telephone follow-up of mail survey non-respondents is used to ensure adequate coverage. Special grower disposition surveys are conducted at the end of each season to provide additional details about the crop.

Estimating Procedures: Information obtained from the special grower disposition surveys along with federal administrative data is used to establish estimates of acreage, production, and amount sold. These estimates are reviewed for errors, reasonableness, and consistency with historical estimates.

Revision Policy: All United States estimates in this report for the current year were carried forward from the latest forecast. End-of-season estimates of production are made following harvest and are subject to revision the following year based on a thorough review of all available data.

Reliability: Survey results are subject to non-sampling errors such as omission, duplication, imputation for missing data, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing the data. These errors cannot be measured directly, but they are minimized through rigid quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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