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Processing of 2011 Potato Crop up 23 percent from Last Year

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon have used 56.7 million cwt of 2011 crop raw potatoes to April 1, an increase of 23 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 50.2 million cwt of the total processed, up 25 percent from last year. The remaining 6.44 million cwt were produced in other states. Processing in Idaho and Malheur County during February and March totaled 14.9 million cwt, an increase of 10 percent from the same period last year.

Processors in the 9 major States have used 142 million cwt of potatoes this season, up 11 percent from the same period last year. Dehydrating usage accounted for 28.1 million cwt of the total processing, up 45 percent from last year.

Potatoes Used for Processing, Selected States, 2009 – 2011 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	2009-10	9,860	16,950	23,110	29,180	35,170	42,050	49,200	56,100	62,930	79,400
	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			
Idaho Potatoes	2009-10	6,360	12,380	18,300	24,170	29,960	36,570	43,430	49,640	55,700	71,500
	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			
Maine 2/	2009-10			1,575	2,060	2,680	3,265	3,915	4,550	5,260	7,160
	2010-11			1,860	2,390	3,000	3,620	4,320	4,980	5,645	7,490
	2011-12			1,860	2,365	3,070	3,665	4,320			
WA & Other Area, OR	2009-10	13,590	19,045	25,395	31,245	36,530	43,780	50,130	56,700	64,805	75,690
	2010-11	14,170	20,850	27,670	33,570	38,815	46,700	53,660	60,145	67,655	77,940
	2011-12	16,390	24,210	31,745	38,160	44,465	51,620	58,505			
Other States 3/	2009-10			10,865	13,565	16,305	18,995	21,600	24,355	27,375	34,240
	2010-11			11,820	14,785	17,435	20,370	23,215	25,775	28,690	35,430
	2011-12			11,215	14,180	16,915	19,305	22,260			
Total	2009-10			60,945	76,050	90,685	108,090	124,845	141,705	160,370	196,490
	2010-11			62,390	77,585	91,950	109,930	127,375	143,730	161,430	190,910
	2011-12			72,880	89,505	106,250	124,050	141,765			
Dehydrated 4/	2009-10			10,985	14,035	17,150	19,895	23,155	26,630	30,045	38,915
	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	28,065			

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/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only.

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

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

Idaho Potato Stocks up 7 Percent from Last Year

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on April 1 totaled 44.0 million cwt, 3.0 million cwt more than on hand April 1, 2011. Disappearance, at 83.1 million cwt is up 15 percent from last year's 72.0 million cwt.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 116 million cwt of potatoes in storage April 1, 2012, up 4 percent from a year ago. Potatoes in storage accounted for 30 percent of the 2011 fall storage States' production, one percentage point below April 1, 2011. Potato disappearance, at 264 million cwt, was 7 percent above April 1, 2011. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 22.8 million cwt, was up 12 percent from the same date in 2011.

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	JUN 1
<u>1,000 Cwt</u>								
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2006	128,915	90,000	80,000	70,000	59,500	46,500	33,000	21,000
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/	127,070	88,000		67,500		44,000		
13 States 1/								
2006	389,527	258,900	225,800	192,200	159,500	120,900	79,050	44,460
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/	379,916	250,000		186,500		115,850		

1/ See table below for listing of 13 states.

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

Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors, and Local Dealers on April 1, 2011 and April 1, 2012 1/

STATE	CROP OF 2010			CROP OF 2011		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2011	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS APRIL 1, 2012	APRIL 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>
California	2,828	600	21	4,128	850	21
Colorado	21,528	7,200	33	21,291	7,700	36
Idaho	112,970	41,000	36	127,070	44,000	35
Maine	15,892	5,900	37	14,310	4,400	31
Michigan	15,660	2,300	15	15,180	1,600	11
Minnesota	17,010	5,000	29	16,685	5,000	30
Montana	3,673	2,300	63	3,795	2,100	55
Nebraska	7,719	2,100	27	7,800	2,100	27
New York	5,120	600	12	4,050	500	12
North Dakota	22,000	5,900	27	18,865	5,600	30
Oregon	20,058	7,700	38	23,342	8,000	34
Washington	88,440	25,200	28	98,400	29,000	29
Wisconsin	24,293	5,200	21	25,000	5,000	20
13 STATES	357,191	111,000	31	379,916	115,850	30
Klamath Basin 2/		1,200			1,800	

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.