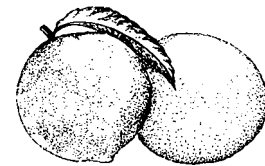


Freestone Peach Freezer and Dehydrator Report State Summary -- 2002 Crop Year



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FREESTONE PEACH FREEZER AND DEHYDRATOR REPORT

Information contained in this report was supplied by dry yards and freezers of Freestone peaches to fulfill reporting requirements of Sections 55601.7 and 55601.8 of the California Food and Agriculture Code. Weighted average price represents the average roadside price paid to growers and packing houses for fresh Freestone peaches used for freezing or drying. Freezers grading Freestone peaches reported approximately 5 percent as off-grade. Dry yards do not grade Freestone peaches, so there is not an off-grade percentage.

2002 FREESTONE PEACHES FOR FREEZING

Variety Type	Total Fresh Tons Received For Freezing <u>1/</u>	Total Fresh Tons Purchased For Freezing <u>2/</u>	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Growers F.O.B. Roadside	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Packing Houses F.O.B. Packinghouse <u>3/</u>
	Tons		Dollars Per Ton	
Mid-Gem	26,200	12,600	208.00	<u>4/</u>
Late-Gem	59,300	46,300	211.00	146.00
Fay Elberta	5,600	4,000	157.00	<u>4/</u>
Other Varieties	20	15	<u>4/</u>	110.00
All Varieties	91,120	62,915	207.00	146.00

1/ Total tons for freezing received from growers, packing houses, and the processor's own orchards.

2/ Total tons for freezing purchased from growers and packing houses. Tons from processors' own orchards are excluded from this column.

3/ Fresh tons purchased from California growers totaled 59,940 for freezing. Tons purchased from packing houses totaled 2,975. The weighted average price paid to growers and packing houses was \$204.00 per ton. If the tons (28,205) grown in the freezer's own orchards are included using the grower price (\$207.00), then average value received for freezing is \$205.00 per ton.

4/ No tons for this variety were reported purchased from packing houses.

2002 FREESTONE PEACHES FOR DRYING

Variety Type	Total Tons Received For Drying <u>1/</u>	Total Tons Purchased For Drying <u>2/</u>	Total Dried Tons After Drying (Natural Cond.)	Dry-Away Ratio	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Growers <u>3/</u>	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Packing Houses <u>3/</u>
	Tons				Dollars Per Ton	
Fay Elberta	4,300	4,000	460	9.5	145.00	30.00
Lovell	400	220	60	6.7	125.00	<u>4/</u>
Gem Types	1,300	1,100	150	8.4	205.00	35.00
Other Varieties	8,200	8,200	860	9.5	<u>4/</u>	41.00
All Varieties	14,200	13,520	1,530	9.3	153.00	38.00

1/ Total tons for drying received from growers, packing houses, and the processor's own orchards.

2/ Total tons for drying purchased from growers and packing houses. Tons from the processor's own orchards are excluded from this column.

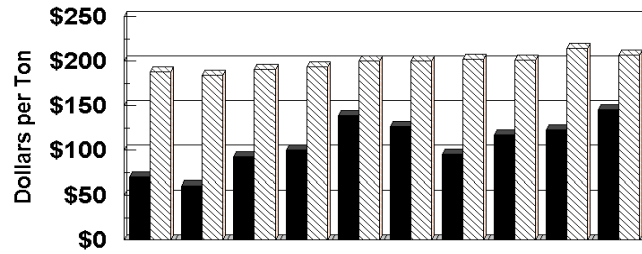
3/ Fresh tons purchased from California growers totaled 790 for drying. Tons purchased from packing houses totaled 12,730. The weighted average price paid to growers and packing houses was \$44.00 per ton. If the tons (680) grown in the dehydrator's own orchards are included using the grower price (\$153.00), then average value per ton received for drying is \$49.00 per ton.

4/ No tons for this variety were reported purchased from packing houses or growers.

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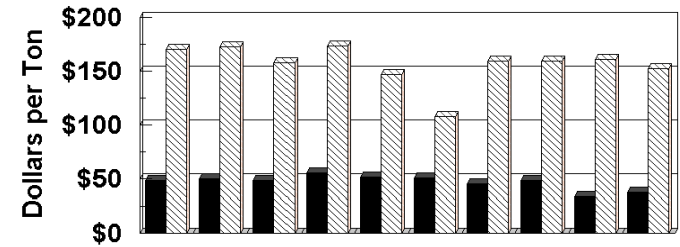
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**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE PAID
FOR FREEZING**



	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
■ PKG. HOUSE	70	61	93	100	139	127	96	117	123	146
▨ GROWERS	188	184	191	194	200	200	202	201	215	207

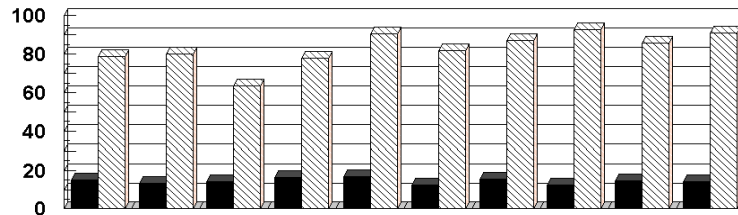
**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE PAID
FOR DRYING**



	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
■ PKG. HOUSE	49	50	49	56	52	51	46	49	34	38
▨ GROWERS	171	173	158	174	147	108	160	160	161	153

**TOTAL TONS RECEIVED
FOR FREEZING AND DRYING**

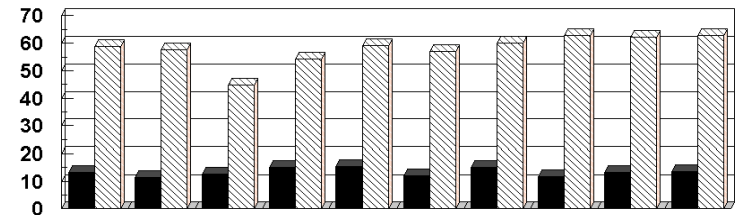
(000) Tons



	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
■ DRYING	14,900	13,500	14,000	16,300	16,900	12,500	15,700	12,620	14,590	14,200
▨ FREEZING	78,800	80,000	63,700	77,800	90,400	81,900	87,100	92,600	86,000	91,120
TOTAL	93,700	93,500	77,700	94,100	107,300	94,400	102,800	105,220	100,590	105,320

**TOTAL TONS PURCHASED
FOR FREEZING AND DRYING**

(000) TONS



	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
■ DRYING	13,200	11,400	12,700	15,100	15,500	12,050	15,050	11,690	13,250	13,520
▨ FREEZING	58,700	57,600	44,800	54,300	59,200	57,000	60,100	62,900	62,200	62,915
TOTAL	71,900	69,000	57,500	69,400	74,700	69,050	75,150	74,590	75,450	76,435