

2005-06 SEASON VEGETABLES HIGHLIGHTS

VALUE

The 2005-06 value of production for the seven major vegetable crops, potatoes, berries and watermelons totaled \$1,637,498,000, down twelve percent from the revised 2004-05 value of \$1,859,838,000. All crops, except for sweet corn, cucumbers, potatoes, strawberries and blueberries showed decreases in the value of production from the previous season's value. This is partly attributed to damage caused by Hurricane Wilma to the fall 2005 vegetable crops and damage from a freeze in February 2006. Sweet corn and potatoes showed increases of 9 and 29 percent, respectively. The value for cucumbers remained virtually unchanged from the previous season.

ACREAGE

Harvested acreage of the seven major vegetable crops, potatoes, berries and watermelons, totaled 199,200 acres during the 2005-06 season, down 20,700 acres or nine percent from the 219,900 acres harvested during the 2004-05 season. Acreage harvested declined for snap beans, cabbage, sweet corn, cucumbers, bell peppers, tomatoes, watermelons and potatoes. Acreage harvested increased for squash and blueberries. Strawberry acreage showed no change from the previous season.

Acreage double cropped was counted twice for the estimates, but acreage abandoned before maturity due to natural causes and acreage reaching maturity but not harvested due to economic reasons were excluded. Economic abandonment was limited to economic factors such as low prices, shortages of labor, transportation, containers and packing facilities, marketing order decisions affecting size, grade or cullage, and interruptions of the normal market flow. Economic abandonment did not include the usual trimming and grading losses, which occur during harvesting and packing.

PRODUCTION

Cabbage, sweet corn, cucumbers, bell pepper, squash, tomatoes, and potato production for 2005-06 all showed declines in production from the previous season, while the production of snap beans, watermelons, strawberries, and blueberries increased. The 2005-06 yield per acre decreased for cabbage, cucumbers, squash, tomatoes, but improved for snap beans, sweet corn, bell peppers, potatoes, watermelons, strawberries and blueberries.

WEATHER

Hot temperatures during **July, August and September 2005** boosted plant growth and fruit development. In early July, rain and wind, caused by Tropical Storm Cindy passing off the eastern coast and Hurricane Dennis churning in the Gulf of Mexico, delayed some land preparation for fall crop planting. Abundant rainfall over the Quincy area slowed tomato planting in July causing the start of harvest to be delayed by one to two weeks. Clearer weather between sporadic showers, during the rest of July and most of August, let producers keep most field preparation and planting on schedule. In late July, muddy fields prevented some field preparations around Immokalee. Limited tomato planting began in southern Hillsborough County around mid-August. By mid-to-late month, squash and watermelon planting was active around Lake Placid while eggplant, pepper and tomato planting was underway in the Immokalee area. Acreage in the Quincy area was virtually all planted by the third week of August with some late plantings causing harvest to last for a longer than usual time.

Dade County crops suffered significant damage as Katrina passed over on August 25 with flooding hampering okra harvesting. Some Dade County growers cut as much okra as possible before the storm arrived. Rain and wind beat tomato plants in the Quincy area, resulting in some yield loss. Elsewhere, over the southern Peninsula, a few producers delayed some planting due to the threat of damage from Katrina. However, the Immokalee and Palmetto-Ruskin regions suffered no significant harm from the storm. By early September, tomato acreage in the Quincy area was in good condition as cooler temperatures slowed some growth. Some planting and other field work was postponed around Hastings, Stuart and Jupiter due to the threat of Tropical Storm Ophelia in early September. Drier conditions around mid-September speeded the laying of plastic and planting in all production regions, and allowed the tomato crop around Quincy to improve from previous rain damages. In late September, strong, gusty winds from Hurricane Rita blew plastic off some Dade County fields which delayed planting by about half a week.

About one percent of the winter tomato acreage had been transplanted around Homestead when Rita passed. Surplus soil moisture supplies delayed some sweet corn planting around Lake Okeechobee and in Dade County. Less rainfall from Rita around Immokalee, Plant City, Palmetto and Ruskin allowed planting to remain mostly on schedule. Heavier rainfall around Quincy interrupted some tomato pruning and tying as the picking of grape types got underway.

By early **October**, strawberry growers around Plant City were preparing ground and laying plastic for winter crop transplanting and producers around Hastings started planting cabbage. Cucumber and bell pepper harvesting in the southern Peninsula started by early October with very light amounts available. Tomato picking in the Palmetto-Ruskin region and around Quincy started in late September and early October. Storms during the first days of October, caused by the remnants of Hurricane Rita, delayed some planting in the central and southern Peninsula. In the Hastings area, drier conditions allowed cabbage planting to continue on schedule. Okra cutting continued throughout the month in Dade County and pickle harvesting got underway in the central and southern Peninsula. Tomato harvesting was active all month around the Quincy area. Drier conditions in some central and southern Peninsula areas allowed planting and harvesting to stay mostly on schedule. However, saturated soils in Miami-Dade County delayed some planting. Snap bean, squash and sweet corn picking got underway by mid-month with very light amounts available. In St. Johns County, rains from Tropical Storm Tammy and sea breeze clashes accounted for an abundance of rain throughout the area, which suspended cabbage planting until fields dried out a little. The dry weather that followed, coupled with plenty of sunshine allowed planting to progress on schedule in most areas. By mid-October, saturated fields from continuous rains in parts of Dade County further delayed fall crop planting by two weeks. Strawberry transplanting remained active in the Plant City area. The last week in October ended with a pause in most planting and harvesting over the Peninsula due to the passage of Hurricane Wilma. With maximum sustained winds estimated to be near 105 knots, Hurricane Wilma crossed the southern Peninsula in 4.5 hours on October 24. The center of this storm emerged into the Atlantic just southeast of Jupiter; however, winds had decreased to near 95 knots during the crossing of the State. The storm damaged several vegetable fields across the southern Peninsula as it made landfall. Harvesting was curtailed in many areas across the central and southern Peninsula due to storm damage or saturated fields. A lack of labor hindered the salvaging of transplants, which delayed scheduled planting in some areas. Around Immokalee, some snap beans, sweet corn and watermelons were at 100 percent loss with only a minimal amount of squash salvaged. In Manatee County, some fruit from tomato vines and plants looked wind-whipped. Growers continued to plant cabbage in St. Johns County. Producers marketed light supplies of snap beans, cucumbers, eggplant, okra, peppers, squash, tomatoes and watermelons during the rest of the month.

Dry weather during the first week of **November** around Immokalee and Homestead helped drain fields saturated by Wilma's rains and allowed tomatoes to recover in Manatee County. However, there were significant delays in the production of all vegetables for most southern Peninsula areas. The following crops and areas suffered heavy damages and losses: okra, sweet corn, snap beans and tomatoes in Miami-Dade County; most bean fields south of Lake Okeechobee; almost all sweet corn around Lake Okeechobee; and peppers, watermelons and tomatoes in the Immokalee area. Producers in areas affected by Wilma continued salvaging older plants and replanting lost acreage with some activity hindered by a lack of labor. Very light amounts of sweet corn, snap beans, watermelons, cucumbers, peppers, squash and eggplant were available from other central and northern areas with modest amounts of tomatoes harvested around Quincy and in other central Peninsula production regions. Producers harvested vegetables while trying to meet the Thanksgiving Day demand. Drier weather in the central and southern Peninsula allowed fieldwork to progress at a normal pace and allowed some saturated fields in the southern Peninsula to drain. Okra harvesting slowed due to extensive storm damage around the Miami-Dade County area, but started back up with very light amounts available by the latter part of November.

A cold front swept the State after the passage of Wilma bringing record low temperatures to some localities. Strawberry growers around Plant City and Dover welcomed the cooler temperatures, which enhanced berry development. Picking of a reduced volume of tomatoes in the Quincy area was nearly completed when temperatures plunged to near freezing. Tomato harvesting in the central and southern Peninsula areas increased seasonally. A very light volume of sweet corn was also picked in northern and central Peninsula localities. At the end of November, harvesting gained momentum over the central and southern Peninsula with the volume of cucumbers, peppers and tomatoes increasing. Strawberry picking got underway in the Plant City area.

December started with showers in the Immokalee and Palmetto-Ruskin areas slowing some planting and harvesting. Dry, clear weather for most areas throughout the rest of December allowed planting and harvesting to proceed at a normal pace with growers shipping crops for the holiday market. Potato land preparations became active in central and southern Peninsula areas. The harvesting of endive, escarole, Romaine lettuce, radishes and cabbage started with only very light supplies available. A very light amount of strawberries were also marketed from the Plant City and Dover areas where picking slowly gained momentum. Other vegetables available included snap beans, peppers, squash and tomatoes, and very light amounts of sweet corn, eggplant and okra. Significant rains in the Hastings area slowed some cabbage cutting. Also, adverse weather significantly slowed the celery crop around Lake Okeechobee with no significant amount available until late December. Cool temperatures slowed some plant development at the end of the month as growers paused to observe the holidays.

Dry conditions allowed planting and harvesting to progress on schedule for most of **January** and **February**. However, mostly cool temperatures during the two months slowed crop growth. Most vegetable and strawberry producers provided protection to crops when cold weather arrived just before mid-January. Producers covered some plants with cloths and irrigated crops to minimize frost damage. Most acreage showed no significant damage although the cold singed a few acres. Potato growers reported no significant damage from this cold snap. Around Quincy, fall crop tomato picking finished in early January and land preparations for the spring crop started after mid-month. In early February, substantial rains slowed planting and harvesting. In mid-February, a cold front swept the State and set record lows. Areas from the Panhandle down to the southern Peninsula experienced hard freezes and frosts. These cold temperatures damaged and destroyed a significant amount of the sweet corn acreage with producers replanting only part of the losses. Snap bean leaves turned brown in fields not protected from these cold conditions. This cold also harmed some tomatoes. However, cucumbers escaped significant damage with growers using freeze cloths and overhead sprinklers to save the crop. Cabbage in the Hastings areas also, was not affected by the cold. Potato digging around Lake Okeechobee and in the Immokalee and Palmetto-Ruskin areas became active during February and northern Peninsula producers started land preparations for watermelon planting.

Dry conditions during **March** allowed planting and harvesting to zoom ahead. Cabbage cutting reached peak levels in early March as producers met the St. Patrick's Day demand. Watermelon transplanting started in the northern Peninsula around mid-March. Strong winds tossed plants and wind-borne sand bruised some fruit when storms passed over southern Peninsula growing area near the end of March. However, no significant damage was reported. The rains washed away some pesticides but fields dried quickly after the storms which help limit any increase in disease. Tomato transplanting for the spring crop harvest got underway around Quincy with the earlier cool temperatures causing no significant damage to the small plants. Strawberry growers started to open fields to the U-Pic market as production in other states increased.

Warmer temperatures arrived by early **April** which hindered strawberry fruit development. In early April, vegetable harvesting remained active in central and southern Peninsula areas as growers started to satisfy the mid-April holiday demand. The continued dry conditions led to some insect and disease problems in Dade County, but lowered the incidence of disease in some northern and Panhandle fields. Blueberry harvesting got underway in central Peninsula areas with a very light volume available. Potato growers in the Hastings area continued to plant with some acreage double-cropped following the cabbage harvest. Watermelon growers finished planting in some Panhandle areas as harvesting gained momentum across the southern Peninsula. Tomato producers in the Palmetto-Ruskin area started picking about mid-April as transplanting ended around Quincy. Cabbage cutting slowed seasonally in late April. Hot temperatures during the last half of April reduced the quality of leafy greens, such as endive, escarole, lettuce and parsley with harvesting slowing. Okra cutting gained momentum in Dade County and strawberry picking was completed in the Plant City area by the end of the month.

Mostly dry conditions and normal temperatures persisted throughout **May**. By the first of **May**, watermelon vines started setting fruit in Jefferson County and potato digging was underway in the Hastings region. Quincy area tomatoes were in good condition and cantaloupe harvesting started in southern Peninsula areas by early **May**. Celery cutting was virtually complete by mid-month. Squash harvesting slowed seasonally by late month, but remained very active in Washington County through the end of the month. Snap bean picking in the central and southern Peninsula neared completion by the end of **May**. Growers in Washington County combated Spotted Wilt Virus infestations in some tomato fields during the month.

A truck shortage hampered the movement of crops during the last half of **May** and into **June**. Dry, hot weather limited plant growth during the first part of **June**. Watermelon harvesting in the Panhandle gained momentum in early **June**. Watermelon fields were in good condition in Jackson County with disease infestations at a low level. Dryland watermelons in the Panhandle suffered from continued drought. Tropical Storm Alberto formed in the eastern Gulf of Mexico and traveled northward off the western coast in early **June**. The cyclone intensified and reached its peak intensity of 60 knots and a minimum pressure of 995 millibars about 100 nautical miles south of Apalachicola, Florida on **June 13**. During the same day, the cyclone weakened as it moved toward the coast and made landfall with 40-knot winds near Adams Beach, Florida. Alberto continued toward the northeast, farther inland and weakened. Rains from the storm helped ease drought conditions over the Peninsula but slowed some harvesting activities. Quincy area tomato growers reported no significant damages from the storm. Most potato producers in the Hastings area finished field work before the storm could hamper digging. Okra harvesting was active by mid-month in Dade County as potato digging progressed ahead of schedule in Putnam County. Watermelon picking remained active throughout the month. By the end of **June**, most vegetable harvests slowed seasonally in the central and southern Peninsula.

Hot temperatures and rainy conditions over the central and southern Peninsula during the first half of **July** brought virtually all harvesting to a halt in the area. However, Dade County producers continued to cut okra throughout the month. Tomato picking slowed in the Quincy area but remained active until the end of the month with very light supplies marketed.

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

PLANTED ACREAGE is the total acreage which has been planted for harvest during the crop year. Acreage lost and replanted to the same crop in time for harvest in the same quarter is counted only once. Acreage harvested and planted again to the same crop is counted twice.

HARVESTED ACREAGE is the acreage partially or completely harvested. Acreage lost before or at maturity through natural or economic causes is not included in the acreage for harvest.

YIELD is the average production per harvested acre of merchantable quality harvested and sold or utilized for human consumption.

PRODUCTION is the quantity actually harvested and sold or utilized for human consumption.

UNIT VALUE for fresh market sales is the equivalent price received, f.o.b. shipping point basis and encompasses all grades and sizes marketed or utilized. Included are packing charges, selling charges, precooling, top ice, or other costs which contribute to the value of the product at shipping point. The value per unit for quantities sold to processors is the average value paid for usable quantities, on a "delivered to plant door" basis. This value includes transportation and other normal costs incident to delivery at plant door.

TOTAL VALUE is the equivalent value of production sold or utilized based on the unit value. Cullage and other quantities not sold or utilized because of natural or economic factors are excluded.

OTHER COUNTIES include harvested acreage for all counties for which either published data would result in the disclosure of individual operations or acreage totals for specific commodities of minor importance in the State.

PRODUCTION AND PRICE UNIT--The official USDA vegetable crop estimates are published on a weight basis. For this bulletin, the official estimates for most vegetable crops have been converted to what is believed to be the most commonly used containers. If changes in container weights are necessary, all data pertaining to the production of the commodity in question are revised to maintain comparability between years. The table below gives the net weight used per container and the number of containers per hundredweight for Florida produce.

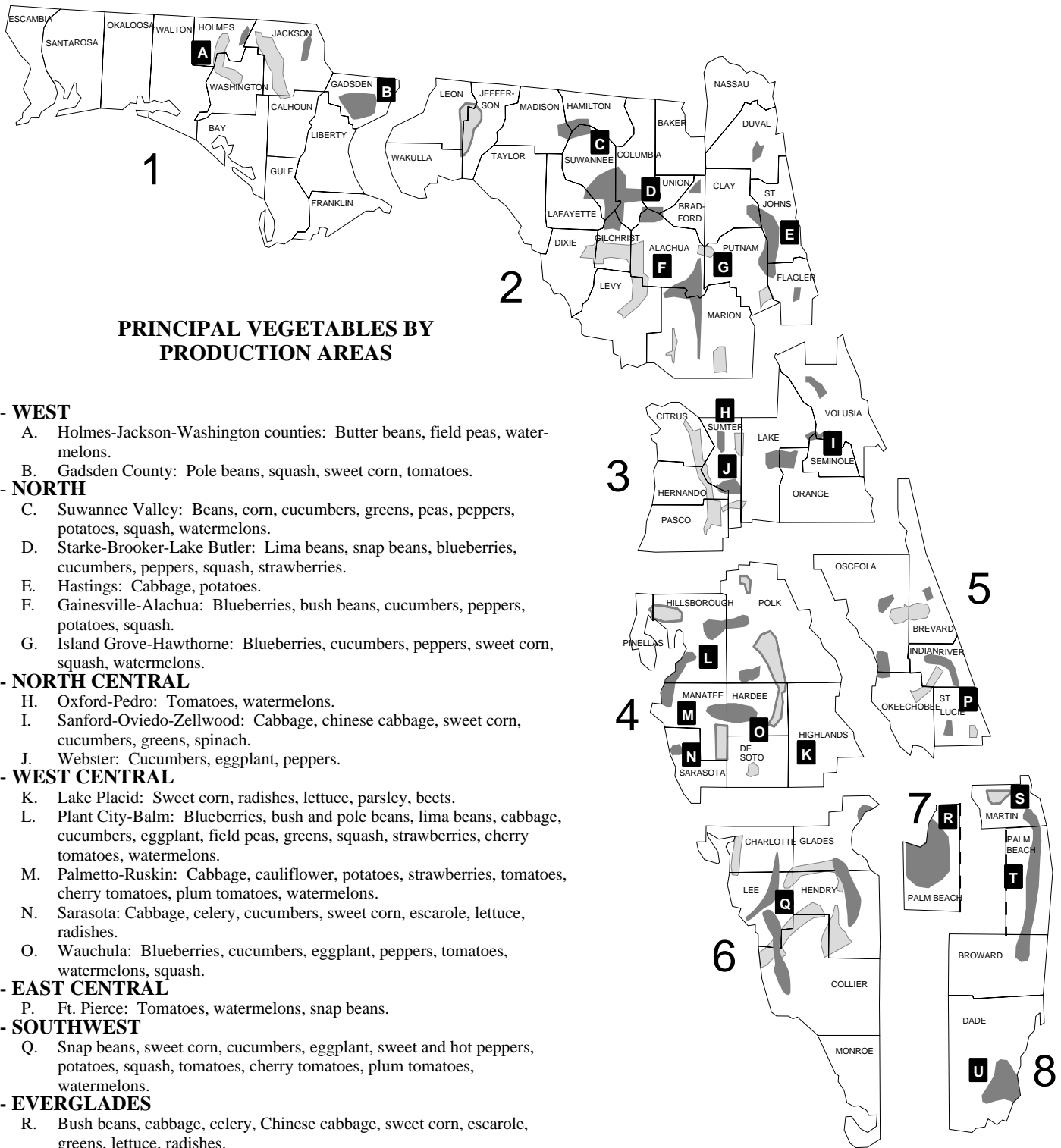
FLORIDA PRODUCE

Most common unit, estimated net weight, and units per hundredweight, 2005-06 crop season

Commodity	Unit	Estimated net weight	Number of units per cwt	Commodity	Unit	Estimated net weight	Number of units per cwt
		<i>Pounds</i>				<i>Pounds</i>	
Snap Beans	Bushel	30	3.333	Lettuce, Iceberg	Carton	50	2.000
Blueberries	Flat	11	9.090	Lettuce, Romaine	Carton	40	2.500
Cabbage	Crate	50	2.000	Lettuce, Leaf	Carton	25	4.000
Carrots	Sack	48	2.083	Okra	Bushel	30	3.333
Cauliflower	Carton	25	4.000	Parsley	Crate	21	4.762
Celery	Crate	60	1.667	Bell Pepper	Bushel	28	3.571
Chinese Cabbage	Crate	50	2.000	Potatoes	Sack	100	--
Sweet Corn	Crate	42	2.381	Radishes	Carton	15	6.667
Cucumbers	Bushel	55	1.818	Squash	Bushel	42	2.381
Eggplant	Bushel	33	3.030	Strawberries	Flat	12	8.333
Escarole	Crate	25	4.000	Tomatoes	Carton	25	4.000
Lettuce, Bibb	Carton	10	10.000	Watermelons	Cwt	100	--
Lettuce, Boston	Carton	20	5.000				

CONFIDENTIALITY OF COLLECTED DATA

All information collected from individual agricultural producers is held strictly confidential. Data provided by individual producers or other agricultural firms are used only to compile and publish statistics at the county, State, and national levels. Statistics at the county and State level are not published if they will potentially disclose information about an individual or operation. In addition, all names and addresses obtained by this office are held confidential.



PRINCIPAL VEGETABLES BY PRODUCTION AREAS

1 - WEST

- A. Holmes-Jackson-Washington counties: Butter beans, field peas, watermelons.
- B. Gadsden County: Pole beans, squash, sweet corn, tomatoes.

2 - NORTH

- C. Suwannee Valley: Beans, corn, cucumbers, greens, peas, peppers, potatoes, squash, watermelons.
- D. Starke-Brooker-Lake Butler: Lima beans, snap beans, blueberries, cucumbers, peppers, squash, strawberries.
- E. Hastings: Cabbage, potatoes.
- F. Gainesville-Alachua: Blueberries, bush beans, cucumbers, peppers, potatoes, squash.
- G. Island Grove-Hawthorne: Blueberries, cucumbers, peppers, sweet corn, squash, watermelons.

3 - NORTH CENTRAL

- H. Oxford-Pedro: Tomatoes, watermelons.
- I. Sanford-Oviedo-Zellwood: Cabbage, chinese cabbage, sweet corn, cucumbers, greens, spinach.
- J. Webster: Cucumbers, eggplant, peppers.

4 - WEST CENTRAL

- K. Lake Placid: Sweet corn, radishes, lettuce, parsley, beets.
- L. Plant City-Balm: Blueberries, bush and pole beans, lima beans, cabbage, cucumbers, eggplant, field peas, greens, squash, strawberries, cherry tomatoes, watermelons.
- M. Palmetto-Ruskin: Cabbage, cauliflower, potatoes, strawberries, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, plum tomatoes, watermelons.
- N. Sarasota: Cabbage, celery, cucumbers, sweet corn, escarole, lettuce, radishes.
- O. Wauchula: Blueberries, cucumbers, eggplant, peppers, tomatoes, watermelons, squash.

5 - EAST CENTRAL

- P. Ft. Pierce: Tomatoes, watermelons, snap beans.

6 - SOUTHWEST

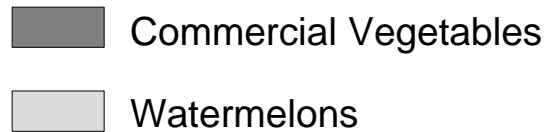
- Q. Snap beans, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplant, sweet and hot peppers, potatoes, squash, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, plum tomatoes, watermelons.

7 - EVERGLADES

- R. Bush beans, cabbage, celery, Chinese cabbage, sweet corn, escarole, greens, lettuce, radishes.

8 - SOUTHEAST

- S. Martin County: Cabbage, potatoes, tomatoes, watermelons.
- T. Pompano: Bush beans, lima beans, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplant, sweet and hot peppers, squash, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, plum tomatoes.
- U. Homestead: Bush and pole beans, cabbage, sweet corn, eggplant, okra, pickles, potatoes, squash, strawberries, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, plum tomatoes.



FLORIDA VEGETABLES, WATERMELONS, POTATOES, AND BERRIES

Acreage, yield, production and value, crop years 2004-05 and 2005-06

Crop	Planted acreage		Harvested acreage		Yield per acre	
	2004-05	2005-06	2004-05	2005-06	2004-05	2005-06
	<i>Acres</i>				<i>Cwt</i>	
VEGETABLES:						
Snap beans	34,800	33,400	34,000	28,700	65	95
Cabbage	7,900	7,800	7,800	6,200	340	330
Sweet corn	35,100	33,000	33,600	26,300	160	185
Cucumbers	11,000	10,000	10,500	9,500	270	250
Bell peppers	19,400	19,800	19,000	16,500	241	245
Squash	8,500	10,500	8,200	10,200	130	100
Tomatoes	45,200	41,200	42,000	38,500	370	350
Total	161,900	155,700	155,100	135,900	--	--
Watermelons	26,000	25,900	26,000	25,300	315	330
Potatoes	29,600	28,800	29,000	28,100	270	278
Strawberries	7,300	7,400	7,300	7,300	245	280
Blueberries	--	--	2,500	2,600	21	27
Total, all crops	224,800	218,800	219,900	199,200	--	--

Crop	Production		Value per cwt		Total value	
	2004-05	2005-06	2004-05	2005-06	2004-05	2005-06
	<i>1,000 cwt</i>		<i>Dollars per cwt</i>		<i>1,000 dollars</i>	
VEGETABLES:						
Snap beans	2,210	2,727	64.40	52.00	142,324	141,804
Cabbage	2,652	2,046	11.80	15.00	31,294	30,690
Sweet corn	5,376	4,866	20.10	24.10	108,058	117,271
Cucumbers	2,835	2,375	26.00	31.10	73,710	73,863
Bell peppers	4,580	4,046	46.60	46.30	213,428	187,330
Squash	1,066	1,020	45.00	37.99	47,970	38,760
Tomatoes	15,540	13,475	51.80	40.90	804,972	551,128
Total	34,259	30,555	--	--	1,421,756	1,140,846
Watermelons	8,190	8,349	15.50	13.30	126,945	111,042
Potatoes	7,840	7,816	14.40	18.80	113,204	146,462
Strawberries	1,789	2,044	110.00	117.00	196,790	239,148
Blueberries	52	70	630.00	470.00	32,760	32,900
Total, all crops	52,130	48,834	--	--	1,891,455	1,670,398

FLORIDA VEGETABLES, WATERMELONS, POTATOES, AND BERRIES

Harvested acreage, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Harvested acreage				
	Vegetables ^{1/}	Watermelons	Potatoes	Berries	Total
	<i>Acres</i>				
1996-97	231,200	30,000	42,100	7,300	310,600
1997-98	231,850	32,000	42,500	7,400	313,750
1998-99	221,100	35,000	37,300	7,400	300,800
1999-00	223,750	27,000	29,500	7,700	287,950
2000-01	220,100	24,000	30,000	8,000	282,100
2001-02	222,600	23,000	33,000	8,500	287,100
2002-03	217,200	24,000	34,400	9,000	284,600
2003-04	219,800	25,000	30,000	9,400	284,200
2004-05	155,100	26,000	29,000	9,800	219,900
2005-06	135,900	25,300	28,100	9,900	199,200

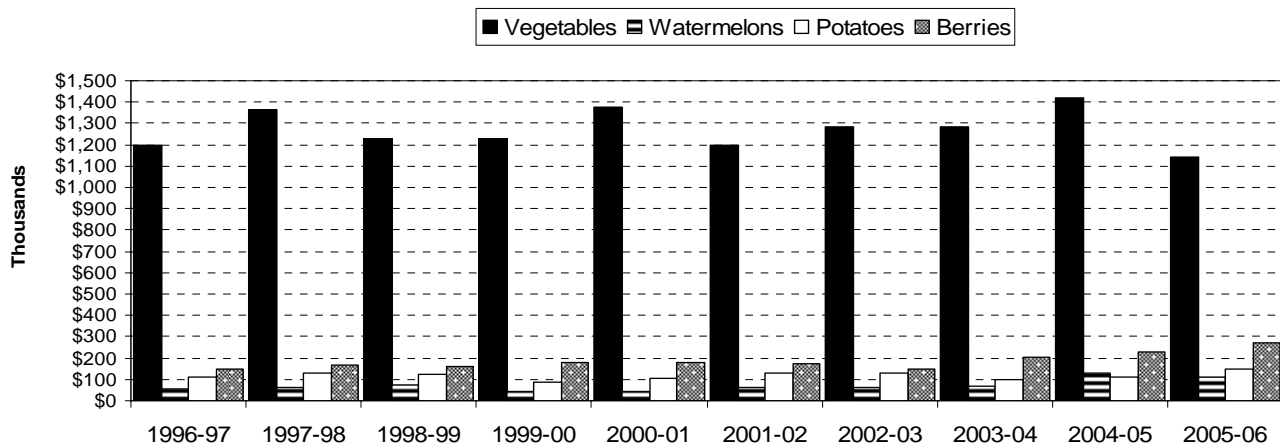
FLORIDA VEGETABLES, WATERMELONS, POTATOES, AND BERRIES

Value of production, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Value of production				
	Vegetables ^{1/}	Watermelons	Potatoes	Berries	Total
	<i>1,000 dollars</i>				
1996-97	1,197,516	54,750	109,761	151,159	1,513,186
1997-98	1,367,185	60,120	128,329	167,440	1,723,074
1998-99	1,228,997	72,450	126,221	157,675	1,585,343
1999-00	1,229,123	45,360	87,679	179,505	1,541,667
2000-01	1,375,330	42,408	103,369	179,545	1,700,652
2001-02	1,196,381	62,238	129,471	172,032	1,560,122
2002-03	1,285,334	61,920	129,261	147,377	1,623,892
2003-04	1,282,339	67,200	97,652	203,197	1,650,388
2004-05	1,421,756	126,945	113,204	229,550	1,891,455
2005-06	1,140,846	111,042	146,462	272,048	1,670,398

^{1/} Vegetable crops include snap beans, cabbage, sweet corn, cucumbers, bell peppers, squash, and tomatoes.

FLORIDA VEGETABLES, WATERMELONS, POTATOES AND BERRIES: Value of production



FLORIDA SNAP BEANS

Acreage, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per crate	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	<i>Acres</i>		<i>30-lb bushel</i>	<i>1,000 bushels</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
1996-97	32,900	30,300	138	4,176	14.71	61,411
1997-98	35,500	33,800	214	7,234	17.66	127,780
1998-99	32,000	31,300	278	8,685	13.20	114,650
1999-00	36,000	35,000	259	9,120	16.26	148,315
2000-01	35,000	34,000	251	8,517	16.25	138,403
2001-02	34,500	34,000	287	9,764	13.72	134,006
2002-03	32,400	31,800	277	8,797	17.16	150,951
2003-04	33,800	33,200	283	9,407	14.16	133,198
2004-05	34,800	34,000	217	7,367	19.32	142,324
2005-06	33,400	28,700	317	9,090	15.60	141,804

FLORIDA SNAP BEANS

Production sold, for fresh market monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
	<i>1,000 30-lb bushels</i>									
1996-97	63	793	622	564	150	677	747	560	^{1/}	4,176
1997-98	109	991	644	745	737	1,020	2,098	890	^{1/}	7,234
1998-99	69	669	730	990	895	1,381	2,761	1,190	^{1/}	8,685
1999-00	99	1,183	1,380	1,256	1,193	1,973	1,525	511	^{1/}	9,120
2000-01	90	1,256	1,166	554	1,109	1,940	1,478	924	^{1/}	8,517
2001-02	^{2/}	1,439	1,796	944	1,131	2,360	1,529	565	^{1/}	9,764
2002-03	^{2/}	1,411	1,398	880	1,229	2,026	1,318	535	^{1/}	8,797
2003-04	^{2/}	941	1,035	939	1,599	2,258	1,882	753	^{1/}	9,407
2004-05	^{2/}	1,314	882	816	889	1,109	1,326	1,031	^{1/}	7,367
2005-06	^{2/}	267	1,158	1,249	1,306	1,825	2,281	1,004	^{1/}	9,090

^{1/} June combined with May.

^{2/} October combined with November.

FLORIDA SNAP BEANS

Average value per bushel for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Average
	<i>Dollars per 30-lb bushels</i>									
1996-97	14.82	12.84	12.72	15.00	26.31	12.66	17.85	14.46	^{1/}	14.71
1997-98	12.93	17.37	10.71	22.44	21.12	20.64	17.67	13.26	^{1/}	17.66
1998-99	11.28	18.60	11.22	13.14	14.37	13.80	11.88	13.02	^{1/}	13.20
1999-00	20.58	25.44	21.63	12.48	14.88	13.11	13.74	11.91	^{1/}	16.26
2000-01	13.50	14.82	13.50	29.01	20.82	13.20	17.22	13.65	^{1/}	16.25
2001-02	^{2/}	15.09	12.30	17.61	16.14	12.63	12.42	11.55	^{1/}	13.72
2002-03	^{2/}	17.34	18.81	22.59	18.42	11.58	19.83	15.09	^{1/}	17.16
2003-04	^{2/}	12.69	14.31	22.86	13.05	12.75	14.52	10.62	^{1/}	14.16
2004-05	^{2/}	15.33	14.31	21.42	23.34	25.59	18.00	18.51	^{1/}	19.32
2005-06	^{2/}	30.00	24.87	13.20	16.80	13.47	13.20	11.82	^{1/}	15.60

^{1/} June combined with May.

^{2/} October combined with November.

FLORIDA CABBAGE

Acreage, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per crate	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		50-lb crate	1,000 crates	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1996-97	7,600	7,500	732	5,497	7.18	39,479
1997-98	7,600	7,500	533	3,994	6.52	26,039
1998-99	8,500	8,400	488	4,097	5.00	20,495
1999-00	8,200	7,900	507	4,007	5.04	20,210
2000-01	8,100	7,900	591	4,668	5.99	27,981
2001-02	8,200	8,000	613	4,901	5.79	28,371
2002-03	7,800	7,600	620	4,712	4.90	23,089
2003-04	7,900	7,600	740	5,624	5.50	30,932
2004-05	7,900	7,800	680	5,304	5.90	31,294
2005-06	7,800	6,200	660	4,092	7.50	30,690

FLORIDA CABBAGE

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Nov ^{1/}	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
	1,000 50-lb crates								
1996-97	16	291	1,012	1,127	1,578	1,171	280	22	5,497
1997-98	12	252	587	431	1,042	1,298	360	12	3,994
1998-99	4	430	811	820	1,266	733	29	4	4,097
1999-00	8	365	713	825	1,162	874	40	20	4,007
2000-01	^{2/}	158	594	1,121	1,708	935	152	--	4,668
2001-02	^{2/}	140	819	1,056	1,893	993	--	--	4,901
2002-03	^{2/}	401	707	895	1,578	1,037	94	--	4,712
2003-04	^{2/}	263	1,238	1,255	1,854	900	114	--	5,624
2004-05	^{2/}	424	1,220	1,061	1,697	796	106	--	5,304
2005-06	^{2/}	352	557	680	1,316	1,187	--	--	4,092

^{1/} Includes October shipments.

^{2/} Included in December shipments.

FLORIDA CABBAGE

Average value per crate for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Average
	Dollars per 50-lb crate								
1996-97	5.10	5.65	7.18	9.10	7.10	6.15	6.20	3.70	7.18
1997-98	6.00	7.10	7.15	7.55	6.90	5.60	6.07	6.90	6.52
1998-99	8.50	5.37	5.45	4.60	4.85	4.95	5.85	5.55	5.00
1999-00	5.26	5.52	5.20	4.95	4.73	5.15	5.85	6.20	5.04
2000-01	--	7.54	9.97	4.87	5.70	5.34	4.47	--	5.99
2001-02	--	6.28	5.26	4.74	5.91	7.04	--	--	5.79
2002-03	--	4.00	4.73	4.78	5.52	4.68	3.18	--	4.90
2003-04	--	6.50	5.70	5.00	5.50	5.75	4.55	--	5.50
2004-05	--	6.30	5.35	4.85	5.55	8.25	9.75	--	5.90
2005-06	--	8.10	8.80	8.20	7.60	6.20	--	--	7.50

FLORIDA SWEET CORN

Acres, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acres		Yield per acre	Production	Value per crate	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		42-lb crates	1,000 crates	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1996-97	45,300	43,600	328	14,308	9.00	128,762
1997-98	42,700	41,300	356	14,689	7.51	110,351
1998-99	39,900	39,500	327	12,920	7.74	99,944
1999-00	41,400	37,100	353	13,092	7.79	101,989
2000-01	39,300	37,200	348	12,954	9.42	122,028
2001-02	42,100	40,800	319	13,010	7.73	100,517
2002-03	39,400	38,800	345	13,395	6.72	90,016
2003-04	38,900	38,700	369	14,283	7.73	110,382
2004-05	35,100	33,600	381	12,800	8.44	108,058
2005-06	33,000	26,300	441	11,586	10.12	117,271

FLORIDA SWEET CORN

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
	1,000 42-lb crates									
1996-97	510	918	782	569	284	569	1,566	4,982	4,128	14,308
1997-98	813	752	570	640	640	943	3,500	4,700	2,131	14,689
1998-99	^{1/}	458	902	401	610	880	4,772	4,269	628	12,920
1999-00	^{1/}	551	489	268	804	1,743	3,748	5,211	278	13,092
2000-01	^{1/}	401	904	395	527	1,503	5,007	4,085	132	12,954
2001-02	^{1/}	599	385	676	811	1,351	3,919	4,999	270	13,010
2002-03	^{1/}	716	858	134	672	1,930	4,607	4,478	^{2/}	13,395
2003-04	417	556	695	573	717	1,820	3,914	4,874	717	14,283
2004-05	208	208	727	1,048	806	1,582	3,254	4,967	^{2/}	12,800
2005-06	^{3/}	^{3/}	389	571	1,028	1,600	3,130	4,525	343	11,586

^{1/} September and October included with November.

^{2/} June included with May.

^{3/} October and November included with December.

FLORIDA SWEET CORN

Average monthly value per crate for fresh market sales, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Average
	Dollars per 42-lb crate									
1996-97	6.97	7.94	7.06	12.18	10.84	14.24	11.09	9.24	7.48	9.00
1997-98	5.75	7.60	7.98	7.85	13.27	10.16	8.23	6.85	5.33	7.51
1998-99	^{1/}	9.41	5.42	8.23	9.79	9.16	7.94	7.27	7.22	7.74
1999-00	^{1/}	12.22	17.09	13.23	10.54	8.11	7.27	6.13	5.54	7.79
2000-01	^{1/}	6.68	13.86	14.07	14.28	10.96	7.52	9.49	6.09	9.42
2001-02	^{1/}	11.17	9.74	10.00	9.62	10.58	7.31	6.22	5.42	7.73
2002-03	^{1/}	6.34	6.89	11.63	10.08	7.94	6.09	6.22	^{2/}	6.72
2003-04	8.53	10.46	11.93	12.73	8.78	8.53	7.18	6.51	5.21	7.73
2004-05	12.39	11.42	6.47	8.95	12.01	10.96	8.90	6.64	^{2/}	8.44
2005-06	^{3/}	^{3/}	10.96	14.70	14.70	14.28	11.26	6.34	7.93	10.12

^{1/} September and October included with November.

^{2/} June included with May.

^{3/} October and November included with December.

FLORIDA CUCUMBERS

Acres, production and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per bushel	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		55-lb bushel	1,000 bushels	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1996-97	11,200	10,900	529	5,768	11.42	65,852
1997-98	9,800	9,500	533	5,061	11.16	56,476
1998-99	8,900	8,800	579	5,091	10.52	53,565
1999-00	10,800	10,700	694	7,424	10.72	79,569
2000-01	9,000	8,500	592	5,032	12.20	61,397
2001-02	7,500	7,500	701	5,284	10.63	56,178
2002-03	11,500	11,300	436	4,931	12.21	60,206
2003-04	11,000	10,700	427	4,573	11.06	50,552
2004-05	11,000	10,500	491	5,155	14.30	73,710
2005-06	10,000	9,500	455	4,318	17.11	73,863

FLORIDA CUCUMBERS

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Total
	1,000 55-lb bushels									
1996-97	260	681	1,003	210	^{3/}	673	1,218	1,218	505	5,768
1997-98	310	785	1,056	^{4/}	^{4/}	^{4/}	1,408	1,361	141	5,061
1998-99	330	896	580	^{4/}	^{4/}	^{4/}	2,479	806	^{6/}	5,091
1999-00	304	1,158	1,403	267	67	794	1,849	1,322	260	7,424
2000-01	398	997	682	^{5/}	^{5/}	533	1,114	1,308	^{6/}	5,032
2001-02	291	890	733	^{5/}	^{5/}	1,297	1,140	933	^{6/}	5,284
2002-03	^{7/}	1,078	795	^{5/}	^{5/}	687	1,335	1,036	^{6/}	4,931
2003-04 ^{8/}	^{7/}	1,006	457	224	97	503	1,280	1,006	^{6/}	4,573
2004-05	^{7/}	881	572	155	314	614	1,337	1,077	150	5,155
2005-06	^{7/}	308	265	605	432	777	1,197	734	^{6/}	4,318

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

^{3/} February included with January.

^{4/} January, February, and March included with April.

^{5/} January and February included with March.

^{6/} June included with May.

^{7/} October included with November

^{8/} Revised

FLORIDA CUCUMBERS

Average value per bushel for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Average
	Dollars per 55-lb bushel									
1996-97	12.16	11.39	9.90	8.64	^{3/}	8.58	15.29	12.16	7.92	11.42
1997-98	6.16	9.52	10.73	^{4/}	^{4/}	^{4/}	16.89	7.65	11.11	11.16
1998-99	7.92	8.36	10.34	^{4/}	^{4/}	^{4/}	11.22	11.94	^{6/}	10.52
1999-00	10.20	8.00	8.60	15.80	22.00	15.70	12.50	9.80	3.50	10.72
2000-01	7.80	6.30	13.50	^{5/}	^{5/}	24.20	17.10	8.30	^{6/}	12.20
2001-02	5.45	12.30	6.90	^{5/}	^{5/}	12.60	11.82	9.40	^{6/}	10.63
2002-03	--	9.19	14.52	^{5/}	^{5/}	12.21	11.83	14.08	^{6/}	12.21
2003-04	--	7.70	10.95	15.46	12.21	16.67	12.82	8.31	^{6/}	11.06
2004-05	12.43	11.49	10.61	11.11	9.46	17.93	16.11	15.95	16.11	14.30
2005-06	^{7/}	19.58	29.21	13.15	15.24	22.39	16.17	11.99	^{6/}	17.11

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

^{3/} February included with January.

^{4/} January, February, and March included with April.

^{5/} January and February included with March.

^{6/} June included with May.

^{7/} October included with November.

FLORIDA BELL PEPPERS

Acres, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per bushel	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		28-lb bushel	1,000 bushels	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1996-97	20,300	19,800	1,119	22,148	9.91	219,508
1997-98	19,000	18,800	1,073	20,165	13.70	276,234
1998-99	19,200	19,000	1,138	21,620	11.21	242,390
1999-00	19,300	18,400	1,190	21,901	10.68	233,914
2000-01	18,600	18,200	1,195	21,742	10.75	233,693
2001-02	17,250	17,100	1,142	19,532	8.68	169,482
2002-03	17,800	17,700	1,000	17,700	10.05	177,920
2003-04	18,500	18,300	1,107	20,261	10.78	218,411
2004-05	19,400	19,000	861	16,357	13.05	213,428
2005-06	19,800	16,500	876	14,450	12.96	187,330

FLORIDA BELL PEPPERS

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Total
	1,000 28-lb bushels									
1996-97	812	5,030	2,544	1,437	1,315	2,477	4,752	3,284	497	22,148
1997-98	867	2,677	3,801	2,276	1,706	1,896	3,359	3,135	448	20,165
1998-99	990	3,300	4,036	2,486	1,864	2,640	3,630	2,674	^{3/}	21,620
1999-00	315	2,826	3,719	1,673	1,673	3,530	3,942	4,223	^{3/}	21,901
2000-01	1,690	2,000	3,940	1,740	1,933	2,513	4,059	3,480	387	21,742
2001-02	581	1,941	2,709	2,446	2,823	3,199	3,417	2,228	188	19,532
2002-03	531	1,947	1,947	2,101	2,124	2,478	4,271	2,124	177	17,700
2003-04	^{4/}	1,417	1,824	2,240	2,440	4,043	4,865	3,238	194	20,261
2004-05	^{4/}	1,473	2,126	1,636	2,126	2,617	3,271	2,944	164	16,357
2005-06	^{4/}	1,011	867	1,300	1,878	2,890	3,613	2,746	145	14,450

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

^{3/} June included with May.

^{4/} Included with November.

FLORIDA BELL PEPPERS

Average value per bushel for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Average
	Dollars per 28-lb bushel									
1996-97	8.01	11.20	7.00	11.79	10.81	11.00	9.21	9.80	8.99	9.91
1997-98	12.82	12.12	18.23	11.26	12.52	13.24	15.46	11.68	5.91	13.70
1998-99	10.67	12.91	13.55	9.02	9.69	11.62	9.83	10.37	^{3/}	11.21
1999-00	12.12	12.04	8.88	11.82	10.84	12.46	11.84	8.16	^{3/}	10.68
2000-01	11.73	9.27	10.75	12.10	14.20	16.13	7.28	8.96	8.18	10.75
2001-02	6.08	6.80	6.13	8.23	8.34	11.93	7.17	12.63	8.68	8.68
2002-03	9.86	11.06	9.04	14.31	10.22	12.35	6.94	9.24	10.70	10.05
2003-04	^{4/}	10.50	10.61	18.06	11.68	12.60	7.76	7.78	6.97	10.78
2004-05	^{4/}	10.53	11.16	17.60	12.03	12.70	8.07	8.13	7.11	13.05
2005-06	^{4/}	19.80	23.63	17.72	12.68	11.00	7.84	8.18	7.81	12.96

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

^{3/} June included with May.

^{4/} Included with November.

FLORIDA POTATOES

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1997 through 2006 ^{1/}

Crop year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Total
	<i>1,000 cwt</i>						
1997	--	503	809	2,506	4,455	710	8,983
1998	43	415	673	1,413	4,674	1,534	8,752
1999	18	425	1,246	2,069	5,024	1,843	10,625
2000	^{3/}	403	982	1,517	4,148	1,329	8,379
2001	^{3/}	277	566	2,009	4,138	2,256	9,246
2002	^{3/}	582	1,183	1,611	5,394	838	9,608
2003	^{3/}	277	1,107	635	4,390	2,941	9,350
2004	^{3/}	296	717	1,202	3,933	3,050	9,198
2005	^{3/}	273	1,105	1,652	3,300	1,510	7,840
2006	^{3/}	^{4/}	1,367	2,058	2,979	1,340	7,744

^{1/} Includes processing.

^{2/} Includes small quantities sold in July.

^{3/} January included with February.

^{4/} February included with March.

FLORIDA POTATOES

Average value per cwt for all sales, monthly, crop years 1997 through 2006 ^{1/}

Crop year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Average
	<i>Dollars</i>						
1997	--	24.00	14.90	11.30	11.00	11.50	12.20
1998	33.00	31.50	30.00	16.60	10.75	13.20	14.70
1999	32.70	25.80	22.85	14.35	8.10	8.55	11.88
2000	^{3/}	21.90	16.00	11.70	8.40	7.90	10.46
2001	^{3/}	24.40	27.60	12.80	8.90	8.20	11.18
2002	^{3/}	25.60	31.00	10.70	10.40	11.90	14.00
2003	^{3/}	27.50	23.50	13.90	12.20	11.10	13.80
2004	^{3/}	20.50	25.00	14.50	8.15	7.65	10.60
2005	^{3/}	25.50	27.60	13.50	10.80	11.80	14.40
2006	^{3/}	^{4/}	40.00	18.70	11.90	12.20	18.80

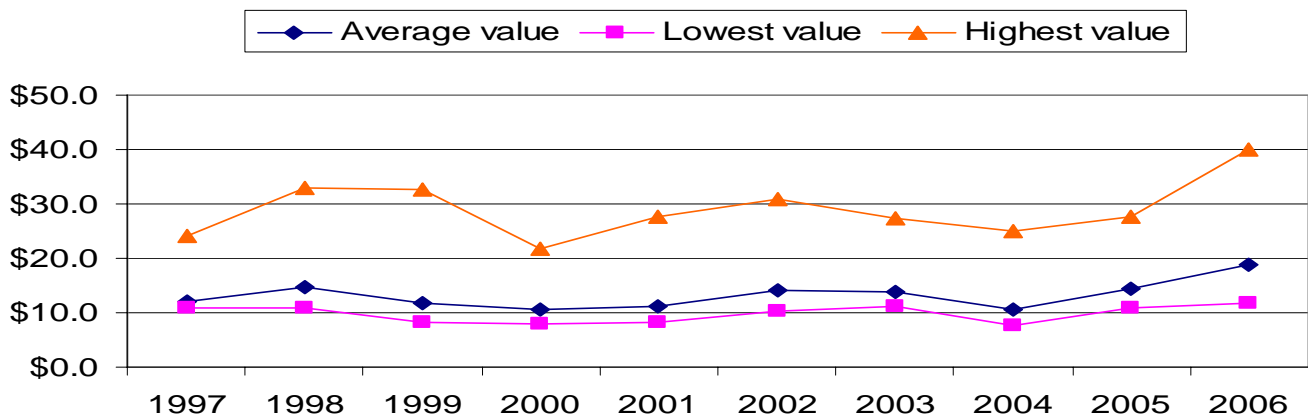
^{1/} Includes processing.

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^{3/} January included with February.

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FLORIDA POTATOES: Price range and average annual price, 1997-2006



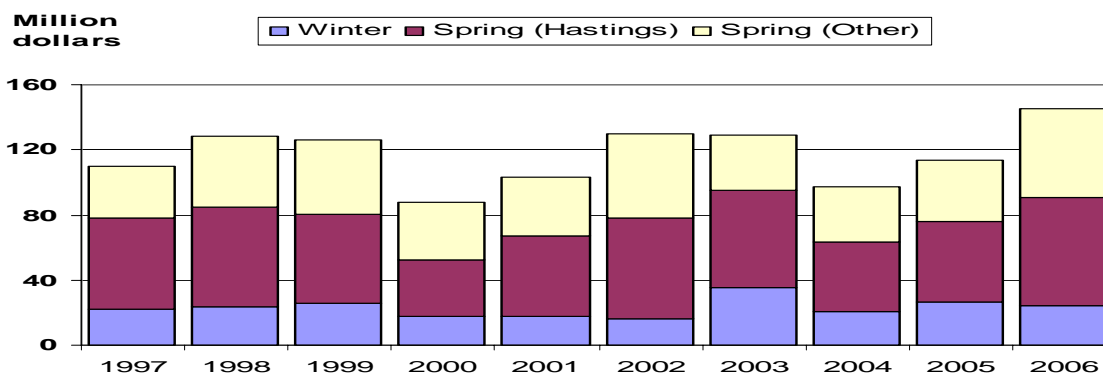
FLORIDA POTATOES

Acres, production, and value, crop years 1997 through 2006 ^{1/}

Crop year	Area		Yield per acre	Production	Production sold	Value per cwt	Value of sales
	Planted	Harvested					
	Acres		Cwt	1,000 cwt	Dollars	1,000 dollars	
WINTER:							
1997	9,600	9,400	200	1,880	1,867	16.90	31,552
1998	8,500	8,000	180	1,440	1,431	30.50	43,646
1999	9,600	9,300	200	1,860	1,849	24.70	45,670
2000	8,200	8,000	260	2,080	2,068	17.10	35,363
2001	7,800	5,000	265	1,325	1,317	27.30	35,954
2002	6,800	6,700	265	1,776	1,765	29.20	51,538
2003	6,100	5,800	240	1,392	1,384	24.80	34,323
2004	5,700	5,500	285	1,568	1,559	21.70	33,830
2005	6,000	5,800	240	1,392	1,378	27.20	37,482
2006	5,700	5,500	285	1,375	1,367	40.00	54,680
SPRING (HASTINGS):							
1997	24,900	23,900	220	5,258	5,236	10.70	56,025
1998	25,500	24,500	235	5,758	5,734	10.70	61,354
1999	21,500	21,000	330	6,930	6,901	7.95	54,862
2000	17,200	16,500	295	4,868	4,848	7.20	34,906
2001	18,500	18,000	330	5,940	5,915	8.35	49,390
2002	21,500	21,000	275	5,775	5,750	10.70	61,525
2003	21,500	20,300	280	5,684	5,661	10.50	59,441
2004	18,200	18,000	320	5,760	5,736	7.45	42,733
2005	17,300	17,000	280	4,760	4,713	10.50	49,487
2006	17,000	16,600	285	4,731	4,684	14.20	66,513
SPRING (OTHER):							
1997	9,000	8,800	215	1,892	1,880	11.80	22,184
1998	10,300	10,000	160	1,600	1,587	14.70	23,329
1999	7,300	7,000	270	1,890	1,875	13.70	25,688
2000	5,100	5,000	295	1,475	1,463	11.90	17,410
2001	7,100	7,000	290	2,030	2,014	8.95	18,025
2002	7,500	7,300	220	1,606	1,593	10.30	16,408
2003	8,500	8,300	280	2,324	2,305	15.40	35,497
2004	6,600	6,500	295	1,918	1,903	10.80	20,552
2005	6,300	6,200	285	1,767	1,749	15.00	26,235
2006	6,100	6,000	285	1,710	1,693	14.20	24,041

^{1/} Includes processing.

FLORIDA POTATOES: Value 1997 to 2006



FLORIDA SQUASH

Acreage, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per bushel	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	<i>Acres</i>		<i>42-lb bushel</i>	<i>1,000 bushels</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
1996-97	11,400	10,900	285	3,107	11.66	36,228
1997-98	13,000	12,500	255	3,188	17.10	54,515
1998-99	13,000	12,600	280	3,528	15.25	53,802
1999-00	12,100	11,800	293	3,453	13.29	45,880
2000-01	11,800	11,500	236	2,709	15.62	42,305
2001-02	12,000	11,700	321	3,757	11.86	44,543
2002-03	10,200	10,000	310	3,095	15.37	47,580
2003-04	10,500	10,300	310	3,188	14.24	45,392
2004-05	8,500	8,200	310	2,538	18.90	47,970
2005-06	10,500	10,200	238	2,429	15.96	38,760

FLORIDA SQUASH

Production sold, by month, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
	<i>1,000 42-lb bushels</i>									
1996-97	162	447	354	326	158	603	684	336	37	3,107
1997-98	229	504	281	341	303	319	676	484	51	3,188
1998-99	169	416	402	409	413	759	759	190	11	3,528
1999-00	86	266	373	556	539	497	856	259	21	3,453
2000-01	63	189	220	215	496	561	663	302	--	2,709
2001-02	99	534	444	398	507	797	797	181	--	3,757
2002-03	217	526	402	279	588	464	464	155	--	3,095
2003-04	^{1/}	382	287	355	542	606	766	250	--	3,188
2004-05	^{1/}	306	283	279	405	278	557	430	--	2,538
2005-06	^{1/}	194	340	316	321	486	651	121	--	2,429

FLORIDA SQUASH

Average value per bushel for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Average
	<i>Dollars per 42-lb bushel</i>									
1996-97	12.50	11.60	10.40	12.20	19.40	10.40	13.00	8.05	10.90	11.66
1997-98	10.95	14.95	19.80	32.30	19.75	22.45	15.35	8.15	6.70	17.10
1998-99	11.65	8.35	26.85	14.10	20.60	15.80	12.80	8.05	8.80	15.25
1999-00	13.85	15.00	10.50	12.00	14.05	18.95	12.05	10.00	10.80	13.29
2000-01	11.90	9.85	17.60	31.60	15.70	13.20	16.70	9.15	--	15.62
2001-02	9.70	15.10	8.10	14.22	11.99	13.98	9.57	7.82	--	11.86
2002-03	13.09	9.96	8.03	24.58	16.06	19.19	19.87	11.94	--	15.37
2003-04	^{1/}	12.05	11.87	20.56	19.36	13.57	12.29	7.81	--	14.24
2004-05	^{1/}	13.27	15.54	21.38	19.66	21.71	18.65	21.29	--	18.90
2005-06	^{1/}	21.29	21.34	15.83	18.56	13.94	12.14	14.41	--	15.96

^{1/}Included in November.

FLORIDA STRAWBERRIES

Acreage, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per flat	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	<i>Acres</i>		<i>12-lb flat</i>	<i>1,000 flats</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
1996-97	6,100	6,100	2,417	14,742	9.91	146,119
1997-98	6,200	6,200	2,167	13,433	12.00	161,200
1998-99	6,200	6,200	2,500	15,500	9.72	150,660
1999-00	6,300	6,300	2,917	18,375	9.12	167,580
2000-01	6,500	6,500	2,167	14,083	11.88	167,310
2001-02	6,900	6,900	2,126	14,667	10.46	153,472
2002-03	7,100	7,100	1,833	13,017	9.92	129,177
2003-04	7,100	7,100	1,917	13,608	13.08	177,997
2004-05	7,300	7,300	2,042	14,908	13.20	196,790
2005-06	7,400	7,300	2,333	17,033	14.04	239,148

FLORIDA STRAWBERRIES

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Dec ^{1/}	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total
	<i>1,000 12-lb flats</i>					
1996-97	1,327	2,359	6,486	4,570	^{2/}	14,742
1997-98	1,324	2,418	3,761	4,587	1,343	13,433
1998-99	2,325	3,255	2,480	6,200	1,240	15,500
1999-00	2,021	3,859	5,513	6,982	^{2/}	18,375
2000-01	1,689	2,249	3,665	6,480	^{2/}	14,083
2001-02	2,925	2,807	3,694	5,241	^{2/}	14,667
2002-03	1,614	3,194	4,095	4,114	^{2/}	13,017
2003-04	1,105	3,131	3,401	5,971	^{2/}	13,608
2004-05	1,645	3,434	4,617	4,914	298	14,908
2005-06	1,400	4,614	4,733	5,811	475	17,033

^{1/} November included.

^{2/} Combined with March.

FLORIDA STRAWBERRIES

Average value per flat for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr ^{1/}	Average
	<i>Dollars per 12-lb flats</i>					
1996-97	19.20	11.64	8.52	8.28	^{2/}	9.91
1997-98	22.08	12.36	12.96	8.64	10.20	12.00
1998-99	12.96	12.12	12.00	7.20	5.88	9.72
1999-00	15.36	10.56	9.72	6.12	^{2/}	9.12
2000-01	15.84	22.92	10.92	7.56	^{2/}	11.88
2001-02	13.56	11.04	9.48	9.12	^{2/}	10.46
2002-03	19.44	13.56	9.72	5.28	^{2/}	9.92
2003-04	20.40	18.12	14.28	8.40	^{2/}	13.08
2004-05	20.88	17.65	12.72	8.39	6.29	13.20
2005-06	29.40	15.48	13.68	9.68	11.71	14.04

^{1/} Includes May.

^{2/} Combined with March.

FLORIDA TOMATOES

Acreage, fresh market production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06^{1/}

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production ^{2/}	Dollars per carton	Total value ^{2/}
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		25-lb cartons	1,000 cartons		1,000 dollars
1996-97	37,500	37,300	1,468	54,750	8.08	442,410
1997-98	39,300	39,300	1,427	56,091	9.05	507,723
1998-99	43,400	43,400	1,427	61,922	7.50	464,244
1999-00	43,200	43,200	1,439	62,185	6.67	414,813
2000-01	43,800	43,800	1,373	60,152	9.26	557,023
2001-02	43,500	43,500	1,351	58,750	8.07	474,284
2002-03	43,300	43,000	1,320	56,760	9.70	550,572
2003-04	42,400	42,000	1,440	60,480	8.28	500,472
2004-05	45,200	42,000	1,480	62,160	12.95	804,972
2005-06	41,200	38,500	1,400	53,900	10.23	551,128

^{1/} Includes round and plum or pear-shaped varieties, and U-Pic.

^{2/} Fresh market only.

FLORIDA TOMATOES

Production, monthly, for fresh market, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Total
	<i>1,000 25-lb cartons</i>									
1996-97	2,896	6,949	6,950	7,833	2,797	3,917	10,343	9,254	3,811	54,750
1997-98	3,330	7,097	6,498	7,526	4,097	4,447	7,701	9,567	5,828	56,091
1998-99	1,900	6,700	8,042	7,480	5,396	7,043	11,401	9,279	4,681	61,922
1999-00	1,737	6,315	9,948	6,519	5,609	8,404	8,813	10,185	4,655	62,185
2000-01	1,828	5,709	11,318	5,215	5,607	5,069	9,761	9,557	6,088	60,152
2001-02	1,808	8,701	7,826	7,506	4,619	5,674	6,927	11,647	4,042	58,750
2002-03	3,193	5,530	6,762	5,733	5,159	4,651	8,026	13,693	4,013	56,760
2003-04	1,969	8,818	6,973	8,836	4,941	5,372	8,747	10,119	4,705	60,480
2004-05	1,883	3,756	10,681	8,253	5,575	7,434	8,622	10,381	5,575	62,160
2005-06	1,077	5,925	4,848	4,852	4,435	9,165	8,625	10,243	4,730	53,900

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

FLORIDA TOMATOES

Average value per carton for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Oct ^{1/}	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun ^{2/}	Average
	<i>Dollars per 25-lb carton</i>									
1996-97	7.33	7.43	7.68	8.03	11.48	14.35	6.23	7.75	7.53	8.08
1997-98	7.52	11.24	10.19	6.60	11.00	8.50	9.30	9.28	7.53	9.05
1998-99	11.75	10.98	10.55	8.38	5.85	5.58	5.93	5.20	7.25	7.50
1999-00	6.45	6.88	7.20	5.35	5.28	8.25	8.70	5.70	4.25	6.67
2000-01	13.50	12.93	9.40	10.95	7.28	14.10	4.75	9.48	7.55	9.26
2001-02	8.98	7.35	6.45	9.55	7.00	10.43	8.58	7.30	8.88	8.07
2002-03	8.75	12.08	13.30	12.73	7.93	13.90	7.50	5.93	11.50	9.70
2003-04	9.53	8.08	8.08	6.18	8.08	10.25	11.05	8.05	5.65	8.28
2004-05	23.40	33.75	13.03	3.85	10.23	10.18	16.28	12.35	11.10	12.95
2005-06	10.48	8.80	22.85	20.68	11.63	6.20	8.60	5.83	7.25	10.23

^{1/} Includes September.

^{2/} Includes July.

FLORIDA WATERMELONS

Acres, production, and value, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Acreage		Yield per acre	Production	Value per cwt	Total value
	Planted	Harvested				
	Acres		Cwt	1,000 cwt	Dollars	1,000 dollars
1996-97	33,000	30,000	250	7,500	7.30	54,750
1997-98	35,000	32,000	225	7,200	8.35	60,120
1998-99	45,000	35,000	300	10,500	6.90	72,450
1999-00	30,000	27,000	320	8,640	5.25	45,360
2000-01	26,000	24,000	310	7,440	5.70	42,408
2001-02	25,000	23,000	330	7,590	8.20	62,238
2002-03	25,000	24,000	300	7,200	8.60	61,920
2003-04	27,000	25,000	320	8,000	8.40	67,200
2004-05	26,000	26,000	315	8,190	13.20	126,945
2005-06	25,900	25,300	330	8,349	13.30	111,042

FLORIDA WATERMELONS

Production sold, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
	1,000 cwt				
1996-97	1,140	3,435	2,603	322	7,500
1997-98	43	3,053	3,960	144	7,200
1998-99	1,732	4,809	3,686	273	10,500
1999-00	519	5,616	2,419	86	8,640
2000-01	446	4,241	2,672	81	7,440
2001-02	1,214	5,010	1,366	^{1/}	7,590
2002-03	461	4,939	1,800	^{1/}	7,200
2003-04	481	4,639	2,880	^{1/}	8,000
2004-05	--	4,095	4,095	^{1/}	8,190
2005-06	501	5,677	2,171	^{1/}	8,349

^{1/} July included with June.

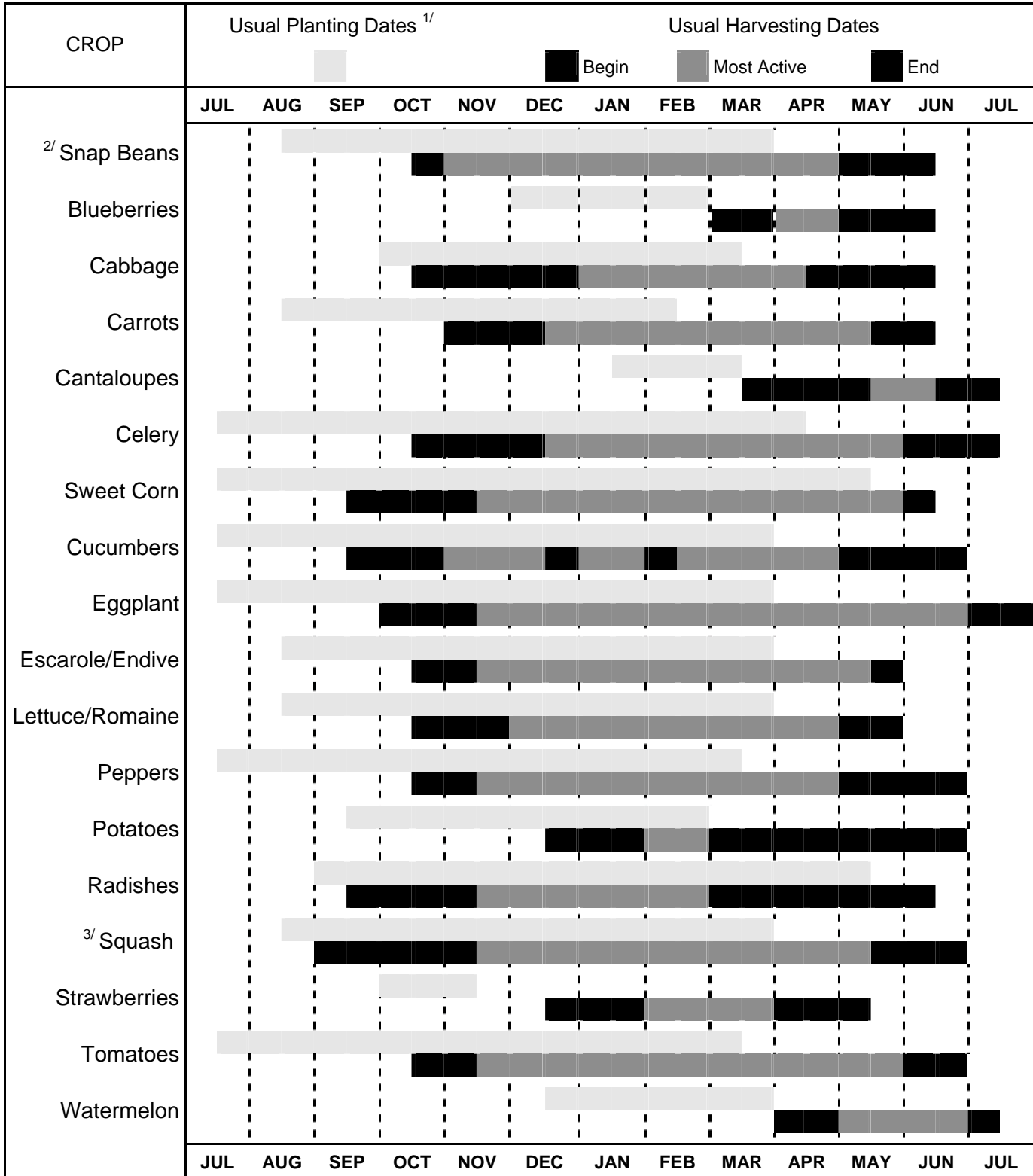
FLORIDA WATERMELONS

Average value per cwt for fresh market sales, monthly, crop years 1996-97 through 2005-06

Crop year	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Average
	Dollars per cwt				
1996-97	10.65	7.20	5.95	7.40	7.30
1997-98	16.00	11.10	6.20	6.70	8.35
1998-99	9.90	7.30	5.20	3.90	6.90
1999-00	9.10	5.40	4.15	3.20	5.25
2000-01	10.50	6.00	4.34	3.20	5.70
2001-02	9.90	8.32	6.26	^{1/}	8.20
2002-03	11.51	9.11	6.46	^{1/}	8.60
2003-04	10.54	9.37	6.48	^{1/}	8.40
2004-05	--	13.20	13.20	^{1/}	13.20
2005-06	19.50	12.90	13.00	^{1/}	13.30

^{1/} July included with June.

PLANTING AND HARVESTING SEASONS OF SELECTED FLORIDA VEGETABLES, BERRIES, MELONS



^{1/} Usual date direct seeded or transplanted.

^{2/} Includes pole beans.

^{3/} A small acreage of summer squash is marketed locally during July and August.