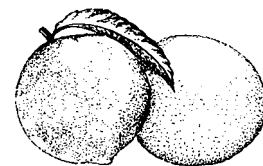


Freestone Peach Freezer and Dehydrator Report State Summary -- 1997 Crop Year



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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 Agricultural Code. Weighted average price represents the average roadside price paid to growers and packinghouses for fresh Freestone peaches used for freezing or drying. Freezers grading Freestone peaches reported approximately 5 percent as offgrade. Dry yards do not grade Freestone peaches, so there is not an offgrade percentage.

1997 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 FOB Roadside	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Packinghouses FOB Packinghouse <u>3/</u>
	-- Dollars Per Ton --			
Mid-Gem	24,900	12,800	196.00	<u>4/</u>
Late-Gem	57,300	39,700	204.00	149.00
Fay Elberta	6,300	5,500	186.00	<u>4/</u>
Other Varieties	1,900	1,200	210.00	110.00
All Varieties	90,400	59,200	200.00	139.00

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

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

3/ Fresh tons purchased from California growers totaled 58,100 for freezing. Tons purchased from packinghouses totaled 1,100. The weighted average price paid to growers and packinghouses was \$199.00 per ton. If the tons (31,200) grown in freezer's own orchards are included using grower price (\$200.00), then average value received for freezing is \$199.00 per ton.

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

1997 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 Packinghouses <u>3/</u>
	-- Dollars Per Ton --					
Fay Elberta	5,800	5,000	640	9.0	140.00	46.00
Lovell	700	100	290	7.3	177.00	<u>4/</u>
Gem Types	3,000	3,000	320	9.6	157.00	57.00
Other Varieties	7,400	7,400	790	9.4	100.00	53.00
All Varieties	16,900	15,500	2,040	9.2	147.00	52.00

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

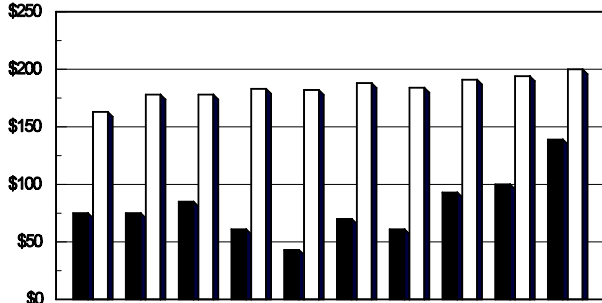
2/ Total tons for drying purchased from growers and packinghouses. Tons from processor's own orchards are excluded from this column.

3/ Fresh tons purchased from California growers totaled 1,500 for drying. Tons purchased from packinghouses totaled 13,900. The weighted average price paid to growers and packinghouses was \$61.00 per ton. If the tons (1,400) grown in dehydrator's own orchards are included using grower price (\$147.00), then average value per ton received for drying is \$68.00 per ton.

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

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE PAID FOR FREEZING

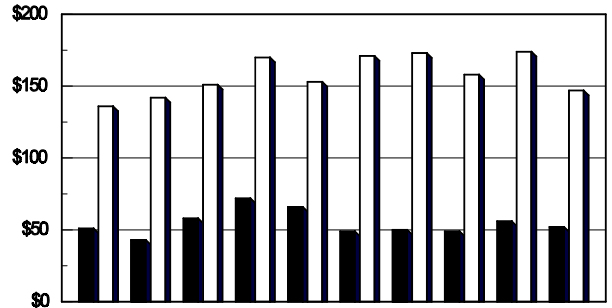
DOLLARS per TON



Year	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
PKG. HOUSE	75	75	85	61	43	70	61	93	100	139
GROWERS	163	178	178	183	182	188	184	191	194	200

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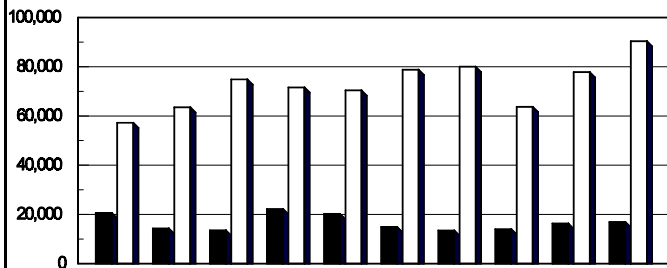
DOLLARS per TON



Year	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
PKG. HOUSE	51	43	58	72	66	49	50	49	56	52
GROWERS	136	142	151	170	153	171	173	158	174	147

TOTAL TONS RECEIVED FOR FREEZING AND DRYING

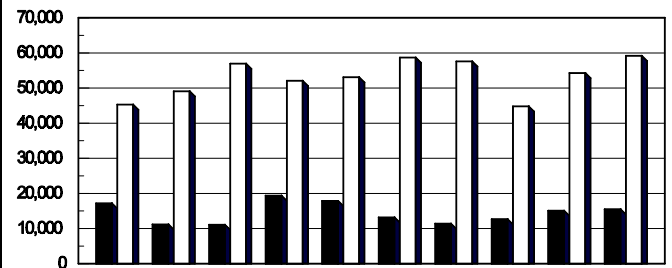
TONS



Year	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
DRYING	20,600	14,300	13,550	22,200	20,200	14,900	13,500	14,000	16,300	16,800
FREEZING	57,250	63,500	74,850	71,600	70,400	78,800	80,000	63,700	77,800	90,400
TOTAL	77,850	77,800	88,400	93,800	90,600	93,700	93,500	77,700	94,100	107,300

TOTAL TONS PURCHASED FOR FREEZING AND DRYING

TONS



Year	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
DRYING	17,200	11,200	11,100	19,400	17,900	13,200	11,400	12,700	15,100	15,500
FREEZING	45,300	49,100	56,950	52,100	53,100	58,700	57,600	44,800	54,300	59,200
TOTAL	62,500	60,300	68,050	71,500	71,000	71,900	69,000	57,500	69,400	74,700

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