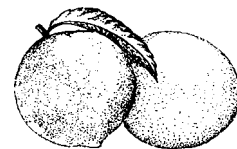


Freestone Peach Freezer and Dehydrator Report State Summary -- 1998 Crop Year



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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.

1998 FREESTONE PEACHES FOR FREEZING

Variety Type	Total Fresh Tons Received For Freezing 1/	Total Fresh Tons Purchased For Freezing 2/	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Growers FOB Roadside	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Packinghouses FOB Packinghouse 3/
	-- Dollars Per Ton --			
Mid-Gem	18,800	9,300	202.00	4/
Late-Gem	52,600	38,000	205.00	127.00
Fay Elberta	7,600	7,100	188.00	4/
Other Varieties 5/	2,900	2,600	163.00	4/
All Varieties	81,900	57,000	201.00	127.00

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 55,700 for freezing. Tons purchased from packinghouses totaled 1,340. The weighted average price paid to growers and packinghouses was \$199.00 per ton. If the tons (24,800) grown in freezer's own orchards are included using grower price (\$201.00), then average value received for freezing is \$200.00 per ton.

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

5/ Includes roughly 1,100 tons of Grade A culls.

1998 FREESTONE PEACHES FOR DRYING

Variety Type	Total Tons Received For Drying 1/	Total Tons Purchased For Drying 2/	Total Dried Tons After Drying (Natural Cond.)	Dry-Away Ratio	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Growers 3/	Wtd. Average Price Paid To Packinghouses 3/
	-- Dollars Per Ton --					
Fay Elberta	2,790	2,600	330	8.6	142.00	4/
Lovell	460	200	70	6.5	177.00	4/
Gem Types 5/	5,990	5,990	770	7.8	190.00	54.00
Other Varieties	3,260	3,260	350	9.2	65.00	40.00
All Varieties	12,500	12,050	1,520	8.2	108.00	51.00

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.

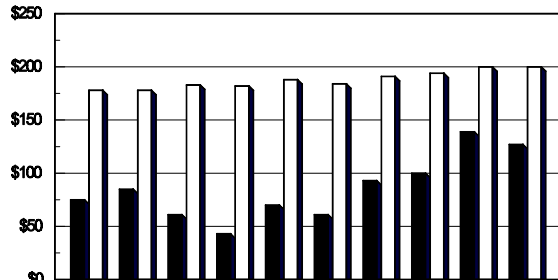
3/ Fresh tons purchased from California growers totaled 3,090 for drying. Tons purchased from packinghouses totaled 9,000. The weighted average price paid to growers and packinghouses was \$66.00 per ton. If the tons (450) grown in dehydrator's own orchards are included using grower price (\$108.00), then average value per ton received for drying is \$67.50 per ton.

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

5/ Includes 96 tons of Grade C culls for feed.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE PAID FOR FREEZING

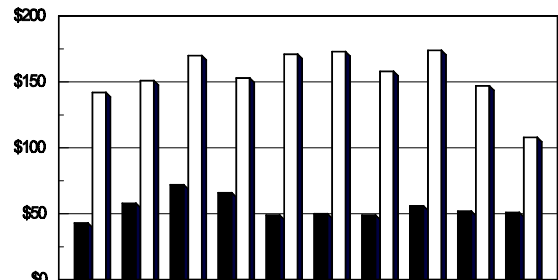
DOLLARS per TON



Year	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
PKG. HOUSE	75	85	61	43	70	61	93	100	139	127
GROWERS	178	178	183	182	188	184	191	194	200	200

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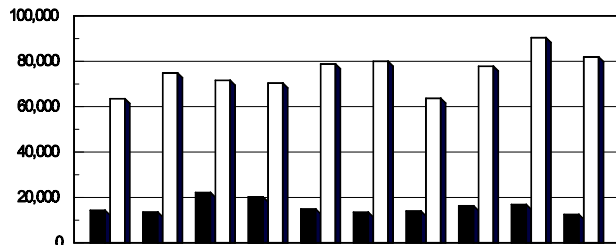
DOLLARS per TON



Year	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
PKG. HOUSE	43	58	72	66	49	50	49	56	52	51
GROWERS	142	151	170	153	171	173	158	174	147	108

TOTAL TONS RECEIVED FOR FREEZING AND DRYING

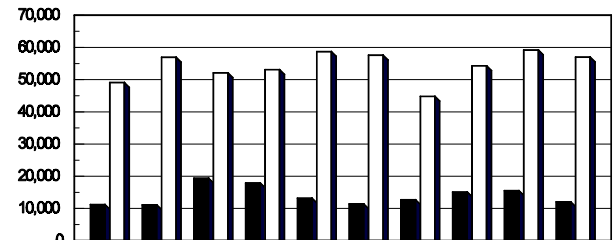
TONS



Year	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
DRYING	14,300	13,550	22,200	20,200	14,900	13,500	14,000	16,300	16,900	12,500
FREEZING	63,500	74,850	71,600	70,400	78,800	80,000	63,700	77,800	90,400	81,900
TOTAL	77,800	88,400	93,800	90,600	93,700	93,500	77,700	94,100	107,300	94,400

TOTAL TONS PURCHASED FOR FREEZING AND DRYING

TONS



Year	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98
DRYING	11,200	11,100	19,400	17,900	13,200	11,400	12,700	15,100	15,500	12,050
FREEZING	49,100	56,950	52,100	53,100	58,700	57,600	44,800	54,300	59,200	57,000
TOTAL	60,300	68,050	71,500	71,000	71,900	69,000	57,500	69,400	74,700	69,050

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