VEGETABLES -- PROCESSING

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PROSPECTIVE PLANTED ACREAGE
OF PRINCIPAL CROPS
April 15, 1966

SUMMARY: Prospective 1966 planted acreage for 9 of the 10 principal vegetable crops grown for commercial processing in the United States is estimated at 1,780,480 acres according to the Crop Reporting Board. If carried out, this combined acreage would be 9 percent more than in 1965 and 13 percent more than average. Increased acreages from 1965 are expected for each of these 9 crops: cucumbers for pickles, up 23 percent; green lima beans, up 14 percent; tomatoes, up 12 percent; sweet corn, up 11 percent; beets, up 8 percent; winter spinach, up 7 percent; snap beans and contracted cabbage for kraut, both up 6 percent; and green peas, up 3 percent. The first estimate of processing asparagus acreage will be made in December.

Estimates of prospective acreage for 1966 are based on reports made by processors and growers prior to completion of planting and represent intentions only. Acreage actually planted may vary significantly because of weather conditions, price changes, labor supply, available financing, and effects of this report itself.

BEETS: The U.S. intended acreage of beets for processing in 1966 is indicated at 16,920 acres, up 8 percent from last year, but 4 percent below average. A larger acreage is expected this year in each of the major producing States. Prospective planted acreage in New York is up 6 percent and in Wisconsin up 5 percent from 1965. Based on normal abandonment of planted acreage and the average yield per acre adjusted for trend, production of beets for canning from the 1966 intended acreage would be 192,000 tons, 9 percent more than last year.

CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES: The prospective acreage of cucumbers for pickles in 1966 is estimated at 142,470 acres, up 23 percent from 1965 and 26 percent above average. Larger acreages are expected in nearly all States. The southern producing areas intend to plant 32 percent more acreage this year than in 1965, with the acreage in the western and northern producing areas up 19 and 10 percent, respectively. Based on normal abandonment of planted acreage and the average yield per acre with an allowance for trend, production of cucumbers for pickles from the intended acreage would be 546,000 tons, 23 percent more than in 1965 and 28 percent more than in 1964.
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Prospective planted acreage by crops and expected utilization, United States, 1966 with comparisons

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<tr>
<th>Crop and Utilization</th>
<th>Average 1960-64</th>
<th>1965</th>
<th>Prospective 1966</th>
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<td>ALL PROCESSING</td>
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<td>Green lima beans</td>
<td>90,040</td>
<td>89,290</td>
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<td>Snap beans</td>
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<td>16,920</td>
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<td>Cabbage for kraut (contract)</td>
<td>8,310</td>
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<td>Sweet corn</td>
<td>426,270</td>
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<td>Cucumbers for pickles</td>
<td>112,810</td>
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<td>Green peas</td>
<td>419,150</td>
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<td>Tomatoes</td>
<td>288,210</td>
<td>254,720</td>
<td>286,370</td>
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<td>Total reported to date</td>
<td>1,574,390</td>
<td>1,633,940</td>
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<td>Asparagus for processing</td>
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<td>Cabbage for kraut (open market)</td>
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<td>Spinach (Spring and Fall)</td>
<td>21,860</td>
<td>16,440</td>
<td>June 10 &amp; Nov. 10</td>
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<td>Total - 10 Vegetables</td>
<td>1,709,600</td>
<td>1,752,250</td>
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### FOR FREEZING

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### FOR CANNING

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1/ Planted acreage.
Cucumbers for pickles: Prospective planted acreage by States, 1966 with comparisons

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2/ Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and South Carolina.

3/ Arizona, Idaho, New Mexico, Oregon, and Utah.
Beets for canning: Prospective planted acreage by States, 1966 with comparisons

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