

NEW YORK VEGETABLE INDUSTRY RANKS NUMBER 5 IN 2010

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Figures compiled from USDA statistics indicate that New York ranked fifth in both fresh market and processing vegetable acreage in 2010 (Table 1). NY ranks in the top four states in terms of planted acres for fresh market cabbage (2), sweet corn (4), cauliflower (3), fall storage onions (4), pumpkins (4), squash (4), and processing snap beans (2) (Table 2). New York no longer keeps statistics for other processing crops (sweet corn, peas, beets, cabbage), but as a whole, the industry slipped ahead of Oregon to move into 5th place nationally, both for acres and value (Table 3). The total value of all NY fresh market vegetables according to the USDA is \$361 million. This number, however, does not include potatoes, peppers, lettuce, carrots, eggplant, melons or dry beans. When these crops are factored in, the total value is estimated at close to \$450 million in 2010, \$500 million with the addition of the processing commodities. Yields of most crops were up significantly compared to 2009 while average prices received for most crops were down.

Table 1. Ranking of NY planted vegetable acreage as compared to other states, 2006–10.

Crop	2010 Ranking	2009 Ranking	2008 Ranking	2007 Ranking	2006 Ranking
Total, Fresh Market	5	5	5	5	5
Beans, Snap	5	4	4	4	3
Cabbage	2	3	3	2	2
Cauliflower	3	3	3	3	3
Corn, Sweet	4	4	4	3	3
Cucumber	7	5	5	4	6
Onion (storage)	4	4	4	4	4
Pumpkins*	4	5	5	3	4
Squash*	4	5	5	5	6
Total, Processing	5	6	5	5	6
Beans, Snap	2	2	2	na	na
Beets	na	na	na	na	na
Cabbage	na	na	na	na	na
Corn	na	na	na	na	na
Peas	na	na	na	na	na

na = statistics are no longer available

*USDA statistics combine processing and fresh acres

Table 2 – Planted acreage and value rankings by state for fresh market vegetables, 2010

Planted Acres			Farm Gate Value		
Total Fresh Market			Total Fresh Market		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	California	751,500	1	California	5,374
2	Florida	190,200	2	Florida	1,538
3	Arizona	114,400	3	Arizona	901
4	Georgia	114,300	4	Washington*	553
5	New York	69,890	5	Georgia	477
			6	New York	361
Fresh Market Snap beans			Fresh Market Snap beans		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	Florida	36,400	1	Florida	135
2	Georgia	13,000	2	California	71
3	Tennessee	11,000	3	New York	39.2
4	California	10,000	4	Georgia	20.7
5	New York	6,900	5	Tennessee	14.5
Fresh Market Cabbage			Fresh Market Cabbage		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	California	12,700	1	New York	74.4
2	New York	10,600	2	Florida	70.1
3	Florida	10,500	3	California	67.5
Fresh Market Cucumbers			Fresh Market Cucumbers		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	Florida	12,000	1	Georgia	51.0
2	Georgia	8,600	2	Florida	47.8
3	N Carolina	6,200	3	Michigan	20.5
4	Michigan	4,300	4	New York	18.5
5	New Jersey	3,200	5	California	16.2
5	California	3,200	6	New Jersey	15.7
7	New York	3,000	7	N Carolina	11.7
Fresh Market Sweet Corn			Fresh Market Sweet Corn		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	Florida	45,100	1	Florida	189.2
2	California	29,800	2	Washington	94.3
3	Georgia	29,000	3	California	91.8
4	New York	23,500	4	New York	71.1
5	Ohio	16,400	5	Georgia	65.4

Table 2 (continued) – Planted acreage and value rankings by state for fresh market vegetables, 2010.

Planted Acres			Farm Gate Value		
Squash (processed & fresh)			Squash (processed & fresh)		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	Florida	9,500	1	Florida	56.8
2	Michigan	6,700	2	New York	36.8
3	California	6,100	3	California	34.0
4	New York	4,700	4	Georgia	15.4
5	Georgia	4,100	5	Michigan	12.1
Storage Onions			Storage Onions		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	California	30,100	1	Washington*	461.8
2	Washington	22,000	2	California	153.6
3	Oregon	20,100	3	Oregon	133.0
4	New York	10,700	4	Idaho	55.9
5	Idaho	9,200	5	New York	54.2
Pumpkins (processed & fresh)			Pumpkins (processed & fresh)		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	Illinois	15,400	1	New York	35.1
2	Michigan	7,400	2	California	18.8
3	Ohio	7,300	3	Ohio	16.7
4	New York	7,100	4	Pennsylvania	16.5
5	Pennsylvania	6,800	5	Illinois	15.7
6	California	6,200	6	Michigan	13.8

*Washington State reported a huge increase in value in 2010 due to a reported jump in onion value from \$197 million in 2009 to \$462 million in 2010. This increase was not seen in any other state and may be modified downward.

Table 3 – Acreage and value rankings by state for processing vegetables, 2009

Total Processing Acres			Total Processing Value		
Rank	State	Acres	Rank	State	Million \$
1	California	299,730	1	California	935.7
2	Wisconsin	217,500	2	Wisconsin	129.3
3	Minnesota	194,580	3	Minnesota	122.7
4	Washington	108,200	4	Washington	85.2
5	New York	58,600	5	New York	47.6
6	Oregon	55,300	6	Oregon	46.6

For the complete 2010 Vegetable Summary from the USDA go to;
<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/current/VegeSumm/VegeSumm-01-27-2011.pdf>