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United States Potato Production Estimate

Nov 8 2018 (million cwt.) NASS

Top Nine States

State	2016	2017	2018	Percent
Idaho	139,320	134,850	138,600	+2.8%
Washington	105,625	99,220	106,425	+7.3%
Wisconsin	27,840	28,475	26,800	-5.9%
North Dakota	21,600	24,420	23,725	-2.8%
Colorado	22,236	21,220	21,623	+1.8%
Oregon	22,951	21,395	28,458	+33.0%
Minnesota	16,800	18,428	18,060	-2.0%
Michigan	17,020	17,205	17,390	+1.1%
Maine	15,113	15,200	15,840	+4.2%
Total Fall Crop	406,638	400,565	417,482	+4.2%
Total U.S. Crop	441,411	442,034	452,619	+2.4%

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Idaho

NASS estimates 2018 production will be up 3.7 million hundred weight. Processing acreage increased this year to meet the needs of the Burley plant expansion. Fresh acreage is less this year. Yields are estimated to be 5cwt./acre higher moving from 435 cwt./acre last year to 440 cwt./acre this season.

Washington

Production is estimated to be up 7.2 million hundred weight. Planted acreage was about the same however some fresh acreage has shifted to processing. Yields have returned from 600 cwt./acre last year to 645cwt./acre in 2018.

Oregon

Planted acreage in Oregon increased by about 7,000 acres to meet processing expansion in the Columbia Basin. Production is expected to increase by 7.2 million hundredweight. An increase in yields to 620 cwt./acre from 2017's 550cwt./acre is also a big contributor to overall volume.

Wisconsin

The 2018 growing season was a difficult one with excessive rainfall, reducing yields from 425 cwt./acre last year down to 400 cwt./acre. In addition, extreme harvest conditions have reduced the overall production by 1.7 million hundred weight.

North Dakota and Minnesota

These states are the other two with expected declines in production for the 2018 crop. Minnesota's yield moved up from 405cwt./acre to 420cwt./acre, reflecting a better crop but with reduced acreage. North Dakota's yield was estimated to be 5 cwt./acre lower for the 2018 crop.


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