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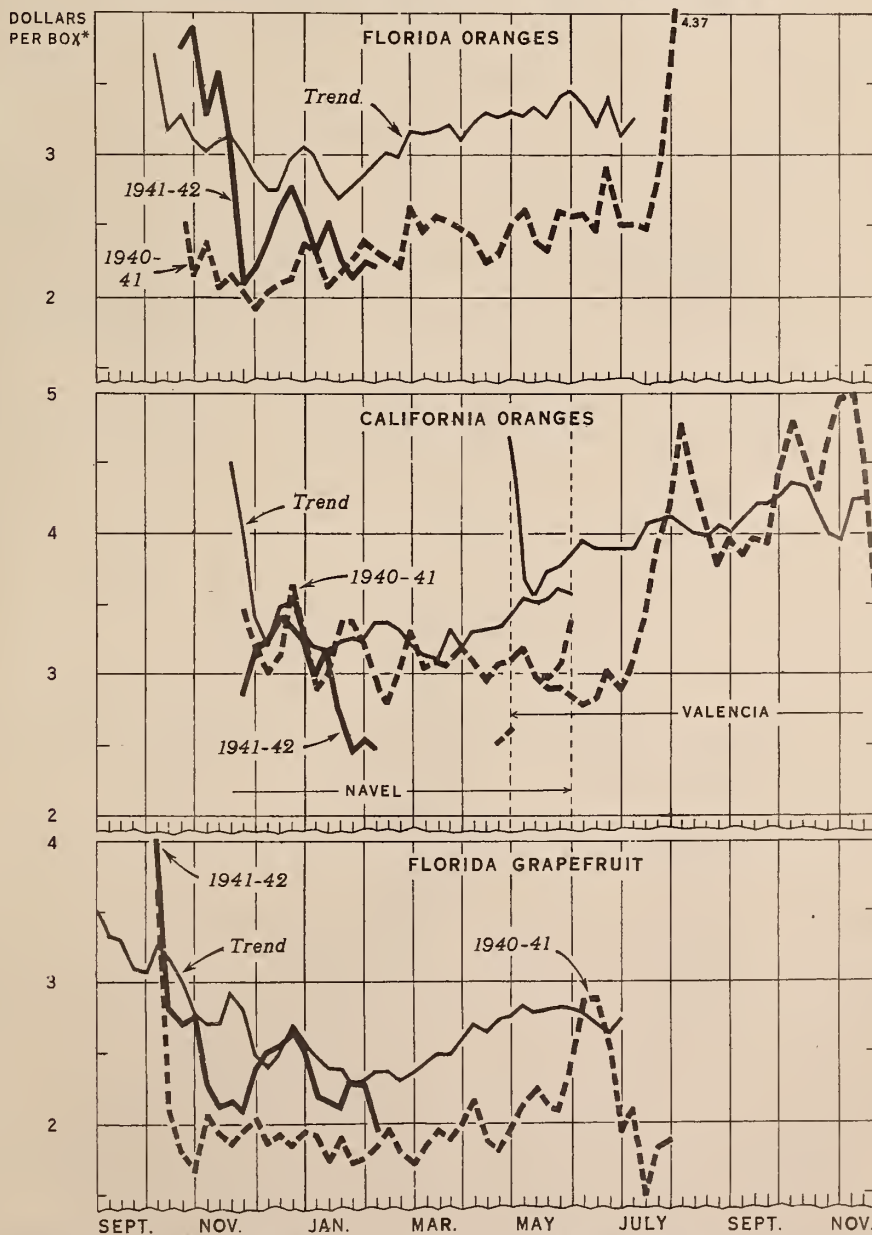
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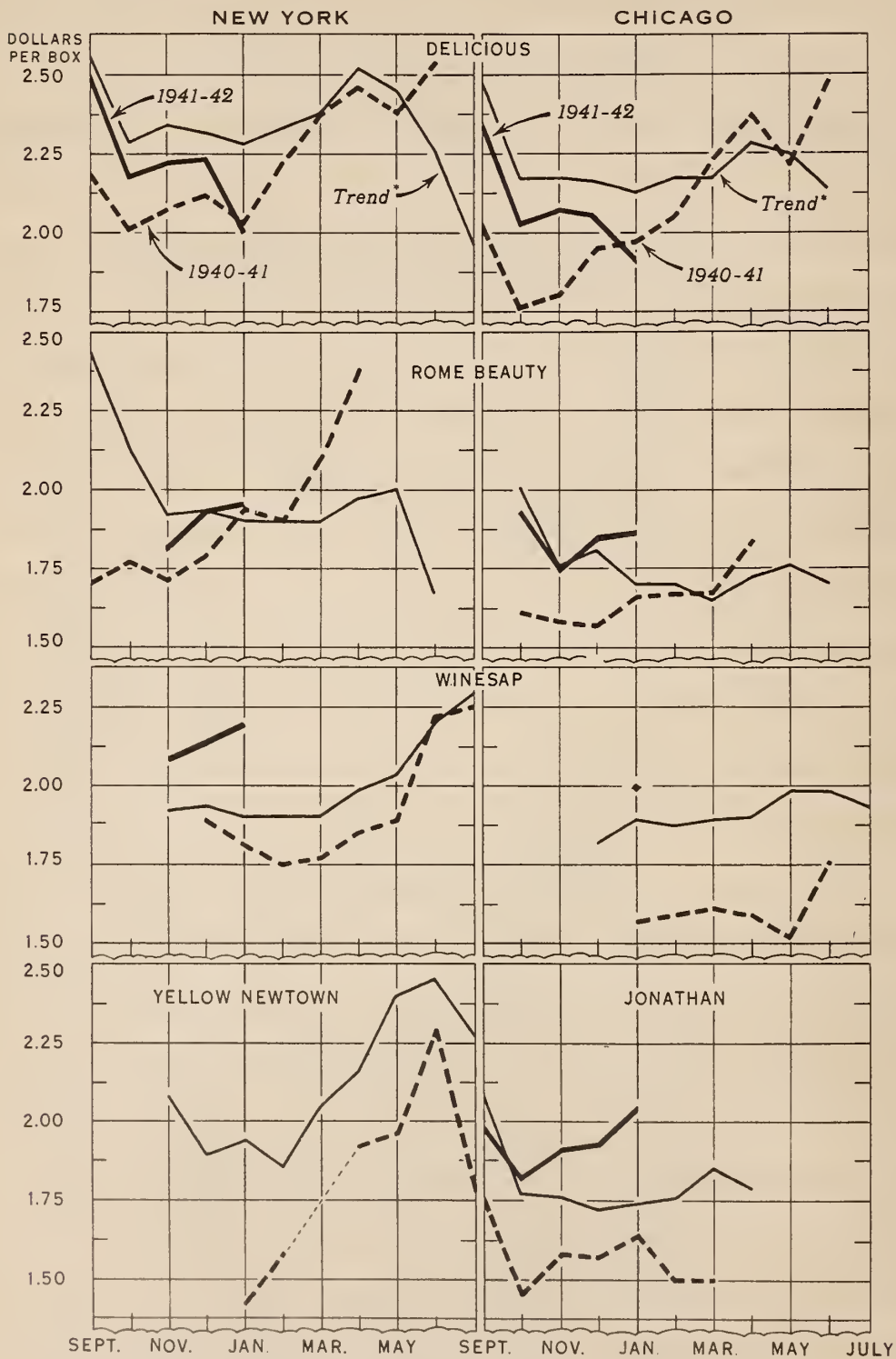
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ORANGES AND GRAPEFRUIT: WEIGHTED AUCTION PRICES AT NEW YORK, NORMAL SEASONAL TREND, AND 1940-41



* FLORIDA ORANGES, 90 POUNDS NET PER BOX; CALIFORNIA ORANGES, 70 POUNDS; FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT, 80 POUNDS
4 ARITHMETIC MEAN OF THE EIGHT MIDDLE PRICES FOR EACH WEEK OF THE 12-YEAR PERIOD, 1927-38

APPLES, WASHINGTON EXTRA FANCY: WEIGHTED AVERAGE AUCTION PRICES, NORMAL SEASONAL TREND, AND 1940-41



* CALCULATED BY LINK RELATIVE METHOD; CONVERTED TO ACTUAL PRICE BASIS WITH 1928-29 AVERAGE PRICE FOR FEBRUARY EQUAL TO 100

FIGURE 1

T H E F R U I T S I T U A T I O N

Summary

Total stocks of important California canned fruits on January 1, 1942 were about 9 percent smaller than on the same date a year earlier, although supplies at the beginning of the 1941-42 season were 13 percent larger than at the beginning of the previous season. Stocks of apricots, fruit cocktail, and Freestone peaches on January 1 were larger than a year earlier, but those of cherries, fruit salad, pears, and Clingstone peaches were smaller. Shipments of California canned fruits from June 1 to January 1 were the largest on record, totaling 17.7 million cases as compared with 13.7 million in the comparable period a year earlier. On the basis of these larger shipments, and stocks on January 1, the carry-over of California canned fruits at the beginning of the 1942 canning season is likely to be smaller than usual, and may be the smallest in the last 7 years. The demand for fruit for canning probably will be greater in 1942 than in 1941.

Total sales of apples through regular domestic trade channels during the remainder of the apple marketing season will be the largest, except for last year, in the last 4 years unless substantial purchases are made by the Department of Agriculture. Total sales through regular domestic trade channels from February 1 to June 30, however, will be about 7 percent smaller than in the same period last year even if no Department purchases are made. Last year market prices of eastern and midwestern apples in April were 5 percent higher than in the preceding February and auction prices of western apples were 4 percent higher.

The Agricultural Marketing Service reported that there were 899,000 bushels of late pears in cold storage on February 1 compared with 590,000

bushels on February 1, 1941. The cut-of-storage movement into regular trade channels in January was about 36,000 boxes greater this year than last. Auction prices of Bosc and Winter Nelis pears at New York averaged 30 percent and 16 percent lower respectively than in January 1941, and prices of Comice and D'Anjou pears in January were about the same to slightly higher than in the same month a year earlier.

The Agricultural Marketing Service estimated, as of February 1, that the orange crop from the bloom of 1941 would total approximately 84.4 million boxes compared with 84.1 million boxes produced from the bloom of 1940. Grapefruit production from the bloom of 1941 was estimated, as of February 1, to total 41.4 million bushels compared with 43.0 million from the bloom of 1940. In January, shipments of California Navel oranges increased sharply relative to a year earlier and prices fell to a level below those of a year ago. A higher level of consumer demand this year over last has been a factor tending to offset the price effects of a larger California Navel crop. Prices of Florida grapefruit at New York from the beginning of the season to date have averaged considerably above prices in the comparable period last season, and prices of Texas grapefruit at Chicago have averaged slightly to moderately higher.

-- February 24, 1942

CALIFORNIA CANNED FRUIT SUPPLIES

Total stocks of important California canned fruits on January 1, 1942 were about 9 percent smaller than on the same date a year earlier, even though supplies at the beginning of the 1941-42 season were 13 percent larger than at the beginning of the previous season (table 1). Stocks of apricots, fruit cocktail, and Freestone peaches on January 1 were larger than a year earlier, but those of cherries, fruit salad, pears, and Clingstone peaches were smaller. It is estimated that in 1941 California packed 100 percent of the United States pack of fruit cocktail and fruit salad, 95 percent of the total peach pack, 85 percent of the apricot pack, 25 percent of the sweet cherry pack, and 25 percent of the pear pack.

Table 1.- California canned fruits, 1935-41

Year	Apricots	Cherries	Fruit		Pears	Peaches		Total
			cocktail	salad		Clingstone	Freestone	
1,000 cases No. 2-1/2 cans								
Supply (pack and carry-over)								
1935	3,391	155	1/	1/	2,038	12,686	396	18,666
1936	3,754	221	2,576	1,557	2,696	12,165	588	23,557
1937	5,831	246	3,500	1,503	1,852	13,703	1,112	27,747
1938	3,852	331	3,338	1,348	1,993	15,024	811	26,697
1939	3,866	493	3,941	1,621	1,566	13,316	1,152	25,955
1940	2,294	268	2/5,106	2/ 749	1,685	12,299	1,407	23,808
1941	4,341	195	2/5,437	2/ 971	2,232	11,360	2,326	26,862
Shipments June 1 to January 1								
1935	1,811	97	1/	1/	1,196	6,217	156	9,477
1936	2,663	149	1,201	717	1,436	7,415	496	14,077
1937	2,579	157	1,441	728	1,058	6,072	428	12,463
1938	2,343	251	1,856	880	1,124	8,053	324	14,831
1939	2,600	184	1,874	1,047	988	7,566	461	14,720
1940	1,416	133	2,691	289	762	7,623	779	13,693
1941	3,047	126	3,194	437	1,510	7,855	1,537	17,706
Stocks January 1								
1936	1,581	59	1/	1/	841	6,469	230	9,180
1937	1,080	72	1,345	787	1,260	4,750	301	9,595
1938	3,202	89	2,116	813	793	7,631	684	15,328
1939	1,509	80	1,412	445	869	6,970	487	11,772
1940	1,266	309	2,056	547	578	5,751	690	11,197
1941	878	135	2,406	445	923	4,676	628	10,091
1942	1,294	69	2,484	354	722	3,506	789	9,218
Shipments January 1 to June 1								
1936	726	38	1/	1/	530	4,540	117	5,981
1937	802	66	1,009	499	907	3,252	232	6,767
1938	897	52	821	372	426	2,055	249	4,870
1939	981	55	1,124	374	650	4,233	218	7,635
1940	787	127	1,309	388	424	3,061	417	6,513
1941	609	87	1,819	274	483	3,897	454	7,623
Stocks June 1								
1936	855	21	385	190	281	1,929	113	3,774
1937	278	6	336	288	353	1,498	69	2,828
1938	2,305	37	1,295	441	367	5,578	435	10,458
1939	528	25	288	71	219	2,737	269	4,137
1940	479	182	747	159	154	2,690	273	4,684
1941	269	48	587	171	440	779	174	2,468

Compiled by Western Canner and Packer from reports of Canners League of California.

1/ Not available.
2/ Repack estimated.

Shipments of California canned fruits from June 1 to January 1 totaled 17.7 million cases compared with 13.7 million in the comparable period a year earlier, and were the largest June-to-January shipments on record.

On the basis of these larger shipments, and stocks on January 1, it is likely that the carry-over of California canned fruits at the beginning of the 1942 canning season will be smaller than usual, and may be the smallest in the last 7 years. The demand for fruit for canning probably will be greater in 1942 than in 1941.

APPLES

BACKGROUND.- Total production of apples has fluctuated widely in the past 30 years largely as a result of year-to-year changes in growing conditions. However, there has been a moderate downward trend in apple production since the peak year 1914. A decrease in the number of apple trees has taken place in the past 30 years, and reports of the Bureau of the Census indicate that the number of apple trees of all ages and of bearing age in 1940 was sharply lower than in 1935. The great decrease in number of trees has been caused by the abandonment of farm orchards, normal mortality, the removal of low-yielding trees, and loss from droughts, storms, and freezes. The census reports indicate that the yield per tree under average growing conditions increased from 1935 to 1940. Apple prices have recovered considerably from their low levels in the depression years.

Table 2.- United States canned red pitted cherries, 1935-41

Year	No. 2 cans				
	Supply (pack and carry-over)	Shipments July 1 to Jan. 1	Stocks Jan. 1 of following year	Shipments Jan. 1 to July 1 of following year	Stocks July 1 of following year
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>cases</u>	<u>cases</u>	<u>cases</u>	<u>cases</u>	<u>cases</u>
1935	3,023	1,939	1,024	904	180
1936	1,345	1,604	241	241	0
1937	2,903	1,796	1,112	842	270
1938	2,238	1,279	959	853	106
1939	3,602	2,793	809	731	78
1940	3,903	2,433	1,470	1,408	62
1941	2,434	1,806	628		

Compiled from reports of National Cannery Association.

Movement Out of Cold Storage

The total movement of commercially-held apples out of cold storage in January was the smallest January movement in the last 4 years (table 3),

but the movement into domestic commercial trade channels was the largest in the last 4 years. In January 1939 about 43 percent of the apples moved out of storage were exported, but in January 1940 and 1941 only about 29 percent and 18 percent respectively of the apples moved out went either into export or relief channels. In January 1942 only a small quantity of apples was purchased by the Department of Agriculture.

Table 3.- Apples: Out-of-storage movement into domestic commercial trade channels in January, 1939-42

Year	Total out-of-storage movement in January	Exports in January	Department of Agriculture purchases in January	Out-of-storage movement into domestic commercial trade channels in January
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1939	5,593	2,396	0	3,197
1940	5,892	244	1,464	4,184
1941	5,623	64	956	4,623
1942	1/ 5,075	2/	98	4,977

1/ Excludes 551,000 bushels withdrawn by the Department of Agriculture from its stocks held on January 1.

2/ Export data no longer published.

Cold Storage Holdings

Holdings of apples in cold storage on February 1 were reported to total 20.1 million bushels compared with 23.0 million on February 1, 1941. The Department of Agriculture held 1.8 million bushels on February 1 this year, and these are included in the total of 20.1 million bushels reported to be in cold storage on that date. Thus, the amount of apples held for distribution through regular trade channels after February 1 totaled about 4.7 million bushels less than was available a year earlier.

Although total cold storage holdings on February 1 were considerably smaller than on February 1, 1941, in the Western States cold storage holdings were 5 percent larger. Production of the Delicious variety in Washington was considerably heavier in 1941 than in 1940.

Market Prices

Wholesale prices of eastern and midwestern apples in January averaged 5 percent higher than in December. Auction prices of Washington Extra Fancy Rome Beauty and Winesap apples at New York were slightly higher in January compared to a month earlier. Normally prices of these varieties decline slightly from December through January. A greater than seasonal decline occurred in the price of Washington Delicious apples in January. Normally Delicious prices at New York decline about 2 percent from December to January, but this season they declined about 10 percent. This was the largest December-to-January decrease since the 1937-38 season, and the

second largest in the last 15 years. The primary cause for this relatively sharp decrease in Delicious prices was an exceptionally large movement of Washington Delicious apples into domestic commercial trade channels. Auction sales of Washington Delicious at New York were roughly 40 percent larger in January 1942 than in January 1941.

Domestic Commercial Supply

Total sales of apples through regular domestic trade channels during the remainder of the apple marketing season will be the largest, except for last year, in the last 4 years (table 4) unless substantial purchases are made by the Department of Agriculture. Total sales in regular domestic trade channels from February 1 to June 30, however, will be about 7 percent smaller this year than last year, even if no Department purchases are made. Last year market prices of eastern and midwestern apples were 5 percent higher in April than in February, and auction prices of western apples were 4 percent higher.

Table 4.- Apples: Fresh domestic commercial supply from February 1 to the end of the marketing season, 1939-42

Year	February 1 : commercial : cold storage : holdings :	Exports after : February 1 :	Department of : Agriculture : purchases after : February 1 :	Domestic : commercial : supply after : February 1 :
	<u>1,000 bushels</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>	<u>1,000 bushels</u>
1939	20,973	3,535	0	17,438
1940	20,306	526	2,413	17,367
1941	23,016	248	3,071	19,697
1942	18,302	<u>1/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>3/</u> 18,302

1/ Export figures no longer published.

2/ Unknown.

3/ No allowance made for Department of Agriculture purchases or exports.

PEARS

BACKGROUND.- Pear production has about doubled in the last 20 years. The increase occurred largely in the Pacific Coast States, where during the 5-year period 1936-40 two thirds of the total United States pear crop was produced. Farm prices of pears tended to decline with increased production.

In 1934-38 approximately 18 percent of the total pear crop was marketed outside this country. In this period about 30 percent of the canned pack and 76 percent of the dried pack were exported. Substantial quantities of fresh pears also were exported. Export markets provided important outlets for the late variety pears; prior to the outbreak of hostilities in Europe in 1939 over 50 percent of total shipments of fresh Hardy, Comice, and Winter Nelis pears (important late varieties) went to foreign markets.

Cold Storage Holdings Larger

The Agricultural Marketing Service has reported that there were 899,000 bushels of late pears in cold storage on February 1 compared with 568,000 bushels on February 1, 1941 and the 50year (1937-41) February 1 average of 629,000 bushels.

The out-of-storage movement in January totaled 404,000 bushels compared with 482,000 in January 1941. Approximately 114,000 boxes moved out in January 1941, however, were purchased by the Department of Agriculture. No purchases of late variety pears have been made this season. Thus, 36,000 more bushels of pears moved into commercial trade channels in January 1942 than in January 1941.

Auction Prices of Late Varieties
Decreased in January

January auction prices at New York for leading varieties of late pears were from 0 to 33 cents per box lower than in December.

Auction prices of Bosc and Winter Nellis pears at New York in January averaged 30 percent and 16 percent lower respectively than in January 1941, and prices of Comice and D'Anjou pears in January were about the same to slightly higher than in the same month a year earlier. The movement of late variety pears into domestic commercial trade channels in January was about 10 percent heavier than in January 1941, but the purchasing power of consumers was roughly 15 percent greater. Indications are that some of the late variety pears ran fairly heavily to odd sizes this year.

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Oranges

The Agricultural Marketing Service estimated, as of February 1, that the orange crop from the bloom of 1941 would total approximately 84.4 million boxes compared with 84.1 million boxes produced from the bloom of 1940.

There are definite indications of a considerable shift from truck shipments to rail shipments this season because of the tire situation. In the 3 weeks ended February 15, rail and boat shipments of oranges averaged 19 percent above those in the comparable weeks last year, but total rail, boat, and truck shipments averaged 17 percent below those in 1941.

Total shipments of Florida oranges from the beginning of the season to February 14 were approximately 18 percent less than in the comparable period in the 1940-41 season, but from January 19 to February 14 Florida shipments were only about 11 percent less than in the comparable period a year earlier.

Total shipments of California and Arizona Navel and miscellaneous oranges from the beginning of the season to February 14 were about 4 percent less than in the comparable period last season. From January 5 to

January 24, however, shipments of California and Arizona oranges, excluding Valencias, totaled roughly 30 percent above those in the comparable period a year earlier.

Auction prices of Florida oranges this season at New York averaged above those in the comparable period last year from the beginning of the season until the week ended January 30, when they averaged 13 cents a box below the price in the comparable week in 1941.

Auction prices of California Navel oranges at New York averaged 3 percent higher in December 1941 than in December 1940, but in January they averaged 12 percent below prices in the same month last year. Although the crop of California Navels is estimated to be about 1 million boxes larger this season than last, total shipments from the beginning of the season to January 3 were about 9 percent less than in the comparable period last season. In January, however, shipments increased sharply relative to a year earlier and prices fell to a level below those of a year ago. A higher level of consumer demand this year over last has been a factor tending to offset the price effects of a larger California Navel crop.

Grapefruit

Total grapefruit production from the bloom of 1941 was estimated, as of February 1, to total 41.4 million bushels compared with 43.0 million from the bloom of 1940. Production in Florida is indicated to be about 13 percent less, and that in Texas is indicated to be 9 percent larger than in the 1940-41 season.

Prices of Florida grapefruit at New York from the beginning of the season to date have averaged considerably above prices in the comparable period last season, and prices of Texas grapefruit at Chicago have averaged slightly to moderately higher.

Table 6.- Pears, western: Weighted average auction price per box, specified varieties, all grades, New York and Chicago, 1940-42

Market and period	Bosc		Comice		D'Anjou		Winter Nelis	
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
New York								
Month								
Nov.	2.12	2.47	2.19	2.63	2.09	2.63	1.78	1.96
Dec.	2.15	2.15	2.37	2.48	2.13	2.64	1.44	1.77
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
Jan.	2.58	1.82	2.49	2.48	2.32	2.46	1.83	1.54
Week ended								
Jan. 16	2.66	1.83	2.72	2.52	2.34	2.55	1.99	1.60
23	2.58	1.60	2.46	2.48	2.42	2.52	1.89	1.50
30	2.84	1.74	2.35	2.33	2.25	2.32	1.75	1.40
Feb. 6	2.19	2.09	2.08	2.10	2.40	2.26	1.60	1.42
13	1.89	---	2.43	2.50	2.47	2.31	1.50	1.50
	1940	1941			1940	1941		
Chicago								
Month								
Nov.	1.96	2.33			2.12	2.60		
Dec.	2.18	2.15			2.12	2.60		
	1941	1942			1941	1942		
Jan.	2.24	1.53			2.50	2.37		
Week ended								
Jan. 16	---	---			2.33	2.25		
23	---	1.53			2.25	2.57		
30	---	1.35			2.28	1.93		
Feb. 6	---	1.14			2.34	2.22		
13	---	---			2.46	2.29		

Compiled from New York Daily Fruit Reporter, deciduous section, and Chicago Fruit and Vegetable Reporter.

Table 7.- Strawberries: Acreage, yield per acre and production, average 1931-40, annual 1941, and indicated 1942

Group and State	Acreage			Yield per acre 1/			Production 1/		
	10-year:	10-year:	10-year:	Indi-:	Indi-:	Indi-:	10-year:	Indi-:	Indi-:
	average: 1941	average: 1941	average: 1941	cated:	cated:	cated:	average: 1941	cated:	cated:
	1931-40:	1942	1931-40:	1942	1942	1942	1931-40:	1941	1942
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Crates	Crates	Crates	crates	crates	crates
Early (1):							1,000	1,000	1,000
Florida ...	8,530	5,500	5,000	70	70	80	602	385	400
Early (2)									
Alabama ...	3,650	4,000	3,600	77	70		281	280	
Louisiana ..	19,790	23,000	21,500	66	60		1,290	1,380	
Mississippi:	720	330	300	56	70		38	23	
Texas	2,510	1,950	1,200	59	55		132	107	
Group total:	26,470	29,280	26,600	65.8	61.1		1,741	1,790	
Second early :									
Arkansas ..	16,720	19,500	20,100	46	79		761	1,540	
California, southern district :	1,780	2,900	2,850	180	150		519	435	
Georgia ...	440	200	---	59	65		25	13	
North Carolina :	7,720	7,500	6,600	75	87		572	652	
South Carolina :	470	550	600	69	30		32	44	
Tennessee ..	16,550	22,400	22,400	46	50		760	1,120	
Virginia ...	6,760	9,900	8,000	78	35		528	346	
Group total:	50,440	62,980	60,550	59.4	65.9		2,997	4,150	
Intermediate and late :									
and late :	94,080	113,380	109,130	68.9	69.0		6,484	7,822	
Total all States ..	179,520	211,110	201,280	65.9	67.0		11,824	14,147	

Compiled from the reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Crates of 24 quarts.

Table 8.- Grapes, Emperor, California: Weighted average auction price per lug, at New York and Chicago, 1940-42

Month and week ended	New York		Chicago	
	1940	1941	1940	1941
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Month -				
November	1.21	1.62	1.14	1.51
December	1.50	1.99	1.48	1.83
January	1.97	1.95	1.81	1.61
Week ended -				
January 16	1.90	1.95	1.77	1.68
23	2.30	1.78	2.32	1.60
30	2.41	2.00	2.32	1.26
February 6	2.99	2.21	---	2.01
13	3.17	2.30	---	---

Compiled from New York Daily Fruit Reporter, deciduous section and Chicago Fruit and Vegetable Reporter.

Table 9.- Oranges: Total weekly shipments from producing areas, by varieties, September to February 1940-42 1/

Week ended	1940				1941				Total	
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Sept. 6:	1,592	---	---	---	1,592	1,347	---	---	1,347	---
13:	1,463	---	---	---	1,463	1,688	---	---	1,688	---
20:	1,541	---	---	---	1,541	1,663	---	---	1,663	---
27:	1,311	---	---	---	1,311	1,615	---	---	1,615	---
Oct. 4:	1,528	---	---	---	1,528	1,588	---	---	1,588	---
11:	1,460	---	11	127	1,598	1,748	---	9	1,757	---
18:	1,625	---	92	156	1,873	1,569	---	14 45	1,628	---
25:	1,340	---	497	273	2,110	1,138	---	68 64	1,270	---
Nov. 1:	1,143	---	712	241	2,097	928	---	488 110	1,526	---
8:	609	1	1,170	229	2,033	1,164	---	802 239	2,207	---
15:	174	10	1,592	185	2,065	810	25	1,217 322	2,386	---
22:	75	1,042	1,701	300	3,376	661	931	1,346 342	3,358	---
29:	20	1,462	1,708	224	3,798	429	1,461	1,344 229	3,705	---
Dec. 6:	22	1,815	1,781	261	4,349	215	1,342	1,186 263	3,356	---
13:	10	1,606	2,609	354	5,152	165	1,776	2,020 305	4,691	---
20:	---	1,000	2,654	339	4,577	53	781	2,726 369	4,483	1
27:	---	799	771	83	1,892	69	690	1,006 179	2,437	---
Jan. 3:	---	1,008	1,619	223	3,506	50	783	1,368 138	2,775	---
10:	---	1,168	1,757	240	3,466	77	1,533	1,312 125	3,387	4
17:	---	1,213	2,157	251	3,870	90	1,845	1,711 232	4,321	4
24:	---	1,457	2,042	291	4,069	66	1,686	1,939 257	4,203	5
31:	---	1,464	2,120	216	4,140	36	1,033	1,704 203	3,246	6
Feb. 7:	---	1,710	1,784	230	3,976	10	1,294	1,683 211	3,452	7
14:	3	1,346	1,871	262	3,733	---	1,234	1,607 161	3,188	5

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service and Surplus Marketing Administration.

1/ Rail, boat, and truck. No truck shipments reported for La., Ala., and Miss.; total truck shipments from Tex.; interstate truck shipments from Calif.-Ariz.; interstate and intrastate truck shipments (excluding trucked to canners and to boats) from Fla. All data subject to revision.

2/ Excluding relief shipments.

3/ Includes shipments from areas where shipping season is completed and also tangerines.

Table 10.- Grapefruit: Total weekly shipments from producing areas, September to February 1940-42 ^{1/}

Week ended	: Calif. :				: Calif. :				: Total	
	: Fla.	: Ariz.	: Tex.	: Total:	: Fla.	: Ariz.	: Tex.	: Com-	: Relief	
	: 2/	:	:	: 2/	:	:	:	: mercial:	: purchases	
	: Cars	: Cars	: Cars	: Cars:	: Cars	: Cars	: Cars	: Cars	: Cars	
	: 1940				: 1941					
Sept. 6	---	46	---	46	---	28	---	28	---	
13	---	81	---	81	1	32	---	33	---	
20	---	70	---	70	---	19	---	19	---	
27	---	55	---	55	---	12	---	12	---	
Oct. 4	36	23	63	122	2	8	7	17	---	
11	360	28	535	923	95	3	177	275	---	
18	585	69	710	1,364	515	14	445	974	---	
25	444	55	737	1,236	262	26	462	750	---	
Nov. 1	343	43	584	970	377	47	525	949	---	
8	457	41	604	1,102	472	47	740	1,259	---	
15	551	36	730	1,317	347	43	749	1,139	---	
22	426	32	775	1,233	315	58	613	986	---	
29	356	37	602	995	312	61	509	882	---	
Dec. 6	517	52	643	1,212	376	52	690	1,118	---	
13	601	52	712	1,365	431	38	881	1,350	---	
20	489	31	474	994	469	35	668	1,172	4	
27	296	27	281	604	364	35	515	914	2	
	: 1941				: 1942					
Jan. 3	668	31	735	1,434	488	38	694	1,220	8	
10	673	59	884	1,616	471	56	515	1,042	17	
17	709	76	924	1,709	508	81	867	1,456	13	
24	745	64	869	1,678	531	77	905	1,513	129	
31	749	35	611	1,395	557	77	744	1,378	168	
Feb. 7	703	42	556	1,301	700	64	647	1,411	156	
14	629	45	712	1,386	587	71	654	1,312	176	

Compiled from the reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service and Surplus Marketing Administration.

^{1/} Rail, boat, and truck. Total truck shipments from Texas; interstate truck shipments from California-Arizona; interstate and intrastate truck shipments (excluding trucked to canners and to boats) from Florida. All data subject to revision.

^{2/} Excluding relief shipments.

Table 11.- Citrus fruits: Condition on February 1, with comparisons and production average 1930-39, annual 1939-41

Crop and State	Condition Feb. 1 1/			Production 2/			Indicated 1941
	1940	1941	1942	Average 1930-39	1939	1940	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	boxes	boxes	boxes	boxes
Oranges:							
California, all	74	80	82	37,198	44,425	49,478	50,016
Valencias	74	77	80	21,395	26,904	30,006	29,520
Navels and miscellaneous	75	85	84	15,803	17,521	19,472	20,496
Florida	78	68	62	21,290	28,000	31,100	30,700
Early and midseason	78	67	63 3/	12,521	15,600	15,900	15,900
Valencias	77	68	61 3/	8,321	10,000	12,500	12,700
Tangerines	59	72	44	2,350	2,400	2,700	2,100
Satsumas	65	4/ 51	4/ 53	---	---	---	---
Texas	72	74	66	1,157	2,360	2,750	2,900
Arizona	78	71	75	252	520	500	600
Alabama	---	---	---	65	75	1	5
Mississippi	---	---	---	46	59	5/	1
Louisiana	53	54	54	275	228	253	192
Seven States 6/	75	75	73	60,233	75,667	84,082	84,414
Grapefruit:							
Florida, all	51	69	55	14,760	15,900	24,600	21,400
Seedless	56	70	61 3/	5,250	6,500	8,400	8,800
Other	48	68	52 3/	10,393	9,400	16,200	12,600
Texas	67	62	74	6,350	14,400	13,800	15,100
Arizona	73	67	81	1,505	2,900	2,650	3,000
California, all	72	78	80	1,768	1,992	1,983	1,940
Desert Valley	---	---	---	789	1,087	960	965
Other	---	---	---	979	905	1,023	975
Four States 6/	60	67	65	24,333	35,192	43,033	41,440
Lemons:							
California 6/	76	86	77	8,815	11,983	17,099	14,220
Limes:							
Florida	72	41	62	37	95	80 7/	120

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Condition reported on January 1 refers to crop from bloom of previous calendar year. 2/ Relates to crop from bloom of year shown. In California the picking season usually extends from about October 1 to December 31 of the following year. In other States the season begins about September 1. For some States in certain years, production includes some quantities donated to charity and/or eliminated on account of market conditions. 3/ Short-time average. 4/ Production in percentage of a full crop as of January 1. 5/ Failure reported. 6/ Net content of boxes varies. In California and Arizona the approximate average for oranges is 70 pounds net and grapefruit 60 pounds; in Florida and other States, oranges 90 pounds and grapefruit 80 pounds; California lemons about 76 pounds net. 7/ December 1 indicated production.

Table 12.- Grapefruit: Weighted average auction price per box, New York and Chicago, 1940-42

Month and week ended	Florida						Texas	
	Seedless		Seedlings		Total		1940	1941
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941		
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
							Chicago	
Month -	New York						Chicago	
Nov.	2.11	2.36	1.70	1.98	1.95	2.16	1.83	2.03
Dec.	1.89	2.61	1.75	2.26	1.92	2.52	1.78	2.09
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
Jan.	1.56	2.25	1.57	1.39	1.84	2.13	1.91	1.95
Week ended -								
Jan. 16	1.90	2.23	1.45	1.36	1.74	2.16	1.87	1.94
23	2.00	2.16	1.57	1.37	1.90	2.11	1.88	1.94
30	1.76	2.38	1.60	1.99	1.73	2.30	1.95	1.90
Feb. 6	1.84	2.30	1.57	2.00	1.76	2.27	1.76	1.83
13	1.96	1.95	1.55	1.96	1.84	1.75	2.02	1.95

Compiled from weekly reports of California Fruit Growers' Exchange, New York, and Fruit and Vegetable Reporter, Chicago.

Table 13.- Citrus fruits: Weighted average auction price per box, New York and Chicago, 1940-42

Market and period	Oranges						Lemons	
	California Navel		California Valencia		Florida		California	
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York								
Month -								
Nov.	3.44	2.85	4.01	4.49	2.13	2.83	3.67	3.76
Dec.	3.19	3.27	5.04	2.93	2.04	2.51	3.45	4.77
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
Jan.	3.17	2.78	---	2.93	2.25	2.50	4.19	4.50
Week ended -								
Jan. 16	3.02	3.16	---	3.33	2.08	2.52	4.30	4.33
23	3.37	2.75	---	3.12	2.18	2.26	4.62	4.55
30	3.37	2.44	---	2.30	2.27	2.14	4.12	4.42
Feb. 6	3.20	2.52	---	2.23	2.42	2.24	3.52	4.52
13	2.92	2.46	---	2.74	2.52	2.32	3.26	4.25
	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941	1940	1941
Chicago								
Month -								
Nov.	3.21	3.36	3.79	4.27	2.30	2.89	4.05	3.82
Dec.	3.05	3.06	4.33	2.44	2.01	2.47	3.53	4.83
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
Jan.	3.13	2.76	---	2.85	2.27	2.11	4.18	4.82
Week ended -								
Jan. 16	3.10	3.02	---	2.51	2.28	2.54	4.23	5.01
23	3.24	2.73	---	---	2.21	2.46	4.43	4.76
30	3.30	2.43	---	2.34	2.44	2.28	4.20	4.70
Feb. 6	2.96	2.49	---	2.81	2.33	2.25	3.74	4.21
13	2.81	2.54	---	2.34	2.37	2.57	3.23	4.02

Compiled as follows: New York, weekly reports of California Fruit Growers' Exchange and Chicago Fruit and Vegetable Reporter.

Table 14.- Fruits: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago, for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) specified weeks, 1942 with comparisons

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended					
		1941		1942			
		Feb. 15	Jan. 17	Jan. 24	Jan. 31	Feb. 7	Feb. 14
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York							
Apples, eastern: <u>1/</u>							
Baldwin	Bushel	1.10	1.56	1.52	1.65	---	1.42
Delicious	"	1.48	1.71	1.71	1.75	1.78	1.80
McIntosh	"	1.56	1.57	1.59	1.58	1.60	1.58
R. I. Greening	"	1.14	1.47	1.47	1.51	1.53	1.44
York Imperial	"	1.12	1.64	1.67	1.66	1.61	1.64
All varieties	"	1.47	1.61	1.58	1.64	1.62	1.62
Avocados:							
California	Flat	1.62	1.60	1.78	1.69	1.62	1.56
Kumquats:							
Florida	Quart	.11	.10	.09	.08	.08	.10
Limes:							
California	Flat	1.56	1.39	1.31	1.29	---	---
Florida	1/4 box	---	1.65	1.50	1.33	1.52	1.40
Pears, Kieffer:							
New York	Bushel	1.02	1.38	1.45	1.36	1.58	<u>2/</u> 1.42
Strawberries:							
Florida	Pint	.13	.22	.18	.18	.17	.17
Chicago							
Apples, midwestern: <u>1/</u>							
Baldwin	Bushel	1.12	1.40	1.41	1.40	1.38	1.39
Delicious	"	1.44	1.72	1.72	1.73	1.70	1.75
Jonathan	"	1.22	1.86	1.80	1.82	1.79	1.80
McIntosh	"	1.56	1.74	1.76	1.72	1.72	1.72
R. I. Greening	"	1.22	1.70	1.66	1.60	1.58	1.62
All varieties	"	1.46	1.63	1.64	1.68	1.60	1.66
Avocados:							
California	Flat crate:	1.66	1.53	1.58	1.58	1.53	1.42
Cranberries:	1/4 barrel:						
Massachusetts	box	4.00	4.30	4.20	4.05	4.25	---
Limes:							
California	Flat	1.00	1.18	.99	1.00	.92	.92
Strawberries:							
Florida	Pint	.18	.23	.20	.21	.17	.17

Compiled from records of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ 2-1/2-inch minimum.
2/ Average for 1 day.

Table 15.- Apples: Percentage distribution of holdings among important varieties, by geographic divisions and the United States ^{1/}

Variety	New England		Middle Atlantic		East North Central		West North Central		South Atlantic		East South Central		Mountain West		Pacific States	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Baldwin	23	10	3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3
Ben Davis and Gao	---	2	2	11	8	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	2
Delicious	6	8	23	22	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	38	24
Greening (R.I.)	1	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
Jonathan	---	---	8	23	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	2
McIntosh	60	28	3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	9
Northern Spy	4	5	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
Rome Beauty	1	11	9	---	9	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	5	7
Stayman	---	6	4	2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3
Wealthy	---	3	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	1
Winesap	---	11	13	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	29
Yellow Newton (Albermale Pippin)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
York Imperial	---	1	---	---	4	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	14	8
Other varieties	5	2	34	22	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	---	3
		7													1	7

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

^{1/} Based on reports of concerns holding about 57 percent of the total apples in cold storage on February 1.

^{2/} Result of weighting geographic division figures by respective proportion of total United States apple holdings.

Table 16.- Fruit: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from originating points in the United States for the week ended February 14, 1942, with comparisons

Item	Week ended					
	1941		1942			
	Feb. 15	Feb. 17	Jan. 24	Jan. 31	Feb. 7	Feb. 14
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Apples, western	577	604	675	618	540	642
Apples, eastern	222	231	188	206	145	182
Grapefruit	757	960	1,005	922	933	866
Grapes	4	44	31	23	24	21
Lemons	352	281	315	294	292	246
Mixed citrus	368	654	634	606	565	537
Mixed deciduous	6	20	18	19	19	13
Oranges and satsumas	2,477	3,143	3,003	2,079	2,375	2,256
Pears	50	126	121	118	102	103
Strawberries	---	---	1	3	5	10
Tangerines	178	165	113	104	107	47
Total	4,991	6,228	6,109	4,992	5,107	4,923
Relief:						
Apples	225	86	92	157	190	195
Grapefruit	83	13	129	128	156	176
Oranges and satsumas ...:	10	4	5	6	7	5
Grand total	5,309	6,331	6,335	1/5,324	5,460	5,299

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Includes 1 car relief purchases of mixed citrus.

Table 17.- Fruits, fresh: Cold storage holdings, February 1, 1942 by geographic divisions

Commodity	Unit	New	Middle	East	West	South
		England	Atlantic	North	North	Atlantic
		Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-
		sands	sands	sands	sands	sands
Apples	Barrel	---	19	---	---	26
Apples	Western box	---	343	164	363	80
Apples	Eastern box	785	2,633	378	3	771
Apples	Bushel basket	14	1,322	840	201	1,840
Total	Bushel	799	4,355	1,382	567	2,769
Pears, Bartletts	Packed box	---	---	---	---	1
Pears, Bartletts	Loose "	---	---	---	---	---
Pears, all other varieties	Box	---	18	8	2	3
Pears	Bushel basket	---	13	1	---	---
Total	Box and basket	---	31	9	2	4
		East	West			
		South	South	Moun-	Pacific	Total
		Central	Central	tain		
		Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-	Thou-
		sands	sands	sands	sands	sands
Apples	Barrel	---	---	---	---	45
Apples	Western box	6	45	62	10,038	11,101
Apples	Eastern "	19	---	---	---	4,589
Apples	Bushel basket	26	8	30	---	4,281
Total	Bushel	51	53	92	10,038	20,106
Pears, Bartletts	Packed box	---	---	---	---	1
Pears, Bartletts	Loose "	---	2	---	1	3
Pears, all other varieties	Box	2	2	2	846	883
Pears	Bushel basket	---	---	1	1	16
Total	Box and basket	2	4	3	848	903

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Table 18.- Apples and pears: Cold storage holdings
February 1, 1942 with comparisons

Commodity	Unit	Feb. 1			
		5-year average 1937-41	Feb. 1 1941	Jan. 1 1941	Feb. 1 1942
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Apples	Barrel	173	62	61	45
Apples	Western box	9,826	10,239	13,671	11,101
Apples	Eastern "	1/	6,076	6,116	4,589
Apples	Bushel basket	11,188	6,515	5,762	4,281
Total apples	Bushel	21,533	23,016	25,732	2/ 20,106
Pears, Bartletts	Packed box	18	7	50	1
Pears, Bartletts	Loose box	6	15	4	3
Pears, all other varieties	Box	598	525	1,272	883
Pears	Bushel basket	31	43	31	16
Total pears	Box and bushel basket	653	590	1,357	903

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Previously included with "bushel baskets."

2/ Includes 1,804,000 bushels and boxes held by Surplus Marketing Administration.

Table 19.- Apples: Holdings in cold storage, by States

State	Feb. 1, 1942				Feb. 1, 1941	
	Barrels	Boxes		Baskets	Total bushels	Total bushels
		Western	Eastern			
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Vt.	---	---	73	---	73	70
Conn.	---	---	171	---	171	200
Mass.	---	---	430	---	430	603
N. Y.	10	290	2,029	515	2,864	3,310
N. J.	---	22	518	233	573	824
Pa.	9	31	285	574	917	1,342
Ohio	---	19	86	261	366	397
Ind.	---	14	2	140	156	171
Ill.	---	32	77	296	405	701
Mich.	---	39	201	121	361	665
Wis.	---	59	11	21	91	79
Minn.	---	292	---	5	297	136
Mo.	---	11	3	160	174	589
Va.	24	65	630	1,497	2,264	2,964
W. Va.	1	2	86	220	311	355
Tex.	---	59	---	---	39	45
Wash.	---	8,397	---	---	8,397	7,939
Oreg.	---	505	---	---	505	743
Calif.	---	1,135	---	---	1,135	960
Other States ...	1	149	187	238	577	923
U. S.	45	11,101	4,589	4,281	20,106	23,016

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Table 20.- Fruits, frozen: Cold storage holdings in large and small containers on January 1, 1942 and February 1, 1942

Commodity	In small containers (Less than 30 lb. capacity)		In bulk or large con- tainers (30 lb. or greater capacity)	
	Jan. 1, 1942 1,000 pounds	Feb. 1, 1942 1,000 pounds	Jan. 1, 1942 1,000 pounds	Feb. 1, 1942 1,000 pounds
Blackberries	441	427	5,106	4,712
Blueberries	939	839	4,491	4,121
Cherries	2,083	2,179	28,388	25,597
Logan and similar berries	1,089	950	3,332	2,790
Raspberries	1,359	1,228	13,647	12,606
Strawberries	11,179	9,274	37,676	33,541
Other fruits	4,422	4,871	28,046	21,010
Classification not reported	2,827	2,750	32,923	27,694
Total	24,339	22,518	153,609	131,871

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Table 21.- Frozen fruits: Cold storage holdings, by varieties, February 1, 1942 with comparisons

Commodity	Feb. 1 5-year average: 1937-41	Feb. 1, 1941	Jan. 1, 1941	Feb. 1, 1942
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Blackberries	Data	5,878	5,547	5,139
Blueberries	for	7,534	5,430	4,960
Cherries	these	17,913	30,471	27,776
Logan and similar berries	earlier	2,391	4,421	3,740
Raspberries	years	11,317	15,006	13,834
Strawberries	not	37,281	48,855	42,615
Other fruits	comparable	21,138	32,468	25,881
Classification not reported		24,814	35,750	30,444
Total		108,924	128,271	177,948

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Table 22.- Fruits, frozen: Cold storage holdings, by Geographic divisions, February 1, 1942

Commodity	New		Middle		East		West		South		East		West		Moun-		Pacific:		Total	
	Eng-land	1,000 pounds	At-:Central	1,000 pounds	North	1,000 pounds	Central	1,000 pounds	North	1,000 pounds	At-:Central	1,000 pounds	South	1,000 pounds	tain	1,000 pounds	South	1,000 pounds		
<u>In small containers</u>																				
Blackberries	2	14	244	83	10	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	74	427
Blueberries	107	323	317	59	16	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	5	5	3	3	3	339
Cherries	78	1,028	451	103	275	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	28	28	188	188	188	2,179
Logan and similar berries	1	11	296	30	8	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	11	11	591	591	591	950
Raspberries	101	151	315	145	262	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	24	24	219	219	219	1,228
Strawberries	707	1,335	2,657	812	938	117	117	117	117	117	117	117	117	117	145	145	2,274	2,274	2,274	9,274
Other fruits	275	1,452	1,329	340	245	304	304	304	304	304	304	304	304	304	13	13	3,593	3,593	3,593	7,621
Total	1,352	4,330	5,609	1,577	1,755	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	430	226	226	6,942	6,942	6,942	22,518
<u>In bulk or large containers</u>																				
Blackberries	113	1,503	487	137	795	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	2	2	1,418	1,418	1,418	4,712
Blueberries	312	2,309	1,174	228	22	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	---	---	72	72	72	4,121
Cherries	346	14,222	6,999	953	551	64	64	64	64	64	64	64	64	64	1,796	1,796	561	561	561	25,597
Logan and similar berries	47	107	442	56	16	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	67	67	2,054	2,054	2,054	2,790
Raspberries	2,002	5,731	2,613	598	156	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	1,442	1,442	1,442	12,606
Strawberries	2,007	12,947	6,887	1,640	1,915	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	202	262	262	5,997	5,997	5,997	33,341
Other fruits	235	17,128	9,776	1,362	901	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	349	241	241	17,393	17,393	17,393	48,704
Total	5,152	53,947	23,378	4,974	4,356	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	1,355	2,395	2,395	23,937	23,937	23,937	131,871
<u>Total, all containers</u>																				
Blackberries	115	1,517	731	220	805	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	211	2	2	1,492	1,492	1,492	5,139
Blueberries	410	2,637	1,491	287	38	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	75	75	75	4,960
Cherries	424	15,250	7,450	1,061	326	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	1,824	1,824	749	749	749	27,776
Logan and similar berries	48	118	738	86	24	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	78	78	2,645	2,645	2,645	3,740
Raspberries	2,103	5,832	2,928	743	418	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	51	51	1,661	1,661	1,661	13,834
Strawberries	2,594	14,283	9,544	2,452	2,853	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	407	407	8,271	8,271	8,271	42,615
Other fruits	511	18,590	11,105	1,702	1,147	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	1,153	254	254	20,986	20,986	20,986	56,325
Total	6,514	58,277	33,987	6,551	6,111	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	1,785	2,621	2,621	35,879	35,879	35,879	154,339

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