

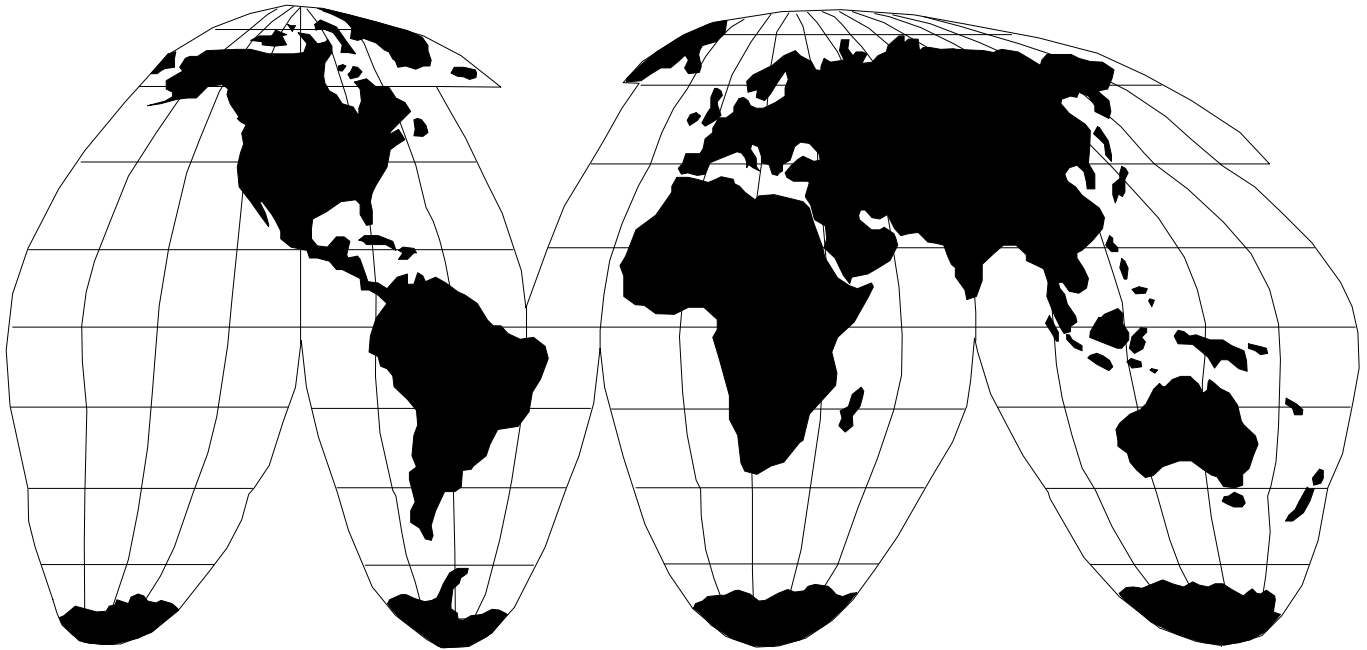
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Preface

Section 316 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement Implementation Act (NAFTA Implementation Act), Public Law 103-182, requires the U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) to monitor U.S. imports of "fresh or chilled tomatoes" and "fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers," until January 1, 2009. As a result, the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-350, Monitoring of U.S. Imports of Tomatoes, and investigation No. 332-351, Monitoring of U.S. Imports of Peppers, under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)). This report on the Commission's monitoring investigation covers peppers for fresh-market use and for processing. The purpose of this monitoring, as expressed in the NAFTA Implementation Act, is to permit the Commission to conduct an expedited investigation and, if appropriate, recommend to the President provisional relief should a petition for relief be filed under section 202 of the Trade Act of 1974 with respect to imports from all countries, or a petition requesting such relief be filed under section 302 of the NAFTA Implementation Act with respect to imports from Canada or Mexico. Generally, such provisional relief would remain in effect, pending completion of the investigation by the Commission and the taking of final action by the President.

Imports of fresh bell peppers (along with fresh tomatoes) were the subject of a Commission investigation in 1996 under section 202 of the Trade Act of 1974. Following the receipt of a petition on March 11, 1996, filed by the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association, et al., the Commission instituted investigation No. TA-201-66. The Commission made a negative injury determination in that investigation on July 2, 1996, and accordingly no relief was provided. The petition did not request provisional relief. For additional information, see the Commission's report, *Fresh Tomatoes and Bell Peppers*, USITC publication 2985, August 1996.

This report contains statistical information gathered by the Commission on the U.S. pepper industry in the course of its monitoring. This information includes (1) consumption and trade data (including U.S. imports and U.S. exports) and (2) other industry data (including U.S. production quantity, value, unit value, harvested area; U.S. cost-of-production estimates; U.S. weekly arrivals and shipping point quantities; and average U.S. retail and shipper prices). The information presented in this report on the U.S. pepper industry was obtained from a number of sources, including the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service. This report principally covers 1993-97 data and partial-year data for 1998.¹

¹ Nothing in this report should be construed to indicate how the Commission would find in an investigation conducted under statutory authority covering the same or similar subject matter.

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Highlights

The following are highlights of the statistical data collected on all peppers, as well as on peppers for fresh-market use and processing.

Fresh-market Peppers

- ! Apparent U.S. consumption of fresh-market peppers rose by 22 percent in volume, and by 25 percent in value, from 646,277 metric tons valued at \$457.1 million in 1993, to 789,442 metric tons valued at \$571.1 million in 1997. In 1997, the ratio of imports to consumption by volume was 23 percent, up from 19 percent in 1993.
- ! U.S. production of fresh-market peppers rose by 16 percent from an estimated 579,920 metric tons (\$371.9 million) in 1993 to 670,920 metric tons (\$427.2 million) in 1997. Since 1993, the U.S. harvested area for peppers has trended upward slightly, with most of the increase accounted for by California acreage. California and Florida were the leading States in production during the 1993-97 period, with production in Florida harvested principally during Oct.-June and California production harvested mainly during May-November.
- ! U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers increased by 47 percent, in volume, from 121,948 metric tons in 1993 to 179,210 metric tons in 1997, and by 48 percent, in value, from \$133.9 million in 1993 to \$198.3 million in 1997. Mexico accounted for 82 percent by volume of total imports of fresh-market peppers in 1997. Other important foreign suppliers included the Netherlands and Canada. Imports from Mexico during January-April, the months when imports from Mexico are normally greatest, were up slightly in 1997 from the level in the corresponding 1996 period.
- ! During the 1995/96 to 1997/98 seasons, about 85 percent of U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers from Mexico entered through the Nogales, Arizona, customs district. Most of the remaining U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers entered through the San Diego, California, customs district. In recent years, most imports were entered during December through the following April.
- ! U.S. exports of fresh-market peppers rose from 55,591 metric tons in 1993 to 60,688 metric tons in 1997. The value of U.S. exports also rose during 1993-97. Canada has been the leading foreign market for U.S. fresh-market pepper exports in recent years, accounting for an increasing share of U.S. exports since 1993.
- ! Average U.S. monthly retail prices for fresh-market peppers have trended upward since 1993. In 1997, prices fluctuated from a low of \$1.19 per pound in January to a high of \$1.67 per pound in October and November. The highest prices are normally reported during the period November through February.

Processed Peppers

- ! U.S. production of processed peppers fell by 12 percent, in quantity, from an estimated 21,060 metric tons in 1993 to 18,521 metric tons in 1997. The value of production in 1997 was an estimated \$21.5 million, down by 14 percent from an estimated \$24.9 million in 1993.
- ! U.S. imports of processed peppers rose by 49 percent from 5,627 metric tons in 1993 to 8,371 metric tons in 1997, with an accompanying 46 percent rise in value of total imports from \$6.6 million in 1993 to \$9.7 million in 1997. Spain has been the leading source of processed peppers since 1993, supplying over four-fifths annually of imports by volume throughout the 1993-97 period.

CONSUMPTION AND TRADE

Table 1**Fresh-market peppers: U.S. production, exports of domestic merchandise, imports for consumption, apparent consumption, and ratio of imports to consumption, 1993-97**

Year	Production ¹	Exports ²	Imports ³	Apparent consumption	Ratio of imports to consumption
	<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>				<i>)) Percentage))</i>
1993	579,920	55,591	121,948	646,277	19
1994	616,880	53,375	118,598	682,103	17
1995	577,240	48,970	142,746	671,016	21
1996	678,120	60,474	171,123	788,769	22
1997	670,920	60,688	179,210	789,442	23
	<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>				
1993	371,858	48,639	133,924	457,143	29
1994	387,808	46,777	146,020	487,051	30
1995	348,868	44,901	173,532	477,499	36
1996	403,581	48,352	170,681	525,910	32
1997	427,206	54,352	198,295	571,149	35
	<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)</i>				
1993	0.64	0.87	1.10	0.71	(⁴)
1994 .....	.63	.88	1.23	.71	(⁴)
1995 .....	.60	.92	1.22	.71	(⁴)
1996 .....	.60	.80	1.00	.67	(⁴)
1997 .....	.64	.90	1.11	.72	(⁴)

¹ Data are estimated by the Commission staff for fresh-market peppers based on raw product intended for fresh-market use and for processing. Data are not reported separately for each end use.

² Data are for fresh or chilled peppers (*Schedule B* No. 0709.60.0000) on a fresh-weight basis.

³ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (*Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS)* number 0709.60.0040 for 1992-95 and 0709.60.4000 for 1996) on a fresh-weight basis.

⁴ Not applicable.

Source: Production data estimated by Commission staff based on official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS); exports and imports, compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 2
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption,¹ by principal sources, 1993-97

Source	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>					
Mexico	101,234	96,713	116,173	143,734	146,194
Netherlands	16,191	16,906	17,801	18,436	18,027
Canada	3,511	3,839	6,723	6,445	10,274
Israel	12	143	692	1,207	2,381
Belgium	496	462	391	288	478
Dominican Republic ...	384	428	718	685	747
Trinidad and Tobago ..	16	9	36	112	100
All other	104	98	212	216	1,009
Total	121,948	118,598	142,746	171,123	179,210
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
Mexico	89,869	97,097	108,694	111,485	129,887
Netherlands	35,794	40,225	49,519	43,022	42,535
Canada	6,560	6,859	11,141	11,428	17,554
Israel	29	151	1,934	2,441	5,410
Belgium	1,278	1,315	1,256	822	1,201
Dominican Republic ...	159	123	547	704	717
Trinidad and Tobago ..	42	33	112	409	373
All other	195	217	329	370	618
Total	133,924	146,020	173,532	170,681	198,295
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)</i>					
Mexico	0.89	1.00	0.94	0.78	0.89
Netherlands	2.21	2.38	2.78	2.33	2.36
Canada	1.87	1.79	1.66	1.77	1.71
Israel	2.42	1.06	2.80	2.02	2.27
Belgium	2.57	2.85	3.21	2.86	2.51
Dominican Republic ...	.41	.29	.76	1.03	.96
Trinidad and Tobago ..	2.63	3.67	3.11	3.65	3.74
All other	1.87	2.21	1.55	1.71	.61
Average	1.10	1.23	1.22	1.00	1.11

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS numbers 0709.60.0040 for 1993-95 and 0709.60.4000 for 1996-97) on a fresh-weight basis.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 3
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Mexico,¹ by major ports of entry, June 1995-May 1998

(1,000 kilograms)

Period	Nogales	San Diego	Laredo	All other	Total
1995:					
June	781	1,307	41	0	2,130
July	71	108	16	2	197
Aug	3	827	32	0	861
Sept	5	3,278	7	21	3,312
Oct	6	2,368	2	0	2,376
Nov	3,298	3,692	71	3	7,064
Dec	15,641	1,175	88	4	16,908
1996:					
Jan	27,992	658	130	65	28,846
Feb	32,478	460	180	90	33,207
Mar	27,480	505	241	40	28,266
Apr	12,375	1,556	125	137	14,193
May	2,497	2,703	37	17	5,254
Total	122,627	18,637	970	379	142,614
1996:					
June	492	614	22	13	1,141
July	0	689	22	74	785
Aug	22	741	43	15	821
Sept	25	1,403	0	0	1,427
Oct	56	2,184	0	15	2,255
Nov	2,755	4,261	67	4	7,086
Dec	17,719	2,723	11	0	20,453
1997:					
Jan	30,663	1,208	27	12	31,910
Feb	32,399	299	240	1	32,939
Mar	24,423	463	292	6	25,184
Apr	10,943	2,931	40	0	13,913
May	4,959	3,695	21	1	8,675
Total	124,456	21,211	785	141	146,593
1997:					
June	659	1,580	17	0	2,256
July	56	781	54	0	890
Aug	10	645	14	0	669
Sept	0	2,348	25	0	2,373
Oct	113	2,331	0	0	2,444
Nov	2,982	3,167	39	0	6,189
Dec	16,761	1,977	14	0	18,752
1998:					
Jan	30,071	1,061	60	1	31,192
Feb	28,859	579	438	16	29,893
Mar	25,480	659	974	4	27,117
Apr	17,593	3,448	64	15	21,120
May	3,935	4,126	78	7	8,146
Total	126,519	22,702	1,777	43	151,041

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS numbers 0709.60.0040 for 1995-96 and 0709.60.4000 for 1997-98) on a fresh-weight basis.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 4
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. exports of domestic merchandise,¹ by principal markets, 1993-97

Market	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>					
Canada	52,392	50,736	47,964	59,353	59,671
Mexico	1,608	1,738	454	322	507
Japan	18	105	244	318	153
El Salvador	807	295	163	214	112
Bahamas	0	2	6	8	55
United Kingdom	144	149	71	59	29
Russia	0	27	(²)	0	37
All other	622	322	67	198	124
Total	55,591	53,375	48,970	60,474	60,688
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
Canada	45,805	43,891	43,782	47,127	53,155
Mexico	1,429	1,640	325	291	511
Japan	31	194	303	419	206
El Salvador	655	366	269	234	133
Bahamas	0	3	8	6	95
United Kingdom	192	164	64	64	55
Russia	0	46	3	0	47
All other	528	474	146	212	150
Total	48,639	46,777	44,901	48,352	54,352
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)</i>					
Canada	0.87	0.87	0.91	0.79	0.89
Mexico .....	.89	.94	.71	.90	1.01
Japan	1.71	1.85	1.24	1.31	1.34
El Salvador .....	.81	1.24	1.65	1.09	1.19
Bahamas	—	1.50	1.33	.72	1.74
United Kingdom	1.33	1.10	.90	1.08	1.73
Russia	—	1.72	8.63	—	1.26
All other .....	.85	1.47	2.18	1.07	1.21
Average .....	.87	.88	.92	.80	.90

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers (*Schedule B* No. 0709.60.0000) on a fresh-weight basis.

² Less than 500 kilograms.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 5
Processed peppers: U.S. production and imports for consumption, 1993-97

Year	Production ¹	Imports ²
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>		
1993	21,060	5,627
1994	19,449	6,023
1995	24,616	6,519
1996	20,390	7,476
1997	18,521	8,371
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>		
1993	24,851	6,636
1994	22,755	7,803
1995	29,047	7,903
1996	23,449	8,940
1997	21,484	9,673
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)</i>		
1993	1.18	1.18
1994	1.17	1.30
1995	1.18	1.21
1996	1.15	1.20
1997	1.16	1.16

¹ Production data include frozen peppers and are not directly comparable with other processed pepper (e.g., canned) import data. Values and unit values of production were estimated by the Commission staff.

² Data are for prepared or preserved peppers (*HTS* numbers 2005.90.5020, 2005.90.5040, and 2005.90.5510) on a processed-weight basis.

Note.—Data on exports of processed peppers are not separately reported.

Source: Production compiled from official statistics of the American Frozen Food Institute; imports compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 6
Processed peppers: U.S. imports for consumption,¹ by principal sources, 1993-97

Source	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>					
Spain	4,507	5,305	5,232	6,176	6,757
Italy	2	25	19	25	365
Mexico	132	146	278	516	511
Greece	172	189	315	192	199
Turkey	32	10	237	251	348
Canada	0	0	18	16	34
Chile	115	170	320	166	90
All other	667	178	100	132	68
Total	5,627	6,023	6,519	7,476	8,371
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
Spain	5,669	7,101	6,842	7,523	7,478
Italy	9	73	38	93	982
Mexico	98	66	209	475	433
Greece	141	226	238	268	318
Turkey	9	9	181	177	252
Canada	0	0	19	72	78
Chile	95	118	205	125	61
All other	614	211	172	207	71
Total	6,636	7,803	7,903	8,940	9,673
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)</i>					
Spain	1.26	1.34	1.31	1.22	1.11
Italy	4.38	2.93	1.97	3.72	2.69
Mexico .....	.74	.45	.75	.92	.85
Greece .....	.82	1.19	.76	1.39	1.60
Turkey .....	.30	.81	.76	.71	.72
Canada	—	—	1.04	4.56	2.27
Chile .....	.83	.69	.64	.76	.68
All other .....	.92	1.18	1.72	1.56	1.04
Average	1.18	1.30	1.21	1.20	1.16

¹ Data are for prepared or preserved peppers (*HTS* numbers 2005.90.5020, 2005.90.5040, and 2005.90.5510) on a processed-weight basis.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

PRODUCTION AND COSTS

Table 7
Peppers:¹ U.S. production quantity, value, and unit value, and harvested area, by selected States, 1993-97

State	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
	<i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>				
Florida	585,200	575,700	472,500	606,000	545,800
California	555,000	594,500	696,000	765,000	750,000
New Jersey	84,800	161,200	84,800	110,000	124,800
Texas	100,000	64,400	66,700	70,200	89,300
North Carolina	20,000	33,000	22,800	65,700	84,000
Michigan	36,800	38,000	35,700	40,000	37,400
All other	68,000	75,400	64,600	38,400	46,000
Total	1,449,800	1,542,200	1,443,100	1,695,300	1,677,300
	<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>				
Florida	215,939	197,465	177,188	221,190	206,858
California	149,057	152,287	188,523	173,506	190,342
New Jersey	21,794	44,975	24,422	27,830	32,947
Texas	23,200	29,753	30,215	22,604	30,898
North Carolina	4,000	6,765	5,130	13,797	21,000
Michigan	8,243	7,904	8,104	7,360	7,817
All other	15,247	17,096	19,204	8,514	12,733
Total	437,480	456,245	452,786	474,801	502,595
	<i>Unit value (dollars per hundredweight)</i>				
Florida	36.90	34.30	37.50	36.50	37.90
California	26.86	25.62	27.09	22.68	25.38
New Jersey	25.70	27.90	28.80	25.30	26.40
Texas	23.20	46.20	45.30	32.20	34.60
North Carolina	20.00	20.50	22.50	21.00	25.00
Michigan	22.40	20.80	22.70	18.40	20.90
All other	22.42	22.67	29.73	22.17	27.68
Average	30.18	29.58	31.38	27.94	29.96
	<i>Harvested area (acres)</i>				
Florida	20,900	20,200	21,000	20,200	18,500
California	18,500	20,500	24,000	25,500	25,000
New Jersey	5,300	5,200	5,300	5,000	4,800
Texas	5,000	4,600	4,600	5,200	5,100
North Carolina	7,400	6,600	6,500	7,300	7,000
Michigan	2,300	1,900	2,100	2,000	1,700
All other	5,550	5,000	4,100	3,300	3,550
Total	64,950	64,000	67,600	68,500	65,650

¹ Data are for bell peppers, on a fresh-weight basis, intended for fresh-market use and for processing. Data are not separately reported for each use.

Source: Compiled from USDA, NASS, *Vegetables*, 1995 Summary: Jan. 1996, VG 1-2(96); 1996 Summary: Jan. 1997, VG 1-2(97); and, 1997 Summary: Jan. 1998, VG 1-2 (98).

Table 8
Estimated production costs¹ for spring-planted fresh-market peppers grown in the Palm Beach County, Florida area, 1994/95 to 1996/97 seasons

(Dollars per acre)

Items	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	700	800	800
Fertilizer and lime	260	275	275
Fumigant	356	380	446
Other pesticides	681	571	591
Labor	304	304	304
Machinery	219	246	260
Interest	128	109	119
Miscellaneous	993	996	996
Subtotal	3,642	3,681	3,791
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	900	400	400
Machinery	116	114	116
Management	906	817	838
Overhead	1,132	817	838
Subtotal	3,054	2,149	2,192
Total preharvest costs	6,696	5,830	5,983
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	1,600	1,760	1,760
Containers	900	1,045	1,045
Selling	500	550	550
Subtotal	3,000	3,355	3,355
Total production costs	9,696	9,185	9,338

¹ These costs are constructed based on input prices obtained from various industry sources and are believed to reflect typical costs of production for growers in a given production area, but do not necessarily reflect the actual industry average cost of production.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from *Production Cost for Selected Vegetables in Florida*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, Economic Information Report EI 95-1, Aug. 1995, p. 12; circular 1176, 1996, p. 12; and, circular 1202, 1997, p. 9.

Table 9
Estimated production costs¹ for fresh-market peppers grown in the Southwest Florida area, 1994/95
to 1996/97 seasons

(Dollars per acre)

Items	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	880	880	880
Fertilizer and lime	365	355	355
Fumigant	318	380	446
Other pesticides	639	634	659
Labor	317	317	317
Machinery	449	464	507
Interest	190	192	211
Miscellaneous	590	593	593
Subtotal	3,748	3,815	3,969
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	450	450	450
Machinery	229	229	231
Management	853	860	888
Overhead	1,066	1,075	1,110
Subtotal	2,598	2,614	2,678
Total preharvest costs	6,346	6,429	6,647
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	2,810	2,980	2,980
Containers	760	950	950
Selling	430	500	500
Subtotal	4,000	4,430	4,430
Total production costs	10,346	10,859	11,077

¹ These costs are constructed based on input prices obtained from various industry sources and are believed to reflect typical costs of production for growers in a given production area, but do not necessarily reflect the actual industry average cost of production.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

Source: Compiled from *Production Cost for Selected Vegetables in Florida*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, Economic Information Report EI 95-1, Aug. 1995, p. 12; circular 1176, 1996, p. 14; and, circular 1202, 1997, p. 11.

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Table 10
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly quantities available at major shipping points, by sources, Nov. 4, 1995-June 29, 1996

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	U.S. product				Piggy-back	U.S. Total	Imports			Grand total
	Truck		All other	Total			Mexico	All other	Total	
	Florida	California								
1995:										
Nov. 4	1,520	0	5,700	7,220	40	7,260	1,000	70	1,070	8,330
11	1,600	0	6,500	8,100	0	8,100	2,410	70	2,480	10,580
18	3,160	0	4,310	7,470	0	7,470	3,180	50	3,230	10,700
25	3,240	0	1,540	4,780	0	4,780	4,360	0	4,360	9,140
Dec. 2	6,450	0	2,700	9,150	0	9,150	6,520	30	6,550	15,700
9	8,550	0	3,840	12,390	0	12,390	6,760	40	6,800	19,190
16	8,730	0	2,890	11,620	0	11,620	6,980	30	7,010	18,630
23	10,000	0	1,630	11,630	40	11,670	10,990	20	11,010	22,680
30	6,400	0	170	6,570	0	6,570	12,670	70	12,740	19,310
1996:										
Jan. 6	6,430	0	1,850	8,280	0	8,280	15,480	20	15,500	23,780
13	7,160	0	1,880	9,040	0	9,040	7,580	0	7,580	16,620
20	6,330	0	510	6,840	0	6,840	13,310	0	13,310	20,150
27	6,900	0	50	6,950	0	6,950	17,550	0	17,550	24,500
Feb. 3	6,180	0	0	6,180	0	6,180	14,120	20	14,140	20,320
10	5,990	0	0	5,990	0	5,990	18,400	0	18,400	24,390
17	4,510	0	0	4,510	0	4,510	24,840	0	24,840	29,350
24	4,330	0	0	4,330	0	4,330	16,350	0	16,350	20,680
Mar. 2	5,060	0	0	5,060	0	5,060	21,860	0	21,860	26,920
9	3,860	0	10	3,870	0	3,870	18,110	0	18,110	21,980
16	5,500	0	0	5,500	0	5,500	13,580	0	13,580	19,080
23	4,180	0	0	4,180	0	4,180	15,010	0	15,010	19,190
30	5,590	0	0	5,590	0	5,590	14,460	20	14,480	20,070
Apr. 6	6,410	0	0	6,410	0	6,410	8,970	20	8,990	15,400
13	6,720	0	0	6,720	0	6,720	9,920	10	9,930	16,650
20	11,000	0	0	11,000	0	11,000	9,200	0	9,200	20,200
27	11,930	0	30	11,960	0	11,960	4,410	20	4,430	16,390
May 4	10,720	0	0	10,720	0	10,720	3,270	100	3,370	14,090
11	14,150	0	0	14,150	0	14,150	2,780	50	2,830	16,980
18	12,760	0	0	12,760	40	12,800	2,250	10	2,260	15,060
25	10,610	0	290	10,900	40	10,900	1,950	0	1,950	12,890
June 1	9,350	0	3,100	12,450	0	12,450	1,470	40	1,510	13,960
8	6,220	0	5,830	12,050	40	12,090	1,100	60	1,160	13,250
15	2,110	0	9,890	12,000	0	12,000	180	90	270	12,270
22	590	0	9,250	9,840	0	9,840	460	10	470	10,310
29	290	0	9,690	9,980	0	9,980	660	70	730	10,710

Note.—Data for domestic shipments are obtained by the USDA from various sources, including Federal marketing order administrative committees, Federal-State inspection service, shippers, and transportation agencies. Mexico data are border crossings from records of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), USDA.

Source: Compiled from USDA, AMS data.

Table 11
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly quantities available at major shipping points, by sources, Nov. 2, 1996-
June 28, 1997

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	U.S. product					Piggy-back	Imports			Grand total
	Truck		All other	Total	U.S. Total		Mexico	All other	Total	
1996:										
Nov. 2	6,200	0	5,020	11,220	80	11,300	1,100	70	1,170	12,470
9	6,300	0	4,950	11,250	80	11,330	1,630	0	1,630	12,960
16	13,060	0	3,810	16,870	0	16,870	3,240	50	3,290	20,160
23	14,900	0	3,160	18,060	0	18,060	4,490	130	4,620	22,680
30	7,830	0	1,540	9,370	0	9,370	4,350	50	4,400	13,770
Dec. 7	13,890	0	1,310	15,200	0	15,200	6,850	90	6,940	22,140
14	8,990	0	940	9,930	0	9,930	8,980	110	9,090	19,020
21	10,420	0	900	11,320	0	11,320	13,360	40	13,400	24,720
28	6,880	0	300	7,180	0	7,180	12,810	20	12,830	20,010
1997:										
Jan. 4	11,290	0	30	11,320	0	11,320	13,020	40	13,060	24,380
11	8,680	0	20	8,700	0	8,700	16,090	0	16,090	24,790
18	5,190	0	0	5,190	0	5,190	15,680	60	15,740	20,930
25	6,500	0	0	6,500	0	6,500	16,140	70	16,210	22,710
Feb. 1	4,370	0	0	4,370	0	4,370	22,800	30	22,830	27,200
8	6,250	0	0	6,250	0	6,250	18,940	0	18,940	25,190
15	7,140	0	0	7,140	0	7,140	22,550	0	22,550	29,690
22	7,800	0	0	7,800	0	7,800	18,610	0	18,610	26,410
Mar. 1	9,540	0	0	9,540	0	9,540	16,570	0	16,570	26,110
8	11,160	0	0	11,160	0	11,160	14,500	0	14,500	25,660
15	10,170	0	0	10,170	0	10,170	16,160	0	16,160	26,330
22	13,770	0	0	13,770	80	13,850	13,070	0	13,070	26,920
29	18,730	0	0	18,730	120	18,850	12,290	10	12,300	31,150
Apr. 5	18,280	0	0	18,280	160	18,440	8,010	0	8,010	26,450
12	17,840	0	0	17,840	80	17,920	7,010	40	7,050	24,970
19	16,750	0	0	16,750	80	16,830	7,600	20	7,620	24,450
26	18,410	530	0	18,940	0	18,940	8,380	0	8,380	27,320
May 3	17,140	2,230	0	19,370	0	19,370	6,150	90	6,240	25,610
10	15,960	5,940	0	21,900	0	21,900	6,100	60	6,160	28,060
17	11,980	9,940	540	22,460	410	22,870	4,080	30	4,110	26,980
24	9,830	8,670	1,210	19,710	200	19,910	3,680	30	3,710	23,620
31	5,140	9,440	6,120	20,700	330	21,030	2,580	60	2,640	23,670
June 7	3,650	10,310	7,700	21,660	80	21,740	1,900	50	1,950	23,690
14	2,410	10,320	6,920	19,650	160	19,810	1,460	40	1,500	21,310
21	1,700	8,320	10,980	21,000	530	21,530	1,530	60	1,590	23,120
28	110	8,700	6,220	15,030	290	15,320	430	0	430	15,750

Note.—Data for domestic shipments are obtained by the USDA from various sources, including Federal marketing order administrative committees, Federal-State inspection service, shippers, and transportation agencies. Mexico data are border crossings from records of APHIS, USDA.

Source: Compiled from USDA, AMS data.

Table 12
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly quantities available at major shipping points, by sources, Nov. 1, 1997-
June 27, 1998

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	U.S. product				Piggy-back	U.S. Total	Imports			Grand total
	Truck		All other	Total			Mexico	All other	Total	
	Florida	California								
1997:										
Nov. 1	3,340	2,110	2,170	7,620	210	7,830	1,670	130	1,800	9,630
8	8,680	1,230	4,310	14,220	490	14,710	2,340	50	2,390	17,100
15	8,460	550	1,680	10,690	210	10,900	1,810	190	2,000	12,900
22	11,260	60	980	12,300	40	12,340	3,820	70	3,890	16,230
29	6,150	0	480	6,630	40	6,670	5,410	100	5,510	12,180
Dec. 6	7,720	0	940	8,660	0	8,660	5,360	210	5,570	14,230
13	7,670	0	1,640	9,310	0	9,310	9,170	50	9,220	18,530
20	8,320	0	790	9,110	0	9,110	10,250	60	10,310	19,420
27	7,490	0	160	7,650	0	7,650	6,950	20	6,970	14,620
1998:										
Jan. 3	8,880	0	140	9,020	0	9,020	15,180	30	15,210	24,230
10	13,160	0	90	13,250	0	13,250	24,550	100	24,650	37,900
17	9,830	0	200	10,030	0	10,030	16,190	30	16,220	26,250
24	9,970	0	80	10,050	0	10,050	13,200	10	13,210	23,260
31	12,680	0	40	12,720	0	12,720	13,130	20	13,150	25,870
Feb. 7	8,310	0	0	8,310	0	8,310	13,990	0	13,990	22,300
14	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
21	7,130	0	0	7,130	0	7,130	16,470	0	16,470	23,600
28	7,600	0	0	7,600	0	7,600	11,150	0	11,150	18,750
Mar. 7	9,450	0	0	9,450	0	9,450	12,590	0	12,590	22,040
14	8,620	0	0	8,620	0	8,620	15,800	0	15,800	24,420
21	8,630	0	0	8,630	0	8,630	14,440	30	14,470	23,100
28	9,940	0	0	9,940	0	9,940	12,780	0	12,780	22,720
Apr. 4	8,260	0	0	8,260	0	8,260	10,560	0	10,560	18,820
11	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
18	11,020	0	0	11,020	0	11,020	11,130	40	11,170	22,190
25	14,810	0	0	14,810	0	14,810	8,400	20	8,420	23,230
May 2	14,890	1,360	0	16,250	0	16,250	8,110	40	8,150	24,400
9	15,980	2,190	0	18,170	120	18,290	4,390	40	4,430	22,720
16	14,950	5,170	0	20,120	0	20,120	5,020	70	5,090	25,210
23	12,670	7,050	0	19,720	0	19,720	3,310	40	3,350	23,070
30	11,850	7,820	1,480	21,150	210	21,360	1,590	60	1,650	23,010
June 6	6,490	7,410	8,640	22,540	160	22,700	1,170	100	1,270	23,970
13	1,630	7,400	12,100	21,130	0	21,130	1,150	50	1,200	22,330
20	240	5,670	8,490	14,400	0	14,400	1,290	40	1,330	15,730
27	70	10,590	9,480	20,140	0	20,140	480	50	530	20,670

¹ Data are not available.

Note.—Data for domestic shipments are obtained by the USDA from various sources, including Federal marketing order administrative committees, Federal-State inspection service, shippers, and transportation agencies. Mexico data are border crossings from records of APHIS, USDA.

Source: Compiled from USDA, AMS data.

Table 13

**Fresh-market peppers: U.S. shipments from Florida, Mexico, and all sources, by weeks, Nov. 2-
June 28, 1994/95 to 1996/97 seasons**

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	1994/95			1995/96			1996/97		
	Florida	Mexico	All sources	Florida	Mexico	All sources	Florida	Mexico	All sources
Nov. 2	3,808	1,008	12,824	1,512	1,008	5,264	6,188	1,092	12,404
9	5,572	672	11,116	1,680	2,408	7,672	6,300	1,624	12,964
16	5,740	924	11,452	3,136	3,248	10,052	13,048	3,276	19,908
23	7,112	2,464	11,536	3,080	4,368	8,988	14,896	4,480	22,540
30	10,752	2,380	15,428	6,496	6,524	15,708	7,840	4,340	13,720
Dec. 7	11,452	3,612	17,836	8,512	6,860	19,208	13,328	7,252	21,896
14	9,408	7,028	17,556	8,652	6,972	15,508	8,988	8,988	18,928
21	5,712	7,252	13,748	10,248	10,976	22,848	10,416	14,476	25,788
28	6,188	11,088	17,920	5,236	12,656	18,060	6,888	12,824	20,020
Jan. 4	5,516	12,796	18,900	8,316	15,484	25,648	11,312	13,020	24,360
11	5,096	10,976	16,800	7,252	17,584	26,712	12,124	16,100	28,252
18	5,264	12,684	18,452	6,496	13,300	20,300	5,180	15,680	20,860
25	4,928	12,152	17,808	6,916	17,556	24,528	6,496	16,128	22,624
Feb. 1	6,188	12,964	19,684	6,272	14,112	20,384	4,368	22,792	27,160
8	5,572	13,860	19,740	5,992	18,396	24,388	6,244	18,928	25,172
15	4,704	22,652	27,468	4,508	24,836	29,344	7,140	22,540	29,680
22	6,412	19,684	26,096	4,424	16,352	20,776	7,812	18,620	26,432
Mar. 1	4,732	17,024	21,756	5,124	21,868	26,992	9,548	16,576	26,124
8	3,472	10,556	14,028	3,892	18,116	22,008	11,172	14,504	25,676
15	5,880	9,856	15,736	5,516	13,580	19,096	10,164	16,156	26,320
22	6,720	9,632	16,352	5,516	15,008	20,524	13,860	13,076	26,936
29	5,208	8,288	13,496	5,796	14,448	20,244	18,844	12,292	31,136
Apr. 5	9,072	8,596	17,668	7,000	8,960	15,960	18,452	8,008	26,460
12	11,872	5,432	17,304	7,616	9,716	17,332	17,920	7,000	24,920
19	10,164	4,144	14,308	11,060	9,212	20,272	16,828	7,588	24,416
26	12,852	2,380	15,232	11,284	4,396	15,708	18,424	8,372	27,328
May 3	13,440	3,052	16,492	10,836	3,276	14,112	17,136	6,160	25,536
10	12,852	2,408	15,260	14,252	2,772	17,024	15,960	6,104	28,000
17	11,928	3,304	15,232	12,768	2,240	15,008	12,404	4,088	26,964
24	7,896	2,744	11,480	10,752	1,960	12,992	9,856	3,668	23,576
31	4,984	1,904	9,800	10,612	1,456	15,176	5,432	2,576	21,056
June 7	2,128	1,708	8,848	6,860	1,092	13,804	3,668	1,904	23,492
14	672	1,372	9,828	2,128	168	12,180	2,520	1,456	21,252
21	224	616	13,244	588	448	10,248	1,876	1,540	23,072
28	196	196	11,984	280	672	10,640	112	448	15,708

Note.—Data shown are for the actual week-endings reported during the 1996/97 crop year. Data for other seasons are for weeks ending closest to the dates shown.

Source: Compiled from USDA, AMS as published in *Marketing Florida Vegetables*, Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL, 1994/95 Season Report, Oct. 1995, p. 33; 1995/96 Season Report, Oct. 1996, p. 33; and, 1996/97 Season Report, Oct. 1997, p. 37.

Table 14
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Boston and New York City wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 3, 1995-June 28, 1996

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Boston				New York City			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1995:								
Nov. 3	150	20	1,050	1,220	180	0	1,240	1,420
10	400	30	600	1,030	0	0	0	0
17	750	130	730	1,610	910	0	1,040	1,950
24	490	50	360	900	170	0	560	730
Dec. 1	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
8	1,010	60	180	1,250	540	310	440	1,290
15	810	140	70	1,020	660	220	790	1,670
22	990	100	20	1,110	440	120	320	880
29	710	110	30	850	240	100	0	340
1996:								
Jan. 5	970	310	0	1,280	690	390	0	1,080
12	990	240	40	1,270	120	70	0	190
19	810	340	0	1,150	150	70	0	220
26	850	260	20	1,130	1,040	690	0	1,730
Feb. 2	1,160	240	0	1,400	1,600	500	0	2,100
9	1,020	200	0	1,220	360	550	0	910
16	960	420	0	1,380	1,030	330	0	1,360
23	510	620	10	1,140	1,090	280	10	1,380
Mar. 1	630	670	0	1,300	1,130	640	0	1,770
8	1,070	480	20	1,570	1,210	300	0	1,510
15	770	370	10	1,150	1,390	680	50	2,120
22	1,060	270	20	1,350	1,380	530	50	1,960
29	1,160	230	20	1,410	1,350	800	0	2,150
Apr. 5	1,310	280	10	1,600	1,350	800	0	2,150
12	1,130	290	10	1,430	1,350	800	0	2,150
19	1,160	90	10	1,260	1,960	930	30	2,920
26	1,580	200	10	1,790	470	210	0	680
May 3	1,560	140	30	1,730	1,290	340	10	1,640
10	1,210	110	50	1,370	910	540	40	1,490
17	1,250	110	130	1,490	910	540	40	1,490
24	1,300	190	30	1,520	1,520	730	110	2,360
31	1,370	20	90	1,480	980	280	120	1,380
June 7	1,240	10	290	1,540	1,500	280	260	2,040
14	960	60	860	1,880	1,820	70	320	2,210
21	340	30	1,350	1,720	190	50	420	660
28	190	0	1,110	1,300	340	0	530	870

¹ Data are not available.

Note.—This table shows weekly arrivals at the wholesale terminal markets in selected cities. It should be noted that a significant share of shipments are sold directly from the shipping point and are not traded at the wholesale market. Nonetheless, the relative shares of product from the different sources sold at wholesale market are believed to be indicative of the overall trade for the region.

Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 15
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Boston and New York City wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 1, 1996-June 27, 1997

(1,000 pounds)								
Week ending	Boston				New York City			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1996:								
Nov. 1	440	80	510	1,030	510	200	1,820	2,530
8	430	0	610	1,040	390	0	990	1,380
15	800	40	350	1,190	400	0	1,000	1,400
22	1,180	50	180	1,410	320	0	850	1,170
29	1,080	70	100	1,250	160	0	430	590
Dec. 6	1,040	140	80	1,260	1,010	0	840	1,850
13	840	150	70	1,060	650	240	360	1,250
20	1,520	200	40	1,760	600	20	10	630
27	640	110	20	770	1,180	130	10	1,320
1997:								
Jan. 3	960	240	20	1,220	1,080	60	0	1,140
10	1,340	170	0	1,510	1,870	290	0	2,160
17	500	50	10	560	2,000	200	0	2,200
24	600	210	10	820	840	230	0	1,070
31	1,080	250	0	1,330	1,420	360	20	1,800
Feb. 7	940	360	0	1,300	1,560	550	0	2,110
14	910	330	0	1,240	1,360	370	0	1,730
21	1,200	290	0	1,490	1,440	480	0	1,920
28	990	290	0	1,280	940	770	0	1,710
Mar. 7	740	220	0	960	1,150	400	0	1,550
14	800	150	0	950	910	190	0	1,100
21	1,000	340	0	1,340	1,380	270	0	1,650
28	1,030	340	10	1,380	1,370	150	0	1,520
Apr. 4	1,470	170	10	1,650	1,590	160	10	1,760
11	790	100	20	910	940	290	0	1,230
18	940	190	80	1,210	1,990	340	110	2,440
25	1,280	180	50	1,510	260	0	0	260
May 2	1,140	210	30	1,380	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
9	1,560	120	30	1,710	960	40	10	1,010
16	960	190	240	1,390	2,270	20	0	2,290
23	1,010	50	220	1,280	510	130	0	640
30	620	150	410	1,180	750	80	90	920
June 6	710	80	870	1,660	350	100	170	620
13	320	60	1,040	1,420	960	0	20	980
20	190	0	1,340	1,530	110	10	450	570
27	10	0	1,390	1,400	290	290	260	840

¹ Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 16
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Boston and New York City wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 7, 1997-June 26, 1998

(1,000 pounds)								
Week ending	Boston				New York City			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1997:								
Nov. 7	700	0	440	1,140	0	0	1,490	1,490
14	850	0	290	1,140	540	0	470	1,010
21	1,060	0	150	1,210	1,310	420	1,010	2,740
28	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	610	0	110	720
Dec. 5	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	750	150	160	1,060
12	290	0	20	310	1,400	400	320	2,120
19	900	60	70	1,030	1,580	470	140	2,190
24	890	70	100	1,060	1,020	720	0	1,740
1998:								
Jan. 2	1,970	100	100	2,170	700	220	0	920
9	1,610	220	20	1,850	840	640	60	1,540
16	1,090	200	0	1,290	50	160	20	230
23	1,130	210	0	1,340	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
30	1,170	160	0	1,330	1,720	1,570	0	3,290
Feb. 6	1,280	160	10	1,450	770	650	0	1,420
13	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
20	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
27	660	190	0	850	710	730	0	1,440
Mar. 6	1,000	150	0	1,150	370	360	0	730
13	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
20	1,070	150	30	1,250	1,140	540	80	1,760
27	750	220	40	1,010	1,270	430	20	1,720
Apr. 3	1,190	140	50	1,380	1,560	700	0	2,260
10	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
17	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
24	1,070	210	30	1,310	1,190	750	0	1,940
May 1	900	110	40	1,050	660	570	0	1,230
8	1,020	170	30	1,220	1,110	230	0	1,340
15	1,090	190	90	1,370	1,130	490	0	1,620
22	1,250	180	80	1,510	1,830	360	40	2,230
June 5	1,100	0	400	1,500	600	150	250	1,000
12	200	0	1,320	1,520	730	80	820	1,630
19	20	0	1,340	1,360	270	0	180	450
26	170	0	2,040	2,210	950	0	1,080	2,030

¹ Nothing reported.

² Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 17
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Philadelphia and Chicago wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 3, 1995-June 28, 1996

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Philadelphia				Chicago			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1995:								
Nov. 3	50	40	630	720	180	20	450	650
10	330	0	340	670	370	420	840	1,630
17	350	40	490	880	540	660	920	2,120
24	390	60	130	580	550	360	660	1,570
Dec. 1	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
8	610	40	170	820	850	640	260	1,750
15	460	40	90	590	660	520	170	1,350
22	470	60	20	550	740	310	10	1,060
29	490	230	20	740	410	170	110	690
1996:								
Jan. 5	550	100	40	690	530	470	10	1,010
12	340	280	30	650	920	760	100	1,780
19	410	310	40	760	560	710	0	1,270
26	360	110	20	490	670	940	0	1,610
Feb. 2	490	330	10	830	480	600	0	1,080
9	600	110	10	720	500	850	0	1,350
16	650	220	0	870	350	910	0	1,260
23	420	220	10	650	40	710	0	750
Mar. 1	440	280	0	720	610	1,080	0	1,690
8	600	320	0	920	520	960	0	1,480
15	500	330	0	830	300	730	0	1,030
22	430	210	0	640	250	770	0	1,020
29	520	170	0	690	150	540	0	690
Apr. 5	610	160	0	770	380	1,260	0	1,640
12	470	180	10	660	380	720	0	1,100
19	630	140	0	770	620	800	0	1,420
26	710	250	10	970	730	750	10	1,490
May 3	670	130	10	810	680	640	0	1,320
10	480	110	40	630	810	610	20	1,440
17	930	130	40	1,100	860	730	0	1,590
24	710	100	230	1,040	980	670	180	1,830
31	690	50	10	750	790	420	240	1,450
June 7	220	0	10	230	590	40	590	1,220
14	760	90	530	1,380	310	90	800	1,200
21	80	80	840	1,000	90	60	800	950
28	0	0	720	720	80	80	900	1,060

¹ Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 18
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Philadelphia and Chicago wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 1, 1996-June 27, 1997

(1,000 pounds)								
Week ending	Philadelphia				Chicago			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1996:								
Nov. 1	220	0	290	510	360	40	460	860
8	350	0	320	670	400	220	820	1,440
15	560	0	310	870	350	130	500	980
22	500	0	200	700	330	220	310	860
Dec. 6	260	60	80	400	520	220	250	990
13	470	270	80	820	600	540	10	1,150
20	720	100	50	870	620	470	40	1,130
27	390	0	100	490	420	350	0	770
1997:								
Jan. 3	520	320	30	870	490	520	0	1,010
10	570	270	20	860	550	640	0	1,190
17	390	250	20	660	440	300	0	740
24	390	300	20	710	290	520	0	810
31	430	200	30	660	580	610	0	1,190
Feb. 7	330	200	20	550	90	620	10	720
14	10	260	0	270	0	2,590	0	2,590
21	340	300	0	640	520	780	0	1,300
28	320	220	0	540	390	800	0	1,190
Mar. 7	470	230	10	710	310	640	0	950
14	500	160	10	670	400	540	0	940
21	510	280	0	790	390	670	0	1,060
28	530	300	10	840	710	340	0	1,050
Apr. 4	530	90	0	620	510	670	0	1,180
11	730	140	20	890	400	350	0	750
18	440	130	40	610	520	260	0	780
25	280	70	10	360	850	350	0	1,200
May 2	570	80	0	650	970	320	0	1,290
9	980	130	60	1,170	850	230	0	1,080
16	410	0	70	480	750	110	40	900
23	500	80	200	780	810	170	120	1,100
30	380	70	260	710	530	50	220	800
June 6	250	50	380	680	400	150	690	1,240
13	200	170	450	820	350	90	640	1,080
20	70	50	700	820	170	210	1,140	1,520
27	0	0	740	740	30	50	950	1,030

Note.—This table shows weekly arrivals at the wholesale terminal markets in selected cities. It should be noted that a significant share of shipments are sold directly from the shipping point and are not traded at the wholesale market. Nonetheless, the relative shares of product from the different sources sold at wholesale market are believed to be indicative of the overall trade for the region.

Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 19
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Philadelphia and Chicago wholesale terminal markets, by markets
and by sources, Nov. 7, 1997-June 26, 1998

(1,000 pounds)								
Week ending	Philadelphia				Chicago			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1997:								
Nov. 7	300	0	210	510	290	90	720	1,100
14	330	0	220	550	280	150	520	950
21	570	0	150	720	480	140	710	1,330
28	250	0	120	370	400	150	560	1,110
Dec. 5	630	10	140	780	360	210	330	900
12	510	40	80	630	570	310	310	1,190
19	550	30	100	680	410	320	140	870
24	440	80	70	590	260	200	10	470
1998:								
Jan. 2	140	10	50	200	620	220	10	850
9	780	130	60	970	720	450	0	1,170
16	440	150	50	640	380	360	0	740
23	420	90	60	570	520	390	10	920
30	440	200	20	660	450	430	0	880
Feb. 6	480	40	50	570	550	490	0	1,040
13	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
20	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
27	360	270	20	650	340	510	0	850
Mar. 6	190	180	20	390	390	550	0	940
13	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
20	310	230	40	580	420	610	0	1,030
27	370	190	40	600	200	470	20	690
Apr. 3	440	100	40	580	580	820	0	1,400
10	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
17	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
24	470	80	10	560	630	560	0	1,190
May 1	520	110	20	650	610	590	0	1,200
8	600	100	40	740	650	500	0	1,150
15	550	30	180	760	840	850	70	1,760
22	510	0	280	790	870	800	310	1,980
June 5	510	10	420	940	470	260	720	1,450
12	300	0	370	670	390	320	250	960
19	70	0	450	520	390	470	640	1,500
26	10	0	940	950	240	50	1,020	1,310

¹ Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 20

Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Dallas and Los Angeles wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 3, 1995-June 28, 1996

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Dallas				Los Angeles			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1995:								
Nov. 3	20	30	410	460	0	250	910	1,160
10	30	20	310	360	0	90	740	830
17	1	0	320	321	0	220	830	1,050
24	40	40	140	220	0	180	660	840
Dec. 1	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
8	100	110	70	280	0	730	450	1,180
15	70	90	100	260	0	470	490	960
22	50	120	70	240	0	660	160	820
29	0	150	70	220	10	790	0	800
1996:								
Jan. 5	60	150	20	230	0	1,000	0	1,000
12	10	210	120	340	0	1,110	40	1,150
19	50	180	10	240	0	620	0	620
26	10	470	10	490	10	1,100	0	1,110
Feb. 2	70	260	0	330	40	990	0	1,030
9	30	260	10	300	0	1,270	0	1,270
16	40	350	10	400	0	1,520	0	1,520
23	0	220	10	230	20	1,040	0	1,060
Mar. 1	0	400	20	420	0	1,260	0	1,260
8	80	390	0	470	0	990	0	990
15	50	280	0	330	0	1,330	0	1,330
22	40	310	0	350	0	1,290	0	1,290
29	70	240	0	310	0	1,250	0	1,250
Apr. 5	130	400	0	530	0	1,630	0	1,630
12	130	310	10	450	0	1,230	0	1,230
19	150	240	20	410	60	1,320	20	1,400
26	190	40	0	230	160	1,200	150	1,510
May 3	160	210	10	380	80	960	420	1,460
10	90	30	60	180	40	820	590	1,450
17	110	10	60	180	0	500	840	1,340
24	70	10	80	160	0	430	900	1,330
31	140	30	30	200	0	300	880	1,180
June 7	160	0	170	330	0	300	930	1,230
14	90	10	320	420	0	90	1,370	1,460
21	40	0	130	170	0	0	1,730	1,730
28	30	0	310	340	0	0	1,410	1,410

¹ Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 21
Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Dallas and Los Angeles wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 1, 1996-June 27, 1997

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Dallas				Los Angeles			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1996:								
Nov. 1	30	120	210	360	0	90	2,060	2,150
8	30	90	180	300	0	100	1,390	1,490
15	10	90	220	320	0	110	1,270	1,380
22	20	170	140	330	50	420	1,340	1,810
29	150	50	60	260	0	270	1,080	1,350
Dec. 6	110	50	60	220	0	420	810	1,230
13	10	210	40	260	10	1,260	460	1,730
20	240	110	130	480	0	1,210	180	1,390
27	30	80	30	140	0	720	70	790
1997:								
Jan. 3	20	340	0	360	0	1,370	140	1,510
10	270	190	0	460	50	1,630	0	1,680
17	100	220	0	320	0	1,800	0	1,800
24	70	390	0	460	0	1,200	0	1,200
31	70	390	0	460	0	1,560	0	1,560
Feb. 7	0	370	0	370	0	1,540	0	1,540
14	10	260	0	270	0	2,590	0	2,590
21	30	230	0	260	0	1,410	0	1,410
28	0	60	0	60	0	190	0	190
Mar. 7	0	90	0	90	0	330	0	330
14	30	400	0	430	70	1,600	10	1,680
21	230	300	0	530	30	1,150	10	1,190
28	320	160	0	480	0	1,030	10	1,040
Apr. 4	230	10	470	710	0	1,710	10	1,720
11	210	230	10	450	70	1,600	10	1,680
18	230	300	0	530	30	1,150	10	1,190
25	320	160	0	480	0	1,030	10	1,040
May 2	350	170	10	530	0	1,200	140	1,340
9	250	280	10	540	0	1,080	310	1,390
16	120	210	100	430	0	980	490	1,470
23	100	160	130	390	0	640	700	1,340
30	60	90	160	310	0	400	950	1,350
June 6	20	110	120	250	0	170	1,510	1,680
13	40	10	200	250	0	70	1,490	1,560
20	70	50	700	820	170	210	1,140	1,520
27	0	0	740	740	30	50	950	1,030

Note.—This table shows weekly arrivals at the wholesale terminal markets in selected cities. It should be noted that a significant share of shipments are sold directly from the shipping point and are not traded at the wholesale market. Nonetheless, the relative shares of product from the different sources sold at wholesale market are believed to be indicative of the overall trade for the region.

Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 22

Fresh-market peppers: Weekly arrivals at Dallas and Los Angeles wholesale terminal markets, by markets and by sources, Nov. 7, 1997-June 26, 1998

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Dallas				Los Angeles			
	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total	Florida	Mexico	All other	Total
1997:								
Nov. 7	30	100	150	280	0	340	1,050	1,390
14	130	190	30	350	0	210	900	1,110
21	160	60	100	320	0	710	980	1,690
28	50	290	10	350	0	600	480	1,080
Dec. 5	20	180	30	230	0	760	380	1,140
12	20	140	40	200	0	690	200	890
19	50	270	40	360	0	1,130	220	1,350
24	40	250	0	290	0	530	10	540
1998:								
Jan. 2	140	140	0	280	0	510	0	510
9	50	620	20	690	0	860	0	860
16	20	570	0	590	0	1,200	10	1,210
23	20	160	0	180	0	830	0	830
30	40	330	10	380	0	1,400	0	1,400
Feb. 6	10	330	0	340	0	1,490	0	1,490
13	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
20	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
27	10	350	0	360	0	1,280	0	1,280
Mar. 6	10	320	0	330	0	880	0	880
13	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
20	10	490	0	500	0	1,140	20	1,160
27	0	420	10	430	0	1,050	10	1,060
Apr. 3	140	310	0	450	0	1,560	10	1,570
10	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
17	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
24	220	190	10	420	0	1,360	10	1,370
May 1	270	160	0	430	0	810	70	880
8	250	110	20	380	0	700	320	1,020
15	210	80	80	370	0	610	300	910
22	110	90	140	340	0	800	350	1,150
June 5	440	130	310	880	0	510	710	1,220
12	200	100	400	700	0	180	910	1,090
19	70	40	420	530	0	140	1,010	1,150
26	30	0	250	280	0	80	1,540	1,620

¹ Data are not available.

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Source: Compiled from AMS, USDA data.

Table 23

Fresh-market peppers: Florida shipments and share of total shipped, by month, 1994/95 to 1996/97 seasons

Month	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97
<i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>			
October	2,856	1,316	5,040
November	22,232	9,408	48,272
December	43,512	39,144	39,620
January	20,804	28,980	35,112
February	22,876	21,196	25,564
March	20,804	25,844	63,588
April	49,168	36,960	71,624
May	46,116	48,608	60,788
June	8,008	20,468	8,176
July	196	0	0
Total	236,572	231,924	357,784
<i>Share (Percentage)</i>			
October	1.2	0.6	1.4
November	9.4	4.1	13.5
December	18.4	16.9	11.1
January	8.8	12.5	9.8
February	9.7	9.1	7.1
March	8.8	11.1	17.8
April	20.8	15.9	20.0
May	19.5	21.0	17.0
June	3.4	8.8	2.3
July	(¹)	--	--
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Less than 0.5 percent.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, Florida, 1994-95 Season Report, Oct. 1995, p. 33; 1995-96 Season Report, Oct. 1996, p. 33; and, 1996-97 Season Report, Oct. 1997, p. 37.

Table 24
Fresh-market peppers: Average U.S. monthly retail prices, Jan. 1993-Dec. 1997

(Dollars per pound)

Month	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
January	1.0682	1.281	1.564	1.126	1.191
February	1.010	1.091	1.634	1.294	1.437
March	1.117	1.035	1.562	1.470	1.397
April	1.342	1.034	1.723	1.418	1.314
May	1.754	1.102	1.180	1.119	1.340
June	1.207	1.041	1.492	1.367	1.378
July . . . . .	.970	1.048	1.193	1.345	1.295
August . . . . .	.922	.993	1.091	1.195	1.227
September . . . . .	.930	.938	1.233	1.086	1.208
October	1.048	1.136	1.094	1.138	1.667
November	1.226	1.369	1.367	1.424	1.667
December	1.257	1.521	1.322	1.339	1.540
Average	1.154	1.132	1.371	1.277	1.388

Note.—Prices are for peppers from all sources, on a fresh-weight basis.

Source: Compiled from ERS, USDA data.

Table 25
Fresh peppers: Florida and West Mexico shipping-point prices,¹ by weeks, 1994/95 to 1996/97 crop years

(Dollars per 1 1/9 bushel carton)

	1994/95		1995/96		1996/97	
	Florida	Mexico	Florida	Mexico	Florida	Mexico
Oct. 1	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
8	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
15	12.00	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
22	12.00	(²)	8.00	(²)	8.00	(²)
29	14.00	(²)	9.35	(²)	7.00	(²)
Nov. 5	8.00	(²)	(²)	(²)	10.00	(²)
12	10.00	(²)	12.00	(²)	14.00	(²)
19	10.00	(²)	12.00	(²)	10.00	(²)
26	8.00	12.15	10.00	12.15	6.00	11.85
Dec. 3	10.00	16.15	5.00	7.15	6.00	11.15
10	14.00	16.15	6.00	7.85	7.00	7.15
17	12.00	12.15	5.00	8.15	6.00	8.15
24	14.00	14.85	8.00	6.15	6.00	(²)
31	14.00	14.15	8.00	7.15	6.35	5.15
Jan. 7	10.00	12.15	6.25	6.15	6.35	7.15
14	12.00	9.85	6.00	6.15	8.35	9.15
21	10.00	8.85	5.00	5.15	14.00	16.15
28	18.00	14.85	7.00	5.15	14.00	8.15
Feb. 4	18.25	20.85	10.00	10.15	10.00	9.15
11	24.35	22.15	12.00	8.15	10.00	8.15
18	12.00	8.15	10.00	8.15	8.00	6.15
25	12.00	7.15	16.00	12.15	8.00	7.15
Mar. 4	10.00	12.15	16.00	10.15	7.00	8.15
11	18.00	15.85	16.00	10.15	12.00	12.15
18	28.00	24.85	12.00	14.15	12.00	12.15
25	24.35	22.15	12.00	10.15	10.00	12.15
Apr. 1	18.00	14.15	10.00	11.15	6.00	10.15
8	9.35	10.85	8.50	12.15	5.00	10.15
15	6.00	7.85	10.00	10.15	5.00	7.15
22	4.00	5.85	6.00	6.15	6.00	(²)
29	7.00	(²)	5.00	(²)	8.00	(²)
May 6	7.00	(²)	6.00	(²)	8.00	(²)
13	6.00	(²)	7.00	(²)	10.00	(²)
20	5.00	(²)	7.00	(²)	12.00	(²)
27	7.00	(²)	8.00	(²)	12.00	(²)
June 3	18.00	(²)	14.00	(²)	10.00	(²)
10	8.00	(²)	10.00	(²)	7.00	(²)
17	(²)	(²)	5.00	(²)	7.00	(²)
24	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)

¹ Prices are F.O.B. Florida and F.O.B. Nogales, Arizona for large, bell type, green peppers. Wherever a price range was reported, the lowest listed range price was included here.

² Nothing reported.

Note.—Data reported are for prices reported on specified dates and days (usually Tuesday) in 1996/97. Data for previous crop years are for dates closest to those listed.

Source: *Marketing Florida Vegetables*, Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, Florida, 1994-95 Season Report, Oct. 1995, p. 34; 1995-96 Season Report, Oct. 1996, p. 34; and, 1996-97 Season Report, Oct. 1997, p. 38.