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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. In response, 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 enable the Commission to conduct an expedited investigation concerning provisional import relief should a petition for such 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.

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, and harvested area; U.S. cost-of-production estimates; shipments; quantities available at major shipping points; and average U.S. shipping-point 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 various State agencies. This report principally includes 2000-04 data and partial-year data for 2004 and 2005.¹

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

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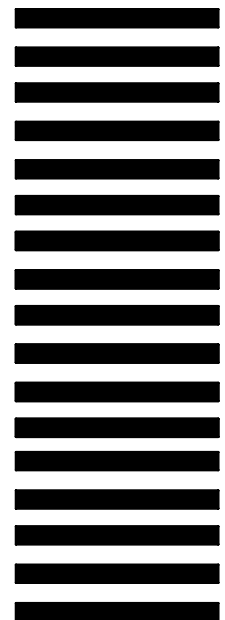
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Highlights

The following are highlights of the statistical data collected on peppers for fresh-market use and for processing for the 2000-04 period.

Fresh-market Peppers

- Apparent U.S. consumption of fresh-market peppers has risen steadily in recent years, with U.S. production value trending upward but with imports rising at a faster rate and accounting for a greater share of consumption (table 1). U.S. exports remain small relative to production and imports. The principal markets for U.S. fresh-pepper exports (table 3), along with the principal sources for U.S. imports (table 4), are Canada and Mexico. Nogales, AZ continues to be primary entry point for peppers imported from Mexico, with the bulk of such imports entered during December-May (table 5), coinciding with the Florida growing season. California and Florida are the primary domestic sources for fresh-market peppers (table 10). Average shipping-point prices for peppers of all sizes from Florida were down considerably during December 2004-January 2005 from levels in the same months of the previous crop-year (table 20) as a result of much greater production in 2004 relative to a smaller than normal crop in 2003 (table 10). Shipments from Florida were up considerably in 2004 compared with those in 2003, whereas shipments from California fell by more than 50 percent during the same period (table 15).
- Apparent U.S. consumption of fresh-market peppers amounted to 947,235 metric tons in 2004, a nearly 5-percent increase from 904,717 metric tons in 2003 (table 1). Consumption was valued at \$925.3 million in 2004, up by 23 percent from \$754.2 million in 2003. In 2004, the ratio of import volume to consumption volume was 27 percent, the same as that in the previous year. The ratio of import value to consumption value increased to 47 percent in 2004 from 45 percent in 2003 (table 1).
- U.S. production of fresh-market peppers rose by 4 percent from an estimated 731,101 metric tons (\$494.7 million) in 2003 to 762,172 metric tons (\$576.4 million) in 2004 (table 1). Unit values of production rose by 12 percent from \$0.68 per kilogram in 2003 to \$0.76 per kilogram in 2004. California and Florida were the leading states in pepper production during the 2000-04 period, accounting for 48 percent and 38 percent, respectively, of total U.S. production value of fresh peppers in 2004 (table 10). U.S. harvested area for peppers totaled 54,900 acres in 2004, up slightly (2 percent) from harvested acreage in 2003. Much of the increase in harvested area from 2003 to 2004 was accounted for by a rise in acreage in California to more normal levels. The area harvested in New Jersey, Georgia, and North Carolina declined in 2004 relative to their respective area harvested in 2003 (table 10).
- U.S. exports of fresh-market peppers were up slightly from 72,084 metric tons in 2003 to 73,008 metric tons in 2004 (table 1). The value of U.S. exports rose steadily during the 2000-04 period and was up significantly from \$79.2 million in 2003 to \$88.0 million in 2004. Canada continues as the leading foreign market for U.S. fresh-market pepper exports in recent years, accounting for 89 percent by volume and 90 percent by value of U.S. exports in 2004 (table 3). Other markets in recent years included Mexico, the Netherlands, and Japan. U.S. export volume was up by 4 percent during January-June 2005 as compared with

the same months in 2004. Export value was up by 16 percent during January-June 2005 as compared with that during January-June 2004 (table 3).

- U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers increased slightly from 245,700 metric tons in 2003 to 258,071 metric tons in 2004 (table 1). U.S. import volume was up significantly during January-June 2005 as compared with imports during January-June 2004. Mexico accounted for 70 percent by volume of total imports of fresh-market peppers in 2004. Other important foreign suppliers in 2004 included Canada, the Netherlands, and Israel (table 4). The bulk of imports from most major suppliers except Mexico are believed to be high-value, greenhouse-grown peppers with average unit values two times the unit values of imports from Mexico, which are largely lower-cost, field-grown green peppers.
- U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers from Mexico, entered on a July-June crop-year basis, totaled 194,968 metric tons during July 2004-June 2005, a 15-percent rise from 169,671 metric tons during July 2003-June 2004 (table 5). During the July 2002-June 2003 to July 2004-June 2005 crop-years, the bulk of U.S. fresh-market peppers imported from Mexico entered through the Nogales, AZ, Customs District, principally during November through the following June and coinciding with the peak pepper production period in Florida. Imports from Mexico during November 2004-June 2005 increased by 12 percent in volume from the level during November 2003-June 2004. During recent crop-years, imports from Canada and the European Union were greatest during those months (June-October) when Florida production was normally low (tables 6-8), although imports from Canada are entering in increasing amounts during May-June when Florida is still in production and when domestic production in California and other states is usually high. Imports of fresh-market peppers from Canada during July 2004-June 2005 were up by 14 percent in volume over the July 2003-June 2004 level (table 6). U.S. imports from the Netherlands were down by 15 percent in volume from July 2003-June 2004 to July 2004-June 2005 (table 7).

Processed Peppers

- U.S. production of processed (i.e., frozen) peppers was down by 13 percent from an estimated 25,353 metric tons in 2003 to 22,145 metric tons in 2004 (table 2). The value of production in 2004 was an estimated \$45.4 million. U.S. imports of processed peppers rose 6 percent from 20,287 metric tons in 2003 to 21,439 metric tons in 2004 (table 2). Imports of processed peppers amounted to 10,942 metric tons during January-June 2005, a 26-percent rise as compared with imports entered during the corresponding January-June 2004 period (table 9). Throughout the 2000-04 period, Spain was the primary supplier, accounting for 50 percent by volume of U.S. imports in 2004. Turkey and Chile were other important suppliers in recent years.

CONSUMPTION

Table 1

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. production, exports of domestic merchandise, imports for consumption, apparent consumption, and ratio of imports to consumption, 2000-04

Year	Production ¹	Exports ²	Imports ³	Apparent consumption	Ratio of imports to consumption
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>					<i>Percentage</i>
2000	764,803	71,478	198,187	891,512	22
2001	728,561	73,355	210,114	865,320	24
2002	710,689	73,181	242,658	880,166	28
2003	731,101	72,084	245,700	904,717	27
2004	762,172	73,008	258,071	947,235	27
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
2000	527,452	67,613	253,391	713,230	36
2001	458,750	72,690	328,497	714,557	46
2002	464,401	73,431	290,589	681,559	43
2003	494,663	79,241	338,730	754,152	45
2004	576,375	88,022	436,968	925,321	47
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)⁴</i>					
2000	0.69	0.95	1.28	0.80	160
2001	.63	.99	1.56	.83	188
2002	.65	1.02	1.20	.77	156
2003	.68	1.10	1.38	.83	166
2004	.76	1.21	1.69	.98	172

¹ Data are for bell peppers intended for fresh-market use and for processing, and are converted from pounds to kilograms using a factor of 2.20462 pounds per kilogram. 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)* subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

⁴ Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

Note.—Production data are revised annually and figures for the most recent calendar years may not match data presented in earlier reports.

Note.—Production data are estimated from raw product intended for fresh-market use and for processing, whereas export and import data are shipments of fresh-market peppers actually recorded. Thus, apparent consumption of fresh-market peppers may be somewhat smaller and the ratio of imports to consumption somewhat larger than shown.

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

Source: Production data estimated by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Vegetables*, 2002 Summary: Jan. 2003, Vg 1-2 (03), p. 35; 2003 Summary: Jan. 2004, Vg 1-2 (04), p. 35; and 2004 Summary: Jan. 2005, Vg 1-2 (05), p. 28; exports and imports compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

Table 2
Processed peppers: U.S. production and imports for consumption, 2000-04

Year	Production ¹	Imports ²
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>		
2000	20,940	16,936
2001	20,735	18,034
2002	21,549	20,210
2003	³ 25,353	20,287
2004	³ 21,145	21,439
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>		
2000	³ 44,477	18,280
2001	³ 37,080	18,774
2002	³ 38,573	20,240
2003	³ 49,444	21,625
2004	³ 45,397	27,616
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)⁴</i>		
2000	2.12	1.08
2001	1.79	1.04
2002	1.79	1.00
2003	1.95	1.07
2004	2.05	1.29

¹ Production data include frozen peppers and are not directly comparable with other processed (e.g., canned) pepper import data. Quantity data are converted from pounds to kilograms using a factor of 2.20462 pounds per kilogram.

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

³ Estimated by Commission staff.

⁴ Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

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

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

Source: Production data estimated by Commission staff from official statistics of the American Frozen Food Institute, except as noted; imports compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

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Table 3
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. exports of domestic merchandise,¹ by principal markets, 2000-04,
Jan.-June 2004, and Jan.-June 2005

Market	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Jan.-June 2004	Jan.-June 2005
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Canada	69,741	69,931	69,782	66,767	65,182	37,968	39,808
Mexico	1,342	2,022	1,499	3,125	5,477	1,753	971
Netherlands	49	150	596	839	816	477	600
Japan	75	742	572	678	598	316	514
Bahamas	1	58	243	160	250	62	27
Germany	3	33	102	153	173	80	88
Norway	0	43	107	88	82	48	50
United Kingdom	105	112	26	45	89	45	44
All other	162	264	254	229	341	145	414
Total	71,478	73,355	73,181	72,084	73,008	40,894	42,516
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Canada	65,980	68,708	69,413	73,401	79,244	42,872	49,894
Mexico	1,091	1,938	1,313	2,764	5,140	1,714	1,085
Netherlands	43	201	770	1,216	1,331	746	890
Japan	107	1,177	797	840	831	456	626
Bahamas	3	55	269	178	419	94	39
Germany	6	50	127	189	207	99	88
Norway	0	83	179	175	170	94	101
United Kingdom	127	93	86	84	137	69	64
All other	256	385	477	394	543	212	796
Total	67,613	72,690	73,431	79,241	88,022	46,356	53,583
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Canada	0.95	0.98	0.99	1.10	1.22	1.13	1.25
Mexico .....	.81	.96	.88	.88	.94	.98	1.12
Netherlands .....	.88	1.34	1.29	1.45	1.63	1.56	1.48
Japan	1.43	1.59	1.39	1.24	1.39	1.44	1.22
Bahamas	3.00	.95	1.11	1.11	1.68	1.52	1.44
Germany	2.00	1.52	1.25	1.24	1.20	1.24	1.00
Norway	-	1.93	1.67	1.99	2.07	1.96	2.02
United Kingdom	1.21	.83	3.31	1.87	1.54	1.53	1.45
All other	1.58	1.46	1.88	1.72	1.59	1.46	1.92
Average .....	.95	.99	1.00	1.10	1.21	1.13	1.26

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

² Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

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

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

Table 4
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption,¹ by principal sources, 2000-04, Jan.-June 2004, and Jan.-June 2005

Source	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Jan.-June 2004	Jan.-June 2005
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Mexico	143,097	143,212	164,576	164,741	180,366	137,222	151,824
Canada	26,017	34,223	41,377	42,554	44,428	11,827	14,492
Israel	4,519	6,617	6,557	10,142	8,811	5,657	2,831
Dominican Republic	569	1,440	1,785	2,004	1,865	1,037	1,486
EU:							
Netherlands	20,143	20,709	23,830	22,864	19,879	6,801	5,909
Spain	2,269	2,801	3,691	2,351	1,955	579	270
Belgium	184	90	267	450	372	125	248
All other	35	88	48	27	0	0	9
Subtotal	22,631	23,688	27,836	25,692	22,206	7,505	6,436
All other	1,354	934	527	567	395	259	205
Total	198,187	210,114	242,658	245,700	258,071	163,507	177,274
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Mexico	134,773	188,042	132,727	158,147	250,021	179,536	184,348
Canada	49,098	64,424	71,417	78,661	91,262	34,622	44,882
Israel	10,629	14,775	15,638	27,049	27,778	16,743	8,152
Dominican Republic	706	1,506	1,753	1,706	2,145	751	1,341
EU:							
Netherlands	48,928	50,195	56,844	63,735	56,544	21,505	17,708
Spain	6,322	7,197	10,161	6,891	7,011	1,908	935
Belgium	468	283	623	1,391	1,246	421	782
All other	67	59	47	27	0	0	28
Subtotal	55,785	57,734	67,675	72,044	64,800	23,834	19,453
All other	2,400	2,016	1,379	1,123	961	580	475
Total	253,391	328,497	290,589	338,730	436,968	256,066	258,651
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Mexico	0.94	1.31	0.81	0.96	1.39	1.31	1.21
Canada	1.89	1.88	1.73	1.85	2.05	2.93	3.10
Israel	2.35	2.23	2.38	2.67	3.15	2.96	2.88
Dominican Republic	1.24	1.05	.98	.85	1.15	.72	.90
EU:							
Netherlands	2.43	2.42	2.39	2.79	2.84	3.16	3.00
Spain	2.79	2.57	2.75	2.93	3.59	3.30	3.46
Belgium	2.54	3.14	2.33	3.09	3.35	3.37	3.15
All other	1.91	.67	.98	1.00	-	-	3.11
Average	3.46	2.44	2.43	2.80	2.92	3.18	3.02
All other	1.77	2.16	2.62	1.98	2.43	2.24	2.32
Average	1.28	1.56	1.20	1.38	1.69	1.57	1.46

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

² Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

Note.—Data for the European Union include only the EU-15 countries.

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

Note.—Sudden drops in unit values of some suppliers are believed to result from the entry of different, lower-cost suppliers into the market.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

Table 5
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Mexico,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	Nogales	San Diego	Laredo	Detroit	All other	Total
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>						
2002:						
July	62	388	21	0	0	471
Aug.	0	490	0	0	1	491
Sept.	2	536	17	0	4	559
Oct.	76	1,106	48	0	2	1,232
Nov.	3,422	3,045	74	0	0	6,540
Dec.	18,982	3,559	391	11	4	22,948
2003:						
Jan.	33,316	3,337	490	0	28	37,172
Feb.	31,062	1,824	419	49	16	33,370
Mar.	26,649	1,219	251	25	24	28,168
Apr.	15,449	2,823	184	0	28	18,484
May	7,060	5,364	114	3	33	12,573
June	629	1,753	88	0	55	2,525
Total	136,709	25,444	2,097	88	195	164,533
2003:						
July	55	407	146	0	8	616
Aug.	0	332	5	0	13	350
Sept.	26	386	0	0	18	431
Oct.	210	569	1	0	11	792
Nov.	3,501	3,557	138	0	0	7,196
Dec.	19,516	3,211	325	0	12	23,064
2004:						
Jan.	35,441	2,712	485	4	0	38,642
Feb.	29,485	1,281	449	16	36	31,267
Mar.	28,984	1,434	821	53	24	31,316
Apr.	17,713	2,683	491	45	33	20,964
May	6,366	5,164	381	1	17	11,929
June	1,404	1,482	192	0	26	3,104
Total	142,701	23,218	3,434	119	198	169,671
2004:						
July	20	316	4	2	14	356
Aug.	7	629	0	0	26	662
Sept.	23	1,740	136	0	11	1,911
Oct.	343	2,803	600	3	23	3,772
Nov.	5,830	3,936	673	8	53	10,500
Dec.	22,106	2,817	880	73	68	25,943
2005:						
Jan.	39,936	2,807	1,102	141	51	44,037
Feb.	31,948	1,844	772	213	36	34,813
Mar.	27,595	1,685	858	144	47	30,329
Apr.	19,285	3,588	860	71	34	23,837
May	7,784	5,616	761	3	12	14,176
June	2,064	2,255	303	0	9	4,632
Total	156,941	30,036	6,949	658	384	194,968

See footnote at end of table.

Table 5—Continued

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Mexico,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	Nogales	San Diego	Laredo	Detroit	All other	Total
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>						
2002:						
July	105	473	12	0	0	590
Aug.	0	706	0	0	5	711
Sept.	4	949	7	0	12	973
Oct.	80	1,698	95	0	5	1,878
Nov.	2,526	2,056	77	0	0	4,660
Dec.	16,865	2,435	439	29	14	19,782
2003:						
Jan.	38,256	1,834	560	0	75	40,725
Feb.	31,122	1,208	430	144	33	32,937
Mar.	26,333	880	404	81	60	27,759
Apr.	14,217	1,314	264	0	47	15,843
May	8,704	2,220	194	13	55	11,186
June	833	1,354	58	0	73	2,317
Total	139,045	17,127	2,540	267	379	159,361
2003:						
July	59	380	88	0	16	544
Aug.	0	252	2	0	21	275
Sept.	24	200	0	0	18	242
Oct.	171	282	7	0	25	485
Nov.	3,527	1,836	178	0	0	5,542
Dec.	17,744	2,187	343	0	17	20,291
2004:						
Jan.	43,664	1,883	374	17	0	45,938
Feb.	36,381	1,189	482	57	60	38,169
Mar.	48,483	1,352	1,281	186	55	51,357
Apr.	27,238	1,659	816	164	60	29,938
May	8,125	2,382	790	4	35	11,336
June	1,496	983	263	0	56	2,798
Total	186,912	14,585	4,624	428	363	206,915
2004:						
July	21	215	2	4	37	279
Aug.	8	554	0	0	37	599
Sept.	67	1,023	118	0	44	1,252
Oct.	505	1,399	739	12	82	2,736
Nov.	14,287	2,338	708	39	161	17,533
Dec.	45,251	1,543	862	209	221	48,085
2005:						
Jan.	61,291	2,069	1,905	404	159	65,828
Feb.	29,648	1,477	983	650	100	32,858
Mar.	27,716	1,436	1,411	516	108	31,187
Apr.	29,940	1,889	1,308	225	59	33,421
May	12,842	2,509	1,084	12	34	16,481
June	2,604	1,633	298	0	38	4,573
Total	224,180	18,085	9,418	2,071	1,080	254,832

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

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

Note.—Monthly data for each District and the “all other” grouping are calculated using unrounded data; monthly totals for all Customs Districts are rounded from the actual data reported; and crop-year Customs Districts totals for each District are calculated using rounded data.

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

Table 6
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Canada,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	Detroit	Seattle	Buffalo	Ogdensburg	All other	Total
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>						
2002:						
July	1,765	1,007	592	113	114	3,591
Aug.	2,989	1,115	2,239	1,019	140	7,502
Sept.	2,941	928	2,985	3,497	130	10,481
Oct.	2,264	881	2,432	977	45	6,599
Nov.	1,477	426	235	35	24	2,196
Dec.	233	34	15	13	11	306
2003:						
Jan.	51	0	2	0	0	53
Feb.	44	0	2	0	0	46
Mar.	524	182	178	0	23	907
Apr.	2,135	1,227	512	45	114	4,033
May	1,618	1,097	440	15	32	3,201
June	2,343	1,611	621	15	106	4,695
Total	18,384	8,508	10,253	5,729	739	43,610
2003:						
July	1,707	1,317	497	13	64	3,598
Aug.	2,454	1,386	2,062	1,054	91	7,047
Sept.	2,599	965	3,984	3,285	76	10,909
Oct.	1,452	668	3,785	473	1	6,379
Nov.	961	213	239	0	3	1,416
Dec.	206	33	27	0	3	270
2004:						
Jan.	71	0	0	0	0	71
Feb.	44	0	1	0	0	45
Mar.	698	123	210	0	2	1,033
Apr.	1,312	821	506	0	13	2,652
May	1,939	1,415	404	5	18	3,782
June	2,045	1,642	544	0	14	4,246
Total	15,488	8,583	12,259	4,830	285	41,448
2004:						
July	1,812	1,641	397	3	37	3,890
Aug.	2,788	1,758	1,287	2,148	45	8,026
Sept.	3,561	1,201	2,004	4,183	28	10,978
Oct.	2,731	962	2,585	678	13	6,970
Nov.	1,800	507	188	0	4	2,499
Dec.	199	30	9	0	0	239
2005:						
Jan.	27	(²)	11	0	0	39
Feb.	107	0	18	0	0	125
Mar.	611	213	247	0	15	1,086
Apr.	1,928	987	434	0	51	3,399
May	2,498	971	568	0	44	4,081
June	2,638	2,396	643	0	84	5,761
Total	20,700	10,666	8,391	7,012	321	47,093

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 6—Continued

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Canada,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	Detroit	Seattle	Buffalo	Ogdensburg	All other	Total
Value (1,000 dollars)						
2002:						
July	4,242	2,792	1,612	134	304	9,085
Aug.	4,989	2,602	1,536	619	215	9,962
Sept.	4,217	2,135	1,746	1,963	192	10,252
Oct.	3,772	2,106	1,548	523	110	8,059
Nov.	3,657	1,077	545	87	80	5,446
Dec.	589	86	38	9	32	754
2003:						
Jan.	173	0	6	0	0	179
Feb.	124	0	5	0	0	129
Mar.	1,651	480	641	0	72	2,844
Apr.	6,292	2,119	1,574	101	208	10,295
May	4,280	2,769	1,541	34	108	8,732
June	6,643	4,482	1,982	38	290	13,434
Total	40,629	20,648	12,774	3,508	1,611	79,171
2003:						
July	4,565	3,845	1,536	17	174	10,138
Aug.	4,639	3,602	1,806	638	194	10,879
Sept.	4,115	2,463	2,053	1,751	122	10,504
Oct.	2,945	1,392	2,108	281	4	6,731
Nov.	2,923	590	483	0	16	4,013
Dec.	656	77	37	0	16	786
2004:						
Jan.	268	0	0	0	0	268
Feb.	152	0	4	0	0	156
Mar.	2,066	324	861	0	11	3,262
Apr.	4,291	2,507	1,858	0	55	8,711
May	5,154	4,165	1,431	12	78	10,840
June	5,459	4,442	1,433	0	51	11,384
Total	37,233	23,407	13,610	2,699	721	77,672
2004:						
July	4,482	4,718	1,014	10	100	10,324
Aug.	5,152	4,964	1,304	1,321	98	12,839
Sept.	5,664	3,528	1,642	2,721	86	13,641
Oct.	5,482	2,773	2,036	555	24	10,869
Nov.	5,708	1,703	561	0	4	7,977
Dec.	849	97	44	0	0	990
2005:						
Jan.	85	3	26	0	0	114
Feb.	389	0	60	0	0	449
Mar.	2,234	642	891	0	20	3,787
Apr.	6,531	2,950	1,560	0	51	11,092
May	7,874	2,860	2,041	0	46	12,821
June	7,894	6,657	1,937	0	131	16,619
Total	52,344	30,895	13,116	4,607	560	101,522

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

² Less than 500 kilograms.

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

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

Table 7
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from the Netherlands,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	New York	Boston	Washington	Los Angeles	Chicago	All other	Total
Quantity (1,000 kilograms)							
2002:							
July	2,006	410	242	325	364	833	4,180
Aug.	1,284	254	263	306	230	548	2,885
Sept.	976	182	203	221	139	430	2,151
Oct.	703	171	228	293	199	514	2,108
Nov.	811	203	171	274	207	771	2,437
Dec.	94	22	30	27	20	167	360
2003:							
Jan.	22	0	4	0	0	124	150
Feb.	0	5	0	0	0	15	20
Mar.	63	26	26	6	9	21	152
Apr.	511	140	112	141	93	189	1,186
May	1,892	287	126	240	247	811	3,603
June	1,185	139	68	314	143	245	2,094
Total	9,547	1,839	1,473	2,147	1,651	4,669	21,326
2003:							
July	2,537	465	243	485	575	1,168	5,473
Aug.	1,874	258	147	343	420	419	3,461
Sept.	1,327	145	102	331	151	278	2,334
Oct.	1,283	169	128	285	118	290	2,273
Nov.	848	203	167	194	201	362	1,975
Dec.	65	37	17	3	6	18	145
2004:							
Jan.	7	20	1	0	0	11	39
Feb.	19	9	0	2	0	15	44
Mar.	59	12	6	11	2	8	99
Apr.	468	173	55	72	188	141	1,097
May	1,316	285	109	133	385	391	2,620
June	2,092	250	63	245	101	152	2,902
Total	11,895	2,026	1,038	2,104	2,147	3,253	22,462
2004:							
July	2,014	342	145	317	201	348	3,367
Aug.	1,813	180	127	245	59	151	2,575
Sept.	1,347	258	104	211	105	190	2,214
Oct.	1,286	338	100	211	114	137	2,187
Nov.	843	484	274	164	232	491	2,488
Dec.	105	23	13	18	18	69	248
2005:							
Jan.	4	0	0	3	0	4	11
Feb.	9	2	0	3	0	2	16
Mar.	78	83	9	11	13	14	209
Apr.	432	152	35	55	75	41	791
May	1,217	324	100	109	226	123	2,099
June	1,883	344	100	123	232	101	2,782
Total	11,031	2,530	1,007	1,470	1,275	1,673	18,987

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Table 7—Continued

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from the Netherlands,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	New York	Boston	Washington	Los Angeles	Chicago	All other	Total
Value (1,000 dollars)							
2002:							
July	3,890	1,153	747	732	760	2,364	9,645
Aug.	2,258	719	774	653	423	1,452	6,280
Sept.	1,891	544	623	502	281	1,070	4,912
Oct.	1,378	519	718	673	423	1,407	5,117
Nov.	1,512	540	497	562	392	2,030	5,534
Dec.	203	57	91	67	38	457	914
2003:							
Jan.	53	0	15	0	0	406	475
Feb.	0	25	0	0	0	49	74
Mar.	256	121	149	23	38	99	688
Apr.	1,697	512	527	429	352	865	4,382
May	4,770	981	512	688	769	2,607	10,328
June	3,191	444	302	960	518	933	6,348
Total	21,099	5,615	4,955	5,289	3,994	13,739	54,697
2003:							
July	5,814	1,406	882	1,134	1,435	3,480	14,151
Aug.	3,815	745	506	846	973	1,298	8,182
Sept.	3,227	459	379	849	451	988	6,352
Oct.	2,914	513	439	735	354	962	5,918
Nov.	2,445	631	677	529	628	1,435	6,345
Dec.	222	104	73	8	20	64	491
2004:							
Jan.	21	57	6	0	0	45	128
Feb.	31	29	0	8	0	60	128
Mar.	233	50	36	43	5	52	419
Apr.	1,748	629	276	269	678	548	4,148
May	4,055	965	482	391	1,216	1,559	8,667
June	5,587	766	249	608	209	598	8,016
Total	30,112	6,354	4,005	5,420	5,969	11,089	62,945
2004:							
July	4,536	794	448	718	476	992	7,964
Aug.	4,049	444	394	554	118	495	6,054
Sept.	3,557	723	405	600	292	709	6,286
Oct.	3,196	857	365	534	274	422	5,649
Nov.	2,380	1,708	1,145	413	621	1,749	8,017
Dec.	420	98	69	51	60	371	1,068
2005:							
Jan.	14	0	0	14	0	19	47
Feb.	43	5	0	12	0	9	70
Mar.	305	264	48	42	34	74	768
Apr.	1,553	540	164	194	257	206	2,915
May	3,745	922	440	309	605	540	6,563
June	4,790	874	387	320	559	414	7,344
Total	28,588	7,229	3,865	3,761	3,296	6,000	52,739

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

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

Table 8
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption¹ from the European Union, by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005

Period	New York	Boston	Washington	Chicago	Los Angeles	All other	Total
	Quantity (1,000 kilograms)						
2002:							
July	2,047	410	242	366	325	839	4,229
Aug.	1,287	254	264	230	306	552	2,893
Sept.	1,024	185	203	139	221	433	2,205
Oct.	714	181	228	207	293	517	2,140
Nov.	822	204	172	222	274	793	2,489
Dec.	551	267	63	205	67	656	1,809
2003:							
Jan.	494	196	42	92	15	408	1,247
Feb.	219	121	20	29	0	116	505
Mar.	93	41	26	24	6	34	223
Apr.	511	161	112	93	141	203	1,222
May	1,919	305	126	247	240	828	3,665
June	1,196	167	68	153	314	250	2,148
Total	10,877	2,492	1,566	2,007	2,202	5,629	24,775
2003:							
July	2,576	518	244	577	490	1,201	5,605
Aug.	1,882	280	147	431	343	441	3,524
Sept.	1,327	151	102	151	331	285	2,347
Oct.	1,296	189	129	118	286	308	2,325
Nov.	855	214	169	201	194	372	2,004
Dec.	351	136	31	144	3	212	876
2004:							
Jan.	129	80	18	90	0	70	387
Feb.	146	39	3	25	2	39	255
Mar.	63	16	6	15	11	11	122
Apr.	473	185	55	188	73	146	1,120
May	1,324	301	109	385	139	401	2,660
June	2,129	263	64	101	249	156	2,962
Total	12,551	2,372	1,077	2,426	2,121	3,643	24,187
2004:							
July	2,014	363	148	201	317	362	3,405
Aug.	1,813	193	127	59	245	152	2,590
Sept.	1,347	282	106	105	213	196	2,249
Oct.	1,289	344	101	117	211	143	2,205
Nov.	884	508	279	242	169	505	2,588
Dec.	745	231	143	210	29	307	1,664
2005:							
Jan.	90	51	5	16	6	35	202
Feb.	41	5	6	10	4	6	71
Mar.	91	85	9	13	11	16	226
Apr.	436	158	36	78	55	51	814
May	1,293	350	101	227	111	140	2,222
June	1,942	394	100	232	125	109	2,902
Total	11,985	2,964	1,161	1,510	1,496	2,023	21,138

See footnote at end of table.

Table 8—Continued**Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption¹ from the European Union, by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2002-June 2005**

Period	New York	Boston	Washington	Chicago	Los Angeles	All other	Total
Value (1,000 dollars)							
2002:							
July	3,974	1,153	747	764	732	2,375	9,745
Aug.	2,268	719	777	423	653	1,462	6,302
Sept.	1,986	557	623	281	502	1,075	5,024
Oct.	1,406	551	718	442	673	1,417	5,207
Nov.	1,522	545	502	421	562	2,074	5,626
Dec.	1,257	889	210	502	154	1,899	4,910
2003:							
Jan.	1,138	675	144	267	34	1,307	3,564
Feb.	579	447	72	107	0	369	1,573
Mar.	346	191	149	111	23	153	974
Apr.	1,697	619	527	352	429	911	4,535
May	4,827	1,059	512	769	688	2,663	10,519
June	3,227	569	302	568	960	942	6,568
Total	24,227	7,974	5,283	5,007	5,410	16,645	64,547
2003:							
July	5,894	1,569	885	1,438	1,144	3,550	14,480
Aug.	3,828	810	506	983	846	1,352	8,325
Sept.	3,227	479	379	451	849	996	6,381
Oct.	2,940	576	443	354	738	978	6,030
Nov.	2,456	671	687	628	529	1,469	6,439
Dec.	926	501	126	490	8	604	2,655
2004:							
Jan.	398	305	78	204	0	231	1,217
Feb.	402	161	14	96	8	156	837
Mar.	242	73	36	83	43	61	537
Apr.	1,763	682	276	678	271	560	4,229
May	4,087	1,031	482	1,216	407	1,580	8,804
June	5,700	826	255	209	616	605	8,210
Total	31,863	7,684	4,167	6,830	5,459	12,142	68,144
2004:							
July	4,536	860	465	476	718	1,017	8,072
Aug.	4,049	499	398	118	554	498	6,116
Sept.	3,557	809	416	292	605	719	6,399
Oct.	3,202	886	377	279	534	434	5,712
Nov.	2,466	1,808	1,171	650	427	1,797	8,320
Dec.	2,599	1,041	643	624	93	1,347	6,347
2005:							
Jan.	304	174	22	32	21	121	675
Feb.	179	19	26	22	16	20	281
Mar.	371	271	48	34	42	82	849
Apr.	1,565	561	168	261	194	233	2,982
May	3,961	1,017	448	610	314	598	6,948
June	4,966	1,041	387	562	323	438	7,719
Total	31,755	8,986	4,569	3,960	3,841	7,304	60,420

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheadings 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

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

Note.—Data for the European Union include only the EU-15 countries.

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

Table 9
Processed peppers: U.S. imports for consumption,¹ by principal sources, 2000-04, Jan.-June 2004, and Jan.-June 2005

Source	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Jan.-June 2004	Jan.-June 2005
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Turkey	1,239	1,352	2,078	3,633	5,505	2,081	3,027
Chile	204	482	1,579	3,354	2,201	975	1,520
Peru	56	31	73	67	934	127	1,068
South Africa	0	7	144	273	369	158	402
EU:							
Spain	11,497	14,098	15,057	11,333	10,742	4,482	4,225
Greece	1,198	974	775	998	995	495	385
Italy	40	39	86	79	72	33	74
All other	11	8	1	3	18	18	2
Subtotal	12,746	15,118	15,920	12,414	11,827	5,028	4,687
All other	2,691	1,045	415	547	604	335	239
Total	16,936	18,034	20,210	20,287	21,439	8,704	10,942
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Turkey	1,034	1,098	1,686	3,206	5,102	1,915	2,918
Chile	173	376	1,193	2,388	1,697	738	1,235
Peru	111	76	138	151	1,331	210	1,569
South Africa	0	20	305	478	725	305	840
EU:							
Spain	11,680	14,319	14,868	12,921	16,224	6,149	7,316
Greece	1,849	1,443	1,376	1,602	1,548	681	654
Italy	96	84	220	251	228	74	314
All other	23	20	8	25	31	25	16
Subtotal	13,648	15,866	16,472	14,799	18,030	6,929	8,300
All other	3,314	1,338	446	600	727	366	291
Total	18,280	18,774	20,240	21,625	27,616	10,463	15,156
<i>Unit value (dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Turkey	0.83	0.81	0.81	0.88	0.93	0.92	0.96
Chile .....	.85	.78	.76	.71	.77	.76	.81
Peru	1.98	2.45	1.89	2.25	1.43	1.65	1.47
South Africa	-	2.86	2.12	1.75	1.96	1.93	2.09
EU:							
Spain	1.02	1.02	.99	1.14	1.51	1.37	1.73
Greece	1.54	1.48	1.78	1.61	1.56	1.38	1.70
Italy	2.40	2.15	2.56	3.18	3.17	2.24	4.24
All other	2.09	2.50	8.00	8.33	1.72	1.39	8.00
Average	1.07	1.05	1.03	1.19	1.52	1.38	1.77
All other	1.23	1.28	1.07	1.10	1.20	1.09	1.22
Average	1.08	1.04	1.00	1.07	1.29	1.20	1.39

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

² Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

Note.—Data for the European Union include only the EU-15 countries.

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

Note.—Unit values for peppers from most EU countries are generally significantly higher because they are believed to include field- and greenhouse-grown peppers of colors other than green. Unit values for the EU-15 "all other" group vary considerably with a change in the countries supplying peppers in this group. Sudden drops in unit values of some suppliers are believed to result from the entry of different, lower-cost suppliers into the market.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce, except as noted.

PRODUCTION AND COSTS

Table 10
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. production quantity, value, and unit value, and harvested area, by selected States, 2000-04

State	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>					
California	630,000	715,000	703,000	721,500	800,300
Florida	634,800	541,600	525,000	495,600	567,300
New Jersey	108,000	118,400	96,200	88,200	92,800
Georgia	90,100	42,000	88,000	135,000	66,300
Michigan	46,200	36,400	40,000	45,000	52,200
North Carolina	82,800	78,800	65,000	50,000	44,000
Ohio	39,000	24,600	33,600	59,000	49,400
All other	55,200	49,400	6,000	17,500	8,000
Total	1,686,100	1,606,200	1,556,800	1,611,800	1,680,300
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
California	171,788	182,343	200,618	206,606	277,120
Florida	243,763	186,310	180,600	177,920	218,411
New Jersey	29,160	27,824	26,166	25,578	23,200
Georgia	23,967	11,760	17,600	40,500	19,890
Michigan	10,395	8,008	9,600	9,900	13,572
North Carolina	17,388	16,154	14,300	12,500	10,120
Ohio	10,764	7,232	7,997	15,989	10,078
All other	20,227	19,119	7,520	5,670	3,984
Total	527,452	458,750	464,401	494,663	576,375
<i>Unit value (dollars per pound)¹</i>					
California	0.27	0.26	0.29	0.29	0.35
Florida	.38	.34	.34	.36	.39
New Jersey	.27	.24	.27	.29	.25
Georgia	.27	.28	.20	.30	.30
Michigan	.23	.22	.24	.22	.26
North Carolina	.21	.21	.22	.25	.23
Ohio	.28	.29	.24	.27	.20
All other	.37	.39	.47	.32	.50
Average	.31	.30	.30	.30	.34
<i>Harvested area (acres)</i>					
California	21,000	22,000	19,000	18,500	21,000
Florida	18,400	15,700	17,500	17,700	18,300
New Jersey	3,600	3,700	3,700	3,600	3,500
Georgia	5,300	2,100	4,400	4,500	3,900
Michigan	2,100	1,400	1,600	1,800	1,800
North Carolina	6,900	6,300	5,000	5,000	4,000
Ohio	1,900	2,000	1,600	2,000	1,900
All other	3,150	2,820	1,000	700	500
Total	62,350	56,020	53,800	53,800	54,900

¹ Calculated by Commission staff using rounded numbers.

Note.—Production data are revised annually and figures for the most recent calendar years may not match data presented in earlier reports.

Note.—Data reported here are crop production estimates for bell peppers intended for fresh-market use and for processing, and may vary significantly from actual crop-year shipments.

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

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, as reported in *Vegetables*, 2002 Summary: Jan. 2003, Vg 1-2 (03), p. 35; 2003 Summary: Jan. 2004, Vg 1-2 (04), p. 35; and 2004 Summary: Jan. 2005, Vg 1-2 (05), p. 28, except as noted.

Table 11
Estimated production costs for fresh-market peppers grown in a single-crop system in Palm Beach County, Florida, by average cost per acre, 2001/02 to 2003/04 crop-years

(In dollars)

Items	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	800	800	900
Fertilizer and lime	260	280	300
Fumigant	560	596	700
Other pesticides	679	718	778
Labor	426	426	431
Machinery	330	330	370
Interest	152	156	169
Miscellaneous	991	1,001	1,066
Subtotal	4,198	4,307	4,714
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	400	400	400
Machinery	125	125	125
Management	914	935	1,014
Overhead	1,143	1,169	1,268
Subtotal	2,582	2,629	2,807
Total preharvest costs	6,780	6,936	7,521
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	1,760	1,760	3,278
Containers	1,045	1,045	1,045
Selling	550	550	550
Subtotal	3,355	3,355	4,873
Total production costs	10,135	10,291	12,394

Note.—These are the most current data available.

Note.—These production-cost budgets 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 by Commission staff from *Production Costs for Selected Florida Vegetables*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, found at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved July 18, 2005.

Table 12
Estimated production costs for the initial crop of a double-crop system for fresh-market peppers grown in Palm Beach County, Florida, by average cost per acre, 2001/02 to 2003/04 crop-years

(In dollars)

Items	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	800	800	900
Fertilizer and lime	260	280	300
Fumigant	560	596	700
Other pesticides	679	718	778
Labor	426	426	426
Machinery	330	331	370
Interest	149	153	165
Miscellaneous	911	920	947
Subtotal	4,115	4,224	4,586
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	400	400	400
Machinery	125	125	125
Management	898	919	989
Overhead	1,123	1,149	1,237
Subtotal	2,546	2,593	2,751
Total preharvest costs	6,661	6,817	7,337
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	1,760	1,760	3,278
Containers	1,045	1,045	1,045
Selling	550	550	550
Subtotal	3,355	3,355	4,873
Total production costs	10,016	10,172	12,210

Note.—These are the most current data available.

Note.—These production-cost budgets 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.

Note.—A double-crop system is one in which two pepper crops are grown on the same land, one crop right after the other.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from *Production Costs for Selected Florida Vegetables*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, found at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved July 18, 2005.

Table 13
Estimated production costs for fresh-market peppers grown in Southwest Florida, by average cost per acre, 2001/02 to 2003/04 crop-years

(In dollars)

Items	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	880	900	1,000
Fertilizer and lime	369	369	365
Fumigant	530	564	700
Other pesticides	713	773	890
Labor	430	430	430
Machinery	785	797	929
Interest	280	230	324
Miscellaneous	596	601	691
Subtotal	4,583	4,665	5,329
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	450	450	500
Machinery	264	252	264
Management	1,003	1,027	1,154
Overhead	1,254	1,284	1,442
Subtotal	2,971	3,013	3,360
Total preharvest costs	7,554	7,678	8,689
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	2,980	2,980	3,090
Containers	950	950	950
Selling	500	500	500
Subtotal	4,430	4,430	4,540
Total production costs	11,984	12,108	13,229

Note.—These are the most current data available.

Note.—These production-cost budgets 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 by Commission staff from *Production Costs for Selected Florida Vegetables*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, found at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved July 18, 2005.

Table 14
Estimated production costs for the initial crop of a double-crop system for fresh-market
peppers grown in Southwest Florida, by average cost per acre, 2001/02 to 2003/04 crop-years

(In dollars)

Items	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	880	900	1,000
Fertilizer and lime	369	369	365
Fumigant	530	564	700
Other pesticides	713	773	890
Labor	430	430	430
Machinery	785	797	929
Interest	271	222	314
Miscellaneous	439	439	528
Subtotal	4,417	4,494	5,156
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	450	450	500
Machinery	264	252	264
Management	972	995	1,121
Overhead	1,214	1,243	1,401
Subtotal	2,900	2,940	3,286
Total preharvest costs	7,317	7,434	8,442
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	2,980	2,980	3,090
Containers	950	950	950
Selling	500	500	500
Subtotal	4,430	4,430	4,540
Total production costs	11,747	11,864	12,982

Note.—These are the most current data available.

Note.—These production-cost budgets 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 by Commission staff from *Production Costs for Selected Florida Vegetables*, compiled by Scott A. Smith and Timothy G. Taylor, Food and Resource Economics Department, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, found at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved July 18, 2005.

SHIPMENTS, QUANTITIES AVAILABLE, AND PRICES

Table 15
Peppers: Shipments, by major suppliers and by months, 2002/03 to 2004/05 crop-years

Year/month	Florida	California	Georgia	Mexico	Canada
Quantity (1,000 pounds)					
2002:					
July	200	1,200	1,600	1,100	23,200
Aug.	200	3,600	0	700	16,600
Sept.	200	14,500	4,600	700	23,200
Oct.	12,500	14,300	25,300	3,200	14,600
Nov.	49,000	20,900	5,000	15,700	4,800
Dec.	39,700	6,800	0	49,700	700
2003:					
Jan.	44,500	400	0	83,100	100
Feb.	44,200	0	0	71,600	0
Mar.	56,200	0	0	63,100	2,100
Apr.	95,500	8,900	0	39,000	9,100
May	49,800	41,600	8,900	26,600	7,300
June	2,700	43,100	63,000	5,600	10,900
Total	394,700	155,300	108,400	360,100	112,600
2003:					
July	300	50,300	15,000	2,500	8,500
Aug.	200	53,900	0	500	17,000
Sept.	100	62,000	3,800	900	24,000
Oct.	200	54,600	36,900	3,500	14,000
Nov.	33,600	24,400	23,100	17,000	3,100
Dec.	43,900	5,800	800	48,700	600
2004:					
Jan.	51,900	300	0	81,800	200
Feb.	57,000	0	0	65,800	100
Mar.	92,900	0	0	65,000	2,300
Apr.	113,400	7,300	0	46,700	5,800
May	78,600	39,000	11,900	26,800	8,300
June	2,000	30,600	68,400	8,000	9,300
Total	474,100	328,200	159,900	367,200	93,200
2004:					
July	100	200	1,200	1,400	8,600
Aug.	100	5,600	0	1,500	17,700
Sept.	100	17,100	1,100	2,900	24,200
Oct.	0	20,500	11,900	11,200	15,300
Nov.	28,400	26,200	7,200	22,700	5,500
Dec.	61,800	5,000	400	57,000	500
2005:					
Jan.	64,050	120	0	97,660	90
Feb.	55,440	0	0	75,180	280
Mar.	75,280	0	0	65,170	2,390
Apr.	89,040	6,790	0	52,950	7,480
May	92,290	34,090	1,400	29,800	8,980
June	4,260	53,140	69,430	10,830	12,670
Total	470,860	168,740	92,630	428,290	103,690

Note.—Data are rounded to the nearest 1,000 pounds.

Note.—Data are for truck shipments only; additional data on shipments by piggyback carrier are not included here.

Note.—These are the most current data available.

Source: Data for July 2002 through December 2004 were compiled by Commission staff from *Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Shipments*, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, FVAS-4, Calendar Year 2002, March 2003, pp. 24-25; FVAS-4, Calendar Year 2003, March 2004, p. 27; and FVAS-4, Calendar Year 2004, March 2005, p. 27. Data for January 2005 through June 2005 were taken from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at <http://marketnews.usda.gov>, retrieved Aug. 24, 2005

Table 16
Fresh-market peppers: Quantities available at major shipping points, by sources, by U.S.
transportation mode, and by weeks, 2003/04 crop-year

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	U.S. product					Imports				Grand total
	Truck		All other	Total	Piggy-back	U.S. total	Mexico	All other	Total	
2003:										
Oct. 4	10	13,780	7,220	21,010	440	21,450	120	310	430	21,880
11	10	13,730	8,240	21,980	180	22,160	400	30	430	22,590
18	30	9,910	10,870	20,810	180	20,990	870	130	1,000	21,990
25	30	13,100	10,690	23,820	220	24,040	1,080	100	1,180	25,220
Nov. 1	140	10,320	5,130	15,590	260	15,850	1,360	310	1,670	17,520
8	3,870	8,930	9,670	22,470	350	22,820	1,910	70	1,980	24,800
15	8,710	5,800	6,850	21,360	790	22,150	2,160	150	2,310	24,460
22	11,650	6,470	4,830	22,950	260	23,210	5,190	220	5,410	28,620
29	9,260	2,400	550	12,210	220	12,430	7,110	370	7,480	19,910
Dec. 6	14,500	2,930	750	18,180	180	18,360	9,090	90	9,180	27,540
13	9,240	1,820	20	11,080	40	11,120	10,310	130	10,440	21,560
20	7,160	650	0	7,810	90	7,900	13,070	120	13,190	21,090
27	6,810	220	0	7,030	0	7,030	9,080	160	9,240	16,270
2004:										
Jan. 3	10,670	200	10	10,880	40	10,920	12,390	260	12,650	23,570
10	14,730	290	0	15,020	0	15,020	20,430	130	20,560	35,580
17	12,940	30	0	12,970	0	12,970	12,470	160	12,630	25,600
24	10,510	0	0	10,510	0	10,510	22,640	100	22,740	33,250
31	9,330	0	0	9,330	0	9,330	21,330	20	21,350	30,680
Feb. 7	13,100	0	0	13,100	0	13,100	20,860	110	20,970	34,070
14	17,280	0	0	17,280	0	17,280	18,870	230	19,100	36,380
21	15,040	0	0	15,040	0	15,040	14,100	110	14,210	29,250
28	10,010	0	0	10,010	0	10,010	11,800	110	11,910	21,920
Mar. 6	17,100	0	0	17,100	0	17,100	17,420	110	17,530	34,630
13	15,480	0	0	15,480	0	15,480	15,810	0	15,810	31,290
20	20,230	0	0	20,230	0	20,230	13,820	80	13,900	34,130
27	26,450	0	0	26,450	0	26,450	13,210	110	13,320	39,770
Apr. 3	28,100	0	0	28,100	0	28,100	8,570	150	8,720	36,820
10	27,170	0	0	27,170	0	27,170	8,590	120	8,710	35,880
17	24,630	950	0	25,580	0	25,580	11,480	100	11,580	37,160
24	26,120	1,900	0	28,020	40	28,060	14,360	80	14,440	42,500
May 1	25,320	4,960	0	30,280	90	30,370	9,590	0	9,590	39,960
8	22,180	7,300	90	29,570	130	29,700	8,110	70	8,180	37,880
15	16,800	9,130	40	25,970	220	26,190	6,270	90	6,360	32,550
22	19,930	9,660	770	30,360	260	30,620	5,160	40	5,200	35,820
29	16,250	10,730	8,370	35,350	400	35,750	4,760	0	4,760	40,510
June 5	1,930	13,770	17,840	33,540	280	33,820	4,460	150	4,610	38,430
12	280	14,630	26,060	40,970	180	41,150	2,280	70	2,350	43,500
19	250	15,150	20,440	35,840	260	36,100	1,210	50	1,260	37,360
26	290	9,900	14,910	25,100	350	25,450	1,130	0	1,130	26,580

Note.—Data for domestic shipments are obtained by the U.S. Department of Agriculture 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 U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News.

Table 17
Fresh-market peppers: Quantities available at major shipping points, by sources, by U.S.
transportation mode, and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year
(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									
2004:											
Oct. 2	0	13,500	3,350	16,850	130	16,980	1,210	0	1,210	18,190	
9	0	14,360	2,660	17,020	0	17,020	1,660	180	1,840	18,860	
16	0	14,530	3,040	17,570	0	17,570	1,540	0	1,540	19,110	
23	0	6,130	3,150	9,280	40	9,320	3,250	380	3,630	12,950	
30	30	11,820	3,680	15,530	0	15,530	3,690	0	3,690	19,220	
Nov. 6	550	8,700	3,530	12,780	40	12,820	3,300	40	3,340	16,160	
13	1,660	7,850	2,590	12,100	0	12,100	6,300	0	6,300	18,400	
20	10,710	8,020	1,270	20,000	260	20,260	6,150	160	6,310	26,570	
27	8,940	2,560	110	11,610	40	11,650	6,270	130	6,400	18,050	
Dec. 4	17,400	2,680	310	20,390	90	20,480	6,590	100	6,690	27,170	
11	16,910	1,780	40	18,730	40	18,770	10,380	0	10,380	29,150	
18	12,100	950	270	13,320	130	13,450	15,310	0	15,310	28,760	
25	10,310	610	40	10,960	0	10,960	13,600	20	13,620	24,580	
2005:											
Jan. 1	12,090	290	80	12,460	0	12,460	12,780	520	13,300	25,760	
8	18,270	120	50	18,440	0	18,440	21,960	0	21,960	40,400	
15	18,260	0	0	18,260	0	18,260	28,080	100	28,180	46,440	
22	12,010	0	0	12,010	0	12,010	23,390	0	23,390	35,400	
29	12,550	0	0	12,550	0	12,550	18,690	0	18,690	31,240	
Feb. 5	14,330	0	0	14,330	0	14,330	21,840	0	21,840	36,170	
12	11,640	0	0	11,640	0	11,640	16,600	100	16,700	28,340	
19	15,030	0	0	15,030	0	15,030	22,510	0	22,510	37,540	
26	14,500	0	0	14,500	0	14,500	16,990	130	17,120	31,620	
Mar. 5	12,800	0	0	12,800	0	12,800	15,270	0	15,270	28,070	
12	12,130	0	0	12,130	0	12,130	15,490	60	15,550	27,680	
19	16,580	0	0	16,580	0	16,580	16,950	0	16,950	33,530	
26	21,060	0	0	21,060	0	21,060	11,740	10	11,750	32,810	
Apr. 2	20,470	0	0	20,470	0	20,470	11,670	0	11,670	32,140	
9	13,030	30	0	13,060	0	13,060	10,600	50	10,650	23,710	
16	22,000	810	0	22,810	0	22,810	13,910	0	13,910	36,720	
23	25,110	2,280	0	27,390	0	27,390	12,210	60	12,270	39,660	
30	23,610	3,570	0	27,180	90	27,270	12,550	0	12,550	39,820	
May 7	24,710	5,330	0	30,040	90	30,130	8,280	60	8,340	38,470	
14	25,790	7,050	0	32,840	90	32,930	7,180	0	7,180	40,110	
21	23,600	8,610	0	32,210	400	32,610	6,690	290	6,980	39,590	
28	17,560	9,330	500	27,390	90	27,480	5,650	0	5,650	33,130	
June 4	9,780	0	7,980	17,760	260	18,020	4,270	160	4,430	22,450	
11	11,610	400	17,030	29,040	40	29,080	3,380	0	3,380	32,460	
18	250	14,220	23,470	37,940	350	38,290	1,960	140	2,100	40,390	
25	130	9,950	20,450	30,530	440	30,970	2,090	0	2,090	33,060	
Dec. 7	4,460	4,470	10	8,940	40	8,980	9,320	200	9,520	18,500	
14	12,120	1,770	0	13,890	0	13,890	12,280	560	12,840	26,730	
21	12,680	410	0	13,090	0	13,090	13,900	530	14,430	27,520	
28	5,240	140	0	5,380	0	5,380	8,970	720	9,690	15,070	

Note.—Data for domestic shipments are obtained by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 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 U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News.

Table 18
Fresh-market peppers: Average shipping-point prices f.o.b. California, by color, by size, and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)

Week ending	Green ¹			Red		Yellow	
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Large ²	Large ³	Large ²	
2004:							
July	3	6.85-7.85	5.85-7.35	6.85-8.85	14.85-14.85	18.85-18.85	-
	10	6.35-7.35	5.85-6.85	7.35-8.35	10.85-14.85	14.85-18.85	14.85-14.85
	17	6.35-7.35	6.00-7.35	7.00-8.35	6.85-10.85	10.00-15.35	11.85-14.85
	24	6.35-6.85	5.35-6.35	6.35-6.85	6.85-6.85	10.00-10.85	10.85-12.85
	31	6.35-6.85	5.35-6.35	6.35-6.85	6.85-6.85	10.85-10.85	10.85-12.85
Aug.	7	5.35-6.85	5.35-6.35	5.50-6.85	6.85-8.85	10.85-12.85	10.85-12.85
	14	5.35-7.35	5.35-6.35	5.50-7.85	8.85-10.85	12.85-16.85	12.35-14.85
	21	5.35-7.35	5.35-6.35	5.85-7.85	8.85-10.85	12.85-14.85	12.85-14.85
	28	4.35-6.35	4.85-5.85	4.85-6.35	6.85-8.85	11.85-12.85	8.85-12.85
Sept.	4	4.35-6.35	4.85-6.35	4.85-6.35	6.85-7.85	10.85-12.85	10.85-12.85
	11	5.85-6.85	5.85-6.35	5.85-7.85	7.85-8.35	10.85-12.85	10.85-12.85
	18	7.85-11.85	6.85-10.85	7.85-12.85	7.85-9.85	11.85-14.35	-
	25	9.85-11.85	9.35-11.35	10.85-12.35	7.85-9.85	10.85-14.85	-
Oct.	2	10.35-12.85	9.35-12.85	10.85-14.35	6.35-7.35	9.35-10.85	-
	9	14.85-20.85	12.85-18.85	16.35-24.35	7.85-8.35	10.35-11.85	-
	16	22.35-24.35	20.35-22.35	24.85-26.85	8.85-8.85	12.85-12.85	-
	23	24.35-25.35	20.85-22.35	28.35-30.35	9.85-9.85	14.85-14.85	-

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² One-half cartons.

³ Cartons hold 25 pounds.

Note.—The crop-year covers the period July 2004 to June 2005; California reported prices only for July-October during this crop-year.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.

Table 19
Fresh-market peppers: Average shipping-point prices for border-crossings of large-size peppers
from Mexico, f.o.b. Nogales, AZ, by method grown, by color, and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)

Week ending	Field-grown ¹		Greenhouse-grown ²		
	Red	Red	Red	Yellow	Orange
2004:					
Dec. 4	28.85-32.85	-	-	-	-
11	28.85-30.95	24.85-26.95	-	-	-
18	30.85-30.85	25.85-26.95	24.85-28.95	25.85-28.95	25.85-28.95
25	18.85-30.85	16.85-22.85	14.85-22.85	16.85-22.85	16.85-22.85
2005:					
Jan. 1	12.85-16.85	12.85-14.95	12.85-16.85	14.85-18.85	14.85-18.85
8	10.85-12.95	12.85-14.85	12.85-14.95	10.85-14.95	10.85-14.95
15	5.85-10.85	6.85-10.85	6.85-10.85	6.85-10.85	6.85-10.85
22	4.85-5.85	5.35-6.85	5.35-6.85	5.35-6.85	5.35-6.85
29	4.85-6.85	5.85-6.95	5.85-6.95	5.85-6.95	5.85-6.85
Feb. 5	6.85-12.85	6.85-10.85	6.35-10.85	5.35-6.85	5.35-6.85
12	14.85-16.85	12.35-14.85	12.85-16.85	6.85-12.85	6.85-12.85
19	8.85-16.85	10.85-16.85	14.85-16.95	10.35-10.85	10.35-10.85
26	6.85-8.95	7.85-12.95	14.85-16.95	10.35-12.85	10.35-12.85
Mar. 5	7.95-8.95	8.85-12.95	16.85-16.95	12.85-12.95	12.85-12.95
12	8.85-10.95	10.85-12.95	16.85-16.95	10.35-12.95	10.35-12.95
19	10.85-12.95	10.85-14.95	16.85-18.85	12.35-16.85	12.35-16.85
26	12.85-12.95	12.85-14.95	18.35-18.95	14.35-18.95	14.35-18.95
Apr. 2	12.85-16.95	14.85-14.85	16.85-18.95	12.85-18.95	12.85-18.95
9	16.85-18.85	12.85-12.85	12.85-14.85	10.85-14.85	10.85-14.85
16	18.85-20.85	10.85-14.95	8.35-14.95	8.85-14.85	8.85-14.85
23	12.85-18.95	10.85-12.85	8.85-11.35	6.85-11.35	6.85-11.35
30	8.85-14.95	10.35-12.85	8.35-10.95	6.85-8.95	6.85-8.95
May 7	8.85-12.85	8.35-10.95	6.85-8.95	5.35-8.85	5.35-8.85
14	12.85-14.85	10.85-14.85	8.35-10.95	8.35-10.95	8.35-10.95
21	12.95-16.95	12.85-14.95	10.85-12.95	10.85-12.95	10.85-12.95
28	-	12.85-14.95	12.35-14.85	12.35-14.85	12.35-14.85

¹ Cartons hold 15 pounds.

² Cartons hold 11 pounds.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.

Table 20
Fresh-market peppers: Average green-pepper shipping-point prices from Florida, f.o.b. Central and South Florida, by size and by weeks, 2003/04 and 2004/05 crop-years

(Dollars per carton/crate)¹

Week ending	Extra Large	Large	Medium
2003/04 crop-year			
2003:			
Nov. 8	10.00-12.00	9.00-10.00	7.85-9.00
15	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.00	7.85-8.85
22	10.00-12.85	8.00-9.00	6.85-8.85
29	10.85-12.85	8.00-8.85	6.85-7.35
Dec. 6	10.00-12.85	8.00-9.85	6.00-7.85
13	10.00-10.85	8.00-8.85	7.00-8.85
20	10.00-12.85	8.85-10.85	8.35-10.85
27	12.00-12.35	10.00-10.85	9.85-10.85
2004:			
Jan. 3	12.00-12.85	10.00-10.85	10.00-10.85
10	12.00-16.85	10.00-12.85	10.00-12.85
17	16.00-16.85	14.00-14.85	14.00-14.85
24	16.85-22.85	14.85-20.85	14.85-18.85
2004/05 crop-year			
2004:			
Nov. 27	20.85-34.85	18.85-30.85	16.85-30.85
Dec. 4	8.85-20.85	7.85-16.85	6.85-16.85
11	7.85-10.85	6.85-8.85	6.85-8.85
18	10.85-12.85	10.85-10.85	9.85-10.85
25	8.85-12.85	8.85-10.85	8.85-10.85
2005:			
Jan. 1	8.85-8.85	7.85-7.85	6.85-7.85
8	6.85-10.85	7.85-9.85	6.85-8.85
15	8.85-10.85	8.85-10.85	8.85-10.85

¹ Cartons/crates hold one and one-ninth bushels.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.

Table 21

Fresh-market peppers: New York terminal market prices for greenhouse-grown bell-type peppers,¹ by color, by supplier, and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)²

Week ending	Yellow			Orange		
	Netherlands	Mexico	Israel	Netherlands	Mexico	Israel
2004:						
Aug. 28	16.00-20.00	-	-	18.00-20.00	-	-
Sept. 4	16.00-20.00	-	-	16.00-20.00	-	-
11	16.00-20.00	-	-	18.00-20.00	-	-
18	18.00-26.00	16.00-16.00	-	20.00-26.00	20.00-20.00	-
25	20.00-26.00	-	-	22.00-26.00	16.00-16.00	-
Oct. 2	20.00-25.00	-	-	22.00-25.00	-	-
9	18.00-22.00	12.00-18.00	-	20.00-22.00	16.00-20.00	-
16	18.00-22.00	16.00-16.00	-	16.00-20.00	14.00-16.00	-
23	18.00-20.00	15.00-18.00	-	18.00-22.00	15.00-15.00	-
30	18.00-20.00	15.00-18.00	-	20.00-22.00	14.00-16.00	-
Nov. 6	18.00-22.00	16.00-18.00	-	22.00-25.00	18.00-18.00	-
13	18.00-28.00	20.00-22.00	-	24.00-28.00	24.00-26.00	-
20	28.00-30.00	28.00-28.00	30.00-30.00	28.00-30.00	-	-
27	30.00-32.00	-	28.00-30.00	30.00-34.00	-	28.00-32.00
Dec. 4	32.00-37.00	-	30.00-34.00	32.00-35.00	-	30.00-32.00
11	30.00-33.00	-	30.00-34.00	30.00-33.00	-	30.00-34.00
18	30.00-30.00	-	28.00-32.00	30.00-30.00	-	28.00-32.00
25	-	-	28.00-32.00	-	-	28.00-30.00
2005:						
Jan. 1	28.00-28.00	20.00-20.00	28.00-30.00	28.00-28.00	-	28.00-30.00
8	-	12.00-14.00	24.00-25.00	-	14.00-14.00	20.00-22.00
15	-	16.00-20.00	20.00-22.00	-	-	20.00-22.00
22	21.00-21.00	16.00-18.00	18.00-22.00	21.00-21.00	18.00-18.00	20.00-22.00
29	-	10.00-12.00	10.00-12.00	-	10.00-12.00	10.00-12.00
Feb. 5	-	15.00-16.00	12.00-20.00	-	15.00-16.00	12.00-14.00
12	28.00-30.00	16.00-16.00	18.00-20.00	28.00-30.00	11.00-11.00	18.00-18.00
19	-	-	24.00-24.00	-	-	26.00-26.00
26	30.00-30.00	24.00-26.00	20.00-28.00	30.00-30.00	23.00-24.00	20.00-26.00
Mar. 5	26.00-26.00	22.00-22.00	20.00-25.00	-	24.00-24.00	24.00-26.00
12	26.00-30.00	-	20.00-24.00	26.00-32.00	-	20.00-20.00
19	32.00-32.00	-	18.00-18.00	32.00-32.00	-	22.00-24.00
26	26.00-30.00	-	20.00-20.00	26.00-30.00	-	22.00-22.00
Apr. 2	24.00-28.00	-	20.00-30.00	24.00-28.00	-	20.00-30.00
9	22.00-26.00	-	18.00-18.00	24.00-28.00	-	18.00-18.00
16	22.00-26.00	-	18.00-18.00	24.00-28.00	-	20.00-20.00
23	22.00-26.00	-	-	22.00-26.00	-	-
30	22.00-26.00	-	-	22.00-28.00	-	-
May 7	22.00-24.00	-	-	22.00-28.00	-	-
14	20.00-23.00	-	-	22.00-26.00	-	-
21	17.00-22.00	-	-	22.00-24.00	-	-
28	17.00-24.00	-	-	20.00-24.00	-	-
June 4	18.00-20.00	-	-	22.00-24.00	-	-
11	18.00-22.00	-	-	20.00-24.00	-	-
18	18.00-20.00	-	-	20.00-22.00	-	-
25	16.00-20.00	-	-	18.00-22.00	-	-

¹ Data are for peppers 80-100 mm in size.

² Cartons hold 5 kilograms (11 pounds) each.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.

Table 22

Fresh-market peppers: New York terminal market prices for field-grown bell-type green peppers,¹ by supplier and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)²

Week ending	California	New Jersey	Florida	Mexico	Canada
2004:					
July 3	8.00-11.00	8.00-13.00	-	-	-
10	-	8.00-11.00	10.00-10.00	-	-
17	10.00-12.00	8.00-12.00	-	-	-
24	12.00-12.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	-
31	9.00-11.00	7.00-10.00	-	-	-
Aug. 7	10.00-10.00	7.00-11.00	-	-	-
14	-	9.00-12.00	-	-	12.00-12.00
21	-	10.00-12.00	-	-	8.00-12.00
28	8.00-10.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	8.00-11.00
Sept. 4	8.00-10.00	6.00-10.00	-	-	8.00-10.00
11	10.00-10.00	9.00-12.00	-	-	8.00-10.00
18	10.00-10.00	8.00-12.00	-	-	8.00-12.00
25	12.00-12.00	10.00-12.00	-	-	10.00-13.00
Oct. 2	-	10.00-16.00	-	-	10.00-16.00
9	16.00-18.00	16.00-18.00	-	-	16.00-18.00
16	-	20.00-24.00	-	-	20.00-24.00
23	-	-	-	-	-
30	-	-	-	-	-
Nov. 6	-	-	-	-	-
13	-	-	-	-	-
20	-	-	-	-	-
27	-	-	-	-	-
Dec. 4	-	-	14.00-16.00	-	12.00-16.00
11	-	-	10.00-12.00	-	-
18	-	-	11.00-16.00	-	-
25	-	-	12.00-14.00	12.00-14.00	-
2005:					
Jan. 1	-	-	8.00-12.00	8.00-12.00	-
8	10.00-10.00	-	8.00-12.00	-	-
15	-	-	10.00-14.00	-	-
22	-	-	8.00-12.00	-	-
29	-	-	8.00-10.00	8.00-12.00	-
Feb. 5	-	-	10.00-12.00	10.00-12.00	-
12	-	-	10.00-16.00	14.00-16.00	-
19	-	-	14.00-20.00	16.00-18.00	-
26	-	-	8.00-12.00	10.00-12.00	-
Mar. 5	-	-	7.00-14.00	-	-
12	-	-	18.00-22.00	-	-
19	-	-	20.00-25.00	-	-
26	-	-	18.00-25.00	-	-
Apr. 2	-	-	12.00-16.00	-	-
9	-	-	10.00-15.00	-	-
16	-	-	22.00-25.00	-	-
23	-	-	18.00-25.00	-	-
30	-	-	12.00-18.00	-	-
May 7	-	-	9.00-14.00	-	-
14	-	-	9.00-11.00	-	-
21	-	-	8.00-10.00	-	-
28	-	-	8.00-10.00	-	-
June 4	-	-	10.00-14.00	-	-
11	-	-	12.00-16.00	-	-
18	-	-	14.00-22.00	-	-

¹ Data are for extra-large peppers.

² Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.

Table 23

Fresh-market peppers: Los Angeles terminal market prices for field-grown bell-type peppers, by color, by supplier, by size, and by weeks, 2004/05 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Green				Red		
	California		Mexico		California	Mexico	
	Extra large	Large	Extra large	Large	Large	Large	
2004:							
July	3	7.00-10.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	21.00-24.50	-
	10	9.00-15.00	8.00-12.00	-	-	24.50-24.50	-
	17	9.00-12.00	8.00-11.00	-	-	15.50-17.00	-
	24	9.00-11.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	15.50-15.50	-
	31	8.50-11.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	13.00-15.50	-
Aug.	7	8.00-11.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	12.00-14.00	-
	14	8.00-12.00	8.00-11.00	-	-	13.00-20.00	-
	21	8.50-12.00	8.50-11.00	-	-	19.00-20.00	-
	28	9.00-12.00	8.00-11.00	-	-	15.50-18.00	-
Sept.	4	7.00-12.00	7.00-11.00	-	-	14.50-15.50	-
	11	7.00-11.00	7.00-10.00	-	-	14.00-15.00	-
	18	9.00-16.00	8.00-16.00	-	-	14.00-16.00	-
	25	13.00-16.00	13.00-15.00	-	-	15.00-16.00	-
Oct.	2	14.00-16.00	11.00-15.00	-	-	15.00-16.00	-
	9	14.00-20.00	13.00-19.00	-	-	15.00-16.00	-
	16	20.00-28.00	20.00-26.00	-	-	16.00-16.50	-
	23	24.00-30.00	22.00-30.00	-	-	16.00-29.00	-
	30	35.00-38.00	34.00-40.00	-	-	31.00-35.50	-
Nov.	6	37.00-44.00	36.00-40.00	-	-	35.00-36.00	-
	13	38.00-40.00	33.00-38.00	-	-	36.00-40.00	-
	20	38.00-42.00	36.00-44.00	-	-	55.00-65.00	-
	27	28.50-40.00	24.00-38.00	-	30.00-38.00	64.00-64.00	-
Dec.	4	-	-	20.00-31.00	20.00-28.00	-	-
	11	-	-	14.00-20.00	12.00-18.00	-	58.00-58.00
	18	-	-	10.00-14.00	9.00-12.00	-	55.00-58.00
	25	-	-	10.00-13.00	10.00-12.00	-	50.00-50.00
2005:							
Jan.	1	-	-	10.00-13.00	9.00-12.00	-	-
	8	-	-	10.00-16.00	8.00-14.00	-	-
	15	-	-	10.00-16.00	9.00-15.00	-	14.50-26.00
	22	-	-	9.00-12.00	9.00-11.00	-	14.50-16.50
	29	-	-	9.00-12.00	9.00-11.00	-	12.00-16.50
Feb.	5	-	-	-	9.00-12.00	-	12.00-18.00
	12	-	-	12.00-15.00	10.00-14.00	-	18.00-28.00
	19	-	-	13.00-18.00	12.00-18.00	-	24.00-30.00
	26	-	-	15.00-18.00	14.00-16.00	-	16.00-30.00
Mar.	5	-	-	16.00-22.00	14.00-20.00	-	16.00-18.00
	12	-	-	20.00-26.00	18.00-24.00	-	18.00-20.00
	19	-	-	24.00-30.00	23.00-27.00	-	20.00-20.00
	26	-	-	23.00-30.00	20.00-27.00	-	20.00-26.00
Apr.	2	-	-	20.00-26.00	18.00-24.00	-	24.00-30.00
	9	-	-	20.00-23.00	18.00-22.00	-	26.00-34.00
	16	28.00-32.00	26.00-30.00	20.00-22.00	18.00-20.00	-	38.00-38.00
	23	29.00-32.00	27.00-30.00	20.00-24.00	20.00-24.00	-	36.00-38.00
	30	22.00-28.00	18.00-26.00	20.00-24.00	20.00-24.00	-	30.00-36.00
May	7	16.00-22.00	13.00-19.00	-	-	-	22.00-30.00
	14	15.00-18.00	13.00-17.00	-	-	-	22.00-28.00
	21	14.00-15.00	12.00-14.00	-	-	-	32.00-32.00
	28	10.00-14.00	10.00-13.00	-	-	-	34.00-34.00
June	4	15.00-22.00	13.00-20.00	-	-	-	28.00-34.00
	11	22.00-28.50	20.00-26.00	-	-	-	16.50-24.50
	18	20.00-28.00	18.00-28.00	-	-	-	16.50-16.50
	25	17.00-22.00	15.00-21.00	-	-	-	-

¹ Cartons/crates hold one and one-ninth bushels.Source: Compiled by Commission staff from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Market News, found at www.ams.usda.gov, retrieved August 2, 2005.