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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.

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, and 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, the University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service, and various other State agencies. This report principally covers 1998-2002 data and partial-year data for 2002 and 2003.¹

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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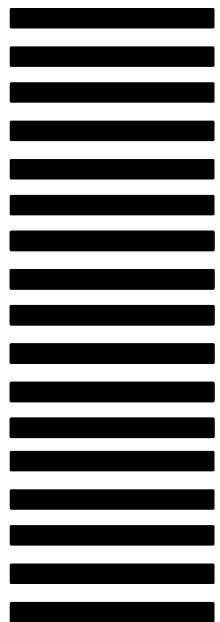
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Highlights

The following are highlights of the statistical data collected on peppers for fresh-market use and for processing for the 1998/2002 period.

Fresh-market Peppers

- Apparent U.S. consumption of fresh-market peppers amounted to 869,499 metric tons in 2002, a slight increase from 865,320 metric tons in 2001 and up by 9 percent from 801,364 metric tons in 1998 (table 1). Consumption was valued at \$647.2 million in 2002, down by 9 percent from \$714.6 million in 2001 and by 10 percent as compared with \$716.5 million in 1998. In 2002, the ratio of import volume to consumption was 24 percent, about the same as that in previous years. The ratio of import value to consumption value increased to 46 percent in 2001, then fell to 34 percent in 2002.
- U.S. production of fresh-market peppers rose by 1 percent from an estimated 728,561 metric tons (\$458.7 million) in 2001 to 733,369 metric tons (\$498.7 million) in 2002 (table 1). Unit values of production rose by 8 percent from \$0.63 per kilogram in 2001 to \$0.68 per kilogram in 2002. Florida and California were the leading States in production during the 1998-2002 period, accounting for 44 percent and 40 percent, respectively, of total U.S. production value of fresh peppers in 2002 (table 10). U.S. harvested area for peppers amounted to 55,800 acres in 2002, down slightly from harvested acreage in 2001. Much of the decrease in harvested acreage from 2001 to 2002 was accounted for by a drop in harvested acreage in California. The acreage harvested in Florida, North Carolina, and Michigan increased in 2002 relative to the acreage harvested in 2001.
- U.S. exports of fresh-market peppers were down negligibly from 73,355 metric tons in 2001 to 73,341 metric tons in 2002 (table 1). The value of U.S. exports rose steadily during the 1998-2002 period and was up from \$72.7 million in 2001 to \$73.3 million in 2002. Canada has been the leading foreign market for U.S. fresh-market pepper exports in recent years, accounting for 95 percent by volume and by value of U.S. exports in 2002 (table 3). Other markets in recent years included Mexico and Japan. U.S. export volume was down by 3 percent during January-June 2003 as compared with the same months in 2002. Export value was up by 4 percent in January-June 2003 as compared with that in January-June 2002.
- U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers increased by 15 percent from 210,114 metric tons in 2001 to 242,658 metric tons in 2002 (table 4). U.S. import volume was up by 1 percent during January-June 2003 as compared with imports during January-June 2002. Mexico accounted for 68 percent by volume of total imports of fresh-market peppers in 2002. Other important foreign suppliers in 2002 included Canada and the Netherlands. U.S. imports from Canada and the Netherlands, although accounting for a small share of total imports in recent years, were up by 21 percent and by 15 percent, respectively, in volume from 2001 to 2002, with imports from Canada continuing an upward trend through January-June 2003 (table 4). The bulk of imports from Canada and the Netherlands are believed to be high-value greenhouse-grown peppers with average unit values two- to three-times the unit value of imports from Mexico, which are largely lower-cost, field-grown peppers.

- U.S. imports of fresh-market peppers from Mexico, entered on a July-June crop-year basis, amounted to 164,533 metric tons in July 2002-June 2003, a 1 percent drop from 165,477 metric tons in July 2001-June 2002 (table 5). During the 1999/2000 to 2001/02 crop-years, the bulk of U.S. fresh-market pepper imports from Mexico entered through the Nogales, AZ, Customs District, principally during December through the following May, coinciding with the peak pepper production period in Florida. Imports from Mexico during December 2002-May 2003 increased by 1 percent in volume from the level in the corresponding months of 2001/02. In 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), but when domestic production in California and other States is usually high. Imports of fresh-market peppers from Canada in July 2002-June 2003 were up 23 percent in volume over the July 2001-June 2002 level. U.S. imports from the Netherlands were down by 5 percent in volume from July 2001-June 2002 to July 2002-June 2003.
- Comparing U.S. weekly ranges of prices on a crop-year basis for fresh-market green peppers, f.o.b. Florida and f.o.b. Nogales, showed lower prices for Florida peppers than Mexican peppers during December 2000, while the January 2001 comparison was reversed (table 23). Ranges of prices for Florida fresh-market red peppers were lower than Mexico's in December 2000 but higher in January 2001 (table 25). Ranges of prices were higher for Florida fresh-market red peppers during March 2002 (table 26).

Processed Peppers

- U.S. production of processed peppers was up by 4 percent from an estimated 20,735 metric tons in 2001 to 21,549 metric tons in 2002 (table 2). The value of production in 2002 was an estimated \$38.6 million, up by 20.2 percent from \$32.1 million in 2001. U.S. imports of processed peppers rose by 12 percent from 18,034 metric tons in 2001 to 20,210 metric tons in 2002 (table 2). Imports amounted to 9,146 metric tons in January-June 2003, a 2 percent increase as compared with imports entered during the corresponding January-June 2002 period (table 9). Throughout the 1998-2002 period, Spain was the primary supplier, accounting for 75 percent by volume of U.S. imports in 2002. Turkey, Greece, Chile, and Mexico 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, 1998-2002

Year	Production ¹	Exports ²	Imports ³	Apparent consumption	Ratio of imports to consumption
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>					<i>Percentage</i>
1998	660,250	57,954	199,068	801,364	25
1999	705,881	66,308	206,473	846,046	24
2000	764,803	71,478	198,187	891,512	22
2001	728,561	73,355	210,114	865,320	24
2002	733,369	73,181	209,311	869,499	24
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
1998	506,610	55,635	265,506	716,481	37
1999	483,807	59,113	221,763	646,457	34
2000	527,452	67,613	253,391	713,230	36
2001	458,750	72,690	328,497	714,557	46
2002	498,650	73,341	221,845	647,154	34
<i>Unit value (Dollars per kilogram)⁴</i>					
1998	0.77	0.96	1.33	0.89	(⁵)
1999	.69	.89	1.07	.76	(⁵)
2000	.69	.95	1.28	.80	(⁵)
2001	.63	.99	1.56	.83	(⁵)
2002	.68	1.00	1.06	.74	(⁵)

¹ Data are for raw product 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 0709.60.0040, 0709.60.4000, 0709.60.4010, and 0709.60.4090) on a fresh-weight basis.

⁴ Calculated by Commission staff.

⁵ Not applicable.

Note.—Production data are revised annually and data 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 may be somewhat smaller and the ratio of imports to consumption somewhat larger than shown.

Source: Production data estimated by Commission staff from USDA, NASS, *Vegetables*, 2000 Summary: Jan. 2001, Vg 1-2 (01), pp. 35-36; 2001 Summary: Jan. 2002, Vg 1-2 (02), p. 36; and 2002 Summary: Jan. 2003, Vg 1-2 (03), p. 35; 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, 1998-2002

Year	Production ¹	Imports ²
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>		
1998	19,323	13,147
1999	24,438	13,621
2000	20,940	16,936
2001	20,735	18,034
2002	21,549	20,210
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>		
1998	36,242 ³	16,211
1999	35,275 ³	17,181
2000	44,477 ³	18,280
2001	37,080 ³	18,774
2002	38,573 ³	20,240
<i>Unit value (Dollars per kilogram)⁴</i>		
1998	1.87	1.23
1999	1.44	1.26
2000	2.12	1.08
2001	1.79	1.04
2002	1.79	1.00

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 and production values were estimated by Commission staff.

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.

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

Source: Production compiled 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, 1998-2002,
Jan.-June 2002, and Jan.-June 2003

Market	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Jan.-June 2002	Jan.-June 2003
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Canada	56,725	64,995	69,741	69,931	69,782	39,611	37,460
Mexico	627	871	1,342	2,022	1,499	189	1,020
Japan	41	45	75	742	572	246	226
Netherlands	106	17	49	150	596	313	545
Bahamas	61	6	1	58	243	67	40
Norway	82	0	0	43	107	43	38
Denmark	0	0	3	54	49	32	8
Germany	18	18	3	33	102	43	42
All other	294	356	264	322	231	114	86
Total	57,954	66,308	71,478	73,355	73,181	40,658	39,465
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Canada	54,000	57,617	65,980	68,708	69,413	39,377	40,034
Mexico	669	751	1,091	1,938	1,313	164	992
Japan	78	86	107	1,177	797	332	270
Netherlands	116	19	43	201	770	371	795
Bahamas	112	7	3	55	269	101	44
Norway	69	0	0	83	179	85	72
Denmark	0	0	7	75	128	92	24
Germany	47	55	6	50	127	54	54
All other	544	578	376	403	345	176	161
Total	55,635	59,113	67,613	72,690	73,341	40,752	42,446
<i>Unit value (Dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Canada	0.95	0.89	0.95	0.98	0.99	0.99	1.07
Mexico	1.07	.86	.81	.96	.88	.87	.97
Japan	1.90	1.91	1.43	1.59	1.39	1.35	1.19
Netherlands	1.09	1.12	.88	1.34	1.29	1.19	1.46
Bahamas	1.84	1.17	3.00	.95	1.11	1.51	1.10
Norway .....	.84	-	-	1.93	1.67	1.98	1.89
Denmark	-	-	2.33	1.39	2.61	2.88	3.00
Germany	2.61	3.06	2.00	1.52	1.49	1.26	1.29
Average	1.85	1.62	1.42	1.25	1.49	1.54	1.87

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

² Calculated by Commission staff.

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

Source: Compiled 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, 1998-2002, Jan.-June 2002, and Jan.-June 2003

Source	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Jan.-June 2002	Jan.-June 2003
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Mexico	155,809	156,068	143,097	143,212	164,576	132,334	132,292
Canada	15,552	22,084	26,017	34,223	41,377	10,701	12,935
Israel	3,203	4,069	4,519	6,617	6,557	3,549	5,792
Dominican Republic	417	224	569	1,440	1,785	1,112	1,644
EU:							
Netherlands	20,817	19,823	20,143	20,709	23,830	9,710	7,205
Spain	317	1,821	2,269	2,801	3,691	2,253	1,622
Belgium	340	158	184	90	267	74	184
All other	54	17	35	88	48	35	0
Subtotal	21,529	21,819	22,631	23,688	27,836	12,072	9,011
All other	2,559	2,209	1,354	934	527	371	362
Total	199,068	206,473	198,187	210,114	242,658	160,139	162,036
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Mexico	171,782	122,038	134,773	188,042	132,727	104,133	130,768
Canada	30,803	37,931	49,098	64,424	71,417	27,859	35,612
Israel	6,916	8,891	10,629	14,775	15,638	8,218	14,721
Dominican Republic	397	304	706	1,506	1,753	1,180	1,406
EU:							
Netherlands	52,605	46,011	48,928	50,195	56,844	24,441	22,295
Spain	810	4,302	6,322	7,197	10,161	6,209	4,740
Belgium	869	365	468	283	623	186	698
All other	57	47	68	58	47	26	0
Subtotal	54,342	50,725	55,785	57,734	67,675	30,862	27,733
All other	1,267	1,874	2,399	2,017	1,379	982	652
Total	265,506	221,763	253,391	328,497	290,589	173,234	210,892
<i>Unit value (Dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Mexico	1.10	0.78	0.94	1.31	0.81	0.79	0.99
Canada	1.98	1.72	1.89	1.88	1.73	2.60	2.75
Israel	2.16	2.19	2.35	2.23	2.38	2.32	2.54
Dominican Republic .....	.95	1.36	1.24	1.05	.98	1.06	.86
EU:							
Netherlands	2.53	2.32	2.43	2.42	2.39	2.52	3.09
Spain	2.55	2.36	2.79	2.57	2.75	2.76	2.92
Belgium	2.56	2.31	2.54	3.14	2.33	2.51	3.79
All other	1.06	2.76	1.91	.67	.98	.74	-
Average	2.52	2.32	2.47	2.44	2.43	2.56	3.08
All other .....	.49	.85	1.77	2.16	2.62	2.65	1.80
Average	1.33	1.07	1.28	1.56	1.20	1.08	1.30

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheading 0709.60.40) on a fresh-weight basis.

² Calculated by Commission staff.

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

Source: Compiled 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 2000-June 2003

Period	Nogales	San Diego	Laredo	Detroit	All other	Total
Quantity (1,000 kilograms)						
2000:						
July	12	310	0	0	12	334
Aug.	0	745	0	0	16	760
Sept.	0	636	0	0	9	644
Oct.	101	1,132	20	0	0	1,253
Nov.	1,766	2,922	96	0	1	4,784
Dec.	12,764	3,814	166	0	2	16,746
2001:						
Jan.	26,815	3,219	262	12	0	30,307
Feb.	23,815	674	246	4	2	24,741
Mar.	20,950	1,013	213	0	2	22,178
Apr.	12,992	3,742	237	0	0	16,972
May	7,988	6,123	85	3	0	14,200
June	646	1,003	23	0	0	1,671
Total	107,849	25,333	1,348	19	44	134,590
2001:						
July	15	1,127	0	0	0	1,141
Aug.	0	695	0	0	0	695
Sept.	0	687	0	0	0	687
Oct.	227	941	54	0	0	1,223
Nov.	3,908	4,911	124	0	2	8,945
Dec.	17,590	2,703	158	0	2	20,453
2002:						
Jan.	34,334	2,297	137	3	18	36,789
Feb.	30,032	425	297	19	9	30,781
Mar.	30,769	814	358	29	9	31,980
Apr.	15,766	5,053	47	3	5	20,873
May	5,902	4,530	47	0	11	10,489
June	588	805	27	0	1	1,421
Total	139,131	24,988	1,249	54	57	165,477
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.	32,271					
Feb.	33,316	3,337	490	0	28	37,172
Mar.	31,062	1,824	419	49	16	33,370
Apr.	26,649	1,219	251	25	24	28,168
May	15,449	2,823	184	0	28	18,484
June	7,060	5,364	114	3	33	12,573
June	629	1,753	88	0	55	2,525
Total	168,980	25,444	2,097	88	195	164,533

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Table 5—Continued

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Mexico,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2000-June 2003

Period	Nogales	San Diego	Laredo	Detroit	All other	Total
Value (1,000 dollars)						
2000:						
July	18	262	0	0	26	306
Aug.	0	622	0	0	26	648
Sept.	0	639	0	0	17	656
Oct.	58	724	3	0	0	785
Nov.	1,387	1,737	86	0	2	3,212
Dec.	14,831	4,448	121	0	5	19,406
2001:						
Jan.	30,301	3,038	188	18	0	33,544
Feb.	38,726	1,036	120	14	7	39,903
Mar.	34,776	1,484	135	0	2	36,398
Apr.	24,941	10,297	371	0	0	35,609
May	10,511	5,274	150	11	0	15,947
June	829	1,042	24	0	0	1,895
Total	156,378	30,603	1,198	43	85	188,309
2001:						
July	70	1,507	0	0	0	1,577
Aug.	0	814	0	0	0	814
Sept.	0	646	0	0	0	646
Oct.	197	678	101	0	0	976
Nov.	2,994	3,115	166	0	2	6,277
Dec.	12,002	2,205	241	0	7	14,456
2002:						
Jan.	27,039	1,598	164	8	40	28,849
Feb.	21,520	529	280	53	20	22,402
Mar.	25,533	965	244	98	34	26,874
Apr.	12,454	3,034	35	8	14	15,545
May	5,223	3,373	21	0	20	8,636
June	767	1,047	12	0	3	1,828
Total	107,799	19,511	1,264	167	140	128,880
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

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheading 0709.60.40) 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 6
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from Canada,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2000-June 2003

Period	Detroit	Seattle	Buffalo	Ogdensburg	All other	Total
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>						
2000:						
July	667	1,135	303	46	102	2,254
Aug.	1,243	1,799	883	641	132	4,699
Sept.	1,123	924	1,711	2,591	166	6,516
Oct.	649	1,117	1,882	508	103	4,259
Nov.	564	461	152	15	17	1,208
Dec.	134	133	4	0	15	286
2001:						
Jan.	17	4	2	17	11	52
Feb.	31	0	0	0	1	33
Mar.	183	246	82	0	9	520
Apr.	831	1,105	240	25	116	2,318
May	1,565	1,062	443	2	112	3,184
June	1,222	1,720	367	43	104	3,456
Total	8,229	9,706	6,069	3,888	888	28,785
2001:						
July	1,164	1,716	323	48	161	3,412
Aug.	1,626	2,080	2,126	591	89	6,513
Sept.	1,842	1,393	2,030	2,694	163	8,122
Oct.	1,117	1,335	1,374	594	20	4,440
Nov.	770	814	184	3	31	1,802
Dec.	212	71	89	0	0	372
2002:						
Jan.	19	0	0	0	0	19
Feb.	39	0	2	8	0	50
Mar.	226	34	79	10	9	358
Apr.	1,594	655	461	49	22	2,780
May	1,797	910	440	43	119	3,310
June	2,202	990	739	57	196	4,184
Total	12,608	9,998	7,847	4,097	810	35,362
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

See footnote 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 2000-June 2003

Period	Detroit	Seattle	Buffalo	Ogdensburg	All other	Total
	Value (1,000 dollars)					
2000:						
July	1,644	2,940	715	79	244	5,623
Aug.	2,060	3,521	879	320	280	7,060
Sept.	1,624	1,936	1,051	1,340	311	6,262
Oct.	1,060	2,450	1,031	314	251	5,107
Nov.	1,459	1,435	519	32	67	3,512
Dec.	352	523	16	0	73	963
2001:						
Jan.	48	13	9	33	50	154
Feb.	80	0	0	0	5	85
Mar.	634	1,104	322	0	51	2,111
Apr.	2,728	4,477	767	106	483	8,561
May	4,522	3,241	1,290	4	370	9,427
June	2,831	3,879	827	92	247	7,875
Total	19,042	25,519	7,426	2,320	2,432	56,740
2001:						
July	2,405	3,765	658	99	311	7,238
Aug.	2,773	4,410	1,226	325	182	8,916
Sept.	2,740	2,763	1,114	1,296	236	8,148
Oct.	2,225	3,060	764	297	62	6,408
Nov.	1,980	1,999	407	3	84	4,473
Dec.	729	210	89	0	0	1,028
2002:						
Jan.	60	0	0	0	0	60
Feb.	141	0	8	2	0	151
Mar.	733	104	263	4	34	1,138
Apr.	4,409	1,648	1,278	121	60	7,518
May	4,848	2,357	1,314	103	295	8,918
June	5,336	2,689	1,632	133	283	10,074
Total	28,379	23,005	8,753	2,383	1,547	64,070
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	209	10,295
May	4,280	2,769	541	34	1,108	8,732
June	6,643	4,482	1,982	38	290	13,434
Total	40,629	20,648	11,774	3,508	2,612	79,171

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheading 0709.60.40) 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 7
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from the Netherlands,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2000-June 2003

Period	New York	Boston	Los Angeles	Washington, DC	Miami	All other	Total
Quantity (1,000 kilograms)							
2000:							
July	1,374	284	250	383	125	940	3,356
Aug.	1,254	249	248	240	137	709	2,837
Sept.	827	174	186	260	103	468	2,018
Oct.	744	150	182	211	96	490	1,873
Nov.	639	187	125	313	108	630	2,002
Dec.	125	25	27	58	21	100	356
2001:							
Jan.	6	0	22	41	5	14	88
Feb.	2	0	0	2	11	15	30
Mar.	266	76	50	83	47	189	711
Apr.	646	208	112	288	72	456	1,782
May	651	254	121	219	80	684	2,009
June	1,731	321	177	247	54	832	3,362
Total	8,265	1,928	1,500	2,345	859	5,527	20,424
2001:							
July	1,888	332	203	276	62	987	3,748
Aug.	1,384	296	195	257	60	840	3,032
Sept.	838	155	161	172	141	418	1,885
Oct.	979	173	148	156	138	415	2,009
Nov.	629	188	131	212	124	420	1,704
Dec.	67	37	17	29	14	94	258
2002:							
Jan.	5	0	8	0	9	3	25
Feb.	10	5	0	0	7	0	22
Mar.	98	94	35	55	20	78	380
Apr.	698	185	130	290	116	419	1,838
May	1,697	351	303	349	177	877	3,754
June	1,956	255	347	260	149	724	3,691
Total	10,249	2,071	1,678	2,056	1,017	5,275	22,346
2002:							
July	2,006	410	325	242	160	1,037	4,180
Aug.	1,284	254	306	263	110	668	2,885
Sept.	976	182	221	203	153	416	2,151
Oct.	703	171	293	228	195	518	2,108
Nov.	811	203	274	171	295	683	2,437
Dec.	94	22	27	30	131	56	360
2003:							
Jan.	22	0	0	4	124	0	150
Feb.	0	5	0	0	15	0	20
Mar.	63	26	6	26	1	30	152
Apr.	511	140	141	112	38	244	1,186
May	1,892	287	240	126	177	881	3,603
June	1,185	139	314	68	53	335	2,094
Total	9,547	1,839	2,147	1,473	1,452	4,868	21,326

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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 2000-June 2003

Period	New York	Boston	Los Angeles	Washington, DC	Miami	All other	Total
	Value (1,000 dollars)						
2000:							
July	2,147	464	448	1,050	233	2,087	6,429
Aug.	2,043	393	451	609	242	1,473	5,211
Sept.	1,467	297	362	755	194	1,210	4,285
Oct.	1,279	256	389	629	181	1,225	3,959
Nov.	1,791	570	419	1,480	416	2,289	6,965
Dec.	296	76	80	264	67	330	1,113
2001:							
Jan.	13	0	50	163	15	43	284
Feb.	5	0	0	8	37	43	93
Mar.	1,050	357	197	456	233	885	3,178
Apr.	2,294	836	392	1,445	315	1,757	7,039
May	1,658	781	370	873	237	2,040	5,959
June	3,265	609	315	578	106	1,883	6,756
Total	17,308	4,639	3,473	8,310	2,276	15,265	51,271
2001:							
July	2,926	658	299	599	118	2,140	6,740
Aug.	2,474	673	384	661	131	1,938	6,261
Sept.	1,710	422	371	506	308	1,040	4,357
Oct.	1,967	469	311	430	288	1,265	4,730
Nov.	1,215	554	358	654	264	1,070	4,115
Dec.	130	114	45	94	43	259	685
2002:							
Jan.	21	0	23	0	27	8	79
Feb.	36	15	0	0	22	0	73
Mar.	266	367	111	213	63	272	1,292
Apr.	1,532	639	310	979	336	1,216	5,012
May	3,447	1,106	729	1,162	432	2,384	9,260
June	3,796	829	882	856	273	2,090	8,726
Total	19,520	5,846	3,823	6,154	2,305	13,682	51,330
2002:							
July	3,890	1,153	732	747	383	2,740	9,645
Aug.	2,258	719	653	774	264	1,612	6,280
Sept.	1,891	544	502	623	353	999	4,912
Oct.	1,378	519	673	718	494	1,335	5,117
Nov.	1,512	540	562	497	755	1,668	5,534
Dec.	203	57	67	91	363	133	914
2003:							
Jan.	53	0	0	15	406	0	475
Feb.	0	25	0	0	49	0	74
Mar.	256	121	23	149	6	133	688
Apr.	1,697	512	429	527	181	1,036	4,382
May	4,770	981	688	512	587	2,790	10,328
June	3,191	444	960	302	176	1,275	6,348
Total	21,099	5,615	5,289	4,955	4,017	13,722	54,697

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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 8
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from the European Union,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2000-June 2003

Period	New York	Boston	Los Angeles	Washington, DC	Chicago	All other	Total
Quantity (1,000 kilograms)							
2000:							
July	1,403	284	250	386	221	851	3,395
Aug.	1,255	249	248	244	122	736	2,854
Sept.	844	174	186	260	78	510	2,052
Oct.	751	150	182	211	110	480	1,884
Nov.	664	187	125	316	131	615	2,038
Dec.	567	68	46	137	171	347	1,336
2001:							
Jan.	327	48	34	79	59	230	777
Feb.	311	98	12	48	71	256	796
Mar.	357	84	50	103	78	228	900
Apr.	667	208	112	290	183	377	1,837
May	671	255	121	220	176	594	2,037
June	1,731	321	177	247	168	726	3,370
Total	9,548	2,126	1,543	2,541	1,568	5,950	23,276
2001:							
July	1,908	332	203	276	197	861	3,777
Aug.	1,406	296	195	257	186	719	3,059
Sept.	928	155	163	174	160	401	1,981
Oct.	993	173	148	156	138	507	2,115
Nov.	661	201	135	212	212	427	1,848
Dec.	381	167	64	130	122	327	1,191
2002:							
Jan.	407	236	73	99	159	224	1,198
Feb.	352	142	34	34	29	171	762
Mar.	232	151	37	62	48	211	741
Apr.	700	185	131	290	137	413	1,856
May	1,697	351	304	350	281	804	3,787
June	1,959	256	347	273	208	685	3,728
Total	11,624	2,645	1,834	2,313	1,877	5,750	26,043
2002:							
July	2,047	410	325	242	366	839	4,229
Aug.	1,287	254	306	264	230	552	2,893
Sept.	1,024	185	221	203	139	433	2,205
Oct.	714	181	293	228	207	517	2,140
Nov.	822	204	274	172	222	795	2,489
Dec.	551	267	67	63	205	656	1,809
2003:							
Jan.	494	196	15	42	92	408	1,247
Feb.	219	121	0	20	29	116	505
Mar.	93	41	6	26	24	33	223
Apr.	511	161	141	112	93	204	1,222
May	1,919	305	240	126	247	828	3,665
June	1,196	167	314	68	153	250	2,148
Total	10,877	2,492	2,202	1,566	2,007	5,631	24,775

See footnote at end of table.

Table 8—Continued

Fresh-market peppers: U.S. imports for consumption from the European Union,¹ by months and by major Customs Districts of entry, July 2000-June 2003

Period	New York	Boston	Los Angeles	Washington, DC	Chicago	All other	Total
	<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>						
2000:							
July	2,225	464	448	1,054	363	1,974	6,528
Aug.	2,046	393	451	612	171	1,575	5,248
Sept.	1,509	297	362	755	127	1,320	4,370
Oct.	1,300	256	389	629	187	1,228	3,989
Nov.	1,840	570	419	1,487	382	2,337	7,035
Dec.	1,411	207	160	552	489	1,146	3,965
2001:							
Jan.	667	145	85	284	157	737	2,075
Feb.	585	288	33	160	226	761	2,053
Mar.	1,220	388	197	543	295	1,067	3,710
Apr.	2,318	836	392	1,456	599	1,586	7,187
May	1,677	783	370	878	419	1,872	5,999
June	3,265	609	315	578	324	1,686	6,777
Total	20,063	5,236	3,621	8,988	3,739	17,289	58,936
2001:							
July	2,948	658	299	599	394	1,885	6,783
Aug.	2,501	673	384	661	415	1,667	6,301
Sept.	1,774	422	374	511	376	975	4,432
Oct.	1,996	469	311	433	314	1,243	4,766
Nov.	1,246	559	363	654	464	1,008	4,294
Dec.	850	537	190	428	325	1,027	3,357
2002:							
Jan.	1,013	727	205	317	367	592	3,221
Feb.	782	480	104	113	81	555	2,115
Mar.	616	543	113	241	155	655	2,323
Apr.	1,534	639	314	979	340	1,238	5,044
May	3,447	1,106	731	1,167	631	2,240	9,322
June	3,811	833	882	900	472	1,938	8,836
Total	22,518	7,646	4,270	7,003	4,334	15,023	60,794
2002:							
July	3,974	1,153	732	747	764	2,375	9,745
Aug.	2,268	719	653	777	423	1,462	6,302
Sept.	1,986	557	502	623	281	1,075	5,024
Oct.	1,406	551	673	718	442	1,417	5,207
Nov.	1,522	545	562	502	421	2,074	5,626
Dec.	1,257	889	154	210	502	1,898	4,910
2003:							
Jan.	1,138	675	34	144	267	1,306	3,564
Feb.	579	447	0	72	107	368	1,573
Mar.	346	191	23	150	111	153	974
Apr.	1,697	619	429	527	352	911	4,535
May	4,827	1,059	688	512	769	2,664	10,519
June	3,227	569	960	302	568	942	6,568
Total	24,227	7,974	5,410	5,284	5,007	16,645	64,547

¹ Data are for fresh or chilled peppers, other than chili peppers (HTS subheading 0709.60.40) 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 9
Processed peppers: U.S. imports for consumption,¹ by principal sources, 1998-2002, Jan.-June 2002, and Jan.-June 2003

Source	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Jan.-June 2002	Jan.-June 2003
<i>Quantity (1,000 kilograms)</i>							
Turkey	729	800	1,239	1,352	2,078	1,058	1,575
Chile	16	0	204	482	1,579	421	932
South Africa	0	0	0	7	144	34	114
Mexico	571	1,031	2,017	711	279	257	162
Peru	15	14	56	31	73	34	34
EU:							
Spain	10,421	10,563	11,497	14,098	15,057	6,784	5,815
Greece	1,199	1,034	1,198	974	775	299	372
Italy	86	72	40	39	86	39	36
United Kingdom	0	3	0	2	1	1	3
All other	2	4	11	6	0	0	0
Subtotal	11,709	11,676	12,746	15,118	15,920	7,123	6,226
All other	107	100	674	333	137	68	103
Total	13,147	13,621	16,936	18,034	20,210	8,995	9,146
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>							
Turkey	565	640	1,034	1,098	1,686	889	1,372
Chile	17	0	173	376	1,193	329	678
South Africa	0	0	0	20	305	72	189
Mexico	639	1,428	2,855	920	257	231	161
Peru	31	28	111	76	138	63	84
EU:							
Spain	13,143	12,755	11,680	14,319	14,868	6,856	5,974
Greece	1,501	1,982	1,849	1,443	1,376	506	620
Italy	143	175	96	84	220	80	87
United Kingdom	0	8	0	14	8	8	20
All other	12	8	23	6	0	0	0
Subtotal	14,800	14,928	13,648	15,866	16,472	7,450	6,700
All other	160	157	459	418	186	92	139
Total	16,211	17,181	18,280	18,774	20,240	9,126	9,324
<i>Unit value (Dollars per kilogram)²</i>							
Turkey	0.78	0.80	0.83	0.81	0.81	0.84	0.87
Chile	1.06	-	.85	.78	.76	.78	.73
South Africa	-	-	-	2.86	2.12	2.12	1.66
Mexico	1.12	1.39	1.42	1.29	.92	.90	.99
Peru	2.07	2.00	1.98	2.45	1.89	1.85	2.47
EU:							
Spain	1.26	1.21	1.02	1.02	.99	1.01	1.03
Greece	1.25	1.92	1.54	1.48	1.78	1.69	1.67
Italy	1.66	2.43	2.40	2.15	2.56	2.05	2.42
United Kingdom	-	2.67	-	7.00	8.00	8.00	6.67
All other	6.00	2.00	2.09	1.00	-	-	-
Average	1.26	1.28	1.07	1.05	1.03	1.05	1.08
All other	1.49	1.57	.68	1.26	1.36	1.35	1.36
Average	1.23	1.26	1.08	1.04	1.00	1.01	1.02

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.

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

Note.—Unit values for peppers from such countries as Canada, Israel, and most EU countries are generally significantly higher than unit values for products from Mexico because they are believed to include field- and greenhouse-grown peppers of different colors.

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

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Table 10
Fresh-market peppers: U.S. production quantity, value, and unit value, and harvested area, by selected States, 1998-2002

State	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
<i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>					
Florida	592,100	564,300	634,800	541,600	595,000
California	627,000	742,500	630,000	715,000	693,000
New Jersey	94,300	81,700	108,000	118,400	96,200
North Carolina	45,600	71,300	82,800	78,800	91,000
Michigan	36,000	40,000	46,200	36,400	40,000
Ohio	26,600	17,000	39,000	24,600	33,600
Texas	18,000	25,200	26,000	27,500	16,000
All other	16,000	14,200	119,300	63,900	52,000
Total	1,455,600	1,556,200	1,686,100	1,606,200	1,616,800
<i>Value (1,000 dollars)</i>					
Florida	271,182	205,405	243,763	186,310	218,960
California	170,374	220,997	171,788	182,343	197,987
New Jersey	28,007	20,262	29,160	27,824	26,166
North Carolina	10,944	14,617	17,388	16,154	20,020
Michigan	8,640	9,600	10,395	8,008	9,600
Ohio	7,155	3,978	10,764	7,232	7,997
Texas	5,308	6,224	9,048	11,083	7,520
All other	5,000	2,724	35,146	19,796	10,400
Total	506,610	483,807	527,452	458,750	498,650
<i>Unit value (Dollars per pound)¹</i>					
Florida	0.46	0.36	0.38	0.34	0.37
California . . . . .	.27	.29	.27	.26	.29
New Jersey . . . . .	.30	.25	.27	.24	.27
North Carolina . . . . .	.24	.21	.21	.21	.22
Michigan . . . . .	.24	.24	.23	.22	.24
Ohio . . . . .	.27	.23	.28	.29	.24
Texas . . . . .	.29	.25	.35	.40	.47
All other . . . . .	.31	.19	.29	.31	.20
Average . . . . .	.35	.30	.31	.29	.31
<i>Harvested area (Acres)</i>					
Florida	19,100	18,500	18,400	15,700	17,500
California	22,000	22,500	21,000	22,000	21,000
New Jersey	4,100	3,800	3,600	3,700	3,700
North Carolina	5,700	6,200	6,900	6,300	7,000
Michigan	1,900	2,000	2,100	1,400	1,600
Ohio	1,400	1,400	1,900	2,000	1,600
Texas	1,500	1,400	1,300	1,100	800
All other	980	1,020	7,150	3,820	2,600
Total	56,680	56,820	62,350	56,020	55,800

¹ Calculated by Commission staff.

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.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the USDA, NASS, as reported in *Vegetables*, 2000 Summary: Jan. 2001, Vg 1-2 (01), p. 36; 2001 Summary: Jan. 2002, Vg 1-2 (02), p. 36; and 2002 Summary: Jan. 2003, Vg 1-2 (03), p. 35; except as noted.

Table 11
Estimated production costs for fresh-market peppers grown in Palm Beach County, Florida, by
average cost per acre, 1999/2000 to 2002/03 crop-years¹

(In dollars)

Items	1999/2000	2001/02	2002/03 ²
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	800	800	800
Fertilizer and lime	295	260	284
Fumigant	602	560	571
Other pesticides	789	679	682
Labor	426	426	367
Machinery	342	330	388
Interest	159	152	171
Miscellaneous	997	991	1,045
Subtotal	4,410	4,198	4,308
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	400	400	400
Machinery	125	125	123
Management	955	914	1,009
Overhead	1,195	1,143	1,320
Subtotal	2,675	2,582	7,160
Total preharvest costs	7,085	6,780	11,468
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	1,760	1,760	1,797
Containers	1,045	1,045	1,063
Selling	550	550	550
Subtotal	3,355	3,355	3,410
Total production costs	10,440	10,135	10,570

¹ Data for the 2000/01 crop-year were never reported by the industry.

² Calculated by the Commission using the simple average of the 3 previous crop-years.

Note.—These 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 the Commission 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 on the internet at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved Sept. 24, 2003.

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, 1999/2000 to 2002/03 crop-years¹

(In dollars)

Items	1999/2000	2001/02	2002/03 ²
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	800	800	800
Fertilizer and lime	295	260	284
Fumigant	602	560	571
Other pesticides	789	679	682
Labor	426	426	367
Machinery	342	330	331
Interest	156	149	168
Miscellaneous	903	911	1,015
Subtotal	4,312	4,115	4,218
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	400	400	400
Machinery	125	125	123
Management	936	898	990
Overhead	1,170	1,123	1,295
Subtotal	2,632	2,546	2,808
Total preharvest costs	6,944	6,661	7,026
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	1,760	1,760	1,797
Containers	1,045	1,045	1,063
Selling	550	550	550
Subtotal	3,355	3,355	3,410
Total production costs	10,299	10,016	10,436

¹ Data for the 2000/01 crop-year were never reported by the industry.

² Calculated by the Commission using the simple average of the 3 previous crop-years.

Note.—These 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 the Commission 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 on the internet at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved Sept. 24, 2003.

Table 13
Estimated production costs for fresh-market peppers grown in Southwest Florida, by average cost per acre, 1999/2000 to 2002/03 crop-years¹

(In dollars)

Items	1999/2000	2001/02	2002/03 ²
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	880	800	800
Fertilizer and lime	422	369	407
Fumigant	602	530	546
Other pesticides	804	713	734
Labor	430	430	338
Machinery	829	785	747
Interest	295	280	266
Miscellaneous	595	596	601
Subtotal	4,857	4,583	4,519
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	450	450	450
Machinery	264	264	264
Management	1,055	1,003	1,060
Overhead	1,319	1,154	1,198
Subtotal	3,088	2,971	2,932
Total preharvest costs	7,944	7,554	7,451
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	2,980	2,980	2,980
Containers	950	950	950
Selling	500	500	500
Subtotal	4,430	4,430	4,430
Total production costs	12,374	11,984	11,881

¹ Data for the 2000/01 crop-year were never reported by the industry.

² Calculated by the Commission using the simple average of the 3 previous crop-years.

Note.—These 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 the Commission 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 on the internet at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved Sept. 24, 2003.

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, 1999/2000 to 2002/03 crop-years¹

(In dollars)

Items	1999/2000	2001/02	2002/03 ²
Preharvest costs:			
Operating costs:			
Transplants	880	880	715
Fertilizer and lime	422	369	367
Fumigant	602	530	546
Other pesticides	785	713	632
Labor	430	430	334
Machinery	829	785	729
Interest	286	271	248
Miscellaneous	457	439	885
Subtotal	4,691	4,417	4,376
Fixed costs:			
Land rent	450	450	450
Machinery	264	264	302
Management	1,024	972	1,054
Overhead	1,280	1,214	1,220
Subtotal	3,017	2,900	3,026
Total preharvest costs	7,708	7,317	7,402
Harvest and marketing costs:			
Harvest, pack, and haul	2,980	2,980	3,223
Containers	950	950	983
Selling	500	500	403
Assessments	(3)	(3)	(3)
Subtotal	4,430	4,430	4,609
Total production costs	12,138	11,747	12,011

¹ Data for the 2000/01 crop-year were never reported by the industry.

² Calculated by the Commission using the simple average of the 3 previous crop-years.

³ Data were not separately reported for this item.

Note.—These 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 the Commission 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 on the internet at <http://www.agbuscenter.ifas.ufl.edu/cost>, retrieved Sept. 24, 2003.

**SHIPMENTS, QUANTITIES AVAILABLE,
AND PRICES**

Table 15
Fresh-market peppers: Shipments from Florida, Georgia, and major foreign suppliers, by weeks,
2000/01 crop-year

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Florida	Georgia	Mexico	Canada	Netherlands	Spain	All other	Total
2000:								
Oct. 7	0	840	112	9,380	4,116	0	0	14,448
14	364	3,220	476	0	0	0	0	4,060
21	2,072	5,348	476	0	0	0	0	7,896
28	3,920	6,608	588	0	0	0	0	11,116
Nov. 4	6,944	4,620	1,512	2,660	4,424	0	0	20,160
11	7,672	4,452	2,072	0	0	0	0	14,196
18	13,496	3,808	2,156	0	0	0	868	20,328
25	9,380	2,044	2,408	0	0	0	1,120	14,952
Dec. 2	13,104	644	4,592	644	784	2,128	700	22,596
9	15,232	392	8,512	0	0	0	224	24,360
16	18,760	140	8,736	0	0	0	280	27,916
23	11,032	0	10,752	0	0	0	196	21,980
30	5,012	0	9,240	0	0	0	84	14,336
2001:								
Jan. 6	6,748	0	12,768	112	196	1,512	28	21,364
13	10,276	0	19,964	0	0	0	56	30,296
20	11,116	0	16,800	0	0	0	28	27,944
27	7,196	0	12,236	0	0	0	0	19,432
Feb. 3	10,332	0	14,224	84	84	1,680	0	26,404
10	10,220	0	12,432	0	0	0	0	22,652
17	10,248	0	15,484	0	0	0	0	25,732
24	8,540	0	13,804	0	0	0	0	22,344
Mar. 3	11,284	0	11,984	1,148	1,568	392	0	26,376
10	8,512	0	12,236	0	0	0	0	20,748
17	11,648	0	15,064	0	0	0	0	26,712
24	12,264	0	10,220	0	0	0	0	22,484
31	19,152	0	7,952	0	0	0	0	27,104
Apr. 7	19,320	0	8,960	5,096	3,920	28	0	37,324
14	25,256	0	8,372	0	0	0	0	33,628
21	23,296	0	7,532	0	0	0	0	30,828
28	20,804	0	9,464	0	0	0	0	30,268
May 5	19,852	0	8,652	0	0	0	0	28,504
12	20,636	0	9,324	0	0	0	0	29,960
19	14,952	0	8,204	0	0	0	0	23,156
26	15,204	476	5,992	0	0	0	0	21,672
June 2	11,620	4,032	3,752	0	0	0	0	19,404
9	3,948	10,640	2,156	0	0	0	0	16,744
16	1,204	10,864	700	0	0	0	0	12,768
23	364	14,392	476	0	0	0	0	15,232
30	168	7,588	252	0	0	0	0	8,008

Note.—Data shown are for the actual week-endings reported during the 2000/01 crop-year.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the USDA, AMS, as published in *Marketing Florida Vegetables*, Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL, Summary 2000/01 Season Report, Sept. 2001, p. 55.

Table 16
Fresh-market peppers: Shipments from Florida, California, Georgia, and major foreign suppliers,
by weeks, 2001/02 crop-year

(1,000 pounds)

Week ending	Florida	California	Georgia	Mexico	Canada	Netherlands	All other	Total
2001:								
Oct. 6	0	15,568	3,388	244	9,772	4,620	0	33,592
13	0	14,868	5,320	280	0	0	0	20,468
20	1,792	13,608	8,232	616	0	0	0	24,248
27	6,160	10,360	8,456	1,176	0	0	0	26,152
Nov. 3	7,672	8,904	6,160	1,512	3,948	3,752	0	31,948
10	9,436	9,380	6,356	3,528	0	0	280	28,980
17	12,124	6,832	5,796	3,164	0	0	700	28,616
24	12,796	6,020	3,752	4,452	0	0	476	27,496
Dec. 1	11,032	5,208	3,612	9,800	812	560	756	31,780
8	12,684	4,060	1,624	9,716	0	0	728	28,812
15	13,440	1,904	1,036	9,100	0	0	560	26,040
22	9,212	224	420	13,048	0	0	224	23,128
29	5,936	224	0	9,436	0	0	140	15,736
2002:								
Jan. 5	9,660	84	0	13,944	28	56	84	23,856
12	11,844	168	0	23,408	0	0	56	35,476
19	10,892	112	0	18,480	0	0	28	29,512
26	15,176	28	0	16,828	0	0	0	32,032
Feb. 2	14,952	0	0	18,368	112	56	0	33,488
9	16,464	56	0	14,336	0	0	0	30,856
16	16,240	84	0	18,144	0	0	0	34,468
23	15,120	28	0	18,900	0	0	0	34,048
Mar. 2	12,236	56	0	15,568	784	840	0	29,484
9	13,356	112	0	17,640	0	0	0	31,108
16	14,504	28	0	18,620	0	0	0	33,152
23	18,872	56	0	17,108	0	0	0	36,036
30	21,840	56	0	13,440	0	0	0	35,336
Apr. 6	19,068	28	0	10,556	6,132	4,032	0	39,816
13	20,244	28	0	9,324	0	0	0	29,596
20	17,976	28	0	9,688	0	0	0	27,692
27	13,356	504	0	11,200	0	0	0	25,060
May 4	16,016	4,368	0	10,136	7,280	8,260	0	46,060
11	15,484	5,964	476	7,756	0	0	0	29,680
18	11,928	6,748	2,520	4,536	0	0	0	25,732
25	10,024	7,448	6,580	3,864	0	0	0	27,916
June 1	4,284	8,876	10,444	3,276	0	0	0	26,880
8	364	9,408	11,648	1,568	0	0	0	22,988
15	252	10,360	10,192	1,148	0	0	0	21,952
22	84	11,396	6,076	504	0	0	0	18,060
29	84	13,328	4,676	476	0	0	0	18,564

Note.—Data shown are for the actual week-endings reported during the 2001/02 crop-year.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the USDA, AMS, provided by the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL.

Table 17
Fresh-market peppers: Florida shipments and share of total amount shipped, by months,
1998/99 to 2002/03¹

Month	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03 ¹
<i>Quantity (1,000 pounds)</i>					
October	10,668	3,416	6,356	7,952	7,098
November	45,724	30,912	37,492	42,028	39,039
December	49,504	43,232	63,140	52,304	52,045
January	74,536	57,372	35,336	47,572	53,704
February	46,508	50,316	39,340	62,776	49,735
March	59,136	69,244	62,860	80,808	68,012
April	69,552	89,488	88,676	70,644	79,590
May	61,264	62,804	70,644	53,452	62,041
June	5,152	4,844	17,304	843	7,036
July	0	0	0	0	0
Total	<u>422,044</u>	<u>411,628</u>	<u>421,148</u>	<u>418,379</u>	<u>418,300</u>
<i>Share of total (Percent)</i>					
October	2.5	0.8	1.5	1.9	1.7
November	10.8	7.5	8.9	10.0	9.3
December	11.7	10.5	15.0	12.5	12.4
January	17.7	13.9	8.4	11.4	12.8
February	11.0	12.2	9.3	15.0	11.9
March	14.0	16.8	14.9	19.3	16.3
April	16.5	21.7	21.1	16.9	19.0
May	14.5	15.3	16.8	12.8	14.8
June	1.2	1.2	4.1	.2	1.7
July	-	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>100.0</u>	<u>99.9</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>99.9</u>

¹ Calculated by Commission staff using a simple average of the 4 previous crop-years.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from *Marketing Florida Vegetables*, Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL, 1996/97 Season, Oct. 1997, p. 37; 1997/98 Season, Oct. 1998, p. 35; 1998/99 Season, Oct. 1999, p. 35; 1999/00 Season, Oct. 2000, p. 35; and 2000/01 Season, Oct. 2001, p. 35.

Table 18
Fresh-market peppers: Quantities available at major shipping points, by sources and by weeks,
2000/01 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		
2000:											
Oct.	7	0	11,990	830	12,820	80	12,900	110	170	280	13,180
	14	360	6,620	3,210	10,190	40	10,230	480	270	750	10,980
	21	2,070	8,750	5,360	16,180	120	16,300	470	110	580	16,880
	28	3,910	6,760	6,620	17,290	80	17,370	670	140	810	18,180
Nov.	4	6,940	7,740	4,610	19,290	0	19,290	1,510	220	1,730	21,020
	11	7,680	8,210	4,460	20,350	290	20,640	2,080	50	2,130	22,770
	18	13,500	5,490	4,700	23,690	40	23,730	2,160	160	2,320	26,050
	25	9,380	2,550	3,160	15,090	120	15,210	2,100	420	2,510	17,720
Dec.	2	13,090	2,020	1,340	16,450	0	16,450	4,600	200	4,800	21,250
	9	15,470	1,040	620	17,130	0	17,130	8,500	110	8,610	25,740
	16	18,760	160	430	19,350	0	19,350	8,740	280	9,020	28,370
	23	11,030	10	190	11,230	0	11,230	10,760	90	10,850	22,080
	30	5,000	0	90	5,090	0	5,090	9,250	180	9,430	14,520
2001:											
Jan.	6	7,120	0	20	7,140	0	7,140	12,760	300	13,060	20,200
	13	10,460	0	50	10,510	0	10,510	19,960	160	20,120	30,630
	20	11,120	0	30	11,150	0	11,150	16,790	200	16,990	28,140
	27	7,190	0	0	7,190	0	7,190	12,230	70	12,300	19,490
Feb.	3	10,340	0	0	10,340	0	10,340	14,230	90	14,320	24,660
	10	10,220	0	0	10,220	0	10,220	12,430	130	12,560	22,780
	17	10,260	0	0	10,260	0	10,260	15,510	120	15,630	25,890
	24	8,540	0	0	8,540	0	8,540	13,810	280	14,090	22,630
Mar.	3	11,280	0	0	11,280	0	11,280	12,000	490	12,490	23,770
	10	8,520	0	0	8,520	0	8,520	12,230	150	12,380	20,900
	17	11,650	0	0	11,650	0	11,650	15,060	200	15,260	26,910
	24	12,270	0	0	12,270	0	12,270	10,220	220	10,440	22,710
	31	19,150	0	0	19,150	0	19,150	7,950	220	8,170	27,320
Apr.	7	19,310	0	0	19,310	0	19,310	8,960	240	9,200	28,510
	14	25,270	0	0	25,270	0	25,270	8,360	200	8,560	33,830
	21	23,300	0	0	23,300	0	23,300	7,530	300	7,830	31,130
	28	20,800	0	0	20,800	0	20,800	9,470	130	9,600	30,400
May	5	19,840	1,490	0	21,330	0	21,330	8,660	180	8,840	30,170
	12	20,650	5,160	0	25,810	0	25,810	9,320	110	9,430	35,240
	19	14,970	8,360	0	23,330	0	23,330	8,210	340	8,550	31,880
	26	15,200	6,890	470	22,560	80	22,640	5,980	230	6,210	28,850
June	2	11,620	8,800	4,030	24,450	40	24,490	3,760	220	3,980	28,470
	9	3,940	11,030	10,630	25,600	160	25,760	2,160	290	2,450	28,210
	16	1,210	12,990	10,870	25,070	290	25,360	700	220	920	26,280
	23	360	14,430	15,470	30,260	290	30,550	480	160	640	31,190
	30	160	9,660	11,660	21,480	370	21,850	250	170	420	22,270

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 USDA, APHIS.

Note.—Piggy-back shipments are truck trailers carried on flat-bed railcars.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.

Table 19
Fresh-market peppers: Quantities available at major shipping points, by sources and by weeks,
2001/02 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		
2001:											
Oct.	6	0	15,440	3,620	19,060	130	19,190	140	300	440	19,630
	13	0	14,790	5,320	20,110	90	20,200	270	250	520	20,720
	20	1,800	13,550	8,240	23,590	40	23,630	630	200	830	24,460
	27	6,170	10,140	8,470	24,780	220	25,000	1,180	260	1,440	26,440
Nov.	3	7,660	8,900	6,150	22,710	0	22,710	1,520	190	1,710	24,420
	10	9,440	9,160	6,640	25,240	220	25,460	3,520	390	3,910	29,370
	17	12,120	6,840	6,500	25,460	0	25,460	3,160	330	3,490	28,950
	24	12,790	5,980	4,210	22,980	40	23,020	4,440	560	5,000	28,020
Dec.	1	11,020	5,050	4,350	20,420	180	20,600	9,800	470	10,270	30,870
	8	12,680	3,850	2,340	18,870	220	19,090	9,720	280	10,000	29,090
	15	13,450	1,840	1,590	16,880	40	16,920	9,090	150	9,240	26,160
	22	9,210	180	660	10,050	40	10,090	13,050	360	13,410	23,500
	29	5,930	230	130	6,290	0	6,290	9,430	240	9,670	15,960
2002:											
Jan.	5	9,650	80	100	9,830	0	9,830	13,950	270	14,220	24,050
	12	11,830	170	50	12,050	0	12,050	23,400	350	23,750	35,800
	19	10,900	100	20	11,020	0	11,020	18,490	310	18,800	29,820
	26	15,180	20	0	15,200	0	15,200	16,830	260	17,090	32,290
Feb.	2	14,960	10	0	14,970	0	14,970	18,360	310	18,670	33,640
	9	16,460	50	0	16,510	0	16,510	14,330	290	14,620	31,130
	16	16,240	80	0	16,320	0	16,320	18,150	130	18,280	34,600
	23	15,130	10	0	15,140	0	15,140	18,890	190	19,080	34,220
Mar.	2	12,220	70	0	12,290	0	12,290	15,560	410	15,970	28,260
	9	13,350	110	0	13,460	0	13,460	17,630	240	17,870	31,330
	16	14,500	40	0	14,540	0	14,540	18,620	290	18,910	33,450
	23	18,870	60	0	18,930	0	18,930	17,100	170	17,270	36,200
	30	21,830	60	0	21,890	0	21,890	13,440	190	13,630	35,520
Apr.	6	19,070	40	0	19,110	0	19,110	10,570	160	10,730	29,840
	13	20,240	30	0	20,270	0	20,270	9,320	280	9,600	29,870
	20	17,970	30	0	18,000	0	18,000	9,700	150	9,850	27,850
	27	13,350	510	0	13,860	0	13,860	11,210	260	11,470	25,330
May	4	16,010	4,360	0	20,370	0	20,370	10,120	650	10,770	31,140
	11	15,480	5,870	470	21,820	90	21,910	7,760	160	7,920	29,830
	18	11,930	6,300	2,520	20,750	350	21,100	4,520	360	4,880	25,980
	25	10,010	7,210	6,590	23,810	220	24,030	3,800	250	4,050	28,080
June	1	4,280	8,730	10,440	23,450	130	23,580	3,260	450	3,710	27,290
	8	9,150	360	11,660	21,170	260	21,430	1,560	200	1,760	23,190
	15	10,000	240	10,340	20,580	350	20,930	1,160	390	1,550	22,480
	22	11,210	100	8,810	20,120	180	20,300	500	430	930	21,230
	29	13,100	90	12,250	25,440	220	25,660	480	380	860	26,520

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Note.—Piggy-back shipments are truck trailers carried on flat-bed railcars.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.

Table 20
Fresh-market peppers: Quantities available at major shipping points, by sources and by weeks,
2002/03 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									
2002:											
Oct. 5	80	12,280	5,190	17,550	350	17,900	190	420	610	18,510	
12	20	11,110	5,910	17,040	220	17,260	330	350	680	17,940	
19	2,190	10,410	5,830	18,430	40	18,470	590	110	700	19,170	
26	3,560	11,230	3,520	18,310	180	18,490	510	940	1,450	19,940	
Nov. 2	9,170	11,160	6,950	27,280	40	27,320	1,970	500	2,470	29,790	
9	10,380	7,920	2,690	20,990	40	21,030	2,280	190	2,470	23,500	
16	12,490	6,540	1,080	20,110	130	20,240	3,220	500	3,720	23,960	
23	14,340	6,010	40	20,390	0	20,390	5,190	550	5,740	26,130	
30	9,300	3,410	0	12,710	0	12,710	4,320	410	4,730	17,440	
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	
2001:											
Jan. 4	10,470	40	0	10,510	0	10,510	13,010	380	13,390	23,900	
11	12,420	90	0	12,510	0	12,510	17,450	470	17,920	30,430	
18	9,400	190	0	9,590	0	9,590	20,650	540	21,190	30,780	
25	8,380	90	0	8,470	0	8,470	19,580	340	19,920	28,390	
Feb. 1	9,100	30	0	9,130	0	9,130	21,720	570	22,290	31,420	
8	9,660	40	0	9,700	0	9,700	20,860	340	21,200	30,900	
15	10,440	0	0	10,440	0	10,440	17,180	470	17,650	28,090	
22	13,600	0	0	13,600	0	13,600	15,280	150	15,430	29,030	
Mar. 1	12,010	0	0	12,010	0	12,010	17,770	470	18,240	30,250	
8	12,460	0	0	12,460	0	12,460	17,910	20	17,930	30,390	
15	10,780	0	0	10,780	0	10,780	13,520	110	13,630	24,410	
22	17,160	0	0	17,160	0	17,160	12,170	50	12,220	29,380	
29	17,160	0	0	17,160	0	17,160	12,170	80	12,250	29,410	
Apr. 5	21,920	0	0	21,920	0	21,920	10,410	280	10,690	32,610	
12	21,820	1,230	0	23,050	0	23,050	9,730	70	9,800	32,850	
19	22,520	2,050	0	24,570	40	24,610	8,620	90	8,710	33,320	
26	22,650	3,140	0	25,790	0	25,790	8,060	240	8,300	34,090	
May 3	18,230	4,630	0	22,860	0	22,860	7,240	40	7,280	30,140	
10	17,010	6,500	0	23,510	220	23,730	8,230	70	8,300	32,030	
17	12,990	9,250	0	22,240	350	22,590	6,030	240	6,270	28,860	
24	6,270	11,230	1,800	19,300	130	19,430	4,910	340	5,250	24,680	
31	4,990	12,260	7,090	24,340	350	24,690	3,940	6,120	10,060	34,750	
June 7	2,370	11,080	9,900	23,350	440	23,790	2,700	400	3,100	26,890	
14	160	11,640	23,330	35,130	570	35,700	1,250	290	1,540	37,240	
21	60	9,940	18,130	28,130	180	28,310	860	180	1,040	29,350	
28	90	8,650	14,550	23,290	310	23,600	680	190	870	24,470	

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Note.—Piggy-back shipments are truck trailers carried on flat-bed railcars.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.

Table 21

Fresh-market peppers: Average green pepper shipping-point prices f.o.b. Florida and border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b Nogales, AZ, by pepper size and by weeks, 2000/01 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Florida			Mexico		
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Extra large	Large	Medium
2000:						
Oct. 21	14.35-14.85	12.35-12.85	10.35-10.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Oct. 28	10.35-14.85	8.35-12.85	6.35-10.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Nov. 4	10.00-14.85	8.00-11.85	6.00-9.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Nov. 11	12.00-13.85	10.00-11.85	8.00-9.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Nov. 18	8.00-10.85	6.00-9.85	5.00-7.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Nov. 25	8.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Dec. 2	8.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	5.00-8.85	14.00-16.15	12.15-14.35	12.00-12.15
Dec. 9	10.00-10.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-9.85	10.00-12.15	10.00-12.15	8.00-10.15
Dec. 16	7.00-10.85	8.00-10.85	8.00-10.85	10.00-12.15	10.00-10.15	9.00-10.15
Dec. 23	7.00-10.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-10.85	9.15-12.15	9.00-10.15	8.00-10.15
Dec. 30	10.00-12.85	10.00-12.85	9.00-10.85	10.00-12.15	10.00-10.15	9.00-10.15
2001:						
Jan. 6	20.00-20.85	18.00-18.85	16.00-16.85	14.00-20.15	12.00-18.15	10.00-20.15
Jan. 13	25.00-30.85	24.00-28.85	24.00-26.85	22.00-30.15	20.00-28.15	20.00-26.15
Jan. 20	16.00-25.85	14.00-23.85	14.00-21.85	16.00-18.15	14.00-16.15	12.00-14.15
Jan. 27	20.00-24.85	17.00-22.85	14.00-22.85	18.00-24.15	16.00-22.15	14.00-20.15
Feb. 3	22.00-24.85	20.00-22.85	18.00-20.85	24.00-26.15	22.00-24.15	20.00-20.15
Feb. 10	20.00-24.85	18.00-22.85	18.00-20.85	22.00-24.15	20.00-22.15	18.00-20.15
Feb. 17	22.00-24.85	20.00-22.85	18.00-20.85	24.00-24.15	22.00-22.15	20.00-20.15
Feb. 24	22.00-24.85	18.00-22.85	16.00-20.85	24.00-24.15	22.00-22.15	20.00-20.15
Mar. 3	22.00-24.85	18.00-20.85	16.00-18.85	24.00-24.15	22.00-24.15	18.00-22.15
Mar. 10	24.00-28.85	20.00-26.85	18.00-24.85	24.00-30.15	22.00-28.15	20.00-26.15
Mar. 17	30.00-35.85	26.00-28.85	24.00-26.85	26.00-34.15	26.00-30.15	22.00-26.15
Mar. 24	18.00-30.85	14.00-22.85	12.00-20.85	20.00-26.15	14.00-22.15	12.00-18.15
Mar. 31	8.00-12.85	6.00-10.85	5.00-8.85	16.15-18.15	12.00-14.15	10.00-14.15
Apr. 7	8.00-10.85	6.00-9.85	5.00-8.85	14.15-18.15	12.15-14.15	10.15-12.15
Apr. 14	8.00-10.85	6.00-9.85	5.00-8.85	16.00-16.35	14.00-14.35	12.00-12.35
Apr. 21	8.00-8.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-8.85	16.00-18.15	14.00-16.15	12.00-14.15
Apr. 28	8.00-12.85	7.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	12.15-16.15	12.15-16.15	12.00-12.15
May 5	12.00-16.85	10.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	14.00-18.15	12.00-16.15	12.00-14.15
May 12	10.00-16.85	8.00-14.85	8.00-12.85	10.00-16.15	10.00-16.15	8.00-14.15
May 19	7.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	7.00-10.15	6.00-8.15	5.00-7.15
May 26	8.00-8.35	5.00-7.35	5.00-6.35	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 2	7.00-8.35	5.00-7.35	5.00-6.35	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 9	5.00-8.35	6.00-6.35	5.00-6.35	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 16	6.35-7.35	6.35-7.00	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL.

Table 22
Fresh-market peppers: Average green pepper shipping-point prices f.o.b. Florida and border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b Nogales, AZ, by pepper size and by weeks, 2001/02 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Florida			Mexico		
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Extra large	Large	Medium
2001:						
Oct. 27	4.35-6.85	4.00-5.85	4.00-5.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
Nov. 3	4.35-5.85	4.00-5.85	4.00-5.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
10	4.35-6.85	4.00-5.85	4.00-5.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
17	5.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	4.00-5.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
24	8.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	4.00-6.85	8.00-8.35	6.25-7.35	6.00-6.15
Dec. 1	6.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	6.15-8.35	6.15-7.35	5.15-6.35
8	6.00-8.85	5.35-6.85	4.35-6.85	5.15-7.15	5.00-7.15	4.00-6.15
15	6.00-7.35	5.00-6.35	4.00-5.35	6.15-10.15	5.00-8.35	4.00-7.15
22	5.85-7.35	5.00-6.35	4.00-5.85	5.15-8.15	4.15-8.15	4.15-6.15
29	8.35-10.85	7.35-8.85	5.35-6.85	5.15-7.15	4.00-6.35	4.15-5.15
2002:						
Jan. 5	10.35-12.85	7.35-10.85	6.35-9.85	8.15-12.35	7.15-12.15	6.00-8.15
12	14.35-14.85	12.35-14.85	10.35-12.85	10.00-14.25	10.00-14.25	8.00-12.25
19	8.00-12.85	8.00-10.35	8.00-10.85	6.15-10.15	5.00-10.15	4.15-8.15
26	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	6.00-8.35	6.15-9.25	5.15-8.15	4.15-7.15
Feb. 2	8.00-10.85	8.00-9.85	8.00-9.85	7.15-10.15	6.15-8.15	5.15-8.15
9	8.00-10.85	8.00-8.85	8.85	7.15-9.15	6.15-7.15	5.15-6.15
16	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	8.00-9.85	8.00-10.35	7.00-7.35	5.15-6.15
23	7.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	5.00-8.85	7.15-8.15	6.15-7.35	5.00-6.35
Mar. 2	8.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	7.15-10.15	5.15-7.15	4.15-6.15
9	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	10.15-14.35	8.15-12.35	6.15-10.15
16	14.00-14.85	12.00-12.85	9.00-10.85	12.15-14.35	12.15-12.35	8.15-10.15
23	10.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	9.00-10.85	14.00-14.35	12.15-12.35	10.15
30	8.00-10.85	7.00-10.85	6.00-9.85	12.15-14.15	10.15-12.35	8.15-10.15
Apr. 6	6.00-8.85	6.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	10.00-14.15	8.15-12.35	6.15-10.15
13	5.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	10.00-10.35	8.15-8.35	6.00-6.25
20	8.00-10.85	6.00-9.85	6.00-8.85	10.15-12.35	8.15-10.15	6.15-8.25
27	10.00-16.85	8.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	12.15-14.85	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85
May 4	16.00-16.85	14.00-14.85	12.00-12.85	14.15-16.85	12.15-14.85	10.15-12.15
11	14.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	14.15-16.35	14.15-14.35	10.15-12.15
18	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
25	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 1	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	8.00-9.35	(²)	(²)	(²)

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL.

Table 23

Fresh-market peppers: Average green pepper shipping-point prices f.o.b. Florida and border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b. Nogales, AZ, by pepper size and by weeks, 2002/03 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Florida			Mexico		
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Extra large	Large	Medium
2003:						
Jan. 4	9.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	10.35-12.35	9.35-10.35	8.35-10.35
11	14.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	10.00-14.85	12.35-16.35	12.35-16.35	10.35-14.35
18	16.00-16.85	14.00-14.85	12.00-14.85	14.35-16.35	14.35-16.35	14.35
25	16.00-20.85	14.00-18.85	14.00-16.85	16.35-20.35	14.35-20.35	14.35-18.35
Feb. 1	18.00-20.85	16.00-18.85	16.00-16.85	14.35-20.35	10.35-18.35	10.25-16.35
8	16.00-18.85	14.00-16.85	10.00-16.85	14.25-16.35	8.35-12.35	7.35-12.35
15	8.00-16.85	6.00-14.85	6.00-12.85	10.35-16.35	7.35-12.35	6.35-10.35
22	8.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	6.00-6.85	8.35-10.35	7.35-8.35	6.35-7.35
Mar. 1	7.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	8.35-10.35	7.35-8.35	5.35-6.35
8	8.00-12.85	6.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	8.35-12.35	6.35-10.35	5.35-8.35
15	10.00-14.85	8.00-8.85	6.00-8.85	10.35-14.35	10.25-12.35	8.25-10.35
22	16.00-20.85	10.00-16.85	7.00-12.85	16.35-20.35	12.35-18.35	9.35-16.35
29	12.00-20.85	10.00-16.85	8.00-12.85	16.35-20.35	12.35-16.35	10.35-14.35
Apr. 5	8.00-12.85	7.00-10.85	6.00-8.85	14.35-16.35	10.25-12.35	7.35-8.35
12	6.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	10.35-14.35	6.35-10.35	4.35-8.35
19	(²)	(²)	(²)	10.35	5.35-7.35	4.35-6.35
26	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
May 3	5.00-10.85	4.85-8.85	4.00-7.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
10	9.00-12.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-8.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
17	10.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-8.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
24	10.00-12.85	7.00-9.85	7.00-9.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
31	9.85-12.85	8.00-9.85	6.00-8.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 7	9.85-10.85	8.00-9.85	7.00-8.85	(²)	(²)	(²)
14	8.00-10.85	8.00-9.85	8.00-9.85	(²)	(²)	(²)

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—Florida data for January, May, and June are from Central and South Florida, with data for February-April from South Florida.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.

Table 24

Fresh-market peppers: Average green-pepper shipping-point prices f.ob. South Florida, by pepper size and by weeks, 2002/03 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Jumbo	Extra Large	Large	Medium
2002:				
Oct. 26	(²)	10.00-14.85	6.00-10.85	5.00-8.85
Nov. 2	14.00-18.85	14.00-16.85	8.00-12.85	6.00-10.85
9	14.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	7.00-8.85	5.00-6.85
16	16.00-16.85	14.00-16.85	7.00-12.85	6.00-8.85
23	16.00-16.85	14.00-14.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85
30	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Dec. 7	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
14	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
21	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
28	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
2003:				
Jan. 4	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
11	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
18	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
25	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Feb. 1	18.00-20.85	18.00-20.85	16.00-18.85	16.00-16.85
8	16.00-20.85	16.00-18.85	14.00-16.85	10.00-16.85
15	8.00-16.85	8.00-16.85	6.00-14.85	6.00-12.85
22	8.00-8.85	8.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	6.00-6.85
Mar. 1	8.00-9.85	7.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	5.00-6.85
8	10.00-12.85	8.00-12.85	6.00-10.85	6.00-8.85
15	12.00-14.85	10.00-14.85	8.00-8.85	6.00-8.85
22	16.00-22.85	16.00-20.85	10.00-16.85	7.00-12.85
29	14.00-20.85	12.00-20.85	10.00-16.85	8.00-12.85
Apr. 5	10.00-12.85	8.00-12.85	7.00-10.85	6.00-8.85
12	6.00-8.85	6.00-8.85	6.00-7.85	5.00-6.85

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.

Table 25
Fresh-market peppers: Average green-pepper shipping-point prices f.ob. Central and South Florida, by pepper size and by weeks, 2002/03 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Jumbo	Extra Large	Large	Medium
2002:				
Nov. 23	16.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	8.00-9.85	7.00-8.85
30	10.00-14.85	8.00-12.85	6.00-8.85	6.00-8.85
Dec. 7	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85
14	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	8.00-9.85	7.00-8.85
21	8.00-10.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-8.85
28	7.00-8.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-7.85	5.00-6.85
2003:				
Jan. 4	10.00-12.85	9.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	7.00-8.85
11	16.00-16.85	14.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	10.00-14.85
18	16.00-16.85	16.00-16.85	14.00-14.85	12.00-14.85
25	16.00-20.85	16.00-20.85	14.00-18.85	14.00-16.85
Feb. 1	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
8	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
15	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
22	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Mar. 1	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
8	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
15	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
22	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
29	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
Apr. 5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
12	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
19	5.00-8.85	5.00-8.85	5.00-7.85	4.00-6.85
26	5.00-7.85	5.00-6.85	5.00-6.85	5.00-6.85
May 3	5.00-10.85	5.00-10.85	4.85-8.85	4.00-7.85
10	10.00-12.85	9.00-12.85	7.00-8.85	7.00-9.85
17	12.00-12.85	10.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	6.00-8.85
24	12.00-14.85	10.00-12.85	7.00-9.85	6.00-7.85
31	11.00-12.85	9.85-12.85	8.00-9.85	6.00-8.85
June 7	11.00-12.85	9.85-10.85	8.00-9.85	7.00-8.85
14	10.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	8.00-9.85	8.00-9.85

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the Federal-State Market News Services, Orlando, FL.

Table 26

Fresh-market peppers: Average red pepper shipping-point prices f.o.b. Florida and border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b. Nogales, AZ, by pepper size and by weeks, 2000/01 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Florida			Mexico		
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Extra large	Large	Medium
2000:						
Dec. 16	16.00-24.85	14.00-22.85	12.00-20.85	18.00-20.50	18.00-20.50	22.00-26.95
23	8.00-16.85	7.00-14.85	7.00-12.85	14.50-18.50	14.50-18.50	16.15-22.50
30	8.00-12.85	7.00-10.85	7.00-8.85	12.50-15.50	12.50-15.50	12.15-16.95
2001:						
Jan. 6	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.00-16.15	12.00-16.15	14.50-20.15
13	16.00-20.85	(²)	(²)	8.50-14.50	8.50-14.50	12.00-16.75
20	14.00-16.85	12.00-14.85	(²)	10.00-12.75	10.00-12.75	12.00-14.75
27	14.00-16.85	(²)	(²)	12.00-14.75	12.00-14.75	14.50-18.50
Feb. 3	20.00-20.50	(²)	(²)	14.00-16.50	14.00-16.50	16.50-20.95
10	(²)	(²)	(²)	16.00-18.00	16.00-18.00	20.00-24.15
17	25.00-25.85	22.00-23.85	20.00-20.85	14.00-20.50	14.00-20.50	22.50-26.15
24	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.00-10.50	8.00-10.50	14.50-20.15
Mar. 3	(²)	(²)	(²)	10.50-12.50	10.50-12.50	16.00-18.50
10	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.50-16.95	12.50-16.95	16.50-24.75
17	(²)	(²)	(²)	15.50-18.95	15.50-18.95	22.00-24.15
24	(²)	(²)	(²)	18.00-20.75	18.00-20.75	24.00-28.95
31	(²)	(²)	(²)	22.00-28.50	22.00-28.50	(²)
Apr. 7	(²)	(²)	(²)	28.50-31.15	28.50-31.15	(²)
14	(²)	(²)	(²)	16.15-30.15	16.15-30.15	(²)
21	(²)	(²)	(²)	7.95-13.15	7.95-13.15	(²)
28	(²)	(²)	(²)	6.00-8.50	6.00-8.50	(²)
May 5	12.00-14.85	(²)	(²)	10.00-12.50	10.00-12.50	(²)
12	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.50-16.15	12.50-16.15	(²)
19	(²)	(²)	(²)	15.95-16.50	15.95-16.50	(²)
26	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)
June 2	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.85-16.85	02.85-16.85	(²)
9	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.85-14.85	8.85-14.85	(²)
16	(²)	(²)	(²)	7.75-8.85	7.75-8.85	(²)
23	(²)	(²)	(²)	6.75-7.35	6.75-7.35	(²)

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL.

Table 27

Fresh-market peppers: Average red pepper shipping-point prices f.o.b. Florida and border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b. Nogales, AZ, by pepper size and by weeks, 2001/02 crop-year

(Dollars per carton)¹

Week ending	Florida			Mexico		
	Extra large	Large	Medium	Extra large	Large	Medium
2001:						
Dec. 15	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.00-14.00
22	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.15-14.95
29	(²)	(²)	(²)	14.15-16.15	14.15-16.15	14.15-14.95
2002:						
Jan. 5	(²)	(²)	(²)	15.15-16.95	15.15-16.95	12.00-14.95
12	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.15-14.15	12.15-14.15	10.15-14.95
19	8.35-10.85	7.35-8.35	(²)	6.15-11.50	6.15-11.50	8.00-10.15
26	8.00-8.85	5.85-8.85	4.00-6.85	5.15-8.15	5.15-8.15	(²)
Feb. 2	8.00-8.85	5.85-6.85	4.00-4.85	6.15-8.15	6.15-8.15	5.15-7.15
9	8.00-12.85	8.00-10.85	(²)	8.15-12.95	8.15-12.95	8.95-14.15
16	12.00-14.85	(²)	(²)	10.15-14.50	10.15-14.50	8.15-14.50
23	(²)	(²)	(²)	12.00-14.50	12.00-14.50	8.15-12.95
Mar. 2	(²)	(²)	(²)	10.15-14.50	10.15-14.50	12.15-12.95
9	(²)	0	(²)	6.15-12.15	6.15-12.15	10.15-14.15
16	12.00-16.85	0	(²)	6.15-8.95	6.15-8.95	8.15-12.15
23	12.00-14.85	12.00-12.85	(²)	6.15-8.15	6.15-8.15	6.15-12.15
30	10.00-10.85	8.00-8.85	(²)	8.15-10.15	8.15-10.15	4.35-7.15
Apr. 6	8.00-10.85	(²)	(²)	8.15-10.15	8.15-10.15	6.15-8.15
13	(²)	(²)	(²)	10.15	10.15	6.15-10.95
20	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.15-12.95	8.15-12.95	10.15-12.95
27	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.15-10.95	8.15-10.95	16.00-16.95
May 4	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.15-10.15	8.15-10.15	(²)
11	(²)	(²)	(²)	8.95-10.15	8.95-10.15	(²)

¹ Cartons hold one and one-ninth bushels.

² No data reported.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from data of the Federal-State Market News Service, Orlando, FL.

Table 28
Fresh-market peppers: Average large red pepper shipping-point prices for border-crossings from Mexico f.o.b. Nogales, AZ, by crop-year, by pepper size, and by weeks, 2001/02 and 2002/03 crop-years

(Dollars per carton)

Week ending	2001/02		2002/03	
	11-pounds cartons	15-pounds cartons	11-pounds cartons	15-pounds cartons
2002:				
Dec. 7		(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
14		(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
21		(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
28		(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
2003:				
Jan. 4	15.15-16.95	12.85-14.85	(¹)	16.15-16.95
11	12.15-14.15	8.15-14.15	14.35	14.85-16.95
18	6.15-11.50	4.85-8.95	7.35-14.95	6.85-12.85
25	5.15-8.15	4.15-5.95	6.35-10.35	8.15-10.15
Feb. 1	6.15-8.15	5.00-6.50	8.35-10.35	6.85-8.95
8	8.15-12.95	7.15-10.95	8.35-10.35	6.85-10.35
15	10.15-14.50	8.15-10.85	10.35-14.95	9.85-14.35
22	12.00-14.50	8.15-8.85	14.35-18.35	14.15-16.35
Mar. 1	10.15-14.50	6.85-8.95	14.35-16.35	12.35-16.35
8	6.15-12.15	6.15-8.15	10.35-15.35	8.35-10.35
15	6.15-8.95	5.15-7.15	12.35-14.35	7.85-10.35
22	6.15-8.15	5.85-8.15	14.35-16.35	8.35-12.95
29	8.15-10.15	4.15-5.15	14.35-16.35	12.35-16.95
Apr. 5	8.15-10.15	4.15-6.15	14.35-16.35	16.15-18.85
12	10.15	7.85-10.85	14.35-16.35	12.95-16.95
19	8.15-12.95	10.15-12.95	14.15-16.35	12.95
26	8.15-10.95	10.85-16.15	(¹)	(¹)
May 4	8.15-10.15	6.85-12.15	(¹)	(¹)
11	8.95-10.15	7.95-8.15	(¹)	(¹)

¹ No data reported.

Note.—Florida data for December-January, May, and June are from Central and South Florida, with data for February-April from South Florida.

Note.—For those entries where two prices are reported, prices are the range in which most sales were made.

Source: Compiled by the Commission from USDA, AMS data.