

# Feeding Idaho with Idaho-Grown Food

Review of selected crops 2008

Crop	1950 Idaho Acreage	2002 Idaho Acreage	Percent of Idaho consumption provided by Idaho farmers
Asparagus	94	397	48%
Green Beans	824	1253	69%
Lima Beans	476	0	0%
Table Beets	8	4	3%
Broccoli	0	2	Less than 1%
Cabbage	59	6	1%
Cantaloupes & Muskmelons	194	37	3%
Carrots	111	8	1%
Cauliflower	13	0	0%
Celery	9	0	0%
Sweet Corn	8517	10,783	229%
Cucumbers	18	11	Less than 1%
Lettuce & Romaine	1688	6	Less than 1%
Onions	2750	9827	1,000%
Bell Peppers	0	73	7%
Green Peas	5474	2495	200%
Spinach	3	1	Less than 1%
Squash	60	175	90%
Tomatoes	156	23	Less than 1%
Potatoes	144,523	398,498	8000%
Sweet Potatoes	11	0	0%

Idaho produces more potatoes and onions than the population can consume. The climate and soil of Idaho is conducive to the production of these crops. Processing within the state has permitted the Idaho economy to add value to these crops.

More sweet corn and green peas are produced in Idaho than can be consumed in the state. This is due to the location of processing.