

Vegetables and Nuts

CHILE: Planted chile acreage in 2009 increased by 4 percent to 12,800 acres from 2008, with 96 percent of the crop harvested at 12,300 acres. These increases helped boost production by 21 percent from 60,140 tons in 2008 to 72,700 tons in 2009. All varieties had a larger overall percentage of harvested acreage from the 2008 crop year.

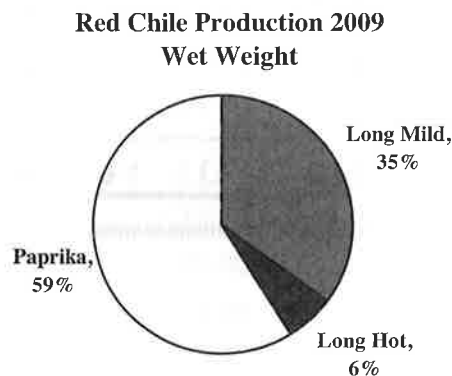
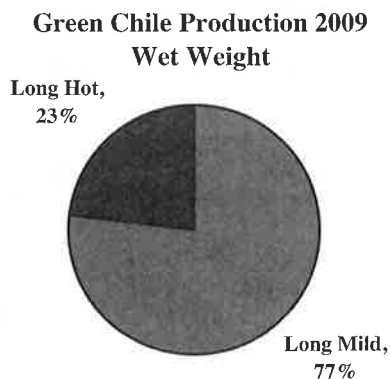
At the state level, yields were up for most varieties with long mild green having the largest increase from 11 tons per acre in 2008 to 13.3 tons per acre in 2009. Paprika yields remained steady at 1.6 tons per acre, while red long mild yields increased from 1.3 tons per acre to 2.1 tons per acre. Long hot red yields rose from 1.1 to 1.7 tons per acre.

The value of New Mexico chile was estimated at \$57.4 million, rising 21 percent above the previous year.

2009 Chile: Acreage and Production by District and County

| District/ County | Planted Acreage | | | Harvested Acreage | | | Production (Tons) | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
| District 70 | 5,900 | 5,200 | 5,100 | 5,500 | 4,700 | 4,900 | 32,100 | 32,640 | 33,400 |
| Hidalgo | 700 | 700 | 900 | 600 | 700 | 800 | 2,850 | 4,500 | 5,300 |
| Luna | 4,000 | 3,700 | 3,200 | 3,700 | 3,300 | 3,200 | 25,150 | 23,220 | 22,900 |
| Other Counties ^{1/} | 1,200 | 800 | 1,000 | 1,200 | 700 | 900 | 4,100 | 4,920 | 5,200 |
| District 90 | 6,100 | 7,100 | 7,700 | 5,500 | 6,400 | 7,400 | 16,900 | 27,500 | 39,300 |
| Doña Ana | 3,400 | 3,800 | 3,900 | 3,200 | 3,200 | 3,700 | 12,800 | 20,600 | 32,000 |
| Other Counties | 2,700 | 3,300 | 3,800 | 2,300 | 3,200 | 3,700 | 4,100 | 6,900 | 7,300 |
| STATE | 12,000 | 12,300 | 12,800 | 11,000 | 11,100 | 12,300 | 49,000 | 60,140 | 72,700 |

^{1/} District 10 and District 30 were included in District 70, Other Counties.



Chile Acreage, Yield, Production and Value by Variety

| Variety | Acreage Harvested ^{1/} | | Yield Per Acre ^{2/} | | Production | | Average Price Per Ton | | Value of Production | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
| Green | | | -----Tons----- | | | | -----Dollars----- | | -----\$1,000----- | |
| Long Mild | 3,600 | 3,300 | 11.0 | 13.3 | 39,700 | 44,000 | 395 | 455 | 15,700 | 20,000 |
| Long Hot ^{3/} | 1,000 | 1,300 | 9.0 | 10.3 | 9,000 | 13,400 | 462 | 538 | 4,160 | 7,210 |
| Red | | | | | | | | | | |
| Paprika | 5,000 | 5,800 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 7,800 | 9,000 | 1,910 | 1,971 | 14,900 | 17,740 |
| Long Mild | 2,300 | 2,500 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 3,100 | 5,300 | 2,032 | 2,000 | 6,300 | 10,600 |
| Long Hot | 500 | 600 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 540 | 1,000 | 2,315 | 1,820 | 1,250 | 1,820 |
| Total | 11,100 | 12,300 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 60,140 | 72,700 | 704 | 789 | 42,310 | 57,370 |

^{1/} 1,200 acres were harvested for both green and red, but only counted once in the total.

^{2/} Yields influenced by lower yielding acreage harvested for both green and red.

^{3/} Beginning in 2008 Jalapeño and Cayenne were combined with Green Long Hot.

Chile Yields by District, County and Variety

| District/County | ----Green---- | | | | ----Red---- | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|------|------------|------|----------------|------|------------|------|------------|------|
| | Long Mild | | Long Hot | | Paprika | | Long Mild | | Long Hot | |
| | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
| | -----Tons----- | | | | -----Tons----- | | | | | |
| District 70 | 11.5 | 12.9 | 9.2 | 1/ | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 1/ | 1/ |
| Luna | 10.9 | 16.7 | 1/ | 1/ | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1/ | 1/ |
| Other Counties | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1.0 | 3.2 | 1/ | 1/ |
| District 90 | 10.2 | 13.8 | 8.7 | 10.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| Doña Ana | 10.2 | 13.8 | 9.3 | 10.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| Other Counties | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ | 1.5 | 1.5 | --- | 1/ | --- | 1/ |
| State | 11.0 | 13.3 | 9.0 | 10.3 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.7 |

^{1/} Not published to avoid disclosing individual information.