Potato PDI Info Sheet

Collects information from potato growers about how many potatoes have been grown, how they will be used, and their value. Data for ALL types of regular potatoes (not sweet potatoes) is collected for the 2021 crop year, as well as planting data for the 2022 season. This data from growers, as well as data from processors in a separate survey, is used to compile the Annual Potato Summary, which comes out in September.

Project Code: 195 – Potato and Stocks Survey

Data items

- Potato acres **Planted** for the 2021 harvest
- Potato acres **Harvested**
- Total potato **Production**
  - **Quantity Sold** and **Dollars Received** in each category:
    - Fresh Market / Table Stock
    - Processing
    - Seed
    - Livestock Feed
  - **Other Uses**:
    - On this farm for seed to plant the 2022 crop
    - On this farm for food or livestock feed
    - Shrink/Decay/Dump
- Total potato **Storage Capacity** on the farm
- Acres **Planted** for 2022 crop harvest
- If marketing of 2021 crop is complete:
  - Amount of **Seed Potatoes Used** to plant 2022 crop

Most common unit of measurement for potatoes is Hundredweight (cwt) and generally equals 100 pounds. Leave notes if another unit is reported so data can be converted.

The sum of the Quantity Sold and quantity for Other Uses must equal Total Production.

The amount of Seed Potatoes Used must be at least as large as the quantity for Other Uses – On this farm for seed to plant the 2022 crop.

This has been an unusual year, including a surplus of last year’s potatoes lingering in storage longer than typical. Potato donations are not unheard of in certain parts of the country – these potatoes should be included in the Shrink/Decay/Dump category, as they were not Sold and were not used On Farm.