1974 APPLE PRODUCTION

Commercial apple production in Illinois totaled 80.0 million pounds, (1,905,000 bushels), 6% below the 1973 production. An early season freeze cut production in some areas. Golden Delicious was the leading variety, accounting for 35% of the total. Jonathan ranked second with 29% while Red Delicious (Red Strains and Standards) was third with 21%. These three varieties accounted for 85% of the total crop produced in 1974, the same as in 1973.

1974 PEACH PRODUCTION

Illinois peach production at 3.5 million pounds, (73,000 bushels), was 50% below 1973. A killing frost in April damaged the exposed buds, resulting in only half the size of crop produced in 1973 and 29% of the 1972 crop.

APPLES AND PEACHES: Production, price and value, Illinois, 1970-74

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APPLE VARIETIES: Production in commercial orchards, Illinois, 1968-74

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