

III. Principal sources of imports

FRESH STRAWBERRIES (TSUS 146.58 AND 146.60)

[Quantity in thousands of pounds]

Source	1965	1966	1967
Total, all countries:			
Quantity.....	6,442	13,135	21,736
Value (1,000 dollars).....	1,023	2,404	3,621
Unit value (cents per pound).....	15.9	18.3	16.7
Mexico:			
Quantity.....	5,791	11,747	20,499
Value (1,000 dollars).....	844	2,048	3,180
Unit value (cents per pound).....	14.6	17.4	15.5
Canada:			
Quantity.....	608	1,128	1,216
Value (1,000 dollars).....	165	316	436
Unit value (cents per pound).....	27.1	28.0	35.8

FROZEN STRAWBERRIES (TSUS 146.7520)

Source	1965	1966	1967
Total, all countries:			
Quantity.....	53,866	85,707	74,659
Value (1,000 dollars).....	8,193	15,874	10,319
Unit value (cents per pound).....	15.2	18.4	13.8
Mexico:			
Quantity.....	51,796	82,826	72,693
Value (1,000 dollars).....	7,805	15,264	9,991
Unit value (cents per pound).....	15.1	18.4	13.7
Poland:			
Quantity.....	1,313	2,523	1,830
Value (1,000 dollars).....	242	449	302
Unit value (cents per pound).....	18.5	17.8	16.5
Netherlands:			
Quantity.....	757	276	128
Value (1,000 dollars).....	146	54	24
Unit value (cents per pound).....	19.3	19.6	18.9

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

COMMENTS

Imports

The great bulk of the U.S. imports of both fresh and frozen strawberries are supplied by Mexico. Canada has supplied most of the remaining imports of fresh strawberries; Poland and the Netherlands have in recent years exported small amounts of frozen strawberries to the United States. Generally, the import season for fresh Mexican strawberries begins in the fall (usually November), peaks in winter months and declines sharply in the spring as the domestic crop begins to enter the market in increasing volume (usually April).