

Per Capita Food in 1960 Your Share Was 1,488 Pounds

Food consumption in the United States averaged 1,488 pounds per person during 1960, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Estimates are based on retail weights of all the food products of farms, ranches, and

fisheries. Consumption of dairy products led, with 414 pounds per person—the equivalent of about 250 quarts of milk. This total includes fluid milk and all other forms of food made from milk, except butter. Butter is included with the fats and oils total.

York County Farmers Are Corn Champs

University Park, Pa., Dec. 30th — Pennsylvania corn champions for '60 are J. Edward Lanius and Son (Donald E.), York, R3, according to Frank G. Bamer, chairman of agronomy extension, the Pennsylvania State University. They averaged 206.6 bushels of shelled corn per acre.

Bamer, chairman also of the Pennsylvania Corn Club, said the Laniuses had the highest yield in the 13-year history of the club, and that they are the second three-time champions, having won in 1953 and 1954.

Their 206.6 bushel yield was 20.3 bushels over the previous high mark set by Paul Slagenweit, New Enterprise, Bedford county in '58. He had 186.3 bushels per acre.

All yields were computed by the extension service in 56-pound bushels of shelled corn at 15½ per cent moisture. The Lanius yield was checked Nov. 9 by John T. Smith and A. C. Hug, York county agents. The Laniuses won in 1953 with 141.6 bushels, and in 1954 with 159.7 bushels. Their 1960 corn grew on the 1953 championship plot.

At harvest time the Laniuses had a plant population of 19,600 per acre. They planted large round kernels May 24 at a depth of two inches, in 40-inch rows and aimed at 7-inch spacing of kernels in the row. They used post-emergent chemical weed control and cultivated three times. At harvest their field was free of weeds, according to County Agent Smith.

Last spring they plowed a three-year-old alfalfa-orchard grass sod and used disc and cultipacker to prepare the seedbed. They plowed down twenty tons of manure per acre—same as applied the year previously—and 600 pounds of 10-10-10. At seeding, 400 pounds of 5-10-10 went through the planter.

The fruit and vegetable group (excluding potatoes) was a close runnerup at 409 pounds per person. One hundred and eight pounds of potatoes were consumed in addition.

Meat consumed per person was 178 pounds, third largest food group. This average included poultry and fish as well as the red meats—beef, pork, and lamb.

Per capita consumption of other groups of food was 146 pounds of flour and cereal products, 108 pounds of sugar and syrup, 67 pounds of fats and oils, 41 pounds of eggs (about 28 dozen), and 17 pounds of coffee, tea and cocoa.

Estimates of consumption per person are based on the disappearance of food products. The quantity of each group is divided by total population.

A hard-working 200-pounder, of course, eats more of the foods than infants, invalids, and old people, yet they all count equally in figuring per capita consumption.

Weaning Age Does Not Affect Lamb Growth

At the Dixon Springs Experiment Station of the University of Illinois, animal scientists found that lambs of six weeks of age may be weaned, and do as well as if they were weaned at nine weeks of age.

Animal scientists Hinds, Mansfield and Lewis tried it out with four lots of lambs, each containing 10 single lambs and 10 twin lambs.

All the lambs in each lot had a weaning age in common, it being either six or nine weeks.

All lambs were fed a ration which was figured to supply to excess all the nutrients assumed to be required at 6 weeks.

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9.1	3.86	2.28	3½%	88 lbs.

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