

Long Green Cucumbers ~ 300 Acres

Harvest

Harvesting begins June 1st and lasts for 6 weeks. Each field can be harvested 2-10 times, market dependent

Hand picked into buckets

Buckets dumped into bins on a truck



Postharvest

Bins get dumped into mechanical sizer and sorter

Culls:
Any cucumber that does not meet spec due to size, shape, color, scarring or damage, inedible

Hand packed to meet exact specs of retail customers

Market Dependent

Grades

Super Select:
2 3/8" diameter & 7" long

Select:
1 3/4"- 2 3/8" diameter & 7" long, a bit crooked

24 Count:
>2 3/8" diameter & >7" long

Plain:
Any blemished or overly curved cucumber but still edible

Primary Market

All marketing through sales company and on-site representative

1) Direct to retail distribution center

2) Distributors

3) Brokers

4) 'Street' Vendors in Baltimore, Phila., & NY, Terminal Markets

Secondary Market

Retail Distribution Center

Restaurants and Food Service