

# FLORIDA CROPS

AVOCADO  
September 25, 1972

FLORIDA: The 1971-72 avocado crop set a new record with a total production of 772,000 bushels. It was nearly 3 percent larger than the 1970-71 crop of 752,000 bushels, which was a record to that time. The value of the crop was more than one million dollars greater than the previous crop. The small crop produced in

California helped account for this higher return.

CALIFORNIA: The 1971-72 avocado crop was the smallest of recent years, being less than one-half the size of the 1970-71 crop. Crop value, however, was above the previous year because of the high value per bushel.

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Table 1 -- Florida Avocados: Bearing Acreage, Production, Utilization, Season Average Price and Value of Production at Packinghouse Door for Crop Years 1966-67 through 1971-72

Season	Bearing Acres	Total Production	Certified Shipments	Local Fresh Use	Processing	Price per Bushel	Value of Production
	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Bushels</u>	<u>Bushels</u>	<u>Bushels</u>	<u>Bushels</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
1966-67	5,100	232,000	218,000	14,000	- -	5.60	1,299,200
1967-68	5,200	588,000	567,000	19,500	1,500	4.70	2,763,600
1968-69	5,300	504,000	475,000	19,400	9,600	5.93	2,988,720
1969-70	5,100	560,000	525,000	7,000	28,000	7.20	4,032,000
1970-71	5,100	752,000	680,000	14,000	58,000	7.25	5,452,000
1971-72 <u>1/</u>	5,100	772,000	729,000	8,000	35,000	8.40	6,484,800

1/ Preliminary.

Table 2 -- California Avocados: Bearing Acreage, Production, Season Average Price and Value of Production at Packinghouse Door for Crop Years 1966-67 through 1971-72

Season	Bearing Acres	Total Production <u>1/</u>	Price per Bushel	Value of Production
	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Bushels</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
1966-67	18,620	2,980,000	5.05	15,049,000
1967-68	18,730	1,496,000	11.50	17,204,000
1968-69	19,220	2,444,000	7.50	18,330,000
1969-70	18,040	1,320,000	16.50	21,780,000
1970-71	18,200	2,584,000	7.25	18,734,000
1971-72 <u>2/</u>	18,000	1,100,000	20.90	22,990,000

1/ Pounds converted to bushels at 50 pounds per bushel, rounded to nearest thousands.

2/ Preliminary.

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