



California Fruit & Nut Review

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Plantings of strawberries and blueberries were ongoing for next year. Normal spraying and maintenance continued in fruit orchards, which included fertilizer applications, tree pruning, and pre-emergent spray applications.

NOVEMBER CROP COMMENTS

The wine and raisin grape harvests in the Central Valley were completed as minor picking continued in table grape vineyards. Warm weather and light winds created good ripening and picking conditions for grapes in Napa County. Weeds were being cleared in vineyards and vine stripping began in harvested vineyards to accommodate spraying.

The almond harvest was completed at the start of the month as final hulling and stockpile fumigations continued. The walnut, pecan, and pistachio harvests continued and were near completion in the Central Valley. Pruning and maintenance of harvested nut orchards continued, including some applications of zinc sulfate to almond orchards.

Minor picking of Pink Lady apples continued in the Central Valley. The peach, plum, and nectarine harvests were completed. Pomegranates continued to be picked in the San Joaquin Valley. The kiwi fruit harvest wound down as the season approached its end.

Valencia orange harvest was completed in November. Navel orange harvest began early in the month. Satsuma and Clementine mandarins and Oro Blanco grapefruit were picked in the San Joaquin Valley. Throughout the month, the navel orange harvest continued to pick up in the Central Valley and fruit showed good progress and sugar content. The lemon harvest continued in the desert region. Normal spraying and maintenance continued in citrus orchards which included fall pruning.

FRUIT AND NUT STATISTICS AT A GLANCE 1/

Crop	Bearing Acreage		Yield Per Acre		Estimated Production		Production Percent Change	Next Crop Update
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009		
NUT CROPS	<i>Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			
Almonds (Shelled)	680,000	710,000	2,400	1,900	1,630,000	1,350,000	-17	Jan 22, 2010
Pecans	3,100	3,200	1,210	1,190	3,750	3,800	1	Jan 22, 2010
Pistachio (In-Shell)								
Marketable In-Shell	---	---	---	---	231,000	---		
Shelling Stock	---	---	---	---	47,000	---		
Total	118,000	---	2,360	---	278,000	---		Jan 22, 2010
			<i>Tons</i>		<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Walnuts (In-Shell)	223,000	223,000	1.96	1.86	436.0	415.0	-5	Jan 22, 2010
FRUIT CROPS								
Apples	19,500	19,000	9.23	8.68	180.0	165.0	-8	Jan 22, 2010
Apricots	11,100	10,700	6.94	6.17	77.0	66.0	-14	Jan 22, 2010
Cherries	27,000	27,000	3.19	2.78	86.0	75.0	-13	Jan 22, 2010
Grapes, Raisin	221,000	221,000	11.33	9.05	2,505.0	2,000.0	-20	Jan 22, 2010
Grapes, Table	83,000	83,000	11.71	10.24	972.0	850.0	-13	Jan 22, 2010
Grapes, Wine	482,000	482,000	6.34	7.05	3,055.0	3,400.0	11	Jan 22, 2010
Grapes, All	786,000	786,000	8.31	7.95	6,532.0	6,250.0	-4	Jan 22, 2010
Olives	30,000	29,000	2.23	1.72	66.8	50.0	-25	Jan 22, 2010
Peaches, Clingstone	25,000	24,600	17.04	17.90	426.0	440.0	3	Jan 22, 2010
Peaches, Freestone	31,000	28,000	13.97	12.50	433.0	350.0	-19	Jan 22, 2010
Pears, Bartlett	11,000	10,000	17.70	19.50	195.0	195.0	0	Jan 22, 2010
Pears, Other	4,000	4,000	12.00	13.80	48.0	55.0	15	Jan 22, 2010
Plums, Dried (Prunes)	64,000	64,000	2.02	2.66	129.0	170.0	32	Jan 22, 2010
			<i>Cwt.</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>			
Strawberries	35,800	35,500	630	680	22,675	24,180	7	Jan 11, 2010
CITRUS CROPS 2/	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10	2008-09	2009-10		
			<i>Cartons</i>		<i>1,000 Cartons</i>			
Grapefruit	9,600	9,600	1,167	979	11,200	9,400	-16	Jan 12, 2010
Lemons	47,000	47,000	936	851	44,000	40,000	-9	Jan 12, 2010
Oranges, Navel	141,000	141,000	489	567	69,000	80,000	16	Jan 12, 2010
Oranges, Valencia	45,000	43,000	622	698	28,000	30,000	7	Jan 12, 2010
Tangerines 3/	27,000	30,000	496	467	13,400	14,000	4	Jan 12, 2010

1/ Estimate for current year carried forward from previous forecast.

2/ Grapefruit - 33.5 lbs. per carton, Lemons - 38.0 lbs. per carton, Oranges - 37.5 lbs. per carton, Tangerines - 37.5 lbs. per carton.

3/ Includes tangelos, tangerines, and tangors.

Commodity Rank, Acreage, Production, Value and Leading Producing Counties, 2008									
Commodity	U.S. Rank 1/	CA Share of U.S. Prod.	Area Harvested	Short Tons (2,000 Lbs.)	Total Value 2/	California Rank		Harvest Season	Leading Counties 3/
	Number	Percent	1,000 Acres	1,000 Tons	\$1,000	2007	2008		
						Number			
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS									
TOTAL VALUE -- \$10,858,992									
Almonds (Shelled) 4/	1	99	680.0	815.0	2,262,400	4	4	Aug. 1-Oct. 31	Fresno, Stanislaus, Kern, Merced, Madera, San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus
Apples	5	4	19.5	180.0	95,788	41	44	July 15-Oct. 30	Stanislaus, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, San Joaquin
Apricots	1	94	11.1	77.0	34,404	59	59	May 1-July 15	San Diego, Ventura, Riverside, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo
Avocados	1	85	66.0	165.0	328,350	24	21	Continuous	---
Berries, Blueberries	8	4	2.5	7.0	49,140	61	53	---	Santa Barbara, Yuba, Solano, Shasta,
Berries, Boysenberries	2	2	0.1	2.7	386	75	75	June 1-July 15	Tulare, San Joaquin, Merced, Glenn, Madera, Santa Cruz, San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Orange
Berries, Raspberries	1	46	3.3	28.1	179,520	25	33	June 1-Oct. 31	San Joaquin, Fresno, Stanislaus, Kern, Tulare
Berries, Fresh Market Strawberries	---	89	---	930.3	1,404,678	---	---	---	Angeles, San Bernardino, Monterey, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo
Berries, Proc. Strawberries	---	92	---	203.5	140,008	---	---	---	San Joaquin, Fresno, Stanislaus, Kern, Tulare
Berries, All Strawberries	1	90	37.6	1,133.8	1,544,686	7	8	Feb. 20-Nov. 15	Riverside, Imperial, San Bernardino, Merced, Madera, Merced, Tehama, Riverside, Imperial
Cherries, Sweet	2	35	27.0	86.0	194,534	32	30	May 20-June 25	Sutter
Dates 4/	1	82	5.1	18.2	28,756	57	63	Oct. 1-Dec. 15	Imperial
Figs 4/	1	96	9.4	40.0	21,691	65	66	June 10-Sept. 15	Riverside, Tulare, San Diego, Kern, Imperial
Grapefruit, All	2	17	9.6	187.6	56,504	51	51	Nov. 1-July 31	Fresno, Kern, Tulare, Napa, Sonoma
Grapes, Raisin Type	---	---	221.0	2,505.0	671,005	---	---	May 15-Nov. 15	Tulare, Butte, Yuba, Fresno, Madera
Grapes, Table Type	---	---	83.0	972.0	394,523	---	---	May 25-Dec. 15	Ventura, Riverside, Tulare, Kern, Fresno
Grapes, Wine Type	---	---	482.0	3,055.0	1,859,150	---	---	Aug. 5-Dec. 15	Fresno, Tulare, Kings, Kern, Los Angeles
Grapes, All	1	89	786.0	6,532.0	2,924,678	2	2	---	Tulare, Glenn, Tehama, San Joaquin, Butte
Kiwifruit 4/	1	97	4.2	23.0	19,545	64	67	Oct. 1-May 31	Tulare, Kern, Fresno, San Diego, Ventura
Lemons	1	88	47.0	836.0	313,026	18	24	Aug. 1-July 31	Fresno, Tulare, Stanislaus, Kings, Sutter, Sacramento, Fresno, Lake, Mendocino, Yuba
Nectarines	1	98	31.0	295.0	107,675	43	40	June 10-Sept. 5	---
Olives	1	96	30.0	66.8	47,473	44	55	Sept. 25-Mar. 15	Kern, Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings
Oranges, Navel and Misc.	---	---	141.0	1,293.8	479,813	---	---	Nov. 1-Aug. 31	Fresno, Tulare, Kings, Madera, Placer
Oranges, Valencia	---	---	45.0	525.0	146,351	---	---	Nov. 1-June 15	Sutter, Butte, Glenn, Tehama, Yuba
Oranges, All	2	23	186.0	1,818.8	626,164	15	14	---	Kern, Tulare, Riverside, Madera, San Diego, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare, Butte, Sutter
Peaches, Clingstone	1	100	25.0	426.0	147,857	---	---	July 15-Sept. 15	San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus
Peaches, Freestone	1	31	31.0	433.0	146,692	---	---	May 10-Sept. 15	Stanislaus, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, San Joaquin
Peaches, All	1	76	56.0	859.0	294,549	22	25	---	San Diego, Ventura, Riverside, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo
Pears, All	2	28	15.0	243.0	105,839	45	41	Aug. 5-Oct. 5	---
Pecans	8	2	3.1	18.8	4,913	70	72	Sept. 1-Nov. 30	Santa Barbara, Yuba, Solano, Shasta,
Pistachios 4/	1	98	118.0	139.0	550,440	17	15	Sept. 15-Dec. 10	Tulare, San Joaquin, Merced, Glenn, Madera, Santa Cruz, San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Orange
Plums	1	91	29.5	160.0	56,960	40	50	May 25-Aug. 20	San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus, Fresno, Kings, Tulare, San Joaquin
Plums, Dried 4/	1	99	64.0	129.0	196,080	38	29	Aug. 15-Oct. 10	Angeles, San Bernardino, Monterey, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo
Tangerines, Mandarins, Tangelos, and Tangors	2	63	27.0	251.3	163,031	48	36	Nov. 1-May 15	San Joaquin, Fresno, Stanislaus, Kern, Tulare
Walnuts 4/	1	99	223.0	436.0	527,560	11	16	Sept. 5-Nov. 10	Riverside, Imperial, San Bernardino, Merced, Sutter
Other Fruits and Nuts	---	---	---	---	124,900	---	---	---	---

1/ Based on quantity produced for crops.

2/ Based on value of quantity harvested for crops.

3/ Based on values published in the county agricultural commissioners' annual crop reports.

4/ Share of U.S. production based on 2007 Census of Agriculture.

FLORIDA CITRUS

Temperatures were close to average for the month in all citrus producing counties. Rainfall was less than an inch in most of the monitored stations. Overall, the weather was beneficial to citrus progress. Harvesting of Fallglo tangerines and Ambersweet oranges was nearly complete for the season. Weekly navel orange harvesting began to taper off near the end of the month. Shipment of fresh fruit was slow, due in part to small fruit sizes, but was expected to increase slightly with the start of fundraising programs.

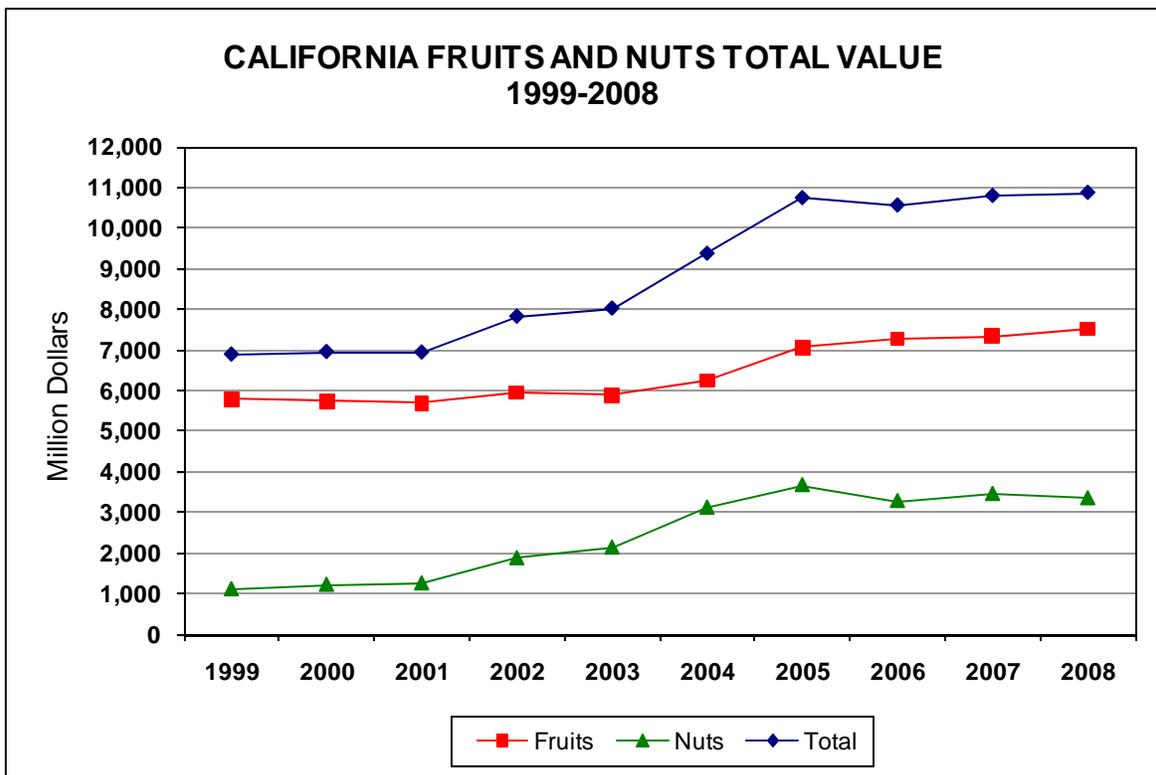
Most of the processing plants were open in November. With continued good weather, the processing pace is expected to increase in the next 2 weeks. Grove activity included limited herbicide applications and mowing. Grove caretakers also continued to survey groves for greening, remove affected trees, and spray trees for citrus psyllid control.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS AND NUTS TOTAL VALUE, 1999-2008 a/

Commodity	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	<i>Million Dollars</i>									
Fruits b/	5,788	5,741	5,695	5,952	5,892	6,252	7,060	7,271	7,334	7,514
Nuts	1,104	1,213	1,247	1,869	2,129	3,113	3,671	3,278	3,451	3,345
Total	6,892	6,954	6,943	7,821	8,021	9,365	10,730	10,550	10,785	10,859

a/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

b/ Total includes "Other Fruits and Nuts" category.



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