



California Fruit & Nut Review

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SEPTEMBER CROP COMMENTS

The hot and dry weather provided excellent harvest conditions for most of the fruit crops. Orchards and vineyards continued to be irrigated. Peach, nectarine, and fresh plum harvests were winding down. Cling peach harvest was complete. Pruning, topping, and general orchard cleanup were the primary activities in stone fruit orchards that had completed harvest. Prune harvest was complete in the San Joaquin Valley with excellent yields reported. Prune harvest was nearly complete in the Sacramento Valley.

Harvest of late variety table grapes, Autumn Royal, Crimson Seedless, Red Flame, Red Globe, and Thompson Seedless continued. Raisin grapes were being dried, with some being dried on the vine. Raisins that had finished drying were collected and processed. Weather conditions were good for drying. White wine grape harvest was in full swing across the State with red wine grape harvest picking up. Persimmons continued to size and color. Pomegranate harvest was underway in the San Joaquin Valley, while harvest in the Sacramento Valley was expected to begin soon. Gala, Fuji, and Granny Smith apple as well as Bartlett, Bosc, and Asian pear harvests continued. Fig harvest was ongoing. Kiwi harvest was expected to begin soon. Olive fruit continued to mature with harvest getting underway in Tulare County. Almond harvest continued. Walnut harvest was underway. Pistachio harvest was in full swing. Pecans were developing well.

Planting continued in new citrus groves. Valencia oranges were picked, packed, and also sorted for color due to re-greening with some oversized fruit being juiced. Tangerines continued to size and color. Lemons were picked and packed.

FRUIT AND NUT STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

Crop	Bearing Acreage		Yield Per Acre		Estimated Production		Production Percent Change	Next Crop Update
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012		
NUT CROPS	<i>Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			
Almonds (Shelled) 1/	760,000	780,000	2,670	2,690	2,030,000	2,100,000	3	January 2013
Pecans	---	---	---	---	3,700	5,000	35	January 2013
Pistachio (In-Shell) 1/	---	---	---	---	341,000	---		
Marketable In-Shell	---	---	---	---	103,000	---		
Shelling Stock	---	---	---	---	444,000	---		January 2013
Total	153,000	---	2,900	---	444,000	---		
			<i>Tons</i>		<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Walnuts (In-Shell) 1/	245,000	245,000	1.88	1.92	461	470	2	January 2013
FRUIT CROPS 1/								
Apples	17,500	---	8.00	---	140	140	(NC)	January 2013
Apricots	10,800	---	5.80	---	62.6	60.0	-4	January 2013
Cherries	29,000	---	2.59	---	75.0	85.0	13	January 2013
Grapes, Raisin	205,000	205,000	10.70	9.27	2,194	1,900	-13	January 2013
Grapes, Table	85,000	---	12.10	---	1,031	1,000	-3	January 2013
Grapes, Wine	506,000	---	6.69	---	3,387	3,700	9	January 2013
Grapes, All	796,000	---	8.31	---	6,612	6,600	(Z)	January 2013
Olives	41,500	44,000	1.72	4.09	71.2	180	153	January 2013
Peaches, Clingstone 2/	22,500	---	17.50	---	393	380	-3	January 2013
Peaches, Freestone	25,000	---	15.20	---	380	390	3	January 2013
Pears, Bartlett	10,000	---	19.50	---	195	170	-13	January 2013
Pears, Other	4,000	---	14.25	---	57.0	50.0	-12	January 2013
Plums, Dried (Prunes)	58,000	55,000	2.36	2.18	137	120	-12	January 2013
BERRIES			<i>Cwt.</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>			
Strawberries 1/ 3/	38,000	---	680	---	25,750	---		January 2013
CITRUS CROPS 4/ 5/								
	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13	2011-12	2012-13		
			<i>Cartons</i>		<i>1,000 Cartons</i>			
Grapefruit	9,400	---	936	---	8,800	8,000	-9	January 2013
Lemons	45,000	---	912	---	41,000	41,000	(NC)	January 2013
Oranges, Navel	137,000	---	664	---	91,000	93,000	2	January 2013
Oranges, Valencia	40,000	---	676	---	27,000	26,000	-4	January 2013
Mandarins & Mandarin Hybrids 6/	38,000	---	574	---	21,800	23,600	8	January 2013

(Z) Less than one half of one percent.

(NC) No change.

1/ Estimates for current year carried forward from an earlier forecast.

2/ Over-the-scale tonnage and includes culls and cannery diversions.

3/ Includes fresh market and processing.

4/ Beginning with 2010-11 Season: All citrus fruit-- 40.0 lbs per carton.

5/ Revised 2011-2012 data.

6/ Includes tangelos, tangerines, and tangors.

CALIFORNIA CITRUS – Oct 1 Forecast

FLORIDA CITRUS

Oranges - The 2012-13 California orange crop is forecast at 119 million cartons. California's Navel orange forecast is 93.0 million cartons up 2 percent from last season. The 2012-13 navel crop continued to develop on a more normal schedule than the previous two years. Harvest is expected to begin in late October or early November. California's Valencia orange forecast is 26.0 million cartons, down 4 percent from last season.

Lemons - The 2012-2013 California lemon forecast is 41.0 million cartons, unchanged from last season. Lemon harvest continued in southern California.

Grapefruit - The 2012-2013 California grapefruit forecast is 8.00 million cartons, down 9 percent from last season's crop.

Mandarin and Mandarin Hybrids - The 2012-13 tangerine and mandarin forecast is 23.6 million cartons, up 8 percent from last season. In California, younger trees are transitioning to bearing age, which accounts for much of the increase in mandarin production in the State.

In the citrus growing areas, weather stations reported high temperatures for the month ranging from the upper 80s to the low 90s. Rainfall was moderate across the citrus producing region for most of the month, ranging from three to four inches in some areas to none at all in others. The citrus growing region remained drought free this month. Harvest of Fallglo tangerines began. Application of fall miticide and herbicide, young tree care, harvest preparations for Navels and grapefruit, and general grove maintenance were the primary grove activities.

CITRUS FRUIT PRODUCTION FORECAST, BY STATE AND U.S.

Crop and State	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	1,000 Cartons		
ORANGES: 1/			
California, All	125,000	118,000	119,000
Navel & Misc.	96,000	91,000	93,000
Valencia	29,000	27,000	26,000
Florida	281,000	293,200	308,000
Texas	3,898	2,838	2,832
U.S. TOTAL	409,898	414,038	429,832
GRAPEFRUIT: 2/			
California, All	8,620	8,800	8,000
Florida	39,500	37,700	40,600
Texas	12,600	9,600	10,560
U.S. TOTAL	60,720	56,100	59,160
LEMONS: 3/			
California	41,000	41,000	41,000
Arizona	5,000	1,500	3,400
U.S. TOTAL	46,000	42,500	44,400
TANGERINES & MANDARINS: 4/			
California 5/	21,200	21,800	23,600
Florida	9,300	8,580	8,800
Arizona 5/	600	400	400
U.S. TOTAL	31,100	30,780	32,800

- 1/ ORANGES: California , 1 carton = 40 lbs; Florida, 1 carton = 45 lbs.; Texas, 1 carton = 42.5 lbs.; Arizona, 1 carton = 37.5 lbs.
- 2/ GRAPEFRUIT: California, 1 carton = 40 lbs; Florida, 1 carton = 42.5 lbs.; Texas, 1 carton = 40 lbs.; Arizona, 1 carton = 33.5 lbs.
- 3/ LEMONS: 1 carton = 40 lbs.
- 4/ TANGERINES: California, 1 carton = 40 lbs; Florida, 1 carton = 47.5 lbs.; Arizona, 1 carton = 37.5 lbs.
- 5/ Includes tangelos, tangerines, and tangors.

CASH INCOME BY COMMODITY GROUPS, 2009-2011

Source of Income	2009	2010	2011	Source of Income	2009	2010	2011
	\$1,000				\$1,000		
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS				VEGETABLE CROPS	7,453,825	7,085,805	7,241,152
Almonds	2,293,500	2,903,380	3,866,880	FIELD CROPS	3,703,839	3,924,488	4,927,714
Apples	94,684	62,792	63,404	LIVESTOCK, POULTRY			
Apricots	36,935	40,860	53,103	AND PRODUCTS	7,862,687	9,819,519	12,357,994
Avocados	211,784	417,320	460,947	NURSERY, GREENHOUSE			
Berries, Other	464,129	324,295	343,050	AND FLORICULTURE	3,445,489	3,367,873	3,687,630
Berries, Strawberries	1,725,232	1,813,557	1,948,118	CHRISTMAS TREES	4,312	4,442	7,000
Cherries	225,865	258,715	197,250				
Dates	27,574	34,703	43,303				
Figs	30,422	22,185	20,336				
Grapefruit	40,734	30,047	40,486				
Grapes	3,260,659	3,208,296	3,857,439	TOTAL CASH INCOME			
Kiwifruit	21,084	24,961	31,360	FROM MARKETINGS	34,587,596	38,003,280	43,544,001
Lemons	292,912	354,863	341,541	FARM RELATED			
Nectarines	133,770	126,000	129,800	INCOME 1/	2,891,302	3,120,149	3,878,783
Olives	32,209	136,796	53,782				
Oranges, All	702,120	704,355	623,228	GROSS CASH INCOME	37,478,898	41,123,429	47,422,784
Peaches, Clingstone	158,452	140,368	119,178	FROM FARMING			
Peaches, Freestone	167,879	148,728	170,019				
Pears	93,329	95,690	97,805				
Pecans	5,919	14,478	9,879				
Pistachios	592,850	1,158,840	879,120				
Plums	57,568	78,422	64,320				
Plums, Dried	195,102	199,878	173,835				
Tangerines	336,431	192,139	183,037				
Walnuts	747,270	1,028,160	1,323,070				
Other Fruits and Nuts	169,026	281,326	228,220				
TOTAL	12,117,444	13,801,153	15,322,511				

1/ Includes value of home consumption, value of inventory adjustments, machine hire and custom work, forest products sold, rental value of farm dwelling, government payments, and other miscellaneous farm income.



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