



# California Fruit & Nut Review

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The citrus crop was not affected by the late December cold snap. Satsuma mandarin, Owari, and Clementine tangerine harvests continued. Navel orange harvest also continued as the cooler weather improved external maturity. Cara Cara orange, hybrid grapefruit, lime, and lemon harvests were ongoing.

## DECEMBER CROP COMMENTS - CALIFORNIA

Asian pear and Fuyu and Hachiya persimmon harvests were completed in December. Pineapple quinces, figs, and apples continued to be harvested. Early Wonderful and Wonderful pomegranate varieties, as well as kiwi harvest, were finished. Table and wine grape harvests were complete. Grapevines were dormant and pruning was ongoing. The olive harvest was complete in the Southern San Joaquin Valley.

The harvest of walnuts was complete and groves were being irrigated, pruned and sprayed. Nut crops were being sprayed with dormant sprays. Bees were being brought in from out-of-state in preparation for almond bloom.

## FLORIDA CITRUS

In the citrus growing areas, weather stations reported high temperatures ranging from the mid 70s to low 80s. Lows reached the low 30's in places, but avoided fruit damaging levels. Rainfall was moderate, but widespread across the citrus producing region for most of the month. Harvesting of early and mid oranges and grapefruit was well underway. Harvesting, mowing, and general grove maintenance were the primary grove activities.

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

**CALIFORNIA CITRUS**

**Oranges** - The 2012-2013 California Navel orange forecast is 93.0 million cartons, unchanged from the October forecast and up 2 percent from last season's crop. The 2012-13 navel orange harvest began late October. Weather was good during the early navel harvest, with any freeze or frost damage avoided. The 2011-2012 Valencia orange forecast is 26.0 million cartons, unchanged from the October forecast and down 4 percent from last season's crop.

**Lemons** - The 2012-2013 California lemon forecast is 41.0 million cartons, unchanged from last season's final production and the October forecast.

**Grapefruit** - The 2012-2013 California grapefruit forecast is 8.0 million cartons, unchanged from the October forecast and down 9 percent from last season's crop. Weather has been favorable this year.

**Tangerines** - The 2012-13 California tangerine forecast (including mandarins and tangelos) is 23.6 million cartons. Production is up 8 percent from last season's crop and unchanged from the October forecast. In November, Satsumas, Fairchilds, and Clementines were being harvested in Southern California. Satsuma and Clementine packing began in the Central Valley in December. Shippers began packing Minneolas in mid-December.

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

Crop and State	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	1,000 Cartons		
<b>ORANGES: 1/</b>			
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	284,000
Texas	3,898	2,838	3,012
U.S. TOTAL	409,898	414,038	406,012
<b>GRAPEFRUIT: 2/</b>			
California, All	8,620	8,800	8,000
Florida	39,500	37,700	36,000
Texas	12,600	9,600	10,560
U.S. TOTAL	60,720	56,100	54,560
<b>LEMONS: 3/</b>			
California	41,000	41,000	41,000
Arizona	5,000	1,500	3,600
U.S. TOTAL	46,000	42,500	44,600
<b>MANDARINS &amp; MANDARIN HYBRIDS: 4/</b>			
California 5/	21,200	21,800	23,600
Florida	9,300	8,580	7,600
Arizona 5/	600	400	400
U.S. TOTAL	31,100	30,780	31,600

- 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.

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