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MAY CROP COMMENTS – CALIFORNIA

Orchards and vineyards continued to be irrigated, mostly utilizing drip-irrigation. Apricot, nectarine, peach and plum fruit continued to develop in size. Prune trees continued to set fruit. Pear bloom was finished early and setting with several reports of blight issues. Harvest of early plums, apricots, peaches and nectarines continued. Cherries were packed and shipped. Pomegranate trees began blooming. Fungicidal sprays were applied. Stone fruit orchards were thinned. Grapes bloomed with scattered reports of mildew in some vineyards. Grapevines

continued to have leaves thinned to promote air circulation and sunlight. By the end of May, grapes were being suckered and grapevines started to bear fruit. Mechanical and chemical weed control continued in fruit tree orchards and vineyards. Olive bloom finished mid-May and groves continued to be pruned and irrigated. Walnut catkins were falling and blight sprays were applied. Fertilizing and weed control of almond and walnut orchard floors continued. Almond and pistachios received foliar nutrient sprays. Second alternaria sprays on almonds were completed mid-May. Fungicide applications were completed on pistachio blocks that received substantial rain during the second week of May. These same rains also prompted some applications to prevent blight and botryosphaeria in the walnut orchards. Nut clusters were visible in pistachio orchards. The processing of stored almonds continued.

CALIFORNIA FRUIT AND NUT STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

Crop	Bearing Acreage		Yield Per Acre		Estimated Production		Production Percent Change	Next Crop Update
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015		
NUT CROPS	<i>Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			
Almonds (Shelled)	870,000	890,000	2,150	2,080	1,870	1,850	-1	July 1, 2015
Pecans	---	---	---	---	5,000	---		July 17, 2015
Pistachio (In-Shell)	---	---	---	---	409,000	---		
Marketable In-Shell	---	---	---	---	105,000	---		
Shelling Stock	---	---	---	---	---	---		
Total	215,000	---	2,390	---	514,000	---		July 17, 2015
			<i>Tons</i>		<i>1,000 Tons</i>			
Walnuts (In-Shell)	290,000	---	1.95	---	565	---		July 17, 2015
Macadamias (Hawaii)	16,000	---	1.25	---	20.0	---		July 17, 2015
FRUIT CROPS								
Apples	15,000	---	7.67	---	115	---		July 17, 2015
Apricots	9,500	---	5.83	---	55.4	---		July 10, 2015
Cherries	33,000	---	1.21	---	40.0	---		June 24, 2015
Grapes, Raisin	190,000	---	---	---	1,819	---		July 17, 2015
Grapes, Table	110,000	---	---	---	1,100	---		July 17, 2015
Grapes, Wine	565,000	---	---	---	3,900	---		July 17, 2015
Grapes, All	865,000	---	---	---	6,819	---		July 17, 2015
Table Olives	40,000	---	2.06	---	82.3	---		July 17, 2015
Peaches, Clingstone	20,000	---	16.60	---	332	306	-8	July 17, 2015
Peaches, Freestone	24,000	---	11.80	---	284	260	-8	July 17, 2015
Pears, Bartlett	8,500	---	18.50	---	157	---		July 17, 2015
Pears, Other	2,600	---	13.50	---	35.0	---		July 17, 2015
Plums, Dried (Prunes)	48,000	48,000	2.17	2.08	104	100	-4	July 17, 2015
BERRIES			<i>Cwt.</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>			
Strawberries 1/	41,500	---	665	---	27,577	---		July 17, 2015
CITRUS CROPS 2/	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15	2013-14	2014-15		
			<i>Cartons</i>		<i>1,000 Cartons</i>			
Grapefruit	10,000	---	770	---	7,700	7,600	-1	July 10, 2015
Lemons	46,000	---	817	---	37,600	40,000	6	July 10, 2015
Oranges, Navel	133,000	---	582	---	77,400	80,000	3	July 10, 2015
Oranges, Valencia	36,000	34,000	594	588	21,400	20,000	-7	July 10, 2015
Mandarins & Mandarin Hybrids 3/	45,000	---	653	---	29,400	32,000	9	July 10, 2015

(NC) No Change

- 1/ Includes fresh market and processing.
- 2/ All citrus fruit-- 40.0 lbs per carton.
- 3/ Includes tangelos, tangerines, and tangors.

2014 CALIFORNIA DRIED PLUM (PRUNE) FORECAST

The 2015 California dried plum (prune) crop is forecast at 100 thousand tons, down 4 percent from the 104 thousand tons produced in 2014. Total 2015 bearing acreage is estimated at 48,000, equal to the previous year. The French prune variety accounts for virtually all dried plum acreage grown in California. The production forecast is based on a survey of dried plum growers conducted by the USDA, NASS, Pacific Regional Office from May 8-27, 2015.

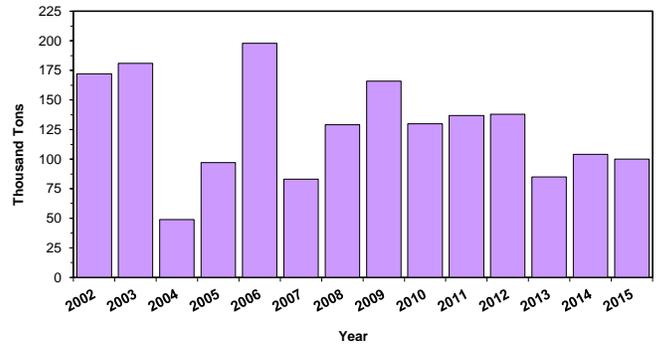
The 2015 dried plum set appears to be very good. A warm and early spring may cause an increase in amount of smaller fruit. Harvest is expected to begin around the middle of August.

REVISED 2014 ACREAGE ESTIMATES

The adjacent table contains revised acreage estimates for the 2014 almonds, grapes, dried plums, and walnuts. These estimates are based on the industry-funded acreage surveys conducted for these crops. The survey results were recently published by the USDA, NASS, Pacific Regional Office.

More detailed acreage reports for these crops are available on our website at www.nass.usda.gov/ca.

**California Dried Plum Production - 2002-2015
(Dried Basis)**



ACREAGE ESTIMATES, 2014 CROP

Crop	Bearing	Non-Bearing	Total
			Acres
Almonds	870,000	150,000	1,020,000
Grapes, All	865,000	63,000	928,000
Raisin	190,000	2,000	192,000
Table	110,000	11,000	121,000
Wine	565,000	50,000	615,000
Plums, Dried (Prunes)	48,000	1/	---
Walnut	290,000	1/	---

1/ Non-bearing survey not conducted.