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2016 Hazelnut Crop Forecast Up 23 Percent

Hazelnut production in Oregon is forecast to be 38,000 tons, according to the objective yield survey conducted by the Oregon Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. If realized, this would be a 23 percent increase from last year’s hazelnut crop of 31,000 tons, and 2,000 tons more than 2014.

The percentage of good nuts analyzed in the laboratory came in at 86.7 percent. The average dry weight per good nut was 3.01 grams, down from 3.17 grams in 2015. Observed average nut size was 5.36. The number of nuts picked per tree was 224 this year, compared to 186 nuts picked last year. Large nuts (NASS laboratory sizes 4, 5, and 6) accounted for 42 percent of total good nuts. Jumbo nuts (NASS laboratory sizes 7 and 8) accounted for 36 percent of the total.

Hazelnut Production — Oregon: 2009-2015, and Forecasted 2016

[In-shell basis]

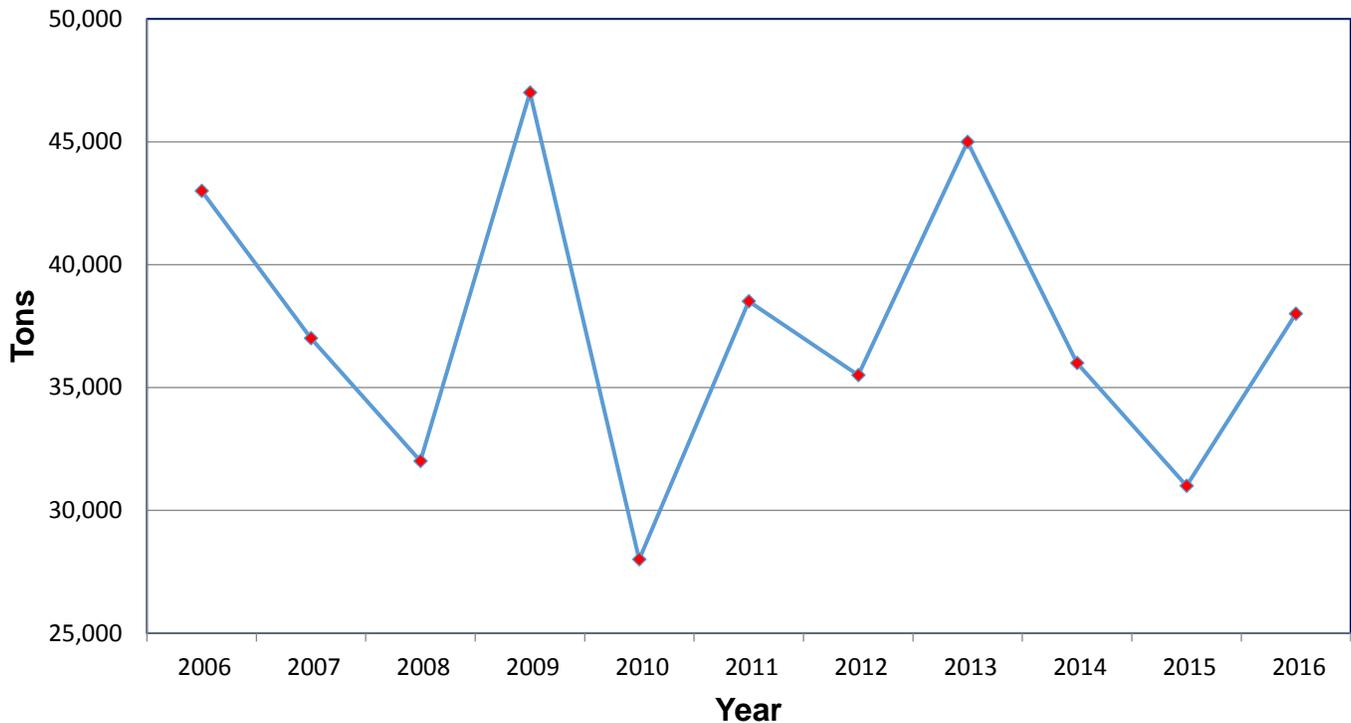
State	Utilized production							
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Forecast 2016 ¹
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)
Oregon	47,000	28,000	38,500	35,500	45,000	36,000	31,000	38,000

¹ Subject to revision January 2017.

Hazelnut Percentage of Good Nuts by Size Category — Oregon: 2013-2016

Size	NASS laboratory		Percentage of good nuts				Industry equivalent	
	Minimum measure	Maximum measure	2013	2014	2015	2016	Size	Measure
	(mm)	(mm)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		(mm)
1		14.6	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.9	Small	less than 17.9
2	14.6	18.3	8.0	7.8	8.2	9.8	Small	less than 17.9
3	18.3	19.9	11.3	11.2	12.3	11.3	Medium	17.9 to 19.4
4	19.9	20.9	12.4	11.7	12.9	11.8	Large	19.4 to 22.2
5	20.9	22.0	16.3	18.6	17.5	17.7	Large	19.4 to 22.2
6	22.0	22.6	10.3	12.8	12.1	12.8	Large	19.4 to 22.2
7	22.6	23.6	15.9	17.8	16.0	16.7	Jumbo	22.2+
8	23.6		25.1	19.6	20.3	19.1	Jumbo	22.2+

Hazelnut Utilized Production - Oregon: 2006-2015, and Forecasted 2016



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