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2018 Hazelnut Production Forecast At Record High

Hazelnut production in Oregon is forecast to be 52,000 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 63 percent increase from last year’s hazelnut crop of 32,000 tons, and a record high production. This would surpass the previous high production of 49,500 tons in 2001.

The percentage of good nuts analyzed in the laboratory came in at 89.7 percent, a record high. The average dry weight per good nut was 2.80 grams, down from 3.03 grams in 2017. Observed average nut size was 4.60, a record low. The number of nuts picked per tree was 291 this year, compared to 201 nuts picked last year. Large nuts (NASS laboratory sizes 4, 5, and 6) accounted for 49 percent of total good nuts. Jumbo nuts (NASS laboratory sizes 7 and 8) accounted for 19 percent of the total. Brown stain was found in 0.04 percent of the samples this year.

Hazelnut Production — Oregon: 2011-2017, and Forecasted 2018

[In-shell basis]

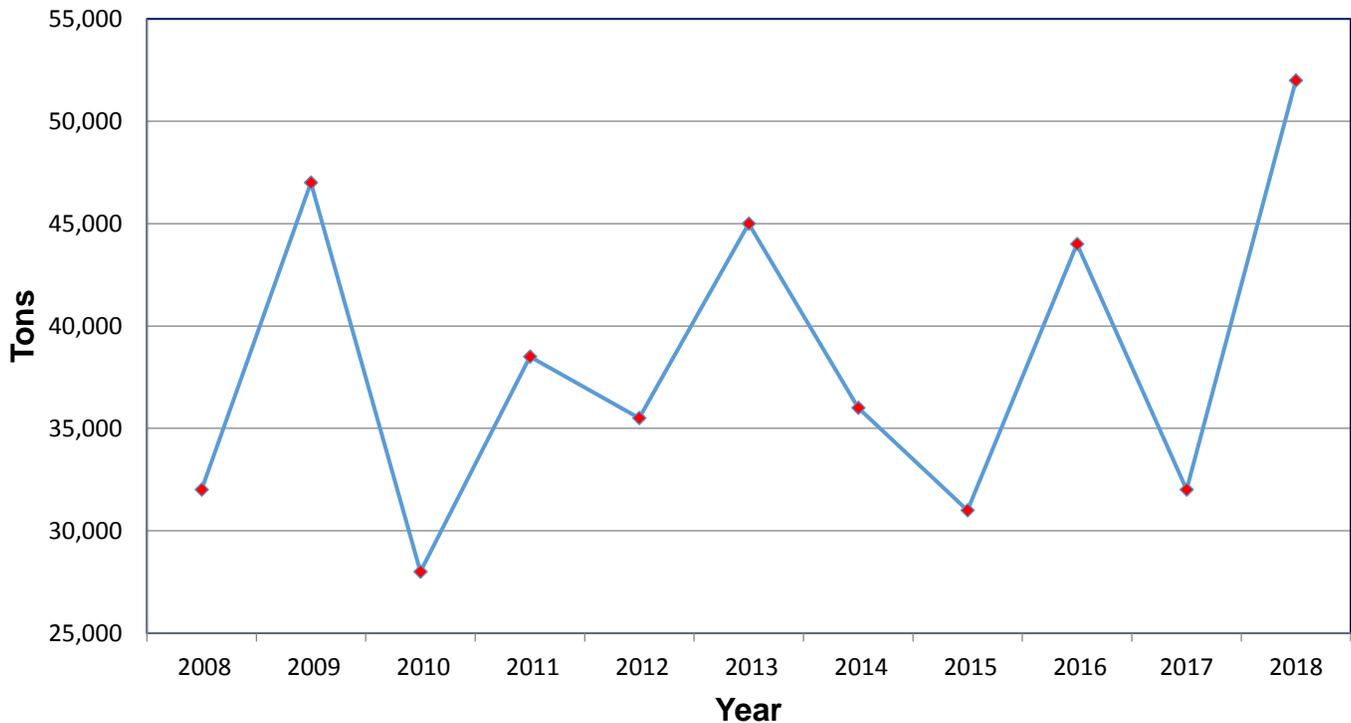
State	Utilized production							
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Forecast 2018 ¹
	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)	(tons)
Oregon	38,500	35,500	45,000	36,000	31,000	44,000	32,000	52,000

¹ Subject to revision June 2019.

Hazelnut Percentage of Good Nuts by Size Category — Oregon: 2015-2018

Size	NASS laboratory		Percentage of good nuts				Industry equivalent	
	Minimum measure	Maximum measure	2015	2016	2017	2018	Size	Measure
	(mm)	(mm)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		(mm)
1		14.6	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.8	Small	less than 17.9
2	14.6	18.3	8.2	9.8	9.8	12.8	Small	less than 17.9
3	18.3	19.9	12.3	11.3	12.5	18.2	Medium	17.9 to 19.4
4	19.9	20.9	12.9	11.8	14.6	17.7	Large	19.4 to 22.2
5	20.9	22.0	17.5	17.7	21.2	20.6	Large	19.4 to 22.2
6	22.0	22.6	12.1	12.8	12.8	11.0	Large	19.4 to 22.2
7	22.6	23.6	16.0	16.7	15.8	11.6	Jumbo	22.2+
8	23.6		20.3	19.1	12.6	7.3	Jumbo	22.2+

Hazelnut Utilized Production - Oregon: 2008-2017, and Forecasted 2018



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