

# Walnut Production



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## 1990 WALNUT CROP DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

The 1990 walnut production in California is forecast at 225 thousand tons (in-shell). This level is 2 percent below last year, but 8 percent above the 1988 crop.

This year's walnut crop is being affected by sunburn and drought especially in the southern San Joaquin Valley. Nut set is above a year earlier, but similar to 1988. Sizes are variable because of a mild spring and hot summer. The 1990 bearing acreage forecast is 178 thousand acres, up 1 percent from the previous season. Harvest is expected to begin by mid-September.

### WALNUTS

STATE	PRODUCTION		
	UTILIZED		IND
	1988	1989	1990
CA	209,000	229,000	225,000

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