Almond Production



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1991 Almond Crop Down 30 Percent From Last Year

The July 1 forecast for the 1991 California almond production is 460 million pounds (shelled basis), up 2 percent from the June forecast but 30 percent below the 1990 season. The forecast is based on an estimated bearing acreage of 409,000 acres.

The California almond crop appears to be in good condition. Cool weather delayed nut maturity by approximately 7 to 10 days, but the cool temperatures eased a possible water shortage and minimized insect problems. Nut drop is complete and tree stress due to water shortage appears to be minimal. Nut sizes are larger than last year's, but nut sets are lower.

Almonds							
State	:	: Production					
	:	Total		:	Ind		
	:	1989	:	1990	:	1991	
: 1,000 Pounds (Shelled Basis)							
CA	•	490,000		660,000		460,000	

The next Almond Production report will be released in June 1992.

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