

Pistachio Production



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Pistachio Production Up 43 Percent

The 1992 California pistachio production is forecast at 110 million pounds (in-shell basis), up 43 percent from last year. The increase in production is primarily due to the alternate bearing cycle of pistachios.

Although the number of clusters is a record high this year, the amount of blanks are higher than last year and the number of nuts per cluster is much lower than in the past. Crop maturity is ahead of normal and harvest is expected to begin earlier than 1991.

Pistachio Nuts (In-shell basis): Utilized Production California, 1990-91 and Forecasted 1992 ^{1/}

State	Utilized Production		
	1990	1991	1992
	1,000 Pounds		
CA			
Marketable In-Shell	94,600	59,000	
Shelling Stock	25,400	18,000	
Total	120,000	77,000	110,000

^{1/} Production by type of sale for 1992 will be published in the "Non-Citrus Fruits and Nuts Preliminary" to be released in January 1993.

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