

Tree Nuts: World Markets and Trade

This special report is the result of updated production and trade data.

Almond Overview

Global almond production for 2014/15 is estimated to ease 5 percent from the previous year to 1.0 million metric tons primarily on reduced output in the United States. Global exports are expected to decline 13 percent to 592,000 tons mostly due to lower shipments from the United States.

Selected Producers

- The **United States** drops 7 percent to 848,000 tons primarily due to lower yields.
- **Australia** is unchanged at 70,000 tons as area expansion slows and yields decline slightly.

Selected Exporters

- The **United States** decreases 13 percent to 525,000 tons on weaker demand in Europe and China.
- **Australia** declines nearly 10 percent to 45,000 tons on lower-than-expected exportable supplies.

Selected Importers

- **Europe** falls 17 percent to 220,000 tons on weaker-than-anticipated demand.
- **China** dips 18 percent to 50,000 tons as consumption continues to slow.
- **Russia** plunges 70 percent to 5,000 tons as a result of its import ban from certain countries.

Walnut Overview

Global walnut production for 2014/15 is estimated to rise 10 percent from the previous year to 1.8 million tons, with China and the United States accounting for 80 percent of total output. World exports, dominated by the United States and Ukraine, are expected to decrease 4 percent to 495,000 tons.

Selected Producers

- **China** climbs 15 percent to 900,000 tons on increased bearing area and yield.
- The **United States** rises 15 percent to a record 513,000 tons on higher bearing area and yield.

Selected Exporters

- The **United States** is up slightly to 320,000 tons on stable demand in Europe and increased market share in China.
- **Ukraine** drops nearly 15 percent to 65,000 tons. Exports, once dominated by shipments to Russia, struggle to gain market share in Europe and China.

Selected Importers

- **Europe** is nearly unchanged at 170,000 tons on steady demand in Germany, Italy, and Spain from the snack foods and cooking ingredients on the retail side and pastries on the industrial side.
- **China** falls 17 percent to 75,000 tons as import demand continues to slow.

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Global Agricultural Trade System (U.S. Exports and Imports):

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Almond Summary
Metric Tons, Shelled Basis

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	Oct 2014/15	Mar 2014/15
Production						
United States	743,891	920,793	857,290	911,720	952,540	848,218
European Union	93,000	83,100	83,000	63,000	75,000	75,000
Australia	37,600	49,600	73,400	70,000	75,000	70,000
Turkey	14,000	16,000	17,000	18,000	13,000	13,000
China	2,500	4,000	5,000	6,000	7,000	7,000
Other	10,200	10,200	9,500	5,000	8,200	7,200
Total	901,191	1,083,693	1,045,190	1,073,720	1,130,740	1,020,418
Domestic Consumption						
United States	239,156	275,219	302,297	306,323	320,000	320,000
European Union	305,800	300,100	304,300	325,000	326,000	290,000
China	48,200	96,700	93,100	66,700	77,000	57,000
India	55,300	57,900	60,600	56,400	66,200	51,200
United Arab Emirates	42,600	55,300	43,600	54,900	60,000	50,000
Canada	27,600	28,400	31,200	33,700	36,000	36,000
Japan	25,500	27,400	28,800	36,200	38,000	30,000
Australia	15,700	23,000	25,000	25,000	22,000	27,000
Korea, South	14,200	20,300	21,300	25,800	30,000	26,000
Turkey	27,600	36,600	29,300	33,200	30,000	24,000
Other	74,000	70,500	80,100	71,700	68,500	54,900
Total	875,656	991,419	1,019,597	1,034,923	1,073,700	966,100
Ending Stocks						
United States	115,194	152,044	143,880	159,013	176,570	180,231
European Union	30,000	30,000	25,000	18,000	15,000	12,000
Australia	1,000	1,000	8,700	7,600	1,700	9,100
Chile	400	800	500	500	500	500
Turkey	300	300	500	500	500	500
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	146,894	184,144	178,580	185,613	194,270	202,331
Exports						
United States	538,937	615,948	581,049	606,266	625,000	525,000
Australia	23,300	29,000	44,300	49,600	60,000	45,000
European Union	11,900	12,200	10,100	10,800	12,000	11,000
Turkey	5,400	7,400	7,800	8,300	10,000	6,000
Chile	9,100	8,300	7,300	4,000	6,500	5,000
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	588,637	672,848	650,549	678,966	713,500	592,000
Imports						
European Union	224,700	229,200	226,400	265,800	260,000	220,000
China	45,700	92,700	88,100	60,700	70,000	50,000
India	54,100	56,800	59,400	55,300	65,000	50,000
United Arab Emirates	42,600	55,300	43,600	54,900	60,000	50,000
Canada	27,600	28,400	31,200	33,700	36,000	36,000
Japan	25,500	27,400	28,800	36,200	38,000	30,000
Korea, South	14,200	20,300	21,300	25,800	30,000	26,000
United States	3,677	7,224	17,892	16,002	10,000	18,000
Turkey	17,000	28,000	20,300	23,500	27,000	17,000
Hong Kong	20,300	11,700	12,900	15,200	18,000	13,000
Mexico	7,900	7,500	10,000	9,300	10,000	10,000
Taiwan	10,800	10,800	14,000	8,300	12,000	7,000
Russia	15,900	19,000	21,200	17,800	5,000	5,000
Switzerland	4,300	5,000	4,800	5,800	6,000	5,000
Algeria	6,600	7,500	6,700	4,300	7,000	4,600
Other	9,300	11,000	12,800	14,600	14,000	12,800
Total	530,177	617,824	619,392	647,202	668,000	554,400

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	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	Oct 2014/15	Mar 2014/15
Production						
China	580,000	700,000	720,000	780,000	900,000	900,000
United States	457,221	418,212	450,871	446,335	494,416	512,560
European Union	80,000	112,700	110,000	98,800	105,000	105,000
Ukraine	80,000	115,000	85,000	95,000	100,000	85,000
Chile	42,000	40,000	53,000	62,000	65,000	65,000
Turkey	85,000	80,000	85,000	75,000	40,000	40,000
India	30,000	40,000	36,000	43,000	38,000	39,000
Other	2,400	2,500	2,700	3,000	4,000	4,000
Total	1,356,621	1,508,412	1,542,571	1,603,135	1,746,416	1,750,560
Domestic Consumption						
China	608,400	733,900	812,200	853,800	983,000	958,000
European Union	230,300	242,300	230,200	245,500	260,000	255,000
United States	145,298	138,929	154,010	155,376	157,404	170,000
Turkey	127,300	118,900	117,500	114,400	101,000	86,000
India	21,600	19,750	24,914	28,036	28,000	36,950
Korea, South	22,100	27,800	28,200	29,100	30,000	33,000
Japan	30,000	29,500	27,700	29,000	28,000	30,000
Ukraine	13,500	14,100	23,000	18,300	15,000	25,000
Canada	19,800	19,300	20,800	22,500	24,000	22,000
Hong Kong	15,500	6,000	23,600	15,500	20,000	15,000
Other	93,300	97,500	73,400	66,300	72,900	64,900
Total	1,327,098	1,447,979	1,535,524	1,577,812	1,719,304	1,695,850
Ending Stocks						
United States	37,085	44,468	41,629	34,988	37,000	72,548
European Union	35,000	35,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
India	350	5,900	5,286	6,450	3,800	6,500
Turkey	3,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	4,000	4,000
Ukraine	0	0	4,000	5,700	0	700
Other	1,400	1,100	1,200	700	500	500
Total	76,835	91,468	97,115	92,838	85,300	124,248
Exports						
United States	313,700	278,100	310,300	312,900	340,000	320,000
Ukraine	66,500	100,900	58,000	75,000	85,000	65,000
Chile	38,900	38,800	50,500	60,000	62,500	62,500
European Union	11,300	16,900	15,000	24,700	25,000	20,000
China	16,000	17,300	16,100	17,000	17,000	17,000
India	9,900	14,700	11,900	14,400	13,000	7,000
Turkey	8,000	11,600	9,600	12,000	5,000	5,000
Other	1,000	600	700	500	500	500
Total	465,300	478,900	472,100	516,500	548,000	497,000
Imports						
European Union	156,600	146,500	140,200	171,400	180,000	170,000
China	44,400	51,200	108,300	90,800	100,000	75,000
Turkey	48,300	52,500	42,100	51,400	65,000	50,000
Korea, South	22,100	27,800	28,200	29,100	30,000	33,000
Japan	30,000	29,500	27,700	29,000	28,000	30,000
Canada	19,800	19,300	20,800	22,500	24,000	22,000
Hong Kong	15,500	6,000	23,600	15,500	20,000	15,000
United States	600	6,200	10,600	15,300	5,000	15,000
Australia	10,200	14,700	10,600	12,300	14,000	12,000
Brazil	7,900	9,600	8,000	8,300	10,000	8,500
Taiwan	6,500	6,000	7,300	6,500	8,000	8,000
Israel	8,500	7,800	9,600	9,600	10,000	7,000
Mexico	10,600	10,500	7,400	6,300	6,000	6,000
India	0	0	200	600	1,000	5,000
Moldova	3,200	3,300	3,400	4,700	5,000	5,000
Other	41,500	42,200	22,700	13,600	13,700	12,200
Total	425,700	433,100	470,700	486,900	519,700	473,700

Marketing year begins in September of the first year of the split year for the United States and other Northern Hemisphere countries. Southern hemisphere countries are on a calendar year basis indicated as the second year of the split year.