

# CALIFORNIA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

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**Almonds** - California's almond production is forecast at a record 850 million meat pounds, up 21% from last year's crop. The average nut set per tree is up 26% from 2000. Bearing acreage is estimated at 525,000, an increase of 5% from 2000.

**Apricots** - California's apricot production is forecast at 75,000 tons. This is down 21% from the June 2001 forecast and down 18% from last year's crop. Harvest is active at this time. High temperatures during May and June have been extremely detrimental to fruit size and overall production.

**Grapefruit** - The 2000-01 California grapefruit forecast is estimated at 13.0 million cartons, down 7% from the 1999-00 production.

**Grapes** - California all grape production is forecast at 6.30 million tons, down 10% from last year. Specifically, the wine grape production is estimated at a record 3.40 million tons, up 1% from last season's crop. The expected table grape production is 800,000 tons, up 3% from 2000, while the raisin grape production is forecast at 2.10 million tons, down 27% from last year.

**Lemons** - The 2000-01 California lemon forecast is 44.0 million cartons, up 12% from the 1999-00 production of 39.2 million cartons.

**Oranges** - The 2000-01 California Navel orange forecast is 68.0 million cartons, down 15% from the 1999-00 production. The Valencia orange forecast is 46.0 million cartons, down 4% from last season.

**Peaches** - The 2001 California Freestone peach crop is forecast at 390,000 tons, down 1% from 2000. The California Clingstone peach crop is forecast at 525,000 tons, down 1% from last year.

**Other Crops** - The barley production has increased 28% to 176,880 tons. Oat production is forecast at 28,000 tons, down 7% from 2000. Winter wheat production is expected to be 798,000 tons, up 9% from 2000. Durum wheat production is 247,860 tons, 15% below 2000.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. The next production report will be issued August 10, 2001.