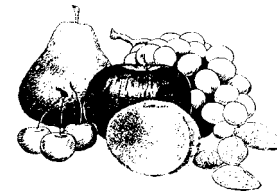


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FLORIDA CITRUS

November was one of the driest months on record for Florida's citrus belt. Growers and caretakers irrigated around the clock in most areas to maintain good tree condition and to increase fruit sizes. However, to compound the problem lakes, ponds and water reservoir levels are very low and completely dry in some locations. Florida is entering the second month of what is usually a somewhat dry winter season. Most early and mid-season fruits have very good on-tree color. Fresh fruit packing houses are very busy shipping Navels, Hamlins, white and colored grapefruit, tangerines, tangelos and K-Early citrus fruit. Most processing plants are open and receiving field-run fruit and packinghouse eliminations. Caretakers are cutting cover crops prior to harvesting and for fire protection. Limited cleanup sprays are still being applied to late season crops grown for fresh use.

NOVEMBER CROP COMMENTS

With the harvest completed for many crops, growers were busy in November with pruning, tree removal, and planting of cover crops. Other activities included fumigating the ground in preparation for new plantings of peach, prune, walnut, and almond trees. Kiwifruit and persimmon harvests were still active in November, but picking of grapes for fresh and wine uses was winding down. Olive and pecan harvests were also near completion by month's end. Picking of old crop Valencia oranges was completed, while the harvest of new crop Navel oranges gathered momentum. Color and maturity have been good. Picking of lemons and grapefruit was active in Southern California. Tangerine harvest was also active in November.

FRUIT AND NUT STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

Crop	Bearing Acreage		Yield Per Acre		Estimated Production		Production Percent Change	Next Crop Update
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000		
NUT CROPS	Acres		Pounds		1,000 Pounds			
Almonds (Shelled)	480,000	500,000	1,730	1,280	830,000	640,000	-23	January 23, 2001
Pecans	2,600	2,600	731	885	1,900	2,300	21	January 23, 2001
Pistachio (In-Shell)	---	---	---	---	105,000	---		
Marketable In-Shell	---	---	---	---	18,000	---		
Shelling Stock	---	---	---	---	---	---		
Total	71,000	74,600	1,730	2,783	123,000	207,600	69	January 23, 2001
Walnuts (In-Shell)	191,000	193,000	1.48	1.27	283.0	245.0	-13	January 23, 2001
FRUIT CROPS	Acres		Tons		1,000 Tons			
Apples	35,000	31,000	11.80	11.80	412.5	365.0	-12	January 23, 2001
Apricots	19,000	19,000	4.47	5.00	85.0	95.0	12	January 23, 2001
Cherries	18,500	19,000	4.30	2.37	79.5	45.0	-38	January 23, 2001
Grapes, Raisin 1/	279,000	281,000	7.59	10.14	2,117.0	2,850.0	35	January 23, 2001
Grapes, Table	87,000	91,000	8.70	8.79	757.0	800.0	6	January 23, 2001
Grapes, Wine	424,000	465,000	6.28	6.88	2,662.0	3,200.0	20	January 23, 2001
Grapes, All 1/	790,000	837,000	7.01	8.18	5,536.0	6,850.0	24	January 23, 2001
Olives	35,300	36,000	4.11	2.22	145.0	75.0	-48	January 23, 2001
Peaches, Clingstone	29,800	29,400	17.80	19.10	529.5	560.0	6	January 23, 2001
Peaches, Freestone	38,000	39,000	10.04	10.77	381.5	420.0	10	January 23, 2001
Pears, Bartlett	15,000	15,000	20.70	18.70	311.0	280.0	-10	January 23, 2001
Pears, Other	4,300	4,300	6.98	6.98	30.0	30.0		January 23, 2001
Prunes (Dried Weight)	83,000	86,000	2.14	2.33	178.0	200.0	12	January 23, 2001
BERRIES	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000		
	Acres		Cwt.		1,000 Cwt.			
Strawberries	24,600	27,600	615	590	15,155	16,284	7	January 23, 2001
CITRUS CROP 2/	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000		
	Acres		Cartons		1,000 Cartons			
Grapefruit	16,600	15,400	843	935	14,000	14,400	3	January 10, 2001
Lemons	48,500	48,500	808	866	39,200	42,000	7	January 10, 2001
Oranges, Navel	126,000	127,000	634	535	80,000	68,000	-15	January 10, 2001
Oranges, Valencia	73,500	73,500	735	680	54,000	50,000	-7	January 10, 2001
Tangerines 3/	8,600	8,600	535	465	4,600	4,000	-13	January 10, 2001

1/ The Raisin Industry Diversion Program (RID) was not used in 1999 or 2000.

2/ Grapefruit - 33.5 lbs. per carton; Lemons - 38.0 lbs. per carton; Oranges - 37.5 lbs. per carton; Tangerines - 37.5 lbs. per carton.

3/ Includes tangelos, tangerines and tangors.

**2001 RELEASE DATES
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
AND CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
12:00 NOON RELEASE (* 5:30 AM PST RELEASE)**

JANUARY	10	Cotton Ginnings *	FEBRUARY	2	Dairy Products
	10	Crop Production *		8	Cotton Ginnings *
	11	Crop Production - Annual *		8	Crop Production *
	11	Grain Stocks *		14	Potato Stocks
	11	Rice Stocks *		15	Crop Values
	11	Winter Wheat Seedings *		16	Cattle On Feed
	12	Turkey Hatchery		16	Farm Labor
	12	Vegetables		21	Cold Storage - Annual
	16	Potato Stocks		21	Cold Storage
	16	Turkeys Raised		23	Chickens & Eggs
	18	Milk Production		28	Honey
	19	Cold Storage			
	19	Cattle On Feed			
	23	Non-citrus Fruits & Nuts Preliminary			
	25	Cotton Ginnings *			
	26	Cattle			
	26	Sheep & Goats			
	29	Chicken & Egg Production - Annual			
	29	Vegetables - Annual			
	30	Chickens & Eggs			
MARCH	2	Livestock Slaughter - Annual	APRIL	6	Vegetables
	8	Crop Production *		10	Crop Production *
	14	Potato Stocks		12	Potato Stocks
	16	Cattle On Feed		19	Hatchery Production - Annual
	20	Cold Storage		20	Cattle On Feed
	23	Chickens & Eggs		20	Cold Storage
	23	Cotton Ginnings *		23	Chickens & Eggs
	30	Hogs & Pigs		25	Dairy Products - Annual
	30	Grain Stocks *		25	Floriculture Crops
	30	Rice Stocks *		25	Milk Prod./Disp./Income
	30	Prospective Plantings *		27	Meat Animals Prod./Disp./Income
MAY	10	Cotton Ginnings - Annual *	JUNE	12	Crop Production *
	10	Crop Production *		20	Cold Storage
	16	Ag. Chemical Usage - Field Crops		22	Cattle On Feed
	18	Cattle On Feed		22	Chickens & Eggs
	18	Cold Storage		29	Hogs & Pigs
	18	Farm Labor		29	Grain Stocks *
	22	Chickens & Eggs		29	Acreage *
JULY	6	Non-citrus Fruits & Nuts - Annual	AUGUST	10	Cotton Ginnings *
	10	Vegetables		10	Crop Production *
	11	Crop Production *		17	Cattle On Feed
	18	Ag. Chemical Usage - Vegetables		17	Cold Storage
	19	Farm Production Expenditures		17	Farm Labor
	20	Cattle		21	Chickens & Eggs
	20	Cattle On Feed		28	Rice Stocks *
	20	Sheep			
	20	Cold Storage			
	23	Chickens & Eggs			
	24	Ag. Prices - Annual			
SEPTEMBER	7	Vegetables	OCTOBER	5	Vegetables
	12	Crop Production *		12	Cotton Ginnings *
	12	Cotton Ginnings *		12	Crop Production *
	20	Citrus Fruits		19	Cattle On Feed
	21	Cattle On Feed		19	Cold Storage
	21	Cold Storage		22	Chickens & Eggs
	21	Chickens & Eggs		25	Cotton Ginnings *
	25	Cotton Ginnings *		30	Rice Stocks *
	28	Hogs & Pigs			
	28	Small Grain Summary *			
	28	Grain Stocks *			
NOVEMBER	9	Cotton Ginnings *	DECEMBER	11	Cotton Ginnings *
	9	Crop Production *		11	Crop Production *
	16	Cattle On Feed		20	Cold Storage
	16	Farm Labor		21	Cattle On Feed
	20	Cold Storage		21	Chickens & Eggs
	20	Chickens & Eggs		21	Cotton Ginnings *
	26	Cotton Ginnings *		28	Hogs & Pigs

Commodity Rank, Acreage, Production, Value and Leading Producing Counties, 1999

Commodity	U.S. Rank ^{1/}	CA Share of U.S. Prod.	Area Harvested	Short Tons (2,000 Lbs.)	Total Value ^{2/}	California Rank		Harvest Season	Leading Counties ^{3/}
	No.	Percent	1,000 Acres	1,000 Tons	\$1,000	1998	1999		
FRUITS AND NUTS									
TOTAL VALUE -- \$ 6,936,630,000									
Almonds (Shelled) ^{4/}	1	100	480.0	415.0	693,216	10	10	Aug. 1-Oct. 31	Stanislaus, Kern, Merced, Fresno, Madera
Apples	4	8	35.0	412.5	120,696	32	35	July 15-Oct. 30	San Joaquin, Kern, Fresno, Santa Cruz, Tulare
Apricots	1	94	19.0	85.0	30,703	56	57	May 1-July 15	Stanislaus, Fresno, Tulare, Merced, San Joaquin
Avocados	1	85	59.4	136.0	327,002	18	16	Continuous	San Diego, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Riverside
Berries, Boysenberries	2	29	0.3	1.4	2,308	73	72	June 1-July 15	---
Berries, Raspberries	3	24	1.8	10.4	30,604	59	58	June 1-Oct. 31	Santa Cruz, Monterey
Berries, F.M. Strawberries	1	81	---	509.2	726,191	---	---	---	---
Berries, Proc. Strawberries	1	91	---	248.5	163,016	---	---	---	---
Berries, All Strawberries	1	84	24.6	757.7	889,207	9	7	Feb. 20-Nov. 15	Ventura, Monterey, Santa Cruz, Orange, Santa Barbara
Cherries, Sweet	1	35	18.5	79.5	68,866	63	48	May 20-June 25	San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Santa Clara, Tulare
Dates ^{4/}	1	99	4.9	22.2	27,528	57	60	Oct. 1-Dec. 15	Riverside, Imperial
Figs ^{4/}	1	99	15.0	44.9	12,477	68	68	June 10-Sept. 15	Madera, Merced, Fresno
Grapefruit, All	2	12	16.6	244.6	81,329	47	43	Continuous	Riverside, Tulare, San Diego, Imperial
Grapes, Raisin Type	---	---	279.0	2,117.0	763,969	---	---	May 15-Nov. 15	---
Grapes, Table Type	---	---	87.0	757.0	417,431	---	---	May 25-Dec. 15	---
Grapes, Wine Type	---	---	424.0	2,662.0	1,556,405	---	---	Aug. 5-Dec. 15	---
Grapes, All	1	91	790.0	5,536.0	2,737,805	2	2	---	Fresno, Kern, Tulare, San Joaquin, Sonoma
Kiwifruit ^{4/}	1	99	5.3	27.0	15,215	62	65	Oct. 1-May 31	Tulare, Butte, Yuba, Kern, Fresno
Lemons	1	82	48.5	615.6	214,332	22	22	Continuous	Ventura, Riverside, San Diego, Tulare, Santa Barbara
Nectarines ^{4/}	1	92	35.5	274.0	112,497	36	37	June 10-Sept. 5	Fresno, Tulare, Kern, Kings
Olives ^{4/}	1	100	35.3	145.0	65,564	55	49	Sept. 25-Mar. 15	Tulare, Tehama, Glenn, Fresno, Kern
Oranges, Navel and Misc.	---	16	128.0	787.5	227,440	---	---	Nov. 25-May 15	---
Oranges, Valencia	---	19	73.5	562.5	188,480	---	---	May 15-Oct. 15	---
Oranges, All	2	17	201.5	1,350.0	415,920	11	14	---	Tulare, Kern, Ventura, Fresno, San Bernardino
Peaches, Clingstone	1	100	29.8	529.5	115,740	---	---	July 15-Sept. 15	---
Peaches, Freestone	1	52	38.0	381.5	123,057	---	---	May 10-Sept. 15	---
Peaches, All	1	72	67.8	911.0	238,797	20	18	---	Fresno, Tulare, Sutter, Stanislaus, Merced
Pears, All	2	33	19.3	341.0	73,526	43	46	Aug. 5-Oct. 5	Sacramento, Lake, Mendocino, Fresno, Tulare
Pecans	13	1	2.6	1.0	2,413	71	71	Sept. 1-Nov. 30	Tulare
Pistachios ^{4/}	1	96	71.0	61.5	161,130	26	30	Sept. 15-Dec. 10	Kern, Madera, Tulare, Kings, Fresno
Plums	1	90	41.5	196.0	82,041	38	42	May 25-Aug. 20	Tulare, Fresno, Kern, Madera, Kings
Prunes, Dried Basis ^{4/}	1	100	83.0	178.0	149,490	44	32	Aug. 15-Oct. 10	Sutter, Butte, Tulare, Glenn, Tehama
Tangerines, Mandarins, Tangelos, and Tangors	2	20	8.6	56.2	22,564	60	62	Nov. 1-Apr. 30	Tulare, Riverside, San Diego, Imperial
Walnuts ^{4/}	1	99	191.0	283.0	229,230	19	21	Sept. 5-Nov. 10	San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare, Butte, Sutter
Other Fruits and Nuts	---	---	44.0	242.0	132,170	---	---	---	---

^{1/} Based on quantity produced for crops and on quantity marketed for livestock and poultry products.

^{2/} Based on value of quantity harvested for crops, value of quantity marketed for livestock, and value of quantity produced for poultry products.

^{3/} Based on values published in the county agricultural commissioners' annual crop reports.

^{4/} Share of U.S. production based on 1997 Census of Agriculture.