

THE NUTCAST

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Turkey Jokes

- What do you call a turkey on the day after Thanksgiving? **Lucky!**
- Why do turkeys make bad baseball players? **They only hit fowl balls!**
- What sound does a limping turkey make? **"Wobble, wobble!"**
- What sound does a space turkey make? **"Hubble, hubble!"**
- What's a turkey's favorite dessert? **Peach gobbler!**
- What sound does a turkey's phone make? **"Wing! Wing!"**
- What do you call an over-caffeinated turkey? **Per-key!**
- What do you get when you cross a turkey with a banjo? **Pluckin' turkey!**
- If fruit comes from a fruit tree, where does turkey come from? **A poul-tree**



Market Report

It's November and usually the last of the deliveries are received into our facility by now – but not this year! Shellers are stock piled with the challenge of hulling and shelling this huge 2020 crop. Therefore, Valley Harvest Nut still has about 20% of our expected receipts out there! We could still be accepting incoming just before our turkey dinner and possibly even as we open Christmas gifts! While incoming continues, so does the “out” going!



It has been a busy month at Valley Harvest Nut and also with the entire industry. Shipments through 10/31/2020 are ahead of last year by **25%**; that is great news considering we are marketing the largest crop in history. With the projection of a three-billion pound crop, which is 20% more than last year's 2.5 billion crop, shipments need to be strong and brisk. If this pace continues, the en-

tire 2020 crop will be gone! Reality is almonds are moving fast because of the low prices which dropped even more this month. However, going forward, the increased shipping is expected to slow the decline in price and it could possibly firm prices which would be sweet news for our growers. Even with this expectation, almond grower payments this year will necessitate a tightening of the belt with smart, cautious farming expenditures.

In the meantime, spend precious time with family and friends creating memories which are priceless.



C.F.A.P. Round 2 - Apply before 12/11/20

The Federal Government opened a Round 2 of Coronavirus Food Assistance Program payment to growers and you are eligible to apply before December 11, 2020. This program pays approximately 10% of your gross almond income from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019.

1. Call FSA for an appointment. (209) 491-9320, choose option 2.
2. Compute your 2019 almond income.
3. Complete AD-3117. Locate a PDF 'fill in' version online at farmers.gov/cfap or search AD-3117.
4. Complete sections: 1-Recording State, 3-Recording County, Part B-Producer Information, Part F-Sales Commodities (write your 2019 total almond income on the **CROP** line, (we previously told you 'miscellaneous', but no worries if your paperwork has been submitted already), and Part I-Producer Certification.

Take the completed form to your FSA appointment. You can also submit the completed form online, but know that you will receive more paperwork to be completed by you before the payment can be made.