

THE NUTCAST

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HARVEST PREPARATION

2021 Harvest is here!

CONTACT US with any changes regarding:

- ⇒ Sheller/huller choice
- ⇒ Lessee/lessor split
- ⇒ Payments—if you want to defer payment until later

All payments will be issued according to our schedule unless you tell us differently. Please put your request in writing OR in person. You may send your requests via:

SNAIL-MAIL

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- OR -

EMAIL

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- OR -

IN PERSON

stop by the office anytime

Market Report

Valley Harvest finishes our fiscal year on 8/31/21 while the Almond Board finishes their fiscal year on July 31st. Comparing the 11-month overlap of the fiscal years, September to July, the industry and Valley Harvest shipped record pounds over the last crop year.

As COVID-19 life started to diminish in spring, the almond purchasing increased, phones rang and buyers placed orders. It is astounding that our industry waded through the **largest crop in history** even during a challenging year. Speaking of industry, it sold 22% more product to consumers than the 2019 crop. Valley Harvest Nut is proud to say that we produced and shipped 26% more than your 2019 crop! Our growers and our plant make a great team!!!

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!



Moving into the new year, the objective estimate is 2.80 billion (a reduction from the subjective estimate in early May) causing a large concern for the buying market. Therefore, prices have inched upward by \$0.30 for manufactured product (slice, dice, etc.) In fact, some handlers are now “off the market” which puts handlers in the driver’s seat!

We wish you much success in your 2021 harvest which is just beginning. Our “prayer request” for this year is definitely water! This has become the desperate need.

We value our growers and we continue to support you. Our office doors are open to you and we welcome your phone calls and/or visits.

Almond Tree Fruit Weight

This supplement to the final position report of the 2020/2021 crop year is an analysis of the full weight of almond tree fruit that California almond orchards produce – hulls and shells included. Almond trees and the resources used to grow them produce more than just almonds. In addition to growing wood and sequestering significant amounts of carbon dioxide over their lifetime, each almond tree grows the almond kernels we eat as

Crop Year	Kernels	Hulls	Shells	Tree Fruit Billion Pounds
2020/21	31%	49%	20%	10.048
2019/20	31%	49%	20%	8.226
2018/19	27%	54%	19%	8.400
2017/18	27%	54%	19%	8.384
2016/17	27%	54%	19%	7.884

well as hulls and shells which are important products in their own right. Traditional uses for these coproducts include dairy feed and livestock bedding, and research is underway to identify innovative new uses for these materials. By 2025, the California almond community commits to achieve zero waste in our orchards by putting everything we grow to optimal use.

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Happy Harvesting!

