



ALMOND PRICE INQUIRY 2008 CROP



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To determine the average returns to growers for the 2008 crop of California almonds, we need reports from all handlers. The quantity purchased is needed to give the proper weight to each price reported. Response to this survey is voluntary and not required by law. However, cooperation is very important in order to accurately estimate almond prices in California. Information from individual reports is confidential; only State totals will be released. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Please complete this inquiry as it relates to your operation and mail it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope or fax it to 1-888-478-5637. This survey will be available on the Internet on April 17.

If you have any questions regarding this survey, please call Lena Schwedler at 1-800-851-1127, Ext. 134. Thank you for your cooperation/assistance.

1/ Report the average price for nuts delivered to the packinghouse or receiving station.

Please include:

- a. Bonus payments for quality.
- b. Hauling allowances.
- c. Assessments.

Exclude:

- a. Commissions and wages paid for acquisition.
- b. Purchases from other handlers.

2/ Include sticktights.

3/ Only include California varieties not listed separately such as: Aldrich, Ballico, Davey, Harvey, LeGrand, Merced, Mono, Norman, Ruby, Tokoyo, and Yosemite.

4/ Include varieties not reported in the previous categories. Minor "CALIFORNIA VARIETIES" listed in footnote 3 should be entered in the "OTHER CALIFORNIA VARIETIES" category.

COMMENTS: _____

Reported by: _____

Date: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

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Variety	Quantity Purchased	Average Price Per Pound Processing Plant Door <u>1/</u>
BUTTE Shelled (meat weight)	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
CARMEL Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
FRITZ Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
MISSION Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
MONTEREY Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
NE PLUS ULTRA Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
NONPAREIL Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
PADRE Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
PEERLESS In-Shell	%	. ____
	Shelled (meat weight)	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
PRICE Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
OTHER CALIFORNIA VARIETIES <u>3/</u> Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____
OTHERS <u>4/</u> Shelled (meat weight)	%	. ____
	Shelling Ratio <u>2/</u>	. ____

Are these your final purchases and prices for the 2008 crop year?

Please check one: YES [] NO []

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