

# 2019 FRUIT CHEMICAL USE SURVEY

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**California ENTERPRISE**

<b>VERSION</b> <b>01</b>	<b>POID</b> _____	<b>SUBTRACT</b> _____
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CONTACT RECORD		
DATE	TIME	NOTES

**INTRODUCTION:**  
*[Introduce yourself, and ask for the operator. Rephrase in your own words.]*

We are collecting information on chemical use and pest management practices and need your help to make the information as accurate as possible. The information you provide will be used for statistical purposes only. In accordance with the Confidential Information Protection provisions of Title V, Subtitle A, Public Law 107-347 and other applicable Federal laws, your responses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed in identifiable form to anyone other than employees or agents. By law, every employee and agent has taken an oath and is subject to a jail term, a fine, or both if he or she willfully discloses ANY identifiable information about you or your operation. Response is **voluntary**.

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We encourage you to refer to your farm records during the interview.

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**BEGINNING TIME [MILITARY].** .....

*[Name, address and partners verified and updated if necessary.]*

1. During 2019, were any crops (**including new plantings**), livestock or poultry on the total acres operated? (**Exclude crops produced by a tenant if [target] operator is landlord only.**).....
  **YES** – [Go to item 1, page 2.]     **NO**-[Continue.]
2. During 2019, did this operation sell any agricultural products or receive government agricultural payments? (**Exclude crops produced by a tenant if [target] operator is landlord only.**).....
  **YES** - [Go to item 1, page 2.]     **NO**-[Continue.]
3. During 2019, were any crops stored on the total acres operated? (**Exclude crops produced by a tenant if [target] operator is landlord only.**).....
  **YES** - [Go to item 1, page 2.]     **NO**-[Continue.]
4. During 2019, did this operation have any fruit acres which were operated by a **management firm**?.....
  **YES** - [Go to item 1, page 2.]     **NO**-[Go to page 4.]

## SCREENING

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1. Did this operation have any of the target crops during the 2019 crop year?

**YES** - [Continue.]

**NO** - [Write notes explaining situation then go to "Conclusion" on back page.]

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2. Are the day-to-day decisions for this operation (*name on label*) made by –  
[Check one.]

one individual? [Go to Section A.]

a hired manager? [Go to Section A.]

partners? [Continue.]

3. How many individuals are involved in the day-to-day decisions of this operation?

[Enter the number of partners, including the partner named on the label.]

Identify the other persons in this partnership below, then go to Section A.]

(Partners jointly operate land and share in decision making. **Do not include** landlords and tenants as partners.).....

NUMBER

<b>PARTNERS</b> <b>POID</b> _____	<b>PARTNERS</b> <b>POID</b> _____
PARTNER NAME	PARTNER NAME
ADDRESS	ADDRESS
CITY                      STATE      ZIP      PHONE NUMBER	CITY                      STATE      ZIP      PHONE NUMBER
<b>PARTNERS</b> <b>POID</b> _____	<b>PARTNERS</b> <b>POID</b> _____
PARTNER NAME	PARTNER NAME
ADDRESS	ADDRESS
CITY                      STATE      ZIP      PHONE NUMBER	CITY                      STATE      ZIP      PHONE NUMBER

## CALIFORNIA SCREENING

1. What ID (*pesticide permit number*) does this operation use for reporting pesticide applications on the target crops bearing acres to the County Agricultural Commissioners? .....

COUNTY	

NUMBER				

2. Is this ID used to report pesticide applications for any other operations?

**YES** - [Continue.]

**NO** - [Go to item 3.]

a. What other operation(s) is this ID used to report for?

Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
Phone (____) _____	Phone (____) _____

3. Does this operation use any **OTHER** ID's to report pesticide applications on the target crops bearing acres to the County Agricultural Commissioners? .....

**YES** - [Enter code 1 and continue.]

**NO** - [Go to Section A, page 5.]

a. What are these other ID numbers? .....

COUNTY	

NUMBER				

b. Do you use any of these ID's to report pesticide applications for any other operations?

**YES** - [Continue.]

**NO** - [Go to Section A, page 5.]

(i) What other operation(s) use this ID for reporting? [*Identify operation and ID.*]

Name _____	Name _____
Reporting ID _____	Reporting ID _____
Address _____	Address _____
Phone (____) _____	Phone (____) _____

4. Do you employ a fruit management company to care for any of the targeted fruit crops?

**YES** - [Continue.]

**NO** - [Go to Section A, page 5.]

a. What fruit management company do you employ?

Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
Phone (____) _____	Phone (____) _____

## CHANGE IN OPERATING STATUS

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[ENUMERATOR NOTE: Skip this section if there is no change in operation name or operator.]

1. Has there been a change in operation name or operator?

**NO** - [Go to Enumerator Note below.]

**YES** - [Enter code 1, complete name and address information below for new operator, and read Enumerator Note.] . . . . .

**CODE**

023

	Operation Name _____
	Operator Name _____
	Address _____
	_____
	Phone (_____) _____

**[ENUMERATOR NOTE:** *If the operation on the face page was in business part of the 2019 crop year, complete this questionnaire for the part of the year during which the operation did business, unless the operation has been taken over by a new operator. If the operator has changed midyear, please conduct this interview start to finish with the new operator after reading "Valid Substitution" rules in section 4 of the Interviewer's Manual.*]

2. Has the operation printed on this questionnaire been combined or merged with any other farming operations?

Yes - [Go to "Conclusion".]

No - [Continue.]

ACRES OPERATED

Now I would like to ask about the total acres operated under this land arrangement.

1. How many acres does this operation---

ACRES

a. Own? ..... + 

901	. ____
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b. Rent or lease from others or use rent free?  
(**Exclude** land used on an animal unit month (AUM) basis.) ..... + 

902	. ____
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c. Rent to others? ..... - 

905	. ____
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2. [Calculate item 1a + 1b - 1c.] Then the total acres operated are: ..... = 

900	. ____
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a. Does this include the farmstead, all cropland, woodland, pasture land, wasteland, and government program land?  
 **YES** - [Continue.]       **NO** - [Make corrections, then continue.]

The remaining questions in this survey refer to these [item 2] acres.

3. Of the total acres operated, how many acres are considered cropland, including land in hay, summer fallow, cropland idle, cropland used for pasture and cropland in government programs? ..... 

802	. ____
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4. Of the total acres operated, how many acres are in fruit?  
(**Include** bearing and non-bearing acreage in trees, vineyards and bushes.) ..... 

803	. ____
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**B****FRUIT ACREAGE****B**

1. What **target fruit crops** were on these [Section A, item 4] acres during the 2017 crop year? (*Exclude new plantings and other plantings which are not yet bearing.*)

OFFICE USE LINES IN TABLE	TABLE 001	199
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L I N E	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	CROP	CROP CODE	How many BEARING acres of [crop] did this operation have?  ACRES	Were any commercial fertilizers applied to this crop?  [YES = 1]	Were any herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, etc. applied to this crop?  [YES = 1]	On what date did you complete harvest of your 2018 crop year [crop]?  MM DD YY	On what date did you complete harvest of your 2019 crop year [crop]?  MM DD YY
01			11	12	13	14	15
02			11	12	13	14	15
03			11	12	13	14	15
04			11	12	13	14	15
05			11	12	13	14	15
06			11	12	13	14	15
07			11	12	13	14	15
08			11	12	13	14	15
09			11	12	13	14	15
10			11	12	13	14	15
11			11	12	13	14	15
12			11	12	13	14	15
13			11	12	13	14	15
14			11	12	13	14	15
15			11	12	13	14	15

**CALIFORNIA – CROP CODES**

301	APPLES		GRAPES	330	KIWIFRUIT	520	PEARS
303	APRICOTS	424	RAISIN TYPE VARIETIES	331	LEMONS	550	PLUMS
305	AVOCADOS		(include all uses for	333	NECTARINES	343	PRUNES
312	CHERRIES, SWEET		Thompson Seedless variety)	492	OLIVES	345	RASPBERRIES
316	DATES	524	TABLE TYPE VARIETIES	435	NAVEL ORANGES	748	STRAWBERRIES
		624	WINE TYPE VARIETIES	535	VALENCIA ORANGES	349	TANGERINES / TANGELOS
320	GRAPEFRUIT			340	PEACHES		

L I N E	<b>CAL – EPA SITE LOCATION NUMBER</b> <i>(if required)</i>					
01						
02						
03						
04						
05						
06						
07						
08						
09						
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11						
12						
13						
14						
15						

#### INCLUDES AND EXCLUDES

**INCLUDE:**
**TARGET CROPS ONLY.**

All commercial bearing acreage equal to or greater than one tenth of an acre.  
 All bearing acreage of TARGET CROPS for processing or fresh market.  
 All bearing acreage of TARGET CROPS for roadside stands, farmer's markets or U-pick sales.  
 Bearing acreage not harvested due to weather, economic or other reasons.  
 Crops planted in the fall of 2014 if they were part of the 2015 crop.

**EXCLUDE:**

All crops grown in another state.  
 Non-commercial orchard and vineyard acreage (*home garden*).  
 Non-target fruits.  
 New plantings and other plantings which are not yet bearing.  
 All TARGET CROPS grown by institutional, experimental, research and university farms (abnormal farms).  
 Abandoned orchards and vineyards.

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**NOTES:**



FERTILIZER APPLICATIONS

**Enumerator Note---**

If column 4 of the table in Section B is YES for any crops, continue with item 1.

If column 4 of the table in Section B is NO for all crops, go to Section D, page 10.

1. I need to record complete information on all commercial fertilizers applied to the bearing acres of **target fruit** grown during the 2019 crop year. Include all applications regardless of how they were applied (irrigation water, foliar applications, etc.). [Record amount of analysis of fertilizers applied or pounds of **actual plant nutrients** applied. Complete the table below (and any necessary supplemental fertilizer tables). Exclude micronutrients, lime, and gypsum.]

OFFICE USE LINES IN TABLE	TABLE 001	299
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LINE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	CROP	CROP CODE	N	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	K <sub>2</sub> O	S	How much was applied per acre per application?  [Leave this column blank if actual nutrients were reported.]	UNIT CODES  1 Pounds 12 Gallons 13 Quarts 15 Liquid Oz. 28 Dry Oz. 19 Actual Nutrients	How many acres was this applied to?  [Include bearing acres only]	How many times was it applied?
									ACRES	NUMBER
01			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
02			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
03			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
04			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
05			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
06			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
07			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
08			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
09			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
10			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
11			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
12			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
13			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
14			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
15			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
16			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41
17			31	32	33	34	36 . ____	37	40 . ____	41

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## FERTILIZER APPLICATIONS

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LINE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	CROP	CROP CODE	NITROGEN N	PHOSPHATE P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	POTASH K <sub>2</sub> O	SULFUR S	How much was applied per acre per application?  [Leave this column blank if actual nutrients were reported.]	UNIT CODES 1 Pounds 12 Gallons 13 Quarts 15 Liquid Oz. 28 Dry Oz. 19 Actual Nutrients	How many acres was this applied to?  [Include bearing acres only]	How many times was it applied?
									ACRES	NUMBER
18			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
19			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
20			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
21			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
22			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
23			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
24			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
25			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
26			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
27			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
28			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
29			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
30			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
31			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
32			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
33			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
34			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
35			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
36			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
37			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
38			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
39			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41
40			31	32	33	34	36	37	40	41

Now I have some questions about pest management practices you may have used on any of the **total fruit acres** on this operation. (**Include** bearing and non-bearing acreage of both target and non-target fruit crops grown.)  
**By pests, we mean insects, weeds, and diseases.**

**[Enumerator Action: Were PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS reported in Section B, column 6 on page 6?]**

**YES** - [Continue.]                       **No** - [Go to item 7.]

	<b>CODE</b>
1. Was weather data used to assist in determining either the need or when to make pesticide applications? .....	600 <b>YES = 1</b> _____
2. Were any biological pesticides such as Bt ( <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> ), insect growth regulators ( <i>Courier, intrepid, etc.</i> ), neem or other natural/biological based products sprayed or applied to manage pests?	601 <b>YES = 1</b> _____
3. Were pesticides with different mechanisms of action rotated or tank mixed for the primary purpose of keeping pests from becoming resistant to pesticides?	602 <b>YES = 1</b> _____
4. In 2018, how were your fruit acres primarily scouted for insects, weeds, diseases and/or beneficial organisms? .....	..... 608 ..... _____
1 By deliberately going to the fruit acres specifically for scouting activities. ( <i>Enter code 1 and go to item 5.</i> )  2 By conducting general observations while performing routine tasks. ( <i>Enter code 2 and go to item 6.</i> )  3 The fruit acres were not scouted. ( <i>Enter code 3 and go to item 10.</i> )	
5. Was an established scouting process used ( <i>systemic sampling, recording counts, insect traps, etc.</i> ) on any fruit acres? .....	609 <b>YES = 1</b> _____
6. Was scouting for pests done on these fruit acres due to---	
a. a pest advisory warning? .....	610 <b>YES = 1</b> _____
b. a pest development model? .....	611 <b>YES = 1</b> _____

		[If column 1 is <b>YES</b> , ask---]
		<b>Who did the majority of the scouting for [column 1]—</b>
		1 Operator, partner or family member
		2 An employee
		3 Farm supply or chemical dealer
		4 Independent crop consultant or commercial scout
7. Were your fruit acres scouted for ---	<b>YES = 1</b>	<b>CODE</b>
a. weeds? . . . . .	612	614
b. insects or mites? . . . . .	615	617
c. disease? . . . . .	618	620

	<b>YES = 1</b>	<b>CODE</b>
8. Were written or electronic records kept to track the activity or numbers of weeds, insects or diseases? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	623
9. Was scouting data compared to published information on infestation thresholds to determine when to take measures to manage nests? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	624
10. Was field manning data used for making nest management decisions? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	625
11. Were the services of a diagnostic laboratory used for pest identification or soil or plant tissue nest analysis? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	626
12. Were crop residues ( <i>including drops, rotting fruit and/or debris</i> ) removed to manage nests? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	627
13. Were ground covers, mulches, or other physical barriers maintained to manage nest problems? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	629
14. Were any beneficial organisms ( <i>insects, nematodes, fungi</i> ) applied or released to manage nests? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	636
15. Were floral lures, attractants, repellants, pheromone traps or other biological nest controls used on any fruit acres? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	637
16. Were any fruit acres cultivated for weed control during the growing season? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	640
17. Were field edges, lanes, ditches, roadways or fence lines chopped, mowed, plowed, or burned to manage nests on any fruit acres? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	642
18. Were equipment and implements cleaned after completing field work to reduce the spread of nests? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	643
19. Were any fruit acres irrigated for the 2019 crops? . . . . .	<b>YES = 1</b>	644
a. [If item 19 is <b>YES</b> , ask---]		
Were water management practices (excluding chemigation) such as irrigation scheduling, controlled drainage, or treatment	<b>YES = 1</b>	645

20. Were any of the following pesticide spraying practices or activities used on this operation in 2019? Pesticides include insecticides, fungicides, herbicides, bactericides, and plant growth regulators (PGR).

**ENUMERATOR NOTE: Column 4: Choose items 1 – 5 and/or 6 for write-in response.**

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Was this used in 2019?	Was it specifically used to keep pesticide application(s) on-target (i.e., reduce pesticide drift)?	<b>(Complete column for every YES in Column 1)</b> Considering labor, training, capital expenditures, and other costs, how easy or difficult was it to implement this practice or activity?	<b>(Complete column for every NO in Column 1)</b> Why was this practice or activity NOT used?  Check all that apply.
Pesticide Spraying Practice or Activity	Yes - 1 No - 3 Don't Know - 2	Yes - 1 No - 3 Don't Know - 2	1 - Very Easy 2 - Somewhat Easy 3 - Somewhat Difficult 4 - Very Difficult	1 - Cost of labor/training 2 - Cost of associated equipment/products 3 - Incompatible with current production practices (e.g., topography, equipment limitations) 4 - General time management issues/too busy 5 - Unfamiliar with activity or practice 6 - Other, specify:
a. Altering spray time(s) depending on weather conditions (e.g., wind speed, wind direction)				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Specify _____
b. Calibrate sprayer before the season				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____
c. Calibrate sprayer during the season				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Specify _____
d. Manually altering sprayer settings to improve the spray precision (e.g., turning off upper nozzles for smaller trees)				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Specify _____ -
e. Electronic eye/infra-red or other sensor-based technology (e.g., sonar)				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____
f. Other technologies to improve the spray precision (e.g., on/off nozzle spray technology, GPS technology, electrostatic)				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Specify _____
g. Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) (e.g. Aim Command, Raven's Hawk Eye, John Deere's Exact Apply)				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Specify _____
i. Other - Specify: _____				<input type="checkbox"/> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Specify _____ -

21. Which of the following spraying practices resulted in a sprayer re-calibration in 2019? Check all that apply.

- a. Computer calibration alert system
- b. Change in product being applied
- c. Observed change in spray pattern (e.g., from worn nozzles)
- d. Scheduled calibration (e.g., daily, monthly, annually)
- e. When moving to a different block or crop
- f. Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- g. None of the above

22. Which of the following methods of spraying did this operation use to make **insecticide/fungicide/ bactericides/plant growth regulator** applications in 2019? Check all that apply.

- a. Conventional air blast sprayer(s)
- b. Tower air blast sprayer(s)
- c. Rotary atomizer air-assisted sprayer(s) (such as multi-head fan systems)
- d. Over-the-row/tunnel sprayer(s), wrap-around sprayers, or other canopy directed sprayer(s)
- e. Ground boom sprayer(s)
- f. Aerial sprayer(s)
- g. Spot treatments (e.g., backpack sprayers)
- h. Trunk drench or vine drench (i.e., under the canopy)
- i. Ultra-low volume (ULV) ground applications
- j. Chemigation (such as through drip irrigation or micro-sprinklers)
- k. Multi-row sprayer
- l. Vertical boom
- m. Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

23. Next we will discuss the use of air blast and ground boom tanks/systems on this operation in 2019:

	(1) For <b>Air Blast</b> tanks/systems	(2) For <b>Ground Boom</b> tanks/ systems
23a. What pesticide type(s) were used in this [insert tank system type] in 2019? Check all that apply.	1 Insecticides 2 Fungicides 3 Herbicides 4 Bactericides 4 Plant Growth Regulators (PGRs) 5. Other, please specify: _____	1 Insecticides 2 Fungicides 3 Herbicides 4 Bactericides 4 Plant Growth Regulators (PGRs) 5 Other, please specify: _____
23b. What is the typical spray volume, in Gallons per Acre (GPA), for pesticide applications in 2019?	1 Less than 25 GPA 2 25 to <50 GPA 3 50 to <75 GPA 4 75 to <100 GPA 5 100 to <200 GPA 6 200 or greater GPA 99 Don't Know	1 Less than 5 GPA 2 5 to < 7.5 GPA 3 7.5 to < 10 GPA 4 10 to < 15 GPA 5 15 to < 20 GPA 6 20 to < 25 GPA 7 25 or greater GPA 99 Don't Know
23c. What is the typical operating pressure, in PSI, for pesticide applications in 2019?	1 Less than 50 PSI 2 50 to <75 PSI 3 75 to <100 PSI 4 100 to <150 PSI 5 150 to <200 PSI 6 200 or greater PSI 99 Don't Know	1 Less than 10 PSI 2 10 to <20 PSI 3 20 to <30 PSI 4 30 to <40 PSI 5 40 to <50 PSI 6 50 to <60 PSI 7 60 to <70 PSI 8 70 to <80 PSI 9 80 to <90 PSI 10 90 PSI or greater 99 Don't Know

<p>23d. What is the typical nozzle used when spraying herbicide applications in 2019?</p>		<p>1 Hollow Cone                  2 Full Cone                  3 Disc/Core Nozzle                  4 Flat fan                  5 Air-inclusion (AI)/Air-induction/Venturi                  6 Other, specify: _____                  99 Don't Know</p>
<p>23e. What is the typical ground speed when spraying pesticide applications in 2019?</p>	<p>1 Less than 1 mph                  2 1 to &lt;2 mph                  3 2 to &lt;3 mph                  4 3 to &lt;4 mph                  5 4 to &lt;5 mph                  6 5 mph or greater                  99 Don't Know</p>	<p>1 Less than 1 mph                  2 1 to &lt;2 mph                  3 2 to &lt;3 mph                  4 3 to &lt;4 mph                  5 4 to &lt;5 mph                  6 5 to &lt;6 mph                  7 6 to &lt;7 mph                  8 7 mph or greater                  99 Don't Know</p>
<p>23f. What is the typical boom height above the ground or plant canopy when spraying herbicide applications in 2019?</p>		<p>1 &lt; 24 inches                  2 24 to &lt; 36 inches                  3 36 inches or greater                  99 Don't Know</p>
<p>23g. What is the typical target droplet size spectrum for pesticide applications in 2019?</p>	<p>1 Less than 106 microns (Extremely Fine or Very Fine)                  2 106-235 microns (Fine)                  3 236-340 microns (Medium)                  4 341-403 microns (Coarse)                  5 404-502 microns (Very Coarse)                  6 503-665 microns (Extremely Coarse)                  7 Greater than 665 microns (Ultra Coarse)                  99 Don't Know</p>	<p>1 Less than 106 microns (Extremely Fine or Very Fine)                  2 106-235 microns (Fine)                  3 236-340 microns (Medium)                  4 341-403 microns (Coarse)                  5 404-502 microns (Very Coarse)                  6 503-665 microns (Extremely Coarse)                  7 Greater than 665 microns (Ultra Coarse)                  99 Don't Know</p>
<p>23h. For which of the following reasons did this operation change the airspeed (in Revolutions per Minute, or RPM) in 2019?</p>	<p>1 Crop stage                  3 Change of product(s)                  4 Use of specialty Plant Growth Regulator (PGR) applications (e.g., for thinning or fruit finish)                  4 Moving between blocks                  5 Wind speed or wind direction                  6 Other, specify: _____                  7 Never</p>	
<p>23i. Which of the following practices were used in 2019?</p>		<p>1 Drift reducing adjuvant(s)                  2 Drift reducing nozzle(s)                  3 Shielded sprayers</p>
<p>23j. Is the MAJORITY of spray material from this operation's <b>air blast sprayer(s)</b> directed (select one):</p>	<p>1. Upward?                  2. Horizontally?                  3. Downward?                  4. Both horizontal and upward?                  5. Both horizontal and downward?                  6. Don't Know</p>	

24. Now we are going to ask a few questions about spray equipment maintenance in 2019.

**ENUMERATOR NOTE (Question 24C, Columns 1-2): Choose items 1 – 9 and/or 8 for write-in response.**

(1)  
For **air blast** tanks/systems

(2)  
For **ground boom**

		tanks/systems
<p>24a. How often did this operation clean the tanks/systems in 2019?</p> <p><i>[If 1-6 answered for Item 24a, answer question 24b; otherwise go to 24c.]</i></p>	<p>1 Before the season                  2 After the season                  3 Depended on the product(s)                  4 When switching from USDA certified organic to conventional blocks                  5 Regularly scheduled cleaning                  6 Other, specify: _____                  7 Never</p>	<p>1 Before the season                  2 After the season                  3 Depended on the product(s)                  4 When switching from USDA certified organic to conventional blocks                  5 Regularly scheduled cleaning                  6 Other, specify: _____                  7 Never</p>
<p>24b. For each time that the tank/system was cleaned, how often was a tank cleaner used?</p>	<p>1. Always (100%)                  2. Often (51% or more)                  3. Sometimes (50% or less)                  4. Never (0%)                  99. Don't Know</p>	<p>1. Always (100%)                  2. Often (51% or more)                  3. Sometimes (50% or less)                  4. Never (0%)                  99. Don't Know</p>
<p>24c. What were the most common reasons for replacing the nozzles on the sprayers in 2019? Check all that apply.</p>	<p>1 Regularly scheduled calendar-based replacement (i.e., annually, twice annually, monthly, etc.)                  2 Regularly scheduled replacement based on operating time (i.e., sprayer operating hours)                  3 Sporadic replacement based on area covered or general intuition (i.e., it feels like the right time to change nozzles)                  4 Calibration problems (i.e., too high or too low a flow rate)                  5 Observed nozzle damage (e.g., change in spray pattern or leaks)                  6 Availability of new nozzle technologies                  7 Expert and/or consultant recommendations (e.g., Cooperative Extension, crop consultants, etc.)                  8 Other, please specify: _____                  9 None of the above</p> <p>-----</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Specify _____</p>	<p>1 Regularly scheduled calendar-based replacement (i.e., annually, twice annually, monthly, etc.)                  2 Regularly scheduled replacement based on operating time (i.e., sprayer operating hours)                  3 Sporadic replacement based on area covered or general intuition (i.e., it feels like the right time to change nozzles)                  4 Calibration problems (i.e., too high or too low a flow rate)                  5 Observed nozzle damage (e.g., change in spray pattern or leaks)                  6 Availability of new nozzle technologies                  7 Expert and/or consultant recommendations (e.g., Cooperative Extension, crop consultants, etc.)                  8 Other, please specify: _____                  9 None of the above</p> <p>-----</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Specify _____</p>

25. On what proportion did this operation use hedge rows or other wind-breaking structures (that are at least one and a half times the height of the crop canopy) for drift reduction in 2019?

- a. 0%
- b. 1% to 25%
- c. 26% to 50%
- d. 51% to 75%
- e. 76% to <100%
- f. Don't know

26. How often were the following sources of information used to inform pest management decisions in 2019?



Sources of Information	(1) How often was this source of information used?  1. Always (100%) 2. Often (51% or more) 3. Sometimes (50% or less) 4. Never (0%) 99. Don't Know	(2) Which of these sources was this operation's <b>PRIMARY</b> source of pest management decisions? Select one.  1. Primary 2. Not Primary
a. Pesticide Product Labels		
b. University and/or Agricultural Cooperative Extension Resources/Recommendations		
c. Non-University literature, such as magazines or newspapers		
d. Grower/Trade Groups		
e. Pesticide Sales Representatives and/or Farm Supply Distributors		
f. Crop Consultants Paid for by the Operation		
g. Other Grower(s)		
h. Non-University Decision Tools		
i. Weather Forecasting Tools		
j. Other, Specify: _____		

27. (If 26b, column 1 equals 1, 2, 3) Which of the following types of services offered by the University and/or Agricultural Cooperative Extension were most often used as sources of pest management decisions in 2019?

University and/or Agricultural Cooperative Extension Services	How often was this source of information used?  1. Always (100%) 2. Often (51% or more) 3. Sometimes (50% or less) 4. Never (0%) 99. Don't Know
a. Formal presentations (e.g., annual meetings, educational trainings)	
b. Field days/ demonstration workshops	
c. Farm visits and/or one-on-one consultation	
d. Email lists	
e. Newsletters	
f. Crop and/or Pest Protection Handbook	
g. Other publications (e.g., fact sheets)	
h. Decision tools	
i. Other, Specify: _____	

28. How often were the following practices used during the season to manage herbicide, fungicide and insecticide resistance in 2019?

Practices to Manage Resistance for Herbicide, Fungicide and Insecticide	<b>(Only complete if operation uses herbicides)</b>  How often was each practice used on this operation to manage	<b>(Only complete if operation uses fungicides)</b>  How often was each practice used on this operation to manage	<b>(Only complete if operation uses insecticides)</b>  How often was each practice used on this operation to manage

	<b>herbicide</b> resistance?	<b>fungicide</b> resistance?	<b>insecticide</b> resistance?
	1. Always (100%) 2. Often (51% or more) 3. Sometimes (50% or less) 4. Never (0%) 99. Don't Know	1. Always (100%) 2. Often (51% or more) 3. Sometimes (50% or less) 4. Never (0%) 99. Don't Know	1. Always (100%) 2. Often (51% or more) 3. Sometimes (50% or less) 4. Never (0%) 99. Don't Know
a. Scouting			
b. Field mapping weeds and/or keeping records of field history and pesticide use to assist pesticide decisions			
c. Field Management/Sanitation Practices:			
i. For weed control (e.g., managing weeds in field borders, tillage, preventing field-to-field and within field movement of weed seed)			
ii. For disease control (e.g., removing or incorporating unharvested fruit and/or other field litter)			
iii. For insect control (e.g., removing or incorporating unharvested fruit and/or other field litter)			
d. Planting disease-resistant cultivars and/or rootstock			
e. Use of pest diagnostic tools [e.g., Integrated Pest Management (IPM) treatment thresholds; predictive weather models (e.g., degree day models); pest forecasting systems, and/or assistance from diagnostic networks]			
f. Pesticide Mode of Action (MOA) rotation			
g. Pesticide Mode of Action (MOA) combination (i.e., tank mix or pre-mix product)			

29. In an effort to reduce off-target impacts to plants, pollinators, and/or beneficial insects, did this operation communicate with or consult any of the following sources in 2019? Check all that apply.

- a. Neighboring crop producers
- b. Nearby beekeepers
- c. A local expert, such as an Agricultural Cooperative Extension agent
- d. State Managed Pollinator Protection Plans, or MP3s (MP3s are state-developed efforts that intend to reduce pesticide exposure through timely communication and coordination among beekeepers, growers, pesticide applicators, and landowners)
- e. Driftwatch (Driftwatch is a voluntary communication tool that enables crop producers, beekeepers, and pesticide applicators to work together to protect crops and apiaries through the use of mapping programs.)
- f. Other communication tool(s), specify: \_\_\_\_\_

g. Other, specify:

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30. How often were the following Best Management Practice (BMPs) used during the season in 2019?

Best Management Practices (BMPs)	(1)  How often was this practice used?  1 Always (100%) 2 Often (51% or more) 3 Sometimes (50% or less) 4 Never (0%) 99. Don't Know	(2)  [Only answer if respondents 1, 2, or 3 to column 1]  Was this practice specifically used to prevent exposure to bees?  1 Always (100%) 2 Often (51% or more) 3 Sometimes (50% or less) 4 Never (0%) 99. Don't Know
a. Avoid bloom time applications		
b. Make applications when temperatures are below 50°F		
c. Maintain buffer between known bee hive locations		
d. Select pesticides that that have the lowest residual toxicity to bees		
e. Use alternative application methods of an active ingredient to prevent bee exposure (e.g., non-foliar applications when bees are foraging)		
f. Avoid applications when dew is forecast		
g. Manage blooming plants on the orchard floor before applying pesticides that are acutely toxic to bees (e.g., mowing)		
h. Make application(s) at nighttime or no more than two hours prior to sunset		
i. Other, specify: _____		

31. Which of the following auditing systems, if any, did this operation participate in in 2019? Check all that apply.

- a. GLOBALG.A.P.
- b. Safe Quality Food (SQF) Program
- c. Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- d. This operation did not participate in an auditing system
- e. Don't know

COMPLETION CODE for FERTILIZER APPLICATIONS	
1 Incomp/R	200
3 Valid Zero	

COMPLETION CODE for PEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES	
1 Incomp/R	500

**NOTES:**



# CONCLUSION

## SURVEY RESULTS

1. To receive the complete results of this survey on the release date, go to [www.nass.usda.gov/results/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/results/).  
 Would you rather have a brief summary mailed to you at a later date? ..... **YES = 1** CODE  
9990

*[Thank the respondent, then review this questionnaire.]*

ENDING TIME [MILITARY] ..... 005

**OFFICE USE  
TIME IN HOURS**

006
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## RECORD USE

Did respondent use operation records to report pesticide data? ..... **YES = 1** CODE  
064

## SUPPLEMENT USE

Record the total number of supplements used to complete this interview.

Fertilizer Supplements ..... NUMBER  
067

Reported by: _____	9910 <u>  </u> <u>  </u> <u>  </u> <u>  </u> <u>  </u> <u>  </u>	9911 Telephone: _____
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OFFICE USE									
R. Unit	Ptr 1 Str	Ptr 2 Str	Ptr 3 Str	Ptr 4 Str	OPS	SSO 1	ADJ	Optional Use	
9921	9922	9923	9927	9928	923	9907	922	9906	9916
Response		Respondent		Mode		Enum.		POID	
1-Comp	9901	1-Op/Mgr	9902	2-Tel	9903	9998	9989		
2-R		2-Sp		3-Face-to-Face					
3-Inac		3-Acct/Bkpr							
4-Office Hold		4-Partner							
		9-Other							
								Eval.	Change
								9900	9985