



# 2023 California Table Olive Probability Survey Report



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## CALIFORNIA TABLE OLIVE FORECAST FOR 2023

### RESULTS

The 2023 California table olive forecast is 41,000 tons, up considerably from last year's crop of 19,912 tons, according to a survey conducted by the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Pacific Regional Office. Bearing acreage is estimated at 12,400, which results in a yield of 3.31 tons per acre.

The Manzanillo production forecast is 39,000 tons, Sevillano production forecast is 1,900 tons, and other varieties are expected to total 100 tons.

Record snowfall and a series of atmospheric rivers brought relief to the state's drought. Availability of water was not an issue and many growers reported a heavy bloom on drought stressed trees that had not produced fruit in years. However, unprecedented stormy conditions and flooding hindered bee pollination activity and damaged blooms, causing low fruit sets in some areas. Growers reported variable crop yields by both variety and area. Manzanillo yields were considerably higher than Sevillano yields. Marketing issues continued to be the biggest challenge for California olives growers, with many uncertain how much of their crop will be economical to harvest.

### SURVEY SAMPLE

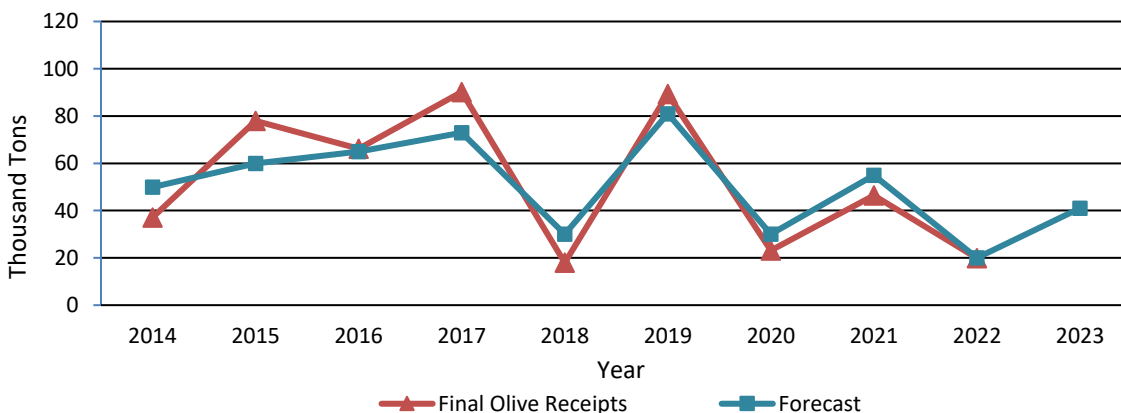
There were 301 growers sampled for the survey. Reports from 199 were used to establish this forecast. The sample is designed to provide a State estimate of all varieties; estimates by variety are less precise.

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California Table Olive Production  
Forecast vs. Final Production  
2014-2023



Final olive receipts are published in the Weekly Olive Receipts Report.