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2021 California Walnut Nursery Sales Report



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RESULTS

Combined sales of walnut trees to California growers were 6,444 acres for the 2021 crop year and 10,650 acres for the 2020 crop year. The majority of tree sales in 2021 were Seedlings, at 62% of new plantings. The Chandler variety came in second at 30%. For 2020, Seedlings were the largest percentage of new plantings at 58%, with the Chandler variety coming in second at 35%. The remaining percentages by variety can be seen in the pie charts.

OBJECTIVE

The primary objective of the California Walnut Nursery Sales Report survey is to estimate planted acres by variety for the 2020 and 2021 crop years based on the number of walnut trees sold for new plantings. This report summarizes data supplied by California nurseries throughout the State who sold to walnut growers for commercial plantings. Results from this survey will be used in conjunction with the Walnut Acreage Survey to estimate the walnut acres in California.

PROCEDURES

Questionnaires were mailed to all known walnut nurseries in California, and responses were received from most operations. Nurseries that did not report data were estimated. The nurseries were asked to report the number of trees sold by variety for commercial plantings, and to estimate the percentage of trees sold for new plantings. Acres planted by variety were then estimated based on the data reported. Acre estimates were calculated using the reported number of trees sold, along with the trees per acre by variety from the Walnut Acreage Survey.

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Walnut Nursery Sales Survey

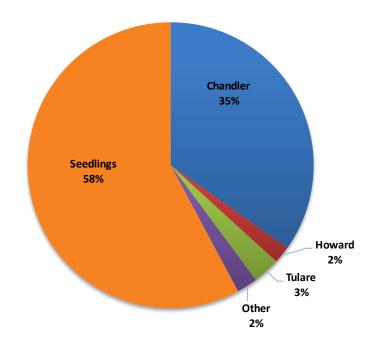
Calculated Acres Planted

Variety	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Chandler	13,652	11,394	4,832	5,979	5,042	3,708	1,904
Franquette	59	78	47	89	23	2	1
Hartley	128	168	99	29	5	22	7
Howard	1,085	557	120	528	363	209	132
Ivanhoe	218	566	750	723	248	91	67
Payne ¹	0	2	2	0	0	-	-
Serr ¹	0	6	8	0	0	-	-
Tulare	2,515	1,527	982	362	268	326	154
Vina ¹	24	11	11	0	-	-	-
Seedlings	8,494	4,402	3,118	4,248	6,924	6,157	3,997
Other	126	204	178	166	180	135	182
Total ²	26,300	18,915	10,148	12,123	13,052	10,650	6,444

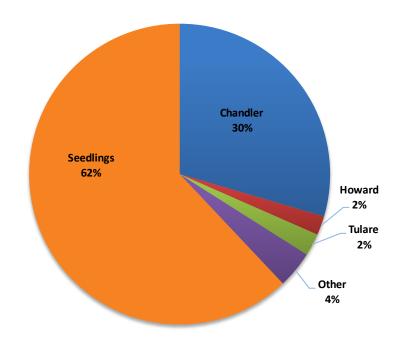
¹ The varieties Payne, Serr, and Vina are included in the Other category starting in 2020.

² Totals may not add due to rounding.

2020 Percentage of Acres Planted by Variety



2021
Percentage of Acres Planted by Variety



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