

# 2014 Almond Forecast



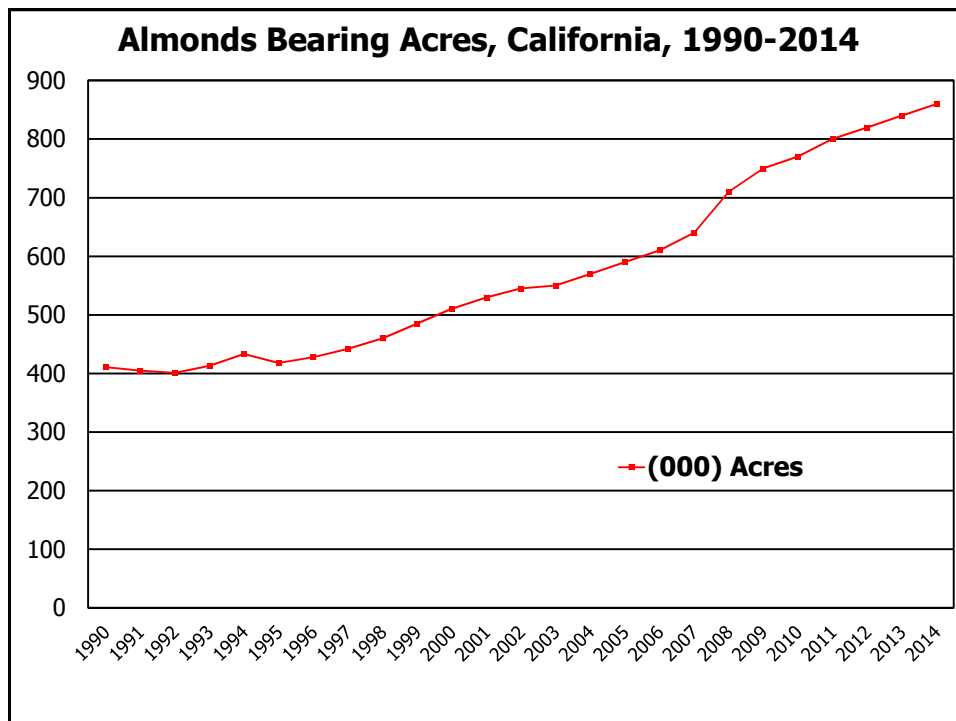
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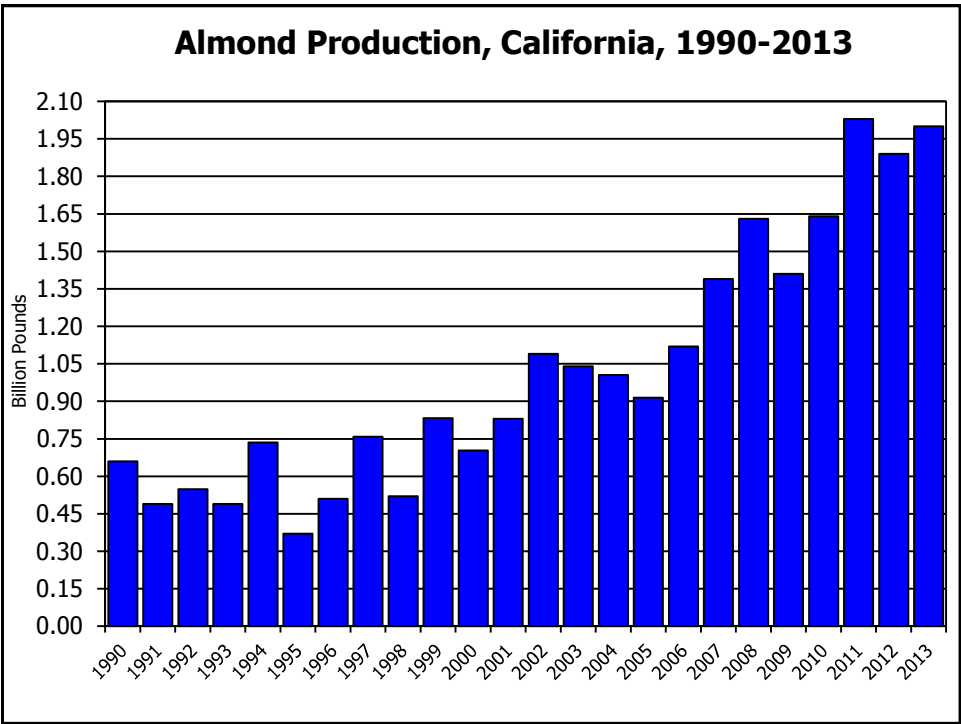
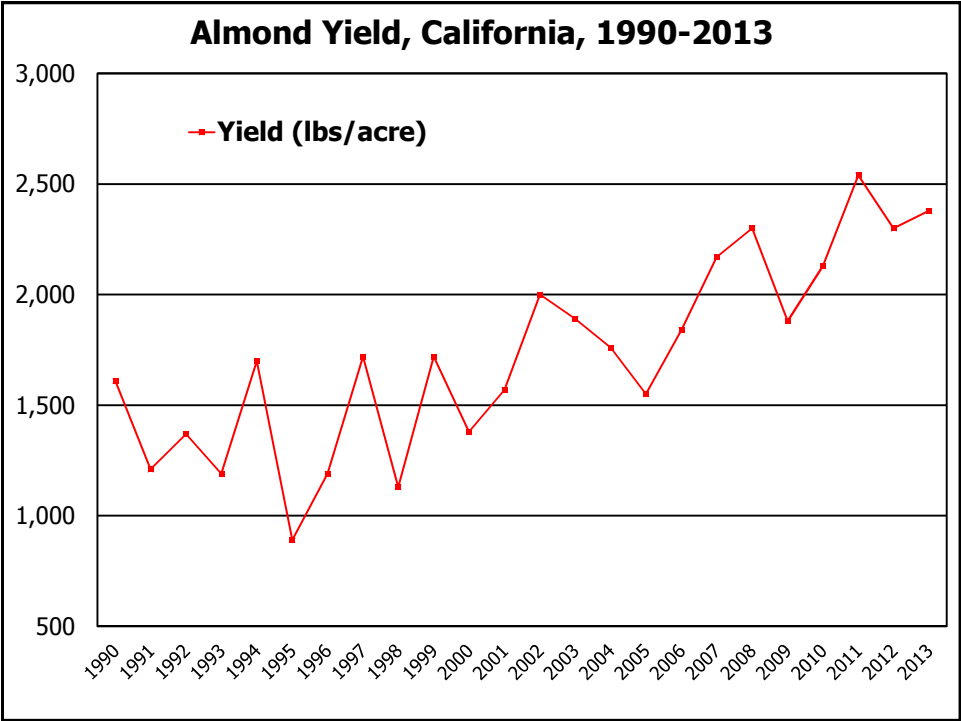
## Almond Data 20 year interval

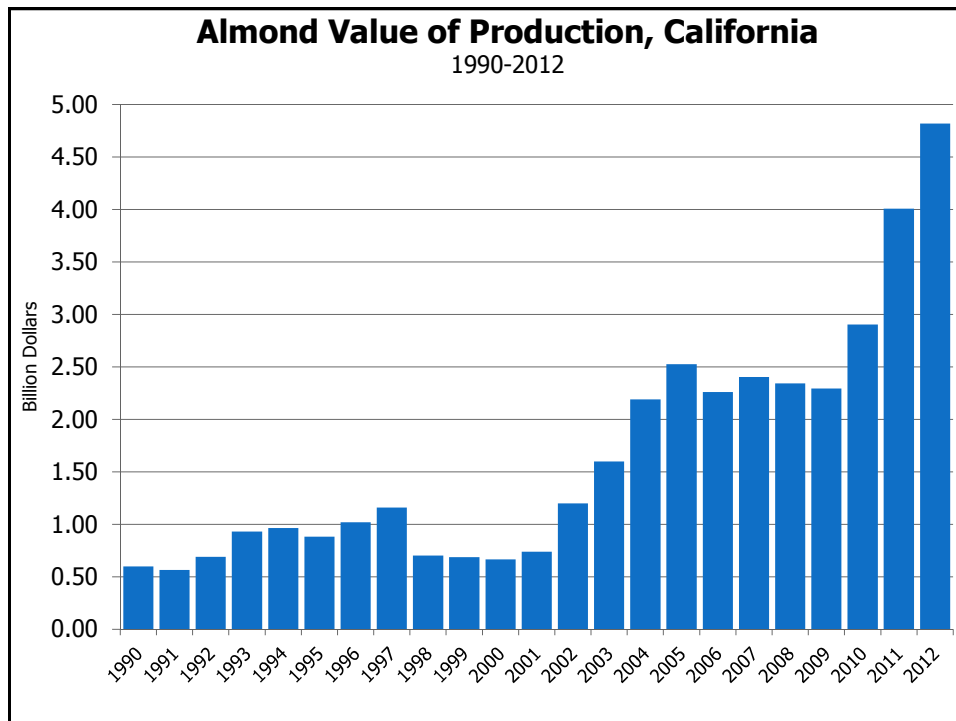
Year	Bearing Acres	Yield (lbs/acre)	Final Prod (000 lbs)	Value (000 \$)
1922	46,670	224	10,440	2,610
1942	79,323	461	36,540	13,923
1962	93,054	598	55,680	31,392
1982	339,000	1,020	347,000	311,140
2002	545,000	2,000	1,090,000	1,200,687
2012	820,000	2,300	1,890,000	4,816,860

## Growth of Almond Industry Change from 2000- 2012

- Bearing Ac. + **161 %**
- Yield + **167 %**
- Production + **269 %**
- Price + **266% (\$0.97 to \$2.58)**
- Value + **723 %**







## Almond Statistics

- **2012 Value: \$4.82 Billion**
- **California produces virtually all US almonds**
- **California produces over 80 % of World total**
- **70-75 Percent of Crop Exported**
- **More than 6,000 growers in State**

## Objective Measurement Forecast

**June 30, 2014 (12:00 noon)**

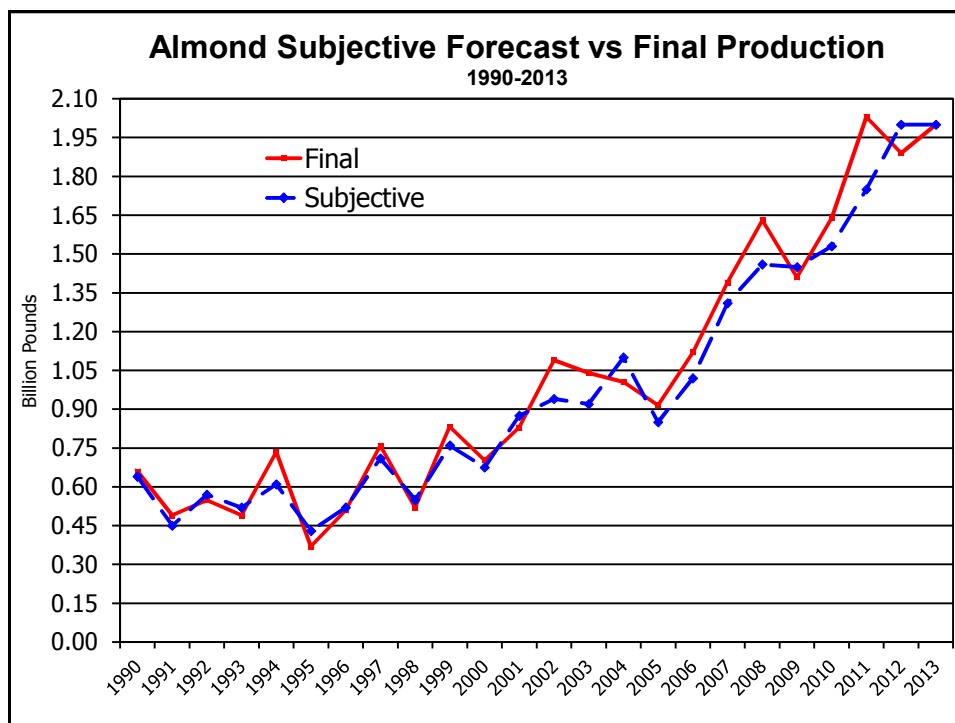
- **Based on Actual Counts and Measurements**
- **Generally it's more accurate**
- **940 Randomly Selected Orchards**
- **2 Trees in each Orchard**
- **Sample represents the Population**
  - **By Age**
  - **By Variety**
  - **By Location (County)**

## Forecast and all Statistics Available Online

- CA Web: [www.nass.usda.gov/ca](http://www.nass.usda.gov/ca)
- NASS Web: [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)
- Phone Contact: (916) 498-5161

## Almond Subjective Forecast

- Random Sample of Growers
- Sampling controls for size and county
- Contacted by Phone: April 15 – April 29
- Good response representing 29% of the total bearing acreage
- Based on current opinion of growers
- Only as good as their estimate, which has been good!



## Almond Crop Condition

- After the warmest California winter on record, almond bloom started very early this year
- Crop is developing quickly and harvest is expected to be ahead of last year
- Pest and disease pressure is currently low
- Water allotments are severely low this year

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**1.95 Billion meat lbs.**

**(- 2.5 Percent)**

**Bearing Acres: 860,000**

**(Trees Planted 2011 and earlier)**

**Yield: 2,270 lbs.**

**(- 4.6 Percent)**

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