

CALIFORNIA DRIED PRUNES: Supply and Disposition  
August 1, 2007 through July 31, 2008

SUPPLY (Net Tons)

Crop Year	Natural Condition		Processed Condition	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Carryin, Whole Prunes	68,399	19,028		
Carryin, Pitted Prunes (See Notes 2 & 6)	17,676	3,112		
Total	86,075	22,140		
Marketable Production 2007 (See Note c.)	81,609	188,804		
Total Supply	167,684	210,944	176,068	221,491
Shipped at July 31, 2008			144,430	136,876
Unshipped Supply			31,638	84,615
Percent Shipped July 31, 2008			82.03%	61.80%

2007 Marketable Production is based on the handlers' estimate as of 7/31/08.

SHIPMENTS (Net Tons Processed Condition)

BY DESTINATION AND DOMESTIC USES (See Note 2)

	2007 CROP YEAR			2006 CROP YEAR		
	Apr. 30, '08 to July 31, '08	Aug. 1, '07 to July 31, '08	% chg from pr yr	Apr. 30, '07 to July 31, '07	Aug 1, '06 to July 31, '07	
<b>Domestic:</b>						
Whole	3,370	11,035	24	2,790	8,925	
Pitted	8,333	40,541	8	9,874	37,398	
Sub-total Prunes	11,703	51,576	11	12,664	46,323	
Manufacturing*	5,742	26,269	18	3,377	22,352	
Government	35	103	-38	0	165	
<b>Total Domestic</b>	17,480	77,948	13	16,041	68,840	
<b>Export:</b>						
Whole	4,139	15,028	-14	4,473	17,465	
Pitted	13,575	51,454	2	13,828	50,571	
<b>Total Export</b>	17,714	66,482	-2	18,301	68,036	
<b>Total Industry</b>	35,194	144,430	6	34,342	136,876	

**By Type of Pack**

Whole Prunes

Consumer Pack	5,221	8,671	70	2,044	5,097
Bulk Pack	7,632	43,263	-1	8,583	43,645
<b>Sub-total Whole</b>	12,853	51,934	7	10,627	48,742

Pitted Prunes

Consumer Pack	13,058	58,165	-2	14,465	59,327
Bulk Pack	9,283	34,331	19	9,250	28,807
<b>Sub-total Pitted</b>	22,341	92,496	5	23,715	88,134
<b>Total Industry</b>	35,194	144,430	6	34,342	136,876

- Notes: a. Shipments to Canada and Puerto Rico are included in the domestic totals.  
b. Manufacturing includes juice and concentrate, paste, baby food, puree, butter and diced prunes.  
c. Unofficial estimate

Notes:

1. Detail will not always add exactly to totals due to rounding.
2. Tonnage shown as "Pitted Prunes" in this report is the natural condition equivalent weight of handler reported pitted weights. Effective with the 1992 crop year, the pit loss factor was revised to 1.15. For the crop years 1984 through 1991, the pit loss factor used was 1.10. A factor of 1.19 was used for the period 1972 through 1983. Prior to 1972, no pit loss factor was used.
3. Processed Condition Supply - Effective for 1984 and subsequent years, a processing gain factor of 1.05 will be applied to the natural condition supply. For 1983 and prior crop years, a processing gain factor of 1.03 was used.
4. Parity price for July 31, 2008 was \$3,600 per ton. The average parity price for 2006 crop year was \$2,750 per ton. The Walnut-Raisin-Prune Report State Summary shows an average grower return per ton of 2006 crop total tonnage of \$1,395 per ton.
5. Comparative Export and Pitted shipment data:

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Export percent of total shipments	46.0%	49.7%
Pitted percent of total shipments	64.0%	64.4%
Pitted percent of total export shipments	77.4%	74.3%
Pitted percent of total domestic shipments	52.0%	54.3%

6. To compare 1992 and subsequent crop years' statistics with those of 1991 and prior crop years, the following adjustments to 1991 and prior crop statistics should be made:
  - A. Pitted Prunes - All statistics for pitted prunes x 1.04545
  - B. Gov't Pitted Prune shipments x 1.04545 (Refer to applicable crop year reports for the pitted portion of Gov't shipments.)
  - C. Processed Condition Supply = Natural Condition Supply x 1.05.
7. USDA purchases in progress:

Form	Packaged	Shipping Period	Nat. Cond Tons	Shipped Crop Year To - Date	Total Shipped To - Date
Pitted	24/1 lb	09/16/07 - 09/30/07	27	27	27
Pitted	24/1 lb	01/01/08 - 03/31/08	38	38	38
Pitted	24/1 lb	04/01/08 - 06/15/08	38	38	38
Pitted	24/1 lb	09/01/08 - 09/30/08	21	0	0
Total			124	103	103

Handlers' Report of Carryout Inventory and Production by IPA\* Sizes  
Count Per Pound Natural Condition

	7/31/08 Carryout	2007 Production
60 and larger	11,179	42,540
61 to 80	7,570	26,745
81 to 100	4,651	7,439
100 and smaller	3,011	4,885
Pitted Prunes	<u>7,740</u>	<u>          </u>
Total	<u><u>34,151</u></u>	<u><u>81,609</u></u>

\* International Prune Association