Walnut Presentation

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Walnuts - Overview



<u>Perspectives</u>

- Commodity
- Supply
- Demand
- Industry
- Trends
- External Factors
 - □ Fundamental: supply/demand, weather, land, resource constraints
 - Non-Fundamental: speculation, FX, counterparty risk, carrying costs
 - Political: food for fuel, subsidies, taxes
 - Social: changing diets, growing &wealthier populations, urbanization



Walnut Producing Regions

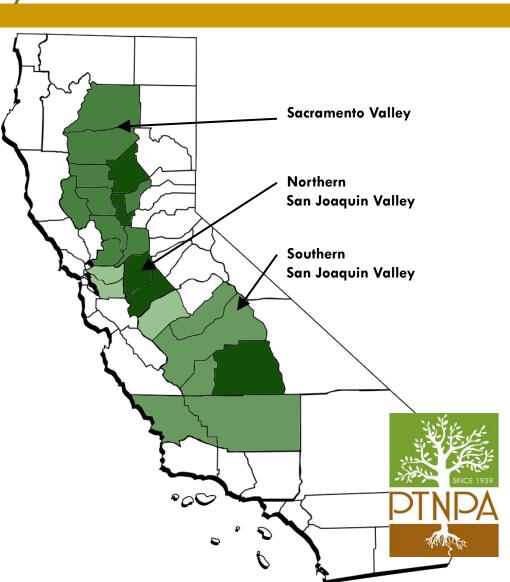


California Walnut Industry

Approx. 3,500 growers statewide Approx. 245,000 total acres 920,330,000 lbs. produced in 2011

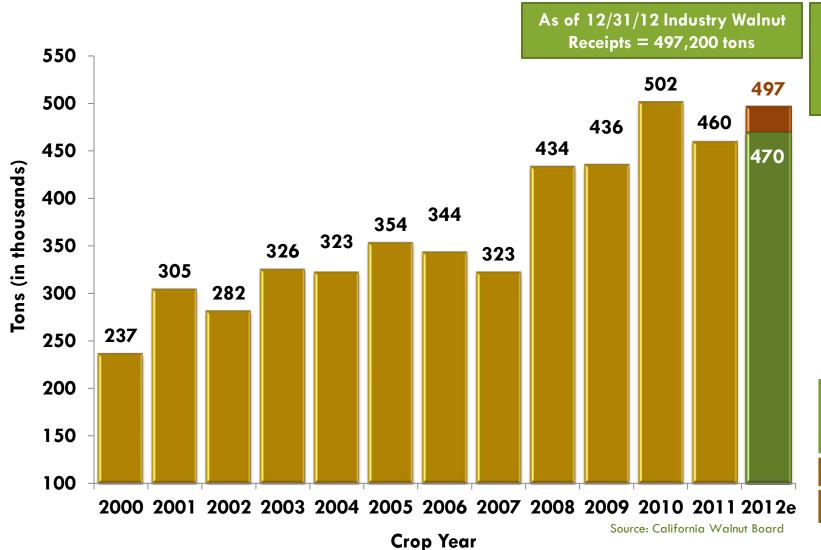
Regional Production Top 5 Counties	2011 Pounds (1,000)	% of Total 2010 crop
Sac. Valley	463,554	50.4%
Butte	136,564	14.8%
Sutter	82,560	9.0%
Northern SJV	248,446	27.0%
San Joaquin	150,328	16.3%
Stanislaus	93,882	10.2%
Southern SJV	208,330	22.6%
Tulare	116,954	12.7%

Source: California Walnut Board



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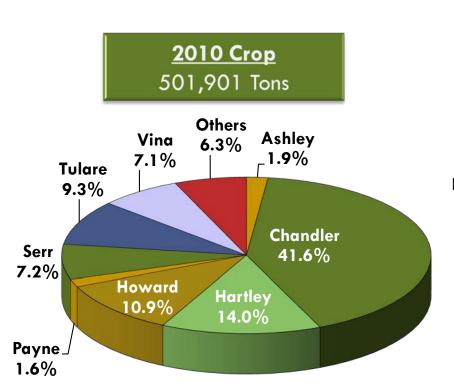


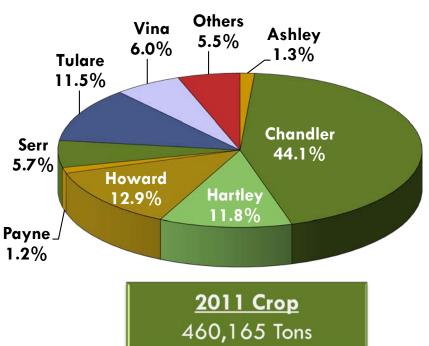
109% increase in production since 2000



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California Walnut Industry, By Variety

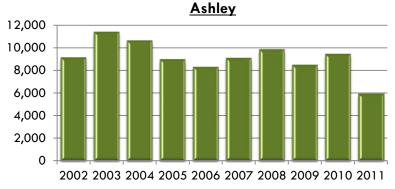


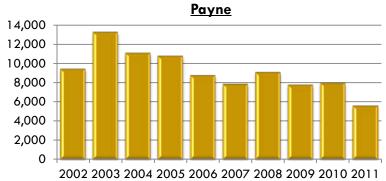


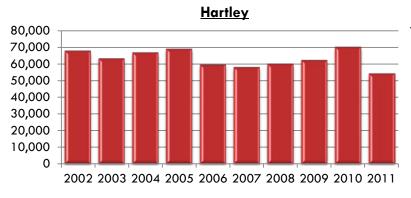


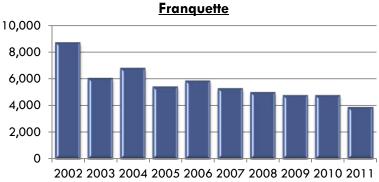


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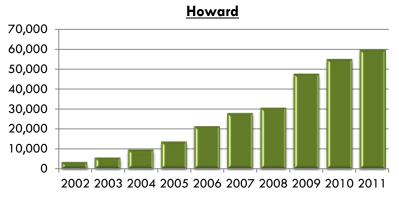


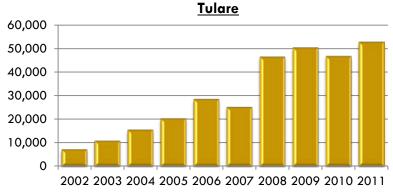


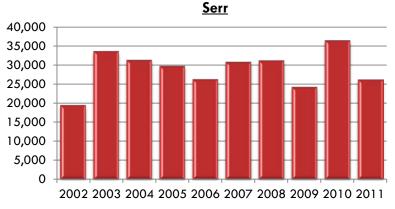


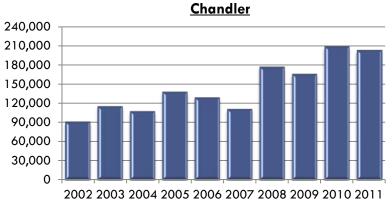


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World Walnut Production

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Short Tons

Country	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012 e	% of Total
USA*	434	436	502	460	497 e	39.9%
China	540	514	518	485	500 e	43.6%
Turkey	94	68	66	75	<i>7</i> 7 e	5.6%
India	41	24	28	28	25 e	2.3%
France	39	36	33	33	27 e	4.1%
Italy	22	14	18	14	12 e	1.2%
Chile	25	28	33	40	48 e	3.3%
Total	1,197	1,121	1,200	1,136	1,159e	100.0%



Walnut Supply/Demand Overview ... California Walnut Industry



(1,000 Lbs.)	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	
Carry-in Inventory (8/31)	43.8	44.1	115.5	84.4	81.3	98.0	
U.S. Walnut Crop	646.0	868.6	872.0	1,003.8	920.0	994.0 e	
Total Supply	689.8	912.7	987.5	1,088.2	1,001.3	1,092.0 e	
	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13 CWB Projected	MY 12/13 Aug 1 – Dec 31
Export Inshell	99.0	152.1	185.4	264.0	226.7	222.0	215.8
Domestic Inshell	19.7	21.4	19.4	19.9	16.9	17.0	11. <i>7</i>
Total Inshell	118.7	173.5	204.8	283.9	243.6	239.0	227.4
Export Shelled	89.0	125.4	131.1	152.1	129.4	138.0	57.4
Domestic Shelled	148.9	158.3	179.2	165.8	158.3	161.5	66.0
Total Shelled	237.9	283.7	310.3	317.9	287.7	299.5	123.4
Total ISE Shipments in M Lbs	645.7	797.2	916.8	1,012.0	903.4	919. <i>7</i>	504.8

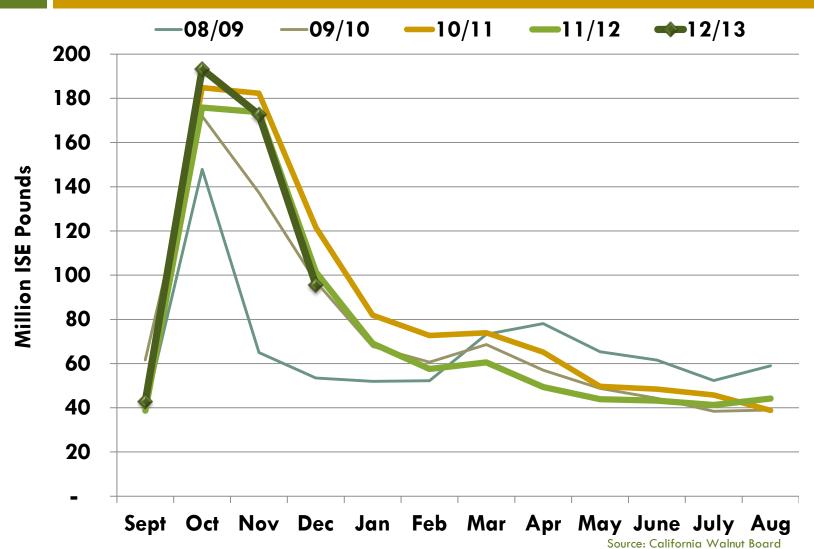


Historical Walnut Demand



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California Walnut Industry, By Month



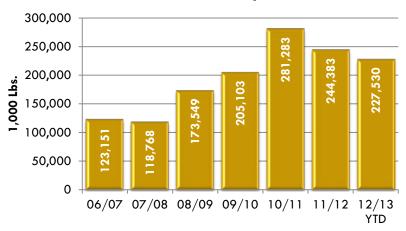


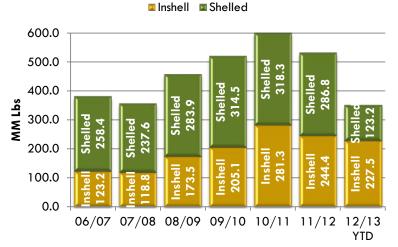
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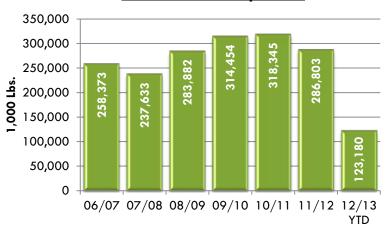
California Walnut Industry, By Year

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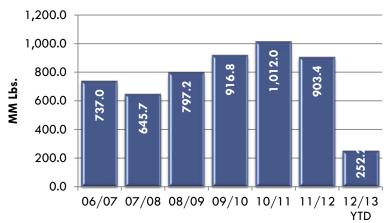




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Total ISE MM





Source: California Walnut Board Note: Shelled Kernel demand not converted to ISE

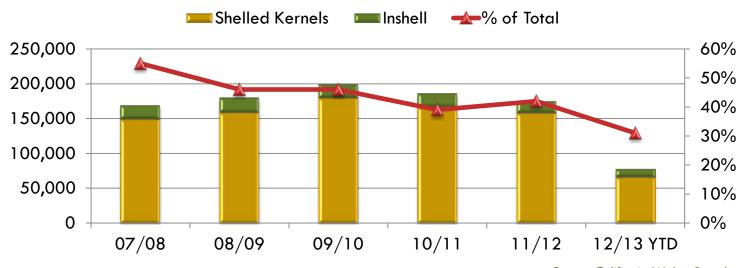
Domestic Walnut Demand



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California Walnut Industry

(1,000 Lbs)	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13 YTD
Inshell	19,752	21,447	19,406	19,962	16,609	11,679
Shelled Kernels	148,956	158,397	179,258	165,894	1 <i>57,</i> 725	66,045
Domestic ISE	367,788	369,576	418,190	399,386	379,948	160,094
% of Total ISE	55%	46%	46%	39%	42%	31%





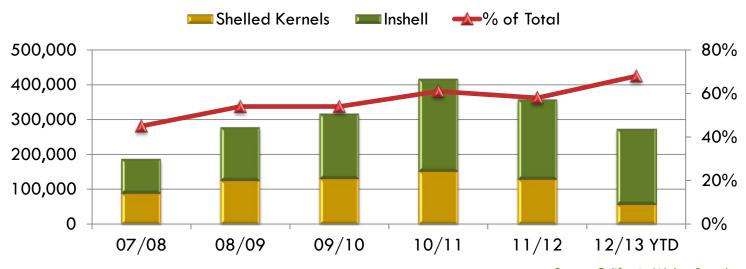
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Export Walnut Demand



California Walnut Industry

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Inshell	99,016	152,102	185,409	264,090	227,792	215,762
Shelled Kernels	89,034	125,485	131,148	152,137	129,080	57,355
Export ISE	307,038	428,208	488,244	613,750	523,424	344,650
% of Total ISE	45%	54%	54%	61%	58%	67%





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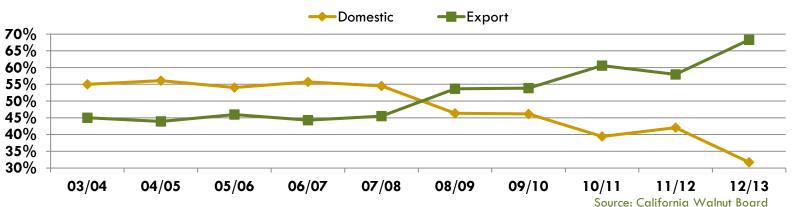
Walnut Demand Distribution



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Total Industry ISE	674,826	797,784	906,434	1,013,136	903,370	504,744	





Walnut Supply & Utilization

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California Walnut Industry

Crop Year	Crop (000)	Beginning Inventory (000)	Total Supply (000)	Utilization (000)	% Change Utilization	Beg. Inventory as % of Total Supply	Utilization as % of Crop
2000	478,000	163,700	641,700	529,100	1%	26%	111%
2001	610,000	112,600	722,600	579,700	10%	16%	95%
2002	564,000	142,900	706,900	573,700	-1%	20%	102%
2003	652,000	133,200	785,200	638,700	11%	17%	98%
2004	650,000	146,500	796,500	674,000	6%	18%	104%
2005	710,000	122,500	832,500	743,700	10%	15%	105%
2006	692,000	88,800	780,800	737,000	-1%	11%	107%
2007	650,000	43,800	693,800	649,700	-12%	6%	100%
2008	872,000	44,100	916,100	800,600	23%	5%	92%
2009	874,000	115,500	989,500	916,756	15%	12%	105%
2010	1,006,000	84,400	1,090,400	1,013,100	11%	8%	101%
2011	920,330	81,760	1,002,090	903,400	-11%	8%	98%
2012 e	994,400e	98,000	1,092,400e	919,700e	2%	9%	92%



2012 Crop Highlights



- Favorable growing conditions through spring & summer
- \square By late summer, industry expected crop to be 500,000+ tons
- □ In September, CASS estimated crop at 470,000 tons
 - Lowest average nut set in 5 years (down 1% from 2011)
 - Small inshell size: Jumbo size for Hartley, Vina, Chandler, & Howard down 10 points from prior year
- Opening prices similar to prior year, moved up rapidly
- Currency not an issue; China crop rumored less than originally expected
- In December, WMB reported 497,000 tons received
 - Total Shipments = 504 M lbs (up 3.4% over prior year)
 - Inshell = 227 M lbs (up 5.7% over prior year)
 - Shelled Kernels = 123 M lbs (up 3.4% over prior year)



Short Term Outlook



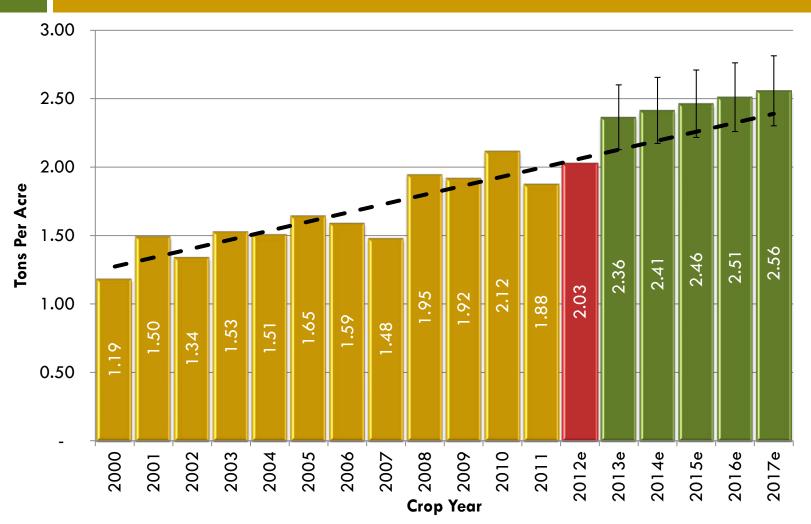
- Health benefits driving increased consumption
- Economies recovering lumpy/uneven
- Adequate supply
- Walnut commerce is more global
- Price escalation
- Food safety impact expected, but unknown
- Dependant on exports for growth
 - New markets
 - Existing markets
 - Traditional and Non-traditional destinations
- Competing nuts available, priced competitively



Long Term Outlook

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California Walnut Industry, Tons per Acre

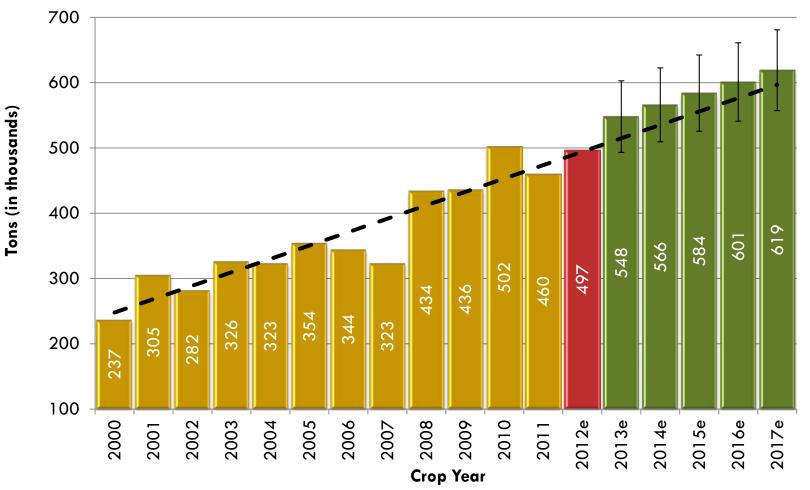




Long Term Outlook



California Walnut Industry, Production





Long Term Outlook

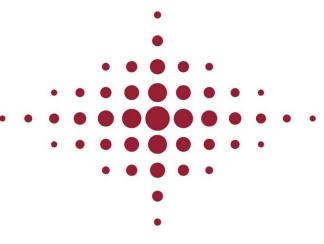


- Productive capacity (bearing & non-bearing) poised for larger crops
 - Availability of trees and land will create constraints
- Build worldwide, broad-based, balanced, sustainable demand
 - Increase consumption in existing markets
 - Focus on developing and emerging destinations
- Commodity growth/consumption likely greater than economic due to a growing, more prosperous global population



Questions?





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