

PEACH FUZZ



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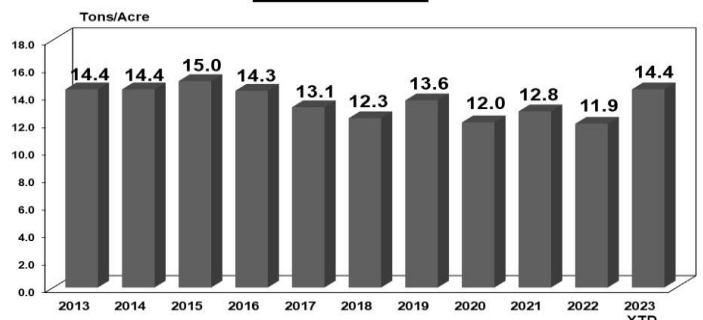
EXTRA EARLY DELIVERIES FALL 1% BELOW ESTIMATE

According to the latest delivery report issued by the California League of Food Producers for W/E August 5, (plus CCPA member deliveries for August 6-8), current Extra Early deliveries amount to 45,657 tons. This represents a 1% shortfall from the industry's 45,963 ton Block x Block estimate. The 2023 YTD yield amounts to 14.4 tons/acre vs. last year's 11.9 ton/acre yield which is the highest Extra Early yield per acre since 2015's 15.0 tons/acre yield. The Yuba/Sutter area averaged 13.7 tons/acre, up 37% from last year's frost damaged yield of 10.0 tons/acre while Modesto averaged 15.9 tons/acre vs. 14.1 tons/acre last year. The Kingsburg area averaged 14.0 tons/acre, up 8% from last year's 13.0 ton/acre yield.

Extra Early Deliveries thru August 8

Area	Blk x Blk Estimate	Tons Delivered	% vs. Estimate	Yield/Acre
Yuba/Sutter	21,845	21,601	-1%	13.7
Stockton	1,921	1,431	-26%	12.6
Modesto	15,054	14,909	-1%	15.9
Kingsburg	7,143	7,716	+8%	14.0
Totals	45,963	45,657	-1%	14.4

Extra Early Yields Per Acre 2013-2023

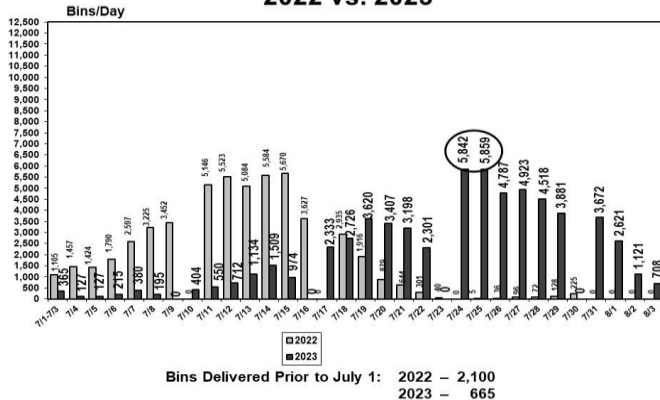


10 Year Average Extra Early Yield is 13.4 tons/acre

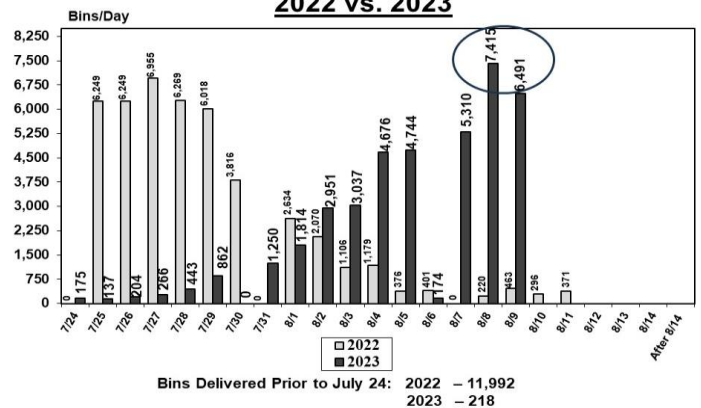
EARLY VARIETY DELIVERIES JUST OVER 50% COMPLETE

As of August 8th, the Association projects that 22,288 tons of Early variety fruit have been delivered which amounts to 53% of the industry's 41,998 ton Block by Block estimate. The 2023 peach harvest continues to run significantly behind the 2022 harvest timing. The two largest delivery days for CCPA member Extra Early varieties this year occurred on July 24th and 25th which is 10 days later than our peak delivery days for Extra Early varieties in 2022. For CCPA member deliveries of Early variety fruit, our two largest delivery days this year occurred on August 8th and 9th which is 12 days later than our peak delivery days in 2022. As of August 8th, CCPA members have delivered just 4,980 bins of Late variety peaches vs. 76,943 bins last year.

CCPA Member Delivery Volume Extra Earlys 2022 vs. 2023



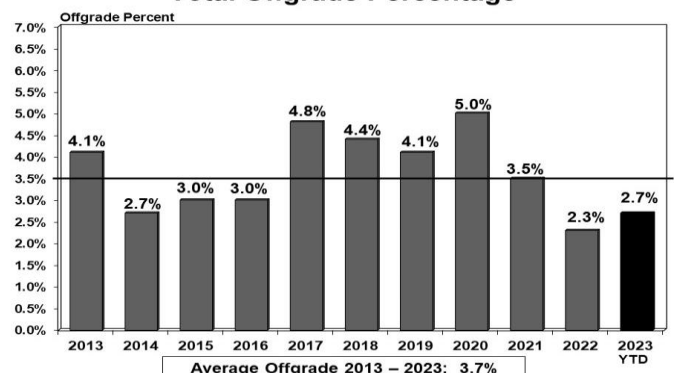
CCPA Member Delivery Volume Earlys 2022 vs. 2023



YTD 2023 CROP OFFGRADE AT 2.7%

The YTD statewide total offgrade for CCPA member deliveries thru August 8 amounts to 2.7% compared to a total offgrade of 2.9% for deliveries through August 8 in 2022. The biggest quality difference vs. 2022 crop offgrade so far has been the increased number of split pit peaches this year (visible splits are nearly double last year's offgrade thru August 8). Fruit sizes have generally been larger in the southern part of the state while northern district sizes have been smaller. However, the statewide percentage of undersize fruit is slightly below last year's figure as of August 8 (0.89% last year vs. 0.84% in 2023). At this point we are just over one-third done with the 2023 peach harvest. CCPA members have delivered 99% of their fruit in the 0-8% Base Price category this year.

California Cling Peach Production Total Offgrade Percentage



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GROWERS CAUTIONED ON NEW PEACH PLANTINGS

With a record number of walnut orchards being removed during the past year, the Association is concerned that a few growers may be tempted to convert more acreage to cling peaches. Any grower considering a move from walnuts to peaches should be aware about the risks involved with speculative plantings. Although Del Monte and PCP both contracted for a significantly higher number of 2023 plantings, the California cling peach industry will not be able to sustain this higher amount of new plantings in future years without returning to an oversupply position. **Simply put, do not plant a cling peach orchard without a letter of intent from a processor.** Any grower who believes that a “plant peaches now, canners will need my fruit in 3 years” strategy will be successful is making a big bet with worse odds than any casino offers to gamblers!

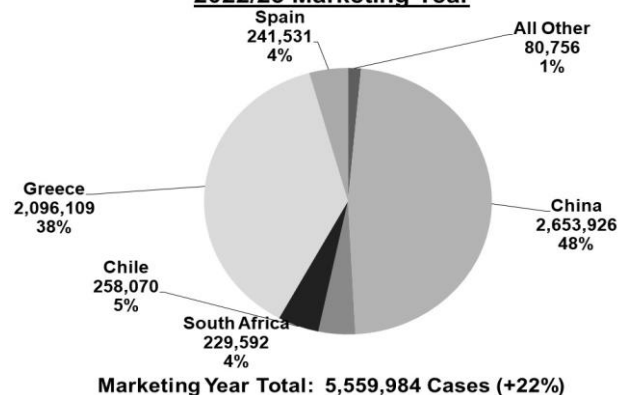
2022/23 CANNED PEACH IMPORTS UP 22%

Canned peach imports for the 2022/23 marketing year amounted to 5,559,984 cases, up 22% over last year’s 4,563,042 cases imported. This represents the largest import volume since 2015/16 shipments of 5,686,000 cases. China continues to be the leading importer of canned peaches with 2,653,926 cases (48%) of total import volume shipped into the US market. Shipments from Greece rose by 50% to 2,096,109 cases which represents 38% of total U.S. imports. The canned peach import volume this year went 60% to retail sales channels (up 1 million cases from last year) with the remaining 40% into foodservice channels (up 122,000 cases from last year).

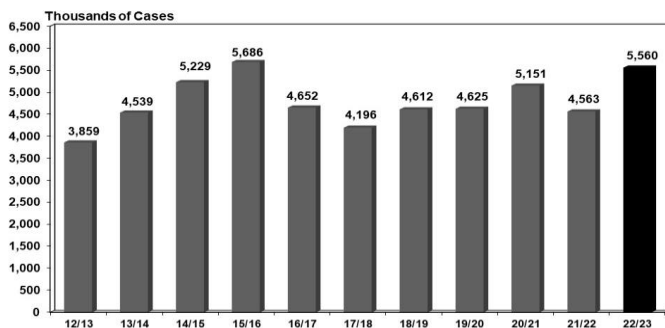
**Canned Peach Imports
 June 1 – May 31 Marketing Year
 2021 – 2023**

Country	2021	2022	2023	% Change
China	2,707,557	2,373,041	2,653,926	+12%
Greece	1,668,725	1,393,302	2,096,109	+50%
Thailand	1,259	2,548	32,285	N/A
Chile	251,427	273,361	258,070	-6%
Spain	153,283	197,836	241,531	+22%
South Africa	335,256	273,728	229,592	-16%
All Others	33,253	49,226	48,471	-2%
TOTALS	5,150,760	4,563,042	5,559,984	+22%

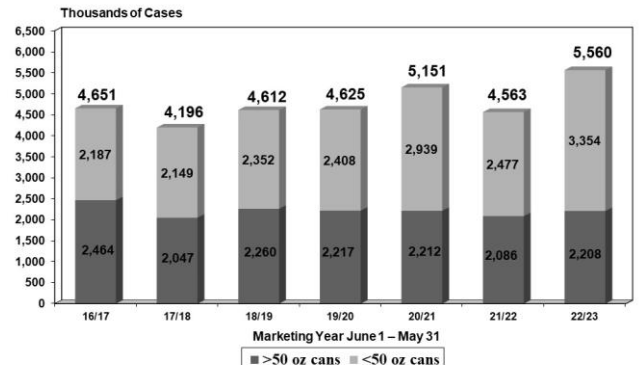
**U. S. Canned Peach Imports
 2022/23 Marketing Year**



**U.S. Canned Peach Import Trends
 2013 - 2023**



**U.S. Canned & Shelf Stable Peach Import Trends
 2017 – 2023**



OF INTEREST

- The Association applauds Senators Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Mike Braun (R-IN) along with California Congressmen Garamendi and LaMalfa for the leadership they have demonstrated in advocating for American farmers and workers. They have introduced the “American Food for American Schools Act” which takes several critical steps to strengthen existing Buy American provisions for school food purchases. We look forward to working with our Senate and House allies to address this issue as part of the upcoming Farm Bill.