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Information pertinent to marketing the 1979 season California fresh apricot crop is summarized in this publication. Data includes shipments, unload distribution, f.o.b. shipping point prices, auction sales, wholesale market prices, acreage, production, crop value, and processing statistics. These basic statistical records reflect the supply and demand factors that affect the marketing of apricots.

F.o.b. shipping point prices were reported from May 29 to June 13, 1979. Auction sales data shown in this report cover the markets of Detroit, New York, Philadelphia, and Pittsburgh. Terminal market wholesale prices are shown for Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, and New York.

All prices shown in this summary, except auction sales, represent the first quoted price or first quoted price range as taken from the daily published market report. Prices in the daily report shown as "few" and "occasional" were omitted from this summary, unless otherwise stated.

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Beginning with 1978, shipment and unload data were made available nationally on a weight basis. Data in this summary have been compiled from the weight information and are presented on the basis of 1,000 lugs of 24 pounds each.

PALLETIZATION AND PRECOOLING CHARGES: In 1979, most buyers were charged 10 cents per lug (24 lbs. net), for palletized shipments, including the stacking and strapping of containers on the pallet. For precooled shipments, buyers were charged mostly 40 cents per lug.

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MARKETING CALIFORNIA APRICOTS

Summary of the 1979 Season

HIGHLIGHTS: Bearing acreage of California apricots in 1979 dropped to the smallest of records back to 1919, when the first estimates were made. Yields were 15% larger than in 1978. Production was up 14% from 1978 and nearly equal that of 1977. Prices for all uses averaged the highest since 1974. The crop was valued at \$37.5 million, a record high. While the 1979 ranking is not yet available, in 1978 apricots ranked 41st in value among California's crop and livestock commodities, following asparagus.

Weather again influenced the usage and outturn of the crop. Tilton production in some areas was affected by jacket and blossom rot. High temperatures and wind in late May and early June brought fresh marketing of Royals to a halt in the Winters district. Overall quality and size of fruit in most districts was good. Near the end of the season a rain in the Hollister district caught some fruit drying on trays. Of the total crop, only 5% was marketed fresh, while 60% was canned, 7% frozen, and 28% went for drying.

1979 FACTS AT A GLANCE COMPARED WITH 1978:

Acreage - 27,000 bearing acres vs 27,230, down 1%
 Yield - 5.19 tons per acre vs 4.52, up 15%
 Production -
 Fresh - 7,000 tons vs 6,500, up 8%
 Canned - 83,700 tons vs 78,000, up 7%
 Frozen - 9,800 tons vs 8,500, up 15%
 Dried* - 39,500 tons vs 30,000, up 32%
 Total 140,000 tons vs 123,000, up 14%

Utilization - Percent of total utilized production

Fresh - 5% vs 5%
 Processed - 95% vs 95%

Average Price - at first delivery point -

Fresh - \$349.00 per ton vs \$558.00, down 37%
 Canned - \$239.00 per ton vs \$209.00, up 14%
 Frozen - \$222.00 per ton vs \$210.00, up 6%
 Dried* - \$275.00 per ton vs \$234.00, up 18%
 Average \$253.00 per ton vs \$233.00, up 9%

*Fresh Basis

Value - Based on prices at first delivery point -
 \$35,420,000 vs \$28,659,000, up 24%

Fresh Shipments (California origin) - 473,300 lugs
 vs 367,400, up 29%

Unloads (California origin) at 41 U.S. and 5 Canadian
 Cities - 438,200 lugs vs 344,600, up 27%

FRESH MOVEMENT: California apricot shipments to fresh market totaled 473,300 lugs in 1979, up 29% from the 367,400 lugs recorded for 1978. This is near the average amount for the most recent 5 years. Nearly all the shipments were by truck, with only 6,300 lugs reported moving by piggyback van and 2,100 lugs by air. Total reported U.S. movement of apricots from all producing states was 680,000 lugs compared with 577,000 lugs in 1978. Distribution of California apricots to out-of-state markets totaled 238,300 lugs or slightly over half of the total shipments. This was up in volume but down in terms of percentage compared with the previous year. California markets took an estimated 235,000 lugs, up both in terms of volume and percentage of the total compared with 1978.

UNLOAD DISTRIBUTION: Unloads of California apricots at 41 U.S. and 5 Canadian cities totaled 438,200 lugs, 27% above the 344,600 lugs unloaded in 1978. Distribution of the amount unloaded consisted of nearly 16% to the Eastern U.S. cities, 10% to the Midwest, over 4% to the South, nearly 62% to the western states, and 8% to Canada. Leading unload cities were Los Angeles with 168,300 lugs, San Francisco-Oakland 64,600, New York 47,400, Toronto 23,800, and Chicago 15,500 lugs.

F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT PRICES:

WINTERS DISTRICT - Weather again was a factor in the size and utilization of the crop. A larger tonnage than in 1978 was produced, and quality was good. Spring temperatures were not unusual, and ranged from 3° below normal to 4° above normal over the period from late February through mid May. Rainfall for the entire year was normal but during March-April-May it fell below normal, with 2.00 inches recorded for March, 1.24 for April and .37 for May. During the last half of May and first half of June, temperatures generally were above normal, reaching 101° on May 19 but

dropping to 75° on May 22 then climbing to 100° on May 26. Temperatures were 100° or above during four of the first six days of June. Strong, hot winds blew June 7-8 which virtually halted picking for fresh market. Most remaining tonnage was placed with dry yards.

First shipments were made Monday, May 21, approximately the same starting date as in 1978. Peak day was May 30, and by mid-June virtually all shipments had been completed. Shipments for the season totaled 156,900 lugs, 12% above 1978, although the potential quantity was reduced by high temperatures and wind.

First f.o.b. shipping point quotations were issued Tuesday, May 29 following the Memorial Day holiday. Extra large Derby Royals, eastern maturity, were \$11.00-12.00 per lug, about \$1.00 below opening prices in 1978. Prices at the end of the week were \$11.00. The week of June 4-8 prices ranged \$9.00-11.00 on that size, then during June 11-13 ranged \$8.00-10.00 with the last report June 13 at \$8.00-9.00 per lug. Western maturity extra large were \$12.00 during May 29-June 1, \$8.00-11.00 June 4-8, and \$7.00-8.00 June 11-13. Trading was active early in the season but gradually declined to slow the latter part of the season. Supplies from other California areas, and comparatively lower priced Arizona apricots competed for markets.

NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY: Trial harvesting began in Stanislaus County May 31, and in Contra Costa County June 1. First recorded shipments for the Brentwood district were made June 6, with shipments continuing as late as mid-July, although harvesting for fresh market was completed about July 7. Shipments for the entire district totaled 82,500 lugs. King, Perfection, Flaming Gold and Royal or Blenheim were among the varieties harvested in the early part of the season and Tilton harvest got underway June 19-21. A few Patterson variety also was harvested fresh. The Tilton crop was reduced due to jacket rot and blossom rot in March. Winds, high temperatures, shortages of pickers and a

truckers' strike were among the factors having some effect on the crop. Overall quality and size of fruit were very good.

F.o.b. shipping point prices were not reported for this district in 1979 due to light supplies and few shippers. Price trend indications for Tiltons, extra large, on June 21 were \$8.00-10.00, June 25-28 \$8.00, June 29-July 2 \$7.50 and July 3-6 \$6.00-8.00 per lug.

EASTERN AUCTION MARKETS: Sales volume at four eastern auctions totaled 249.0 tons, 6% below 1978 and one of the lowest amounts in recent years. This is the equivalent of 20,750 lugs of 24 pounds each, or about 15 carlot equivalents. Prices averaged the second highest in recent years, topped only by 1978. By container types, most were in the Brentwood lug, where 15,386 lugs averaged \$11.13, followed by the tight-fill lug with 3,377 at an average of \$11.32, and other containers totaled 1,227 and averaged \$11.00. By variety, all containers combined, Royal accounted for 41% of the total auction volume, Tilton 48%, and others 11%. Royal was mostly in the Brentwood lug, and averaged \$11.20 in that container. Nearly all the Tiltons were in the Brentwood lug and averaged \$11.00. The 2-layer lug, cup and tray pack was used for small quantities of King, Perfection and Royal varieties.

TERMINAL MARKET PRICES: California apricot prices at the Los Angeles and San Francisco wholesale markets ranged below those the previous season. The volume at Los Angeles jumped 66% above 1978, and at San Francisco-Oakland was 12% higher. Prices for extra large size Royal apricots at Los Angeles ranged from a low of \$6.00 to a high of \$16.00 per lug. Tiltons ranged \$6.00-12.00 per lug. At San Francisco, extra large size Royals ranged \$10.00-16.00, and a few Tiltons were \$8.50-9.00 per lug. Royals at Chicago for Jumbo were \$18.00-22.00, and 6-row brought \$16.00-17.00 per lug. Extra large Royals at the New York wholesale market were \$14.50-18.00 per lug.

CANNER PRICES: The grower bargaining association, Apricot Producers of California, and canners, freezers and dryers reached price agreement to pay most growers \$265.00 per ton for No. 1 Blenheims in 1979 compared with \$225.00 in 1978. They agreed to pay \$240.00 for Tiltos, while canners had paid \$210.00 and freezers and dryers paid \$212.50 per ton the previous season. The Modesto variety brought 5% more than Tiltos at \$252.00 in 1979 compared with \$212.50 in 1978. The Patterson variety commanded 10% more than Tiltos at \$264.00 per ton, compared with \$212.50 the previous year. Manufacturing grade for the four varieties was \$204.00 per ton. In 1978, Blenheims for nectar were \$165.00 while the other varieties brought \$152.50, and Blenheims for juice were \$125.00 per ton. In 1979, sizes for No. 1 grade were 15s/larger with no tolerance for 16s/smaller. In 1978, processors took 14s/larger with a 10% tolerance for 15-16s. The 1979 average price received by growers at ranch for all grades and sizes of apricots for canning was \$239.00 per ton compared with \$209.00 in 1978. Freezer prices averaged \$222.00 per ton compared with \$210.00 in 1978. Dried prices (fresh basis) averaged \$275.00 per ton compared with \$234.00 in 1978.

PROCESSOR STOCKS AND MOVEMENT: The canned pack of California apricots totaled 2,887,000 cases on a 24 No. 2½ size can basis in 1979, up 36% from 1978, and the

largest pack since 1975. Movement of canned stocks during June 1, 1979-December 1, 1979 totaled 1,403,000 cases, down 5% from 1978, and the smallest in recent years.

ACREAGE: Bearing acreage was 27,000 acres, down 1% from 1978 and the smallest of records going back to 1919. Royal or Blenheim, and Tilton varieties each comprise about 47% of the 1978 bearing acreage.

YIELD: Yields averaged 5.19 tons per acre in 1979. This was 15% above 1978 and nearly equal the yield of 5.22 tons in 1977.

PRODUCTION: Production was estimated at 140,000 tons, 14% above 1978 and nearly equal the 143,000 tons produced in 1977. All but 7,000 tons of the crop went for canned, frozen or dry yard use.

PRICE: The average grower return at first delivery point for all grades, varieties and uses was \$253.00 per ton, 9% above 1978 and the highest since 1974 when the average was \$256.00 per ton.

VALUE: Value of the California apricot production at first delivery point was \$35,420,000, up 24% from 1978, and the highest of records back to 1909. Similarly, total value, based on returns at first delivery point for fresh market and equivalent returns at the processing plant door for processing supplies, came to \$37,520,000, a record high.

I. MOVEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION

TABLE 1. TOTAL UNITED STATES RAIL, AIR AND TRUCK MOVEMENT OF APRICOTS, BY STATES, BY YEARS, 1975-1979 a/

Origin	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
<u>1,000 Lugs - 24 lb.</u>					
<u>CALIFORNIA</u>					
Rail Shipments	-	1.8	-	-	-
Piggyback Van Shipments	2.8	1.4	8.4	-	6.3
Air Shipments	3.4	6.1	3.8	2.5	2.1
Truck Shipments	446.5	522.2	587.0	364.9	464.9
TOTAL CALIFORNIA	452.7	531.5	599.2	367.4	473.3
<u>ARIZONA</u>					
Truck Shipments	50.0	23.0	13.5	37.5	34.3
<u>COLORADO</u>					
Truck Unloads	4.0	8.1	8.1	9.6	11.6
<u>IDAHO</u>					
Truck Unloads	1.4	-	-	-	-
<u>MICHIGAN</u>					
Truck Unloads	1.4	-	1.4	-	-
<u>UTAH</u>					
Truck Unloads	-	1.4	-	-	-
<u>WASHINGTON</u>					
Rail Shipments	7.3	1.8	1.8	-	-
Piggyback Van Shipments	-	-	-	-	-
Truck Shipments	177.8	175.5	173.2	162.5	160.8
TOTAL WASHINGTON	185.1	177.3	175.0	162.5	160.8
TOTAL UNITED STATES					
RAIL SHIPMENTS	7.3	3.6	1.8	-	-
PIGGYBACK VAN SHIPMENTS	2.8	1.4	8.4	-	6.3
AIR SHIPMENTS	3.4	6.1	3.8	2.5	2.1
TRUCK MOVEMENT	681.1	730.2	783.2	574.5	671.6
GRAND TOTAL	694.6	741.3	797.2	577.0	680.0

Compiled from reports received from the Fruit and Vegetable Division, AMS, USDA, Washington, D.C. and records of the Federal-State Market News Service, Sacramento, California.

a/ Data are final except 1979 are preliminary. Truck unload data are from unloads in 41 U.S. cities.

NOTE: 1975-1977 were originally reported in cars and carlot equivalents and converted to lugs using a factor of 1,350 lugs per car except California mechanical rail is 1,825 lugs, piggyback vans 1,400 lugs, Washington rail 1,825 lugs and Washington truck 1,125 equivalent 24 pound lugs. All 1978-1979 data were reported in weight and divided by 24 pounds to obtain lugs.

TABLE 2. TOTAL UNITED STATES RAIL, AIR AND TRUCK MOVEMENT OF APRICOTS, BY STATES, BY MONTHS, 1979 a/

Origin and Carrier	May	June	July	August	Total
<u>1,000 Lugs - 24 lb.</u>					
<u>CALIFORNIA</u>					
<u>Winters District</u>					
Air Shipments	2.1	-	-	-	2.1
Truck Shipments	<u>52.8</u>	<u>102.0</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>154.8</u>
Total	54.9	102.0	-	-	156.9
<u>Northern San Joaquin Valley District</u>					
Truck Shipments	-	47.9	34.6	-	82.5
<u>Other California Districts</u>					
Piggyback Van Shipments	-	6.3	-	-	6.3
Truck Shipments	<u>55.9</u>	<u>167.1</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>227.6</u>
Total	55.9	173.4	4.6	-	233.9
TOTAL CALIFORNIA PIGGYBACK VAN SHIPMENTS	-	6.3	-	-	6.3
" " AIR SHIPMENTS	2.1	-	-	-	2.1
" " TRUCK SHIPMENTS	<u>108.7</u>	<u>317.0</u>	<u>39.2</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>464.9</u>
TOTAL CALIFORNIA APRICOT SHIPMENTS	110.8	323.3	39.2	-	473.3
<u>ARIZONA</u>					
Truck Shipments	26.7	7.6	-	-	34.3
<u>COLORADO</u>					
Truck Unloads	-	-	10.4	1.2	11.6
<u>WASHINGTON</u>					
Truck Shipments	-	-	143.7	17.1	160.8
TOTAL U.S. PIGGYBACK VAN SHIPMENTS	-	6.3	-	-	6.3
" " AIR SHIPMENTS	2.1	-	-	-	2.1
" " TRUCK MOVEMENT	<u>135.4</u>	<u>324.6</u>	<u>193.3</u>	<u>18.3</u>	<u>671.6</u>
GRAND TOTAL	137.5	330.9	193.3	18.3	680.0
<u>CALIFORNIA INTRASTATE TRUCK UNLOADS - (These figures are included in the total California truck data above)</u>					
Los Angeles Truck Unloads	13.8	112.0	42.5	-	168.3
San Francisco-Oakland Truck Unloads	<u>5.8</u>	<u>37.1</u>	<u>20.0</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>64.6</u>
Total	19.6	149.1	62.5	1.7	232.9

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a/ 1979 data are preliminary. Truck unload data are from unloads in 41 U.S. Cities.

TABLE 3.

RAIL, AIR AND TRUCK MOVEMENT OF APRICOTS FROM CALIFORNIA AND COMPETING STATES, BY WEEKS, MAY-AUGUST 1979 a/

Origin	May 13-19	May 20-26	May 27 -Jun 2	June 3-9	June 10-16	June 17-23	June 24-30	July 1-7	July 8-14	July 15-21	July 22-28	July 29 -Aug 4	Aug 5-11	Aug 12-18	Total
<u>1,000 Lugs-24 lb.</u>															
<u>CALIFORNIA</u>															
Winters District															2.1
Air Shipments	-	0.8	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Truck Shipments	-	5.0	66.2	56.2	25.8	0.8	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	154.8
Total	-	5.8	67.5	56.2	25.8	0.8	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156.9
Northern San Joaquin Valley District															
Truck Shipments	-	-	-	1.7	3.8	11.2	31.2	25.8	8.8	-	-	-	-	-	82.5
Other California Districts															
Piggyback Van Shipments	-	-	-	-	4.6	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3
Truck Shipments	-	19.6	52.1	59.2	47.9	29.2	15.0	4.2	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	227.6
Total	-	19.6	52.1	59.2	52.5	30.9	15.0	4.2	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	233.9
TOTAL CALIFORNIA															
Air Shipments	-	0.8	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1
Piggyback Van Shipments	-	-	-	-	4.6	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3
Truck Shipments	-	24.6	118.3	117.1	77.5	41.2	47.0	30.0	9.2	-	-	-	-	-	464.9
Total	-	25.4	119.6	117.1	82.1	42.9	47.0	30.0	9.2	-	-	-	-	-	473.3
<u>ARIZONA</u>															
Truck Shipments	1.7	18.8	8.8	4.6	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34.3
<u>COLORADO</u>															
Truck Unloads	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3	1.2	4.2	1.7	1.2	-	11.6
<u>WASHINGTON</u>															
Truck Shipments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	17.1	39.2	72.5	20.4	10.8	-	160.8
TOTAL U.S.															
AIR SHIPMENTS	-	0.8	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1
PIGGYBACK VAN SHIPMENTS	-	-	-	-	4.6	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.3
TRUCK MOVEMENT	1.7	43.4	127.1	121.7	77.9	41.2	47.0	30.8	29.6	40.4	76.7	22.1	12.0	-	671.6
GRAND TOTAL	1.7	44.2	128.4	121.7	82.5	42.9	47.0	30.8	29.6	40.4	76.7	22.1	12.0	-	680.0
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<u>CALIFORNIA INTRASTATE TRUCK UNLOADS</u> - (These figures are included in the total California truck data above)															
Los Angeles	0.3	3.2	18.2	28.1	33.7	16.8	25.4	16.3	16.8	7.4	1.9	0.2	-	-	168.3
San Francisco	-	1.8	4.8	9.2	10.5	8.7	7.9	7.1	4.4	2.7	5.6	1.0	0.9	-	64.6
Total	0.3	5.0	23.0	37.3	44.2	25.5	33.3	23.4	21.2	10.1	7.5	1.2	0.9	-	232.9

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a/ All figures are preliminary. Truck unload data are from unloads in 41 U.S. cities.

TABLE 4.

RAIL, AIR, & TRUCK UNLOADS OF APRICOTS IN 41 U.S. & 5 CANADIAN CITIES, BY UNLOAD AREA AND MARKET, BY ORIGIN, BY MONTH, 1979

Area & Market	May		June			July				August				Total					
	Calif	Ariz	Calif	Ariz	Truck	Calif	Ariz	Wash	Canada	Calif	Ariz	Wash	Canada	Calif	Ariz	Wash	Canada	Total	
	Truck	Truck	Air & PB Van	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	Truck	
<u>1,000 Lugs - 24 lb. a/</u>																			
EASTERN																			
Albany, Ny.	-	-	-	0.8	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	-	-	-	-	1.6
Baltimore, Md.-Wash., D.C.	-	-	-	2.5	-	0.4	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	2.9	-	-	0.4	-	3.3
Boston, Mass.	0.4	-	-	3.3	-	2.1	-	-	2.9	-	-	-	-	5.8	-	-	2.9	-	8.7
Buffalo, Ny.	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	1.7
New York, Ny.-Newark, N.J.	2.9b/	0.8	0.8c/	32.9	-	10.8	-	0.4d/	12.5	-	-	-	1.7	47.4	0.8	0.4	14.2	-	62.8
Philadelphia, Pa.	-	2.5	-	5.8	-	1.3	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	7.1	2.5	-	0.4	-	10.0
Pittsburgh, Pa.	0.9	-	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	0.4	-	3.4
Providence, R.I.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.2	3.3	0.8	49.1	-	15.4	-	0.4	16.6	-	-	-	1.7	69.5	3.3	0.4	18.3	-	91.5
MIDWESTERN																			
Chicago, Ill.	1.3	-	4.6	8.8	-	0.8	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	15.5	-	-	1.7	-	17.2
Cincinnati, Ohio	-	-	-	1.7	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	2.1
Cleveland, Ohio	1.3	-	-	5.4	-	-	-	-	5.8	-	-	-	-	6.7	-	-	5.8	-	12.5
Detroit, Mich.	0.4	0.8	-	6.3	-	2.1	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	8.8	0.8	-	1.7	-	11.3
Indianapolis, Ind.	-	-	-	1.2	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	-	-	-	-	1.6
Kansas City, Mo.	-	-	-	1.2	-	1.3	-	0.4	0.8	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	0.4	0.8	-	3.7
Louisville, Ky.	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	0.4
Milwaukee, Wis.	0.4	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	1.7	-	2.5
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	-	-	-	1.2	-	1.3	-	-	9.2	-	0.4	-	0.4	2.9	-	-	9.6	-	12.5
St. Louis, Mo.	0.4	-	-	1.7	-	0.4	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	0.4	-	2.9
Total	3.8	0.8	4.6	28.3	-	6.7	-	0.4	21.3	-	0.4	-	0.4	43.8	0.8	0.4	21.7	-	66.7
SOUTHERN																			
Atlanta, Ga.	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	0.8
Birmingham, Ala.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Columbia, S.C.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dallas, Tex.	1.7	-	-	5.0	-	0.8	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	7.5	-	-	0.4	-	7.9
Ft. Worth, Tex.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Houston, Tex.	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	0.4	-	2.1
Memphis, Tenn.	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	0.4
Miami, Fla.	-	-	-	0.8	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	-	-	2.5
Nashville, Tenn.	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	0.4
New Orleans, La.	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	0.8
Oklahoma City, Okla.	-	-	-	1.3	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	2.1
San Antonio, Tex.	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	0.4	-	-	-	2.9
Total	1.7	-	-	13.7	-	3.3	0.4	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	18.7	0.4	-	0.8	-	19.9
WESTERN																			
Denver, Colo.	0.4	-	-	8.8	-	2.9	-	9.6	0.8	-	-	1.2	0.4	12.1	-	10.8	1.2	-	24.1
Los Angeles, Calif.	13.8	2.5	-	112.0	-	42.5	-	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	168.3	2.5	-	3.8	-	174.6
Portland, Ore.	0.4	-	-	7.5	-	1.7	-	-	10.8	-	-	-	2.5	9.6	-	-	13.3	-	22.9
Salt Lake City, Utah	0.4	-	-	1.7	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	-	-	2.5
San Fran.-Oakland, Calif.	5.8	-	-	37.1	0.4	20.0	-	-	8.3	-	1.7	-	-	64.6	0.4	-	8.3	-	73.3
Seattle-Tacoma, Wash.	1.2	-	-	9.6	-	2.1	-	-	12.1	-	-	-	6.3	12.9	-	-	18.4	-	31.3
Total	22.0	2.5	-	176.7	0.4	69.6	-	9.6	35.8	-	1.7	1.2	9.2	270.0	2.9	10.8	45.0	-	328.7
TOTAL U.S.	31.7	6.6	5.4	267.8	0.4	95.0	0.4	10.4	74.5	-	2.1	1.2	11.3	402.0	7.4	11.6	85.8	-	506.8
CANADA UNLOADS																			
Montreal, Que.	0.4	-	-	3.3	-	2.9	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	6.6	-	-	0.4	-	7.0
Ottawa, Ont.	-	-	-	0.8	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	1.2	-	-	-	0.8	2.0
Toronto, Ont.	4.2	-	-	17.9	-	1.7	-	-	5.0	5.4	-	-	-	23.8	-	-	5.0	8.7	37.5
Vancouver, B.C.	-	-	-	2.1	-	0.8	-	-	1.2	30.8	-	-	0.4	2.1	2.9	-	1.6	32.9	37.4
Winnipeg, Man	-	-	-	1.3	-	0.4	-	-	-	7.1	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	7.1	8.8
Total	4.6	-	-	25.4	-	6.2	-	-	6.6	43.3	-	-	0.4	36.2	-	-	7.0	49.5	92.7
GRAND TOTAL U.S. & CANADA	36.3	6.6	5.4	293.2	0.4	101.2	0.4	10.4	81.1	43.3	2.1	1.2	11.7	438.2	7.4	11.6	92.8	49.5	599.5

Compiled from reports received from the Fruit & Vegetable Division, AMS, USDA, Market News Branch, Washington, D.C.

a/ Data originally reported in weight and converted to lugs of 24 pounds each. b/ Includes air 1,200 lugs and truck 1,700 lugs. c/ Includes air 800 lugs.

d/ Includes air 400 lugs.

II. F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT PRICES

TABLE 5. F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT PRICES OF CALIFORNIA APRICOTS FROM WINTERS AND NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICTS, BY MATURITY, BY SIZE AND VARIETY, BY DAYS, 1979 a/

Date	Eastern Maturity			Western Maturity		
	Jumbo	Extra Large	Large	Jumbo	Extra Large	Large
Dollars per carton or lug (24 lb., tight-fill/volume-fill pack)						
<u>WINTERS DISTRICT</u>						
Derby Royal						
----- H O L I D A Y -----						
May 28						
29	\$13.00-14.00	\$11.00-12.00	\$10.00 some 7.00	\$14.00	\$12.00	\$8.00-10.00
30	13.00-14.00	11.00-12.00	10.00 some 7.00	14.00	12.00	8.00-10.00
31	13.00	11.00	7.00-8.00	14.00	12.00	8.00-9.00
June 1	13.00	11.00	7.00-8.00	13.00-14.00	12.00	8.00-9.00
June 4	12.00	10.00	6.00-7.00	13.00 some 14.00	11.00	7.00-8.00
5	12.00	10.00	6.00	12.00	10.00	6.00 some 7.00
6	12.00 some 13.00	9.00-10.00	6.00 some 7.00 some 5.50	12.00	10.00 some 9.00	6.00 some 7.00
Derby Royal, few Regular Royal						
7	12.00	9.00-10.00	5.50-6.50	11.00	9.00	5.00-7.00
Derby Royal, some Regular Royal						
8	12.00	9.00-10.00	5.50-6.00	9.00 some 10.00	8.00 some 9.00	5.50-6.00
Derby Royal and Regular Royal						
June 11	13.00	9.00-10.00	6.00	9.00-10.00	8.00	6.00 some 5.50
12	Insuff. to quote	8.00-9.00	5.00-6.00	8.00-9.00	7.00-8.00	5.00-6.00
13	Insuff. to quote	8.00-9.00	Too few sales to report	8.00	7.00-8.00	5.00-6.00

NORTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

No daily f.o.b. shipping point prices reported due to light supplies and few shippers. Following information obtained for trends.

Tilton

June 25	10.00	8.00	6.00	10.00	8.00	6.00
July 2	9.00	7.50	6.00	9.00	7.50	6.00

Harvesting completed. Light shipments continued.

Compiled from reports of the Federal-State Market News Service, Sacramento, California.

a/ F.o.b. shipping point prices represent the first quoted price or price range and do not include prices shown as "mostly", "few" or "occasional" unless otherwise stated.

III. WHOLESALE MARKET PRICES

TABLE 6. WEEKLY RANGE OF WHOLESALE MARKET PRICES FOR CALIFORNIA APRICOTS AT LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, CHICAGO AND NEW YORK, BY SELECTED VARIETY AND SIZE, 1979

Week	Castlebrite	Experimental	Pinkerton	Pomo	Queen	Royal	Tilton
	Extra Large	Extra Large	Extra Large	Jumbo	Extra Large	Extra Large	Extra Large
<u>Dollars per lug or carton, approximately 22-25 lb.</u>							
<u>Los Angeles</u>							
May 21-25	15.00-17.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
May 28-June 1	8.00-10.00	8.00-10.00	8.00-10.00	-	-	12.00-16.00	-
June 4-8	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00-8.00	-	8.00-13.00	-
11-15	6.00-7.00	6.00-7.00	6.00-7.00	3.50-9.00	-	11.00-13.00	-
18-22	6.00	3.00-6.00	6.00	3.50	-	6.00-7.00	6.00-12.00
25-29	-	7.00-8.00	-	-	7.00-8.00	-	7.00-10.00
July 2-6	-	-	-	-	7.00	10.00	7.00-10.00
9-13	-	-	-	-	7.00	7.00-9.50	6.00-9.00
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	7.00-8.50	-
23-27	-	-	-	-	-	7.50-10.00	-
<u>San Francisco</u>							
May 21-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
May 28-June 1	-	-	-	-	-	13.00-16.00	-
June 4-8	-	-	-	-	-	12.00-14.00	-
11-15	-	-	-	-	-	10.00-12.00	-
18-22	-	-	-	-	-	10.00-11.00	8.50
25-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.00
July 2-6	-	-	-	-	-	10.00	-
9-13	-	-	-	-	-	10.00	-
16-20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Chicago</u>							
May 21-25	-	<u>Flaming Gold</u>	-	-	<u>Southerner</u>	<u>Jumbo</u>	-
May 28-June 1	-	84-88s	-	-	19.00-20.00	22.00	-
June 4-8	-	10.00-11.00	-	-	18.00-20.00	18.00-22.00	-
	<u>Lulu Belle</u>	-	-	-	-	<u>6-Row</u>	-
	6-Row	-	-	<u>Perfection</u>	-	-	-
11-15	16.00-17.00	8.00-8.50	-	<u>Extra Jumbo</u>	10.00-11.00	16.00-17.00	-
18-22	-	-	-	17.00	-	-	-
25-29	-	-	-	16.00-17.00	-	-	-
July 2-6	-	-	-	16.00	-	-	-
9-13	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.00-15.00
<u>New York</u>							
May 21-25	-	<u>Various Varieties</u>	-	-	-	<u>Extra Large</u>	-
May 28-June 1	-	Jumbo	-	-	-	18.00	-
June 4-8	-	17.00-17.50	-	-	-	-	-
11-15	-	14.00-15.50	-	-	-	-	-
18-22	-	-	-	-	-	14.50	-
25-29	-	-	-	-	-	16.50-17.00	-
July 2-6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Compiled from daily Wholesale Market Reports issued by the Federal-State Market News Service at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago and New York.

IV. AUCTION PRICES

TABLE 7. SALES VOLUME AND AVERAGE PRICES OF CALIFORNIA APRICOTS AT EASTERN AUCTION, BY CONTAINER TYPE, TOTAL VOLUME AND AVERAGE PRICES FOR ALL CONTAINERS, 1975-79 a/

Year	Brentwood Lugs (mostly 25# Net)		Lugs Tight-Fill b/ (24-26# mostly 24# Net)		Other Containers c/ (mostly 20# Net)		Total Volume (In Tons)	Avg. (All Pkgs.)
	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Containers	Avg.		
1975	15,906	9.63	4,574	8.06	156	16.09	261.4	9.33
1976	15,456	10.43	15,552	7.60	3,519	9.79	417.1	9.09
1977	11,741	10.74	9,017	6.72	3,355	9.10	291.5	9.01
1978	15,192	12.82	5,559	8.91	507	11.78	265.5	11.77
1979	15,386	11.13	3,377	11.32	1,227	11.00	249.0	11.15

Compiled by Federal-State Market News Service, Sacramento, California. a/ Includes Chicago, Detroit, New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh except none reported for Detroit 1975 and 1976, Philadelphia in 1978, and Chicago in 1979. b/ Includes volume-fill pack. c/ Mostly 2-layer lugs, may range 18-27 pounds net.

TABLE 8. SALES VOLUME AND AVERAGE PRICES OF CALIFORNIA APRICOTS AT EASTERN AUCTIONS, BY VARIETY, BY CONTAINER, 1975-79 a/

Variety	1975		1976		1977		1978		1979	
	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.
	In Brentwood Lugs, (Approximately 25# Net)									
King	65	\$14.23	91	\$13.04	198	\$13.28	-	-	-	-
Perfection	1,020	12.83	1,525	9.50	148	10.34	-	-	145	\$17.10
Royal	2,780	12.25	2,733	8.90	4,027	9.94	5,497	\$14.52	6,022	11.20
Tilton	12,041	8.73	11,107	10.91	7,368	11.12	9,695	11.85	9,219	11.00
Total	15,906	\$ 9.63	15,456	\$10.43	11,741	\$10.74	15,192	\$12.82	15,386	\$11.13
	In Lugs, Tight-fill & Volume-fill Pack, (24-26# Net)									
	(L.A. & Sanger Lugs)									
King	125	\$15.47	71	\$14.51	249	\$14.03	-	-	-	-
Lulu Belle	-	-	790	16.00	1,243	13.48	2,308	\$9.68	320	\$5.03
Mono	-	-	-	-	594	3.44	-	-	-	-
Perfection	-	-	-	-	54	10.00	-	-	-	-
Pinkerton	110	10.30	191	21.42	339	14.45	-	-	96	16.63
Pomo	-	-	216	9.08	198	7.50	1,495	2.95	442	5.43
Royal	50	3.00	14,170	6.87	50	18.76	814	7.87	1,589	10.72
Southerner	-	-	114	9.93	-	-	689	19.94	822	18.07
Tilton	4,090	7.97	-	-	5,580	4.92	-	-	108	6.75
Tulare Chief	-	-	-	-	267	6.38	-	-	-	-
Exp. Varieties #5357	-	-	-	-	180	5.53	84	8.75	-	-
Unspecified	199	5.28	-	-	263	1.20	169	11.43	-	-
Total	4,574	\$8.06	15,552	\$7.60	9,017	\$6.72	5,559	\$8.91	3,377	\$11.32
	In 2-Layer Lugs, Cup & Tray Pack (18-27# Net)									
Anabelle	-	-	79	\$10.57	-	-	-	-	-	-
Castle Bright	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	\$13.30	-	-
Flaming Gold	-	-	55	6.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
King	156	\$16.09	845	13.56	2,737	\$8.73	204	12.69	496	\$8.22
Lulu Belle	-	-	1,731	10.07	-	-	-	-	-	-
Perfection	-	-	16	13.00	395	8.67	-	-	165	18.48
Pinkerton	-	-	-	-	138	18.15	133	15.83	-	-
Pomo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Royal	-	-	793	5.28	85	8.29	155	6.94	566	11.26
Total	156	\$16.09	3,519	\$9.79	3,355	\$9.10	507	\$11.78	1,227	\$11.00

Compiled from records maintained by the Federal-State Market News Service, Sacramento, California. a/ Includes Chicago, Detroit, New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh except none reported for Detroit 1975 and 1976, Philadelphia 1978, and Chicago in 1979.

TABLE 9. SALES VOLUME AND AVERAGES OF CALIFORNIA APRICOTS SOLD AT THE NEW YORK AUCTION BY VARIETY, BY PRINCIPAL CONTAINER TYPES, 1979 WITH 1978 COMPARISONS

New York	King		Lulu Belle		Perfection		Royal		Tilton		Other Varieties	
	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.	Lugs	Avg.
	Brentwood Lugs, (Approximately 25# Net)											
1978	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,497	\$14.52	9,695	\$11.85	-	-
1979	-	-	-	-	145	\$17.10	6,022	11.20	9,219	11.00	-	-
	Lugs, Tight-Fill & Volume-Fill Pack, (24-26# Net)											
1978	-	-	2,308	\$9.68	-	-	814	\$7.87	-	-	2,437	\$8.54 a/
1979	-	-	320	5.03	-	-	1,371	11.36	-	-	738	16.76 a/
	2-Layer Lugs, Cup & Tray Pack (18-27# Net)											
1978	204	\$12.69	-	-	-	-	155	\$6.94	-	-	148	\$15.58 b/
1979	496	8.22	-	-	165	\$18.48	566	\$11.26	-	-	-	-

Compiled from records maintained by the Federal-State Market News Service, Sacramento, California. a/ Includes for 1978 season in Lugs, Tight-fill, mostly 24 lbs: Pomo 1,495 avg. \$2.95; Southerner 689 avg. \$19.94; Experimental Varieties No. 5357 84 avg. \$8.75; No Varieties specified 169 avg. \$11.43. 1979 season Pinkerton 96 lugs, avg. \$16.63; Pomo 112 lugs, avg. \$5.45, and Southerner 530 lugs, avg. \$19.17. b/ Includes for 1978 season in 2-layer lugs, Tray Pack, mostly 20 lbs: Castle Bright 15 avg. \$13.30; Pinkerton 133 avg. \$15.83.

TABLE 13. PRICES RECEIVED FOR PROCESSING APRICOTS BY MEMBERS OF APRICOT PRODUCERS OF CALIFORNIA, BY UTILIZATION, 1978-1979

Year	Use	Varieties				Size	Tolerance	
		Blenheim	Tilton	Patterson	Modesto		For Size	For Defects
		<u>Dollars per tons, roadside basis</u>				<u>No. per lb.</u>	<u>Percent</u>	
		<u>No. 1 Grade</u>						
1978	Canner	225.00	210.00			14s/larger	10% for 15-16s	5%
	Freezer	225.00	212.50	212.50	212.50	14s/larger	10% for 15-16s	5%
	Dryer	225.00	212.50	212.50	212.50	14s/larger	10% for 15-16s	5%
		<u>Manufacturing Grade</u>						
	Nectar	165.00	152.50	152.50	152.50			5%
	Juice	125.00						5%
		<u>No. 1 Grade</u>						
1979	Canner	265.00	240.00	264.00	252.00	15s/larger	(no tolerance	5%
	Freezer	265.00	240.00	264.00	252.00	15s/larger	for size	5%
	Dryer	265.00	240.00	264.00	252.00	15s/larger	16 or smaller)	5%
		<u>Manufacturing Grade</u>						
	Juice	204.00	204.00	204.00	204.00		no limit	5%

Compiled from information of the Apricot Producers of California, Livermore, California.

TABLE 14. SUMMARY OF CALIFORNIA CANNED APRICOTS, BY SEASONAL PACK AND STOCKS ON HAND, 1974-1980

Season	Carryover stocks as of June 1	New Season Pack	Total Supply	Stocks on hand		Movement: June 1-		Total Movement June 1-May 31	Stocks Remaining on hand as new season begins: (June 1)
				Dec. 1	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1		
<u>Thousand Cases; 24 No. 2-1/2 Size Cans per Case</u>									
1974-75	467	1,987	2,454	-	757	-	1,697	2,218	236
1975-76	236	4,421	4,658	-	2,752	-	1,906	3,124	1,534
1976-77	1,534	2,387	3,921	2,403	2,044	1,518	1,876	3,051	870
1977-78	870	2,269	3,139	1,703	1,413	1,436	1,725	2,687	452
1978-79	452	2,127	2,579	1,106	-	1,473	-	2,312	267
1979-80	267	2,887	3,154	1,751	-	1,403	-	a/	a/

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