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Almond Industry Position Report

February 1998

1997-98 Crop Year

Salable	Forecast	1997-98	1996-97	% Change
	mil lbs.	8/1 - 2/28 Kernel Wt.	8/1 - 2/28 Kernel Wt.	
1. Carryin August 1, 1997	48.3	48,287,428	92,798,770	-47.97%
2. Crop Receipts To Date	680.0	744,379,727	510,982,203	45.68%
3. [4% Loss & Exempt]	<u>27.2</u>	<u>29,775,189</u>	<u>20,439,288</u>	
4. New Crop Marketable (2-3)	652.8	714,604,538	490,542,915	
5. [Reserve]	n/a	0	0	
6. Total Supply (1+4-5)	<u>701.1</u>	<u>762,891,966</u>	<u>583,341,685</u>	30.78%
Shipments by Handlers				
7. Domestic	160.0	106,249,077	87,749,420	21.08%
8. Export	<u>430.0</u>	<u>307,348,451</u>	<u>298,825,150</u>	2.85%
9. Total	<u>590.0</u>	<u>413,597,528</u>	<u>386,574,570</u>	
10. Estimated Salable Carryout	<u>111.1</u>	n/a	n/a	
11. Computed Inventory (6-9)	n/a	<u>349,294,438</u>	<u>196,767,115</u>	77.52%
Commitments (sold, not delivered)**				
12. Domestic		66,034,678	41,395,925	
13. Export		<u>88,526,025</u>	<u>52,358,317</u>	
14. Total		<u>154,560,703</u>	<u>93,754,242</u>	
15. Uncommitted Inventory (11 - 14)		<u>194,733,735</u>	<u>103,012,873</u>	

** 60% of handlers reported commitments on their Form 25. Those handlers reporting committed inventory handled 65% of last year's crop.

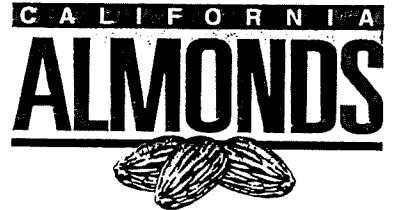
MONTHLY REPORT OF SALABLE HANDLER SHIPMENTS

	1997-98 Crop Year		1996-97 Crop Year	
	2/1 - 2/28	8/1 - 2/28	2/1 - 2/28	8/1 - 2/28
DOMESTIC Shelled	12,064,246	103,180,137	11,464,099	82,712,256
Manufactured	3,674,944	30,716,805	3,626,731	30,246,926
Products	82,750	975,291	141,798	1,042,163
Inshell	(17,226)	3,318,539	78,000	3,366,954
[Interhandler Transfers]	(1,283,093)	(11,198,252)	(1,351,800)	(6,652,450)
[Industry Purchases]	<u>(3,398,861)</u>	<u>(20,743,443)</u>	<u>(3,277,913)</u>	<u>(22,966,429)</u>
TOTAL	<u>11,122,760</u>	<u>106,249,077</u>	<u>10,680,915</u>	<u>87,749,420</u>
		26%		23%
EXPORT Shelled	19,968,818	222,941,526	15,654,707	202,031,063
Manufactured	6,294,570	58,179,840	7,673,074	78,116,000
Inshell	<u>647,445</u>	<u>26,227,085</u>	<u>1,927,976</u>	<u>18,678,087</u>
TOTAL	<u>26,910,833</u>	<u>307,348,451</u>	<u>25,255,757</u>	<u>298,825,150</u>
		74%		77%
NET SHIPMENTS	<u>38,033,593</u>	<u>413,597,528</u>	<u>35,936,672</u>	<u>386,574,570</u>
		100%		100%
EXEMPT/INEDIBLE SHIPMENTS	<u>149,764</u>	<u>3,538,409</u>	<u>179,144</u>	<u>3,503,722</u>

EXPORT DELIVERIES BY DESTINATION
(Kernel Weight)

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		Crop Year 1997-98 08/01/97 through 2/28/98				Crop Year 1996-97 08/01/96 through 2/28/97				
	Country	Shelled	Inshell	%		Country	Shelled	Inshell	%	
North America	Canada	10,630,369	173,976	3.52%		Canada	8,649,514	140,752	2.94%	
	Mexico	3,722,033	0	1.21%		Mexico	1,866,150	88	0.62%	
	Total	14,352,402	173,976			Total	10,515,664	140,840		
Central America	Costa Rica	30,083	0	0.01%		Costa Rica	22,968	0	0.01%	
	Others	11,414	15,750	0.01%		Others	7,589	0	0.00%	
	Total	41,497	15,750			Total	30,557	0		
Caribbean	Dominican Republic	***	0	0.00%		Dominican Republic	21,000	0	0.01%	
	Others	39,544	0	0.01%		Others	23,169	0	0.01%	
	Total	39,544	0			Total	44,169	0		
South America	Argentina	2,075,682	153,238	0.73%		Argentina	885,398	132,243	0.34%	
	Brazil	686,789	212,351	0.29%		Brazil	658,350	265,358	0.31%	
	Chile	238,500	5	0.08%		Chile	***	0	0.00%	
	Colombia	107,750	0	0.04%		Colombia	135,463	0	0.05%	
	Venezuela	398,941	0	0.13%		Venezuela	226,109	0	0.08%	
	Others	97,672	0	0.03%		Others	89,699	0	0.03%	
	Total	3,605,334	365,594			Total	1,995,019	397,601		
Western Europe	Austria	1,130,483	0	0.37%		Austria	1,354,750	0	0.45%	
	Belgium	5,903,359	0	1.92%		Belgium	7,017,339	1,750	2.35%	
	Denmark	5,688,787	0	1.85%		Denmark	4,684,877	0	1.57%	
	Finland	769,655	0	0.25%		Finland	705,030	0	0.24%	
	France	19,291,109	190,943	6.34%		France	24,139,117	207,114	8.15%	
	Germany	68,431,030	73,800	22.29%		Germany	73,218,907	117,070	24.54%	
	Greece	3,692,356	0	1.20%		Greece	3,205,800	8,142	1.08%	
	Ireland	76,675	0	0.02%		Ireland	0	0	0.00%	
	Italy	9,333,350	143,393	3.08%		Italy	11,012,873	503,786	3.85%	
	Malta & Gozo	***	0	0.00%		Malta & Gozo	53,723	0	0.02%	
	Netherlands	15,830,522	0	5.15%		Netherlands	17,141,750	0	5.74%	
	Norway	2,864,534	0	0.93%		Norway	3,011,234	0	1.01%	
	Portugal	611,250	0	0.20%		Portugal	930,500	7,630	0.31%	
	Spain	25,001,799	43,000	8.15%		Spain	27,889,968	0	9.33%	
	Sweden	6,529,333	0	2.12%		Sweden	5,878,124	0	1.97%	
	Switzerland	4,734,668	0	1.54%		Switzerland	4,403,474	0	1.47%	
	United Kingdom	16,159,810	6,864	5.26%		United Kingdom	17,572,268	40,658	5.89%	
	Others	71,150	0	0.02%		Others	0	0	0.00%	
	Total	186,119,870	458,000			Total	202,219,734	886,150		
Eastern Europe	Czech Republic	1,091,175	0	0.36%		Czech Republic	698,449	0	0.23%	
	Estonia	516,000	0	0.17%		Estonia	0	0	0.00%	
	Latvia	118,462	0	0.04%		Latvia	***	0	0.00%	
	Poland	195,000	0	0.06%		Poland	***	0	0.00%	
	Russia	1,933,108	0	0.63%		Russia	496,113	0	0.17%	
	Others	180,050	0	0.06%		Others	201,210	0	0.07%	
	Total	4,033,795	0			Total	1,395,772	0		
Middle East	Cyprus	48,362	0	0.02%		Cyprus	***	0	0.00%	
	Israel	2,985,475	539,813	1.15%		Israel	2,523,714	354,615	0.96%	
	Jordan	947,725	319,060	0.41%		Jordan	169,200	31,500	0.07%	
	Kuwait	1,046,375	0	0.34%		Kuwait	556,650	31,500	0.20%	
	Lebanon	2,573,100	294,744	0.93%		Lebanon	1,681,750	125,250	0.60%	
	Qatar	140,502	0	0.05%		Qatar	0	0	0.00%	
	Saudi Arabia	4,414,476	15,750	1.44%		Saudi Arabia	3,274,550	15,750	1.10%	
	Turkey	84,002	0	0.03%		Turkey	***	0	0.00%	
	United Arab Emirates	7,554,862	299,151	2.56%		United Arab Emirates	5,285,469	100,697	1.80%	
	Others	504,005	1,400	0.16%		Others	268,804	0	0.09%	
Total	20,298,884	1,469,918			Total	13,760,137	659,312			
Asia	China	5,911,858	289,875	2.02%		China	4,492,199	317,625	1.61%	
	India	911,169	22,988,626	7.78%		India	476,473	15,992,823	5.51%	
	Indonesia	***	***	0.00%		Indonesia	260,505	0	0.09%	
	Japan	28,868,180	196,256	9.46%		Japan	28,777,528	438	9.63%	
	Malaysia	1,032,560	0	0.34%		Malaysia	793,388	0	0.27%	
	Philippines	294,725	135,117	0.14%		Philippines	546,425	88,061	0.21%	
	Singapore	902,223	0	0.29%		Singapore	762,725	15,456	0.26%	
	South Korea	3,851,500	0	1.25%		South Korea	4,110,600	0	1.38%	
	Taiwan	3,052,995	0	0.99%		Taiwan	2,870,459	15,456	0.97%	
	Thailand	193,050	0	0.06%		Thailand	352,125	0	0.12%	
	Others	316,385	88	0.10%		Others	29,588	0	0.01%	
	Total	45,334,645	23,609,962			Total	43,472,015	16,429,859		
	New Zealand	New Zealand	Total	446,300	0	0.15%	New Zealand	Total	593,650	2,100
Australia		Total	4,171,261	0	1.36%	Australia	Total	4,430,582	12,600	1.49%
Africa	Canary Islands	111,250	0	0.04%		Canary Islands	341,250	0	0.11%	
	Egypt	1,804,955	133,875	0.63%		Egypt	734,200	149,625	0.30%	
	South Africa	700,557	0	0.23%		South Africa	537,814	0	0.18%	
	Others	61,072	0	0.02%		Others	32,500	0	0.01%	
	Total	2,677,834	133,875			Total	1,645,764	149,625		
Others	Others	Total	0	0	0.00%	Others	Total	44,000	0	0.01%
TOTAL DELIVERIES		281,121,366	26,227,075	100.00%	TOTAL DELIVERIES		280,147,063	18,678,087	100.00%	



**QUALITY CONTROL REPORT
INDUSTRY SUMMARY
AUGUST 1, 1997 - FEBRUARY 28, 1998**

Variety Name	From ABC Form 1	From USDA Inspection Certificates		% Rejects
	Total Receipts	Total Receipts	Total Inedibles	
Nonpareil	352,820,725	350,896,408	8,204,914	2.34%
Carmel	147,371,196	147,439,248	1,719,694	1.17%
Mission	35,627,735	35,189,907	201,131	0.57%
Price	33,615,214	34,582,225	617,541	1.79%
Butte	39,013,493	38,959,813	297,972	0.76%
Neplus	12,443,087	12,418,135	241,053	1.94%
Peerless	10,721,235	11,231,984	49,871	0.44%
Aldrich	1,694,005	1,664,911	15,503	0.93%
Ballico	14,967	14,967	124	0.83%
Bonita	13,920	27,931	182	0.65%
California	16,915,827	15,855,346	310,106	1.96%
Carrion	340,457	326,683	4,668	1.43%
Cruz	7,486	7,486	559	7.47%
Davey	4,407	4,407	19	0.43%
Dotty One	67,987	67,987	2,899	4.26%
Drake	141,828	135,532	4,890	3.61%
Fritz	16,220,745	15,614,166	201,620	1.29%
Harvey	1,760,622	1,757,520	53,327	3.03%
Hashem	1,179,407	1,271,481	29,550	2.32%
IXL	17,873	15,129	1,552	10.26%
Jeffries	492,536	825,239	20,347	2.47%
Jordanolo	422	422	37	8.77%
Kapareil	4,550	4,550	0	0.00%
Le Grand	1,534,441	1,541,374	63,344	4.11%
Livingston	1,024,852	1,179,892	17,465	1.48%
Marchini	58,832	58,832	922	1.57%
Merced	6,180,841	6,169,789	282,605	4.58%
Mixed & Unknown	16,473,882	15,569,705	423,722	2.72%
Mono	1,140,756	1,232,617	21,591	1.75%
Monterey	15,486,421	15,185,601	264,849	1.74%
Morley	14,651	60,024	241	0.40%
Norman	326,546	336,167	7,352	2.19%
Padre	8,077,287	7,921,797	29,120	0.37%
Pearl	20,998	20,998	38	0.18%
Queens	53	0	0	0.00%
Ripon	4,632	4,632	43	0.93%
Robeson	4,041	9,715	333	3.43%
Rosetta	54,006	13,342	100	0.75%
Ruby	6,350,289	6,260,755	44,538	0.71%
Sauret	1,003,798	824,296	36,591	4.44%
Savana	12,202	50,829	403	0.79%
Seedling	18,044	18,044	177	0.98%
Sonora	7,904,627	8,056,158	181,777	2.26%
Thompson	5,759,515	5,744,467	218,277	3.80%
Tioga	10,515	21,655	291	1.34%
Tokyo	313,885	316,715	4,351	1.37%
Valenta	4,335	4,335	154	3.55%
Wood Colony	2,092,209	2,044,467	13,007	0.64%
Yosemite	18,345	18,345	209	1.14%
TOTALS:	744,379,727	740,976,028	13,589,059	1.83%

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