

## SPANISH ALMOND CROP ESTIMATE (2020)

The data published by the Spanish Ministry of Agriculture of almond surface in regular plantation for the year 2019 are 582.171 Hectares (1438575,87 acres) in dry land and 105.051 hectares 259.586,674 acres) in irrigated land. Of which 507.263 hectares (12534764,17) are the productive hectares for the dry land and 79.727 hectares (197009,71 acres) are the productive hectares for the irrigated land.

Taking as a basis for the calculation the surface data of the Minsitry, the associations **AEOFRUSE** (Spanish Association of OPFH for Nuts and Locust beans) and **DESCALMENDRA** (Spanish Association of Almond Shells) **have made a preliminary estimate for the 2020 crop** projecting an increase in area productive of 20.000 hectares (49.421 acres) for irrigation and 11.000 hectares (27.181 acres) for dry land.

**Preliminary estimate for the 2020 Almond crop = 115.633 TN (254.927.128 pounds) a 8.49% of the American Crop subjective estimate (3BLB).**

The 2020 harvest is marked by the following factors:

- Very good weather conditions during the flowering period in all production areas
- Absence of significant frosts that represent a decrease in production, such as those that for example affected the 2019 harvest.
- Above average rainfall during winter and early spring
- Marked incidence of new and recent irrigated plantations in production
- Development of cryptogamic diseases in various production areas as a consequence of the high rainfall
- A certain alternation in production in some areas, mainly in dry land, but with a large size of fruit.

Likewise, the 2019 crop has been revised to 94.000 tons (207.235.000 pounds). The upward differential over the published estimate of 79.889 Tons is mainly due to the entry of new hectares in production and an underestimation of 100kg/ha on average in the irrigated hectares. For the current 2019/20 season , a final inventory of 6.000 tons is estimated. The data used for the estimates of the last three seasons are detailed below.

Corresponding to 2018/19 those referenced by the National Table and 2019/2020 with reference to MAP data, as well as 2020/21.

2018/2019		
CROP ESTIMATE (TN)	ESTIMATE	61.160
	*ACTUAL	78.089

2019/2020		
CROP ESTIMATE (TN)	ESTIMATE	78.089
	ACTUAL*	94.000

2020/2021		
CROP ESTIMATE (TN)	ESTIMATE	115.634
	ACTUAL*	¿?

\*descascarado (shelled)