

July Citrus Survey - Information

Overview

- Project code: 133 – Citrus Fruit Survey
 - Mailed out: June 23
- Data Release: “Crop Production” – July 12
- Reference Period: 2021 – 2022 Season
- Purpose: To collect acreage and expected production for citrus crops in Arizona, California, and Texas. Collecting this data provides the industry with a reliable source of information, and growers can also use this data to help make informed decisions for their operations.

Screening:

- During the 2021 – 2022 season, did this operation have any acres of: oranges, lemons, mandarins, mandarin hybrids, grapefruit, or pummelos?
 - If “NO”, Will this operation plant any citrus fruit in the future?
- There will be additional screening questions for each citrus crop asking if the operation had any acres of that type of fruit.
 - If “NO”, Will this operation plant any [of this type of fruit] acres in the future?

If the operation has no citrus, you will need to leave plenty of notes to explain what the current status of the operation is.

If the operation is completely out of business please leave notes as to what happened to the operation, new operator contact information, etc. This information is needed to update our records.

Survey Questions:

- We will ask for total acres of each type of citrus crop.
- Then, of these total acres, how many are of bearing age?
 - All acres of bearing age should be recorded even if they did not produce a crop during the 2021 – 2022 season due to freeze damage, disease, drought, etc.

- A wide variety of units can be reported for expected production. If a unit other than tons or pounds are reported, we then need the weight of one of the units reported so we can calculate total production.
 - For example: an operator may report that he harvested 4000 boxes. We then need to know how much one of those boxes weighed so we can calculate the total production.
- **Arizona** - will ask all questions for lemons, and will only ask for “acres on this operation” for the other citrus crops
- **California** – will ask all questions for all citrus crops
- **Texas** – will ask all questions for Valencia Oranges, Navel and Other Non-Valencia Oranges, Grapefruit and Pummelos, and will only ask for “acres on this operation” for Mandarins and Mandarin Hybrids, and Lemons

Some things to keep in mind:

- Looking for 2021 – 2022 season expected production – not actual production from previous crop year
- Watch your decimal points on acres and pounds per unit
- There could be a wide range of yields across your area
- Please leave plenty of notes explaining anything you think the statisticians may need to know