Grape Inquiry – August 2023

(GRAPE AP)

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General Survey Information

• Project Code: **134 - Noncitrus Fruit Survey**

• Questionnaires:
  – Mailed out July 22\textsuperscript{nd}
  – Web reporting option available

• Release:
  – *Crop Production*
  – August 11, 2023, 12PM EST
A… cluster… of 2022 Grape Info

• 900,000 bearing acres in the U.S.
  – CA #1 with 828,000
    • Of which 69% were for wine
  – WA #2 with 72,000
• Yield 6.58 tons/acre
  – Or 13,160 lbs./acre
• Total production = 5,922,500 tons
Screening

• Grow or manage any grape acres?
  – If “No”, Has this operation been sold, rented, or turned over to someone else?
    • Then find out what the operation’s current status is.

• Leave ample notes describing what has happened to the operation if they no longer have grapes.
Additional Screening for CA

• Is this operation a vineyard management firm?
  – If “YES”, Complete this form for all operations managed by this firm.
  – If “NO”, Is this operation managed by a vineyard management firm?
    • If “YES”, What is the name of the firm that manages your grapes?
Survey Questions

• Total acres of grapes
  – Of these, how many were **bearing age** this year
    • (Vines will be about 3 to 4 years of age before they start producing well)

• Expected **total** production for 2023
  – Quantity & unit
    • pounds per unit if not lbs. or tons
  – Raisin and Table type: Is it dried or fresh weight?

• Comments about 2023 crop for their locality
CA & WA Survey Questions

• Same questions but broken out by type
  – California:
    • Raisin type
    • Table type
    • Wine type
  – Washington:
    • Juice type
    • Wine type
Types of Grapes

• “Type” of grapes refers to certain varieties of grapes, not how the grapes were utilized
  – For example: Table type grapes have certain properties that make them very suitable to sell for fresh eating but could be used to make raisins, wine, or juice

• If they are a “table type” variety they should be reported under “table type” even if they were used for some other purpose
A few Grape Varieties

• Raisin type varieties:
  – Black Corinth, Dovine, Fiesta, Selma Pete, Sultana, Thompson Seedless

• Table type varieties:
  – Autumn King, Autumn Royal, Crimson Seedless, Fantasy Seedless, Flame Seedless, Luisco, Perlette, Princess, Red Globe, Ruby Seedless, Scarlet, Scarlet Royal, Sugranineteen, Sugraone, Summer Royal, Sweet Celebration, Sweet Scarlet, Vintage Red

• Wine type varieties:
  – Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Carmenere, Chardonnay, Gewurztraminer, Grenache, Malbec, Merlot, Muscat Ottonel, Nebbiolo, Pinotage, Pinot Grigio/Gris, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Shiraz/Syrah, Tempranillo, Viognier, Zinfandel

• Juice type varieties:
  – Concord, Catawba, Niagra, Delaware, Dutchess, Fredonia, Alwood, Beta, Bluebell
[Watch For]:

- Current total acres differs from previous
- Low bearing to total acres ratio
- Yield/production seems high or low
- Units other than what is asked for: leave a note!

Leave notes explaining any unusual situations. If the data seems odd, but is correct, leave a note explaining why.
Conclusion

• Referring to 2023 crop year *expected* production

• Watch the decimal points:
  – Acres, pounds per unit

• Encounter anything odd or unexpected? Leave a note!

• Practice before interviewing

• Questions?? Contact your supervisor or RFO