

#### Davis Regional Office — Davis, CA

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# **Almonds**California

## **Crop Insured**

All almonds in the county can be insured if:

- They are grown in an orchard where at least 90 percent of the trees have reached their sixth growing season after being set out;
- You insure all your almonds in a county at the same coverage level; and
- Orchards may be insured as a separate unit if located on noncontiguous land.

#### **Counties Available**

Almonds are insurable in Butte, Colusa, Fresno, Glenn, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Tulare, Yolo, and Yuba counties. Almonds in other counties may be insurable by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact a crop insurance agent for more details.

#### **Causes of Loss**

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather;
- · Earthquake;
- Failure of irrigation water supply; if caused by insured peril during the insurance year;
- Fire
- Insect damage and/or plant disease; unless you have insufficiently or improperly applied pest or disease control measures;
- · Volcanic eruption; or
- Wildlife.

### **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins on January 1 for the first insurance year and ends no later than November 30 of the same year or at the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction of the crop;
- · Harvest of the crop;
- Abandonment of the crop; or
- Final adjustment of a loss.

## **Important Dates**

Sales Closing/Cancellation	December 31, 2016
Acreage Reporting	March 15, 2017
Premium Billing	August 15, 2017
Termination	December 31, 2017

## Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

The production guarantee of almond meats are measured in pounds. The weight of almonds sold in-shell are converted to meat pounds using sampleshelling percentages when available or USDA shell-out factors. Individual approved average yields are calculated from four to ten years of production records you give to your insurance agents.

Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your approved yield. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you choose the 65 percent coverage level, your premium share would be 41 percent of the base premium.

Item	Percent					
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Premium Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your approved yield and 55 percent of the price election. CAT is 100 percent subsidized with no premium cost to you. There is, however, an administrative fee of \$300 per crop per county, regardless of the acreage.

Additional coverage is \$30 per crop, per county. Waivers of administrative fees for all coverage levels (CAT and additional) are available for limited-resource farmers.

## **Price Election**

The price used to calculate your premium and indemnity.

Almonds (conventional)......\$2.90 per pound Almonds (certified organic)......\$4.05 per pound

# **Loss Example**

Assume 65 percent coverage, 100 percent price election of \$2.90 per pound, an average yield of 2,400 pounds per acre, and 100 percent share.

	2,400	Pounds per acre average yield
X	0.65	Coverage level percentage
	1,560	Pounds per acre guarantee
-	400	Pounds per acre actually produced
	1,160	Pounds per acre loss
X	\$5.60	Price Election

\$3,364 Gross indemnity per acre

Price used above is for example only. Contact a crop insurance agent for current information.

# Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at Agent Locator.



This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent

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