

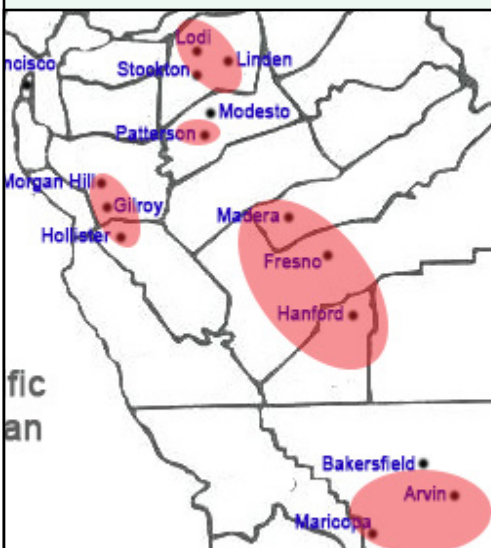
California CHERRY UPDATE

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CHERRIES STARTING TO BLOOM

Early Cherries in Patterson & Arvin Expected To Be In Full Bloom By Next Week

Patterson and Arvin are progressing nicely and should reach full bloom by the beginning of next week. A positive sign is the uniformity of the blooms as they come out of the jackets, confirming a successful dormancy. These growing areas have the major early varieties including Corals, Brooks, Tulares, Royal Tiogas, and Royal Hazels.



Other growing regions including Hanford, Fresno, and Madera won't be far behind. Further north in Lodi and Linden, Bings, Chelans, and Garnet buds are still in set stage and will start to swell.

Morgan Hill, Gilroy, Hollister will typically bloom along with Lodi and Linden. But with cooler nights the amount of days between full bloom and harvest is lengthened.



2/24 - Corals in Patterson - Full bloom expected end of week

QUICK

Projected Start Date: April 28th

Cooler temps are forecasted, which may delay first harvest a day or two.

2019 Crop Outlook

Trending later on the front end of the crop by a day or two. Rain over the next 10 days could effect pollination on earliest orchards. Overall though, buds show promise for a good producing crop.






















Delta News

New cherry acreage producing this year, and the addition of new growers into Delta's program has bolstered our overall estimates by 10%-15% for 2019.

Industry News

Cherries continue to be planted in California, but at a much slower pace. Concerns of labor, farming restrictions, and costs have contributed to farmers opting to plant other commodities.

FACTS

Weather	FEB -26	FEB -27	FEB -28	MAR -1	MAR -2	MAR -3	MAR -4
ARVIN	 72/52	 68/54	 67/51	 65/53	 71/55	 68/52	 63/48
LODI	 56/52	 64/50	 60/42	 60/48	 58/51	 61/45	 63/45
HOLLISTER	 62/52	 64/50	 60/42	 62/50	 61/50	 60/45	 62/44

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