

2024 California Avocado Acreage Report Available Online

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Since 2015, the California Avocado Commission has partnered with Land IQ to produce an annual California Avocado Acreage Report that uses digital satellite imagery, aerial photography and analytical tools to collect spatial data and create accu-

rate and comprehensive statewide avocado maps. The database tracks land use grove conditions, providing information that is critical to the Commission's budgeting and marketing decisions. Further, data concerning crop location, condition and density can be utilized by growers, industry members, regulators

and government agencies to assess and manage water and air quality, as well as disease and pest vectors.

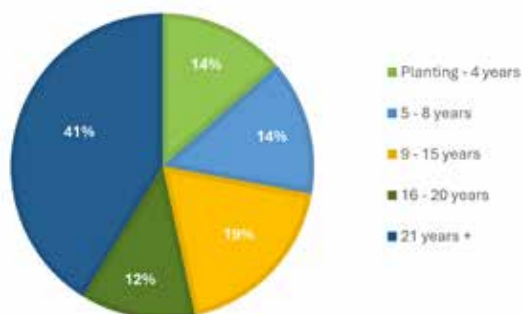
The 2024 California Avocado Acreage Report is now available on the California avocado grower website at CaliforniaAvocadoGrowers.com/industry/acreage-inventory-summaries. 📄

Highlights from the report are as follows:

- Total planted California avocado acreage for 2024 was 53,703 acres with a total of 18,794 avocado fields
- The five main avocado growing counties are Ventura (21,636 acres), San Diego (13,829), Santa Barbara (6,823), Riverside (4,902) and San Luis Obispo (4,548) for a total of 51,538 acres
- The remaining counties (Fresno, Kern, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, Sacramento, San Bernardino and Tulare) accounted for 1,965 acres
- A total of 3,489 new/young acres was reported with Ventura County accounting for 2,028 of that acreage
- Of the 2024 planted acreage, 59% was less than 21 years old

Five County	Acres	Number of Fields	Minor County	Acres	Number of Fields
San Diego	13,829	5,848	Orange	913	392
Riverside	4,902	2,501	San Bernardino	538	157
Ventura	21,636	6,876	Monterey	370	68
Santa Barbara	6,823	1,964	Tulare	99	35
San Luis Obispo	4,548	928	Los Angeles	20	15
			Fresno	10	4
			Kern	3	1
			Sacramento	11	5
Five County Total	51,738	18,117	Minor County Total	1,965	677
Overall Total: 53,73 Classified Acres/18,794 Fields					

County	Producing Acres	Top/Stump Acres	New/Young Acres	Planted Acres
San Diego	13,053	316	461	13,829
Riverside	4,303	69	530	4,902
Ventura	19,282	325	2,028	21,636
Santa Barbara	6,436	34	352	6,823
San Luis Obispo	4,395	35	118	4,548
Five County Total	47,470	779	3,489	51,738
Minor Counties	1,775	190	0	1,965
Total	49,245	969	3,489	53,703



Age	Acreage	Percentage of Planted Acres
Planting - 4 years	7,290	14%
5 - 8 years	7,699	14%
9 - 15 years	10,027	19%
16 - 20 years	6,581	12%
21 years +	22,108	41%

California Avocado Acreage Classification Change					
County	2023 Classification	2024 Classification			
		Producing	Top/Stump	New/Young	Abandon
San Diego	Producing	12,556	189	26	54
	Top/Stump	163	117	1	
	New/Young	189	5	384	
	Abandon	91	2	1	3,524
	Not Classified	54	2	48	104
Riverside	Producing	3,982	38		
	Top/Stump	82	27		2
	New/Young	103		472	
	Abandon		1		590
	Not Classified	136	3	58	125
Ventura	Producing	18,612	76	6	
	Top/Stump	316	245		
	New/Young	246		1,429	
	Abandon	5			413
	Not Classified	103	4	593	
Santa Barbara	Producing	6,274	12	6	18
	Top/Stump	26	22	0	1
	New/Young	61		157	1
	Abandon	40			244
	Not Classified	36		188	
San Luis Obispo	Producing	4,058	19	10	
	Top/Stump	33	16		
	New/Young	262		55	
	Abandon				5
	Not Classified	42		53	

Condition	Description
Producing	Groves that are greater than 4 years old.
Topped/Stumped	Groves that have been topped and/or stumped and not producing.
New/Young	Groves that are 4 years old or younger.
Abandoned	Groves previously identified as avocados that do not return to healthy growth statistics as represented by spectral data.