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Chelmer Foods are specialists in the supply & distribution of dried & dehydrated fruits, edible nuts and seeds.

We offer a bespoke service to our clients, which encompasses precise product specifications, just-in-time deliveries, varying carton weights, own-label packaging, pre-packing the product for food-service and retail packing.

Exchange Rates



GBP – USD = 1.41
GBP – Euro = 1.26

Featured Products

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Hot Commodity News

California Walnuts: Year to date shipments 2015/2016 vs. 2014/2015 represent an increase of 65,119 in shell equivalent tons or 15%. Hence the squeeze on available material detailed below.

Turkish Apricots: The overall tonnage for 2015 crop is expected to be in the region of 88,000 tonnes for the year. It is also noteworthy to mention that the Russian market has not taken significant quantities since last October, due to the official embargo on imports. It is expected that the price will continue steady for the foreseeable future, but may well decrease once the first new crop shipments commence.

Banana Chips: Raw material availability is ensuring that prices are rising once again. With the difference between packers for prompt shipment varying massively, with the difference being up to as much as \$300 per ton.

Desiccated Coconut: Prices have continued to soften in both Indonesia and Philippines due to lack of demand and a small increase in raw nut availability. Going forward prices are likely to remain stable as we approach Q4, when both demand and availability are likely to pick up.



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www.chelmerfoods.com

Prunes



Prunes Market:

The 2016 California dried plum (prune) crop is forecast at 45 thousand tons, down 58% from the 107 thousand tons reported to the California Dried Plum Board as produced in 2015. Total 2016 bearing acreage is estimated at 45,000, 6% below the previous year.

The 2016 dried plum season appears to be very difficult. Storms, with cold, wet, and windy weather, have created problems during the bloom and adverse conditions for bees during the height of the pollination period. If the forecast is realized, this year's crop would be the smallest on record since official estimates began in 1920.

Pine Nuts



Pine Nuts market:

Market is steady with sufficient stocks here in Europe and China at the moment, the outlook for the new crop looks small.

Due to the still relatively high prices being asked from China, demand is steady without too many large enquiries at the moment.

Some exporters believe the crop later this year in late Autumn from North Eastern China (Jilin and Helionjiang provinces) will be down from the last few due to the crop cycle but we believe this is still too early to call and we don't see any reason to panic buy/stock.

Suggest hand to mouth cover at these levels.

Walnuts



Walnuts Update:

Current Crop Californian LHP Chandler material is very hard to find and packers who do have it are charging a premium. The demand for light material has been big and most packers are sold. Some packers have a few more loads to sell and we could see some additional loads become available in the next few weeks, but right now most of the product has been committed.

New Crop Sales have begun. China, Europe, Middle East, Turkey have all come in to buy early, new crop October/November shipments. Some growers/packers continue to be worried about the over 38 degree Celsius heat California can experience during the summer months.

Overall the crop is progressing nicely and should have a nice crop to market come this fall. Some industry experts believe the new crop will be in the range of 650,000 to 660,000 tons.