



Chelmer Foods Limited



Dried Fruit, Nuts & Seeds

About Us



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 = 1.30

GBP – Euro = 1.14

Featured Products

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Hot Commodity News

Apricots: There is seemingly good interest in new crop with buyers looking to cover the year at this time in order to secure the better quality unblemished fruits from A class packers. As always when there is a large amount of blemished fruit in the crop, there will be those who mix it with good fruit to profit from sub market prices, and unfortunately there will be buyers who will be lured into the trap.

Pecans: The availability of Pecans will become more difficult as we approach the end of 2017. Our expectations are that shipper are likely to have no availability after the next few months. The price of spot material is only likely to increase until new crop becomes available. Demand will be at its peak towards the end of the year and this is likely to catch any uncovered buyers out, leaving them no option but to purchase at higher pricing if indeed they are able to find any available stocks. An early projection for US new crop is 292 million Inshell pounds, which is underwhelming. Mexico, is also expecting a decrease of up to 20% compared to last year.



Please visit our website to have a look at the full range of products that we can offer:

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Raisins



Californian Raisin vineyard acreage is being pulled out of the ground at an alarming rate, circa 25-30% down in the last 3 to 4 years, with higher value crops in Almonds & Walnuts being planted in their place.

Due to this prices have seen an increase in pricing by \$0.06 to \$0.08 per lb depending on which packer you deal with. Prices are only expected to firm further in the coming months.

The Turkish market is fairly stable at the moment with very little availability of raw material on the open market. Most unsold stock is rumoured to be in the hands of either the larger packers or traders who are holding sales to push prices up before new crop.

In the next two to three weeks official crop estimations will be made by packers and local government alongside the Aegean exporters union. This will ultimately drive the price up or down in a short space of time.

Figs



The branch development of the fig trees have been completed. Generally the fruit formation seems well. The fruit per each branch is between 4-6 pieces in low lands, 3-5 pieces in high lands accordingly.

The caprification is completed. We can get better info on harvest areas at the end of July / early August.



Almonds



The California Almonds Board recently released the June position report. Shipments were even stronger than expected, 177 million pounds compared to last year's 174 million pounds (1.7% increased and another new record). Combining the lower than anticipated objective estimate of 2.25 billion pounds and larger than expected shipments for June the market has showed some signs of firmness over the past week or so.

Sizes of new crop are likely to be larger than the current crop. Nonpareil variety is said to account for 40% of the total forthcoming crop. Packers and growers are expecting the harvest to start one week later compared to last year.

New crop sold position is now estimated in the region of 13%.



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