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| **California apricots should hit the market by the end of April** after warm winter and spring weather led to an early crop. However, many trees have a lighter crop than normal due to having fewer chilling hours than necessary, which may influence pricing when the fruit is ready for market, reported *The Produce News.* [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiVf9FyKeM8mb3foL6uCjkzX0v-lGOv5lkE9cTjCHGFg3cZcHZRxKq_Yor8SJ86u1awJjXhG_jc79LySWSoCrjYSk5Y1JHWWBu3a0pUg4p2mxM77VqLyUCEnfY4FS8EhhFOGC2bTVpQThVtiN6V51sTT6kNrHeexdh_lLE2n3OCwB7ZGH14CMhNdCqZ4S6zCcaMJ23LKvAecB98rllaNqGsyWlDTKMUXpugY31KARGr1LtDPjMf45-rw==&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**Blueberry markets are in transition** as Florida and Chilean deals end and California and Georgia deals begin to accelerate. Florida blueberries are expected to be in ample supply and should last through the week of April 20th, and California production should begin to peak between May 1 and 4, reported *The Packer.* [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDia3pbZtrJTe7HMNjP2SLAESg8Nt-hrh_TPokXMncowWMdkyltrzxSO-yJ-kDhjRMfj9RAPylCZ_Yug1US2X0qDoCMNGyphDa6jIY4Ee5w0gc4N2tB_r_uzZiBRaK6xXKeuJ1q5ssl_rDGgAJWftYSRyGOY-08HBW_ia6Kgf1N8BYmk-WjgneAI_TOnCs6wWty&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**Mexico will export 36 million boxes of mangos to the U.S.** during second quarter 2015, according to Empacadoras de Mango de Exportacion. This represents about a 10% rise from last year's volumes during the same period at approximately 33 million boxes, reported *The Produce News.* [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiVmsdQShk-AaFjJjOsN8H_6kU0TS6GjeReChy4Io9LwSwZikHYILv9o3Qozb9f6YV5Cqr1NsFXhtcORn8XuWfEKCfrloMJpilEwnY-v9LuXzdq_9PvaI74RNVRQF8evdj8wuqpCtew2Ge0fz9obj9WqNw_dg23QdLof2H_206miilsaSu3IrCOtH2G4xPTd7X9myyrViDQBMRYI6K3iZyzKB2X6U4c3ii&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**About 61 million bushels of fresh-market apples have yet to ship** from the 2014-2015 crop, according to the U.S. Apple Association. This represents a 27% increase over last year. The 2015-2016 crop is running about two weeks ahead of schedule, reported *The Packer.* [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiJ3jjXFSZsg-ot2IofMmi3S9zM-xepwV-qBULx8_TBk13fAj7E4LUcTtRPVYa7bGWafjOrncsW0Lv9P7TNxZ3Zmy7tSJ6riRxRqfMnPSCG0LR2ZH3yQPHYYwQO9gyx3nsNARobpkBLUepfQgsHLxKVkn_jLNQ0pmbtt3822wNDEizxp_RovjwVw==&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**Eastern U.S. poultry producers are bracing for the potential arrival of the avian flu outbreak** affecting farmers in the Midwest. The fear is the virus is already somewhere undetected in the Atlantic Flyway and could spread this fall when wild ducks fly south for the winter. The Atlantic Flyway includes several of the country's top poultry producing states such as Georgia, the Carolinas, Virginia, Delaware and Maryland, reported *Minneapolis Star Tribune*. [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiCm7qTEQhLvfo3OY0RgVL5a6pmtJG4bK_pRNJuzppt9CpzoqwIG7m6J22YXP_Lkw01mdDT271tZcdvibC1W-m-bOKtMhls-9JFljPQHWmOSr2QQd7ug8XtJJ7hxJtpWhBstpBJlM4F9FGsf2p9G6J1Su30YkRAxEP&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**Florida's stone crab population is dwindling**. Only 1.9 million-lbs. of claws were landed in the 2013-2014 season, the lowest since the decrease started 15 years ago. The price for one pound of claws can run from $17 to $43 per pound due to tight supply, reported *The Miami Herald*. [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiRixOw6EAWUyq6wzU_q0hQkxCO_hWq4mK0ldZ98lrXgGUxwNrVlmFgGXu4ewYRNXwKe89bSLKvN6oY6cf8WKTrZqfNcjDRoACCN_9WMiHCLvAE3PPaFXMKegeFqSbxbMouxqT_c-iDEnmXNNHTCaMP5QjTrDvfr1U&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**California's 2014 table-type grape acreage totaled 121,000 acres** with 110,000 bearing and 11,000 nonbearing acres. Raisin-type grapes totaled 192,000 acres with 190,000 bearing and 2,000 nonbearing. Flame seedless was the leading table-type grape variety while Thompson Seedless was the leading variety utilized for raisins, fresh market and concentrate, according to the California Department of Food and Agriculture. [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDirfNPLQsjj0AzsRGmbI-kO04iWrwBEhfykmSp8oXXfmsvGFfGtbS5pVxiD5kxMWL6rsI1bGxNGCqEZPYHtvtr8Az_ancgihWr5Cax4tstyLUyiZvAiWNMYVMlVgByIDzMRccQDu2Jgxc8lESIDtGhDh8zHRA365Izn56kGALhyJCMzy_JuL_pvoXrJGU_T5MC74DV2n8ZL7TZnJelDWJMkMYNgeOuAJab&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**Florida citrus officials made progress in establishing a federal program to promote orange juice** without resolving two key issues. A federal marketing program would include a tax on imported orange juice, but any money a federal program collects could not be used to just promote Florida's orange juice brand. The other issues that the tax would be paid by the "importer of record," which could be the Florida processor purchasing the juice or a company at the country of origin, reported *The Ledger*. [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiFhSNXz6btdYA4Np5NCYvqJ1tDWsyV_yyrh29d-YQISL6EcEqgsv9ENW48CA96ZMls0CyMqOU9wAA3A3rN-Eui8vl_yFdUC2wUTGK3x91GCdmmsOwtSD5Vp1Za8E26gGwAmwqt9WogtfMYTiHLvd3LXiAb1EyA7fS&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==)**NOAA removed gag grouper of the Gulf of Mexico and the North Atlantic albacore** from its overfished list. The agency also is taking the Gulf of Maine haddock, the South Atlantic gag grouper, the western Atlantic Bluefin tuna, the snowy grouper of the South Atlantic coast and the jacks of the Gulf of Mexico stocks off of the overfishing list, reported *The State*. [**Full Story**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDiBgd86ynm0IQgP41BkEftcx86jE3jCXYcdfepRshON7RIxH9xO0mrcd2zJqVYrZAaArwTuZDzJBr2dbNOjs97r_I7KA3iJsZFcuctwMnYjxMPp1KTqnBXtr2QVz_4FykxxmveVg3f3ZwjUz4xD5mClUZ2vtvqk1Pwdr5ipLcCTGWPV8VWuV9uGiYLJ4CdeSAPxbMJmlOcXB1vVR8c8jHzEw==&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==), [**Full Report**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001PLLTGJkfKIOsTF9s8QEm7FsKuyUehn2QZ0vrioz_f0-xmBexyt6-UhWeBz-BHvDivCjrwlOxECEQsu1qI_rOsSqWW52B36PT2151OutGiX72EUOxztV_ocQXPtUOAxHFzWZzdtv5aWyUWeBfO_jFqw3cHNm8TI-UdXNlCGK3wxr6oYt94bo-0g2dR4bETb9W4cUYqLufmtuwqgKxKve3igXqL_2YlG_M0LgUcKNdNPWfG0d2X8sSoE37bfqi3yiPvFA85UPyN22fC36gawFOhv_7lr5tLLDgzhT7e86jiHsdHf7_PhZDHDJ2Q5BCnkgr_R1qdTkl_mk=&c=5D8l-Nv_XoiIzigk3FbZBxQIaAGDlrZR2l3FLDzSeSVTRgOHyVTIyA==&ch=LJ68wwyq2LgMPd28KmaOdNle2o_TcU6uklJ3drJhki-ug5yNvQtfdQ==) |