

## **AGENDA**

## California Avocado Commission Marketing Committee Meeting

#### **Meeting Information**

Date: June 1, 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m.

**Location: Hybrid Meeting** 

**Physical Meeting Location:** 

California Avocado Commission 12 Mauchly, Suite L Irvine, CA 92618

Web/Teleconference URL:

https://californiaavocado.zoom.us/j/86705609334?pwd=QkRhTnF5Ullxekg5VnBkbm1WYkUyQT09

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#### **Committee Member Attendance**

As of Friday, May 27, 2022, the following individuals have advised the Commission they will participate in this meeting:

Gary Caloroso Ed McFadden

Peter Shore Hayden McIntyre

Jennifer Anazawa Doug Meyer

Dave Fausset Steve Taft

Patrick Lucy Chris Varvel

Carson McDaniel Debbie Willmann

Time	Item	
10:00 a.m.	1.	Call to Order  a. Roll Call/Quorum
10:05 a.m.	2.	Opportunity for Public Comment Any person may address the Committee at this time on any subject within the jurisdiction of the California Avocado Commission.
10:10 a.m.	3.	Consent Calendar  Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Marketing Committee at one time without discussion. If any Committee member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.  a. Consider Approval of Marketing Committee's Web/Teleconference Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2022
10:15 a.m.	4.	Discussion Items  a. Chairman Caloroso's 2022 Marketing Committee Updates b. 2022 California Crop Forecast c. 2022 Import Crop Projections d. 2022 Outdoor Creative, Content Creation Highlights, Digital and Social

- d. 2022 Outdoor Creative, Content Creation Highlights, Digital and Social Updates Including TikTok Launch
- e. Consumer Public Relations (Virtual Cooking Class, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual California Avocado Month and Grove Open House topline) and Living Well Brand Advocates Program Updates
- f. Retail and Foodservice Tiered-Account Updates
- g. Inflation and its Impact at Retail
- h. Shop.CaliforniaAvocado.com
- i. Industry Updates

## 12:00 p.m. 5. Adjourn Meeting

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April Aymami at 949-341-1955, California Avocado Commission, 12 Mauchly, Suite L, Irvine, CA 92618, or via email at <a href="mailto:aaymami@avocado.org">aaymami@avocado.org</a>. Requests for disability-related modification or accommodation for the meeting should be made at least 48 hours prior to the meeting time. For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document is available in Braille, large print, audiocassette or computer disk. This meeting schedule notice and agenda is available on the internet at <a href="https://www.californiaavocadogrowers.com/commission/meeting-agendas-minutes">https://www.californiaavocadogrowers.com/commission/meeting-agendas-minutes</a> and <a href="https://it.cdfa.ca.gov/igov/postings/detail.aspx?type=Notices">https://it.cdfa.ca.gov/igov/postings/detail.aspx?type=Notices</a>.

If you have questions on the above agenda, please contact David Cruz at <u>dcruz@avocado.org</u> or 949-341-1955.

#### **Summary Definition of Conflict of Interest**

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No Commission member or employee shall make, or participate in making, any decision in which he or she knows or should know he or she has a conflict of interest.

No Commission member or employee shall, in any way, use his or her position to influence any decision in which he or she knows or should know he or she has a conflict of interest.

### CALIFORNIA AVOCADO COMMISSION MARKETING COMMITTEE WEB/TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES March 9, 2022

A web conference meeting of the Marketing Committee was held on Wednesday, March 9, 2021, with the following people participating:

MEMBERS	CAC STAFF PARTICIPATING	<b>GUESTS PRESENT</b>
<u>PARTICIPATING</u>	Monica Arnett	Hannah Almsted
Gary Caloroso	April Aymami	(MullenLowe)
Dave Fausset	Tom Bellamore	Will Carleton
Denise Junqueiro	David Cruz	Brittany Ferrant
Rachael Laenen	Jan DeLyser	(Media Hub)
Patrick Lucy	Angela Fraser	Kathleen Johnson
Andy Lyall	Ken Melban	(PJ/PR)
Doug Meyer		Steven Muro
Peter Shore	OFFICIALLY PRESENT	(Fusion)
Steve Taft	David Anderson (Anderson Food Sales	Jill Netzel (Fusion)
Chris Varvel	and Marketing)	Doug O'Hara
Rob Grether (Ex	Carolyn Becker (CL Marketing)	(Somis Pacific)
Officio Member)	Candace Hollar (Mediahub)	Martin Pagh
	Lauren Kelley (MullenLowe)	Ludvigsen
MEMBERS NOT	Tyler Kirsch, (MullenLowe)	(Mullen Lowe)
<u>PARTICIPATING</u>	Kim Kurata, (Kurata Communications)	Lecia Rdzak (Fusion)
Carson McDaniel	Jillian McMenamin (Golin)	Alexei Rudolf (Kurata
Ed McFadden	Marji Morrow (Rockwell Morrow)	Communications)
Hayden McIntyre	Laura Paden, (PJ/PR)	Sam Schaitberger
Debbie Willmann	Bryan Reugebrink, (MullenLowe)	(MullenLowe)
	,	Matt Schraut
		(Fusion)
		Kenneth Weiss

#### **ITEM #1 ROLL CALL/QUORUM**

The Marketing Committee teleconference meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Gary Caloroso. A guorum was established. Mr. Caloroso noted that the meeting was being recorded to help with leadership orientation during the President/CEO transition.

#### ITEM #2 OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### **ITEM #3 CONSENT CALENDAR**

Ms. Junquiero moved to approve the Consent Calendar, including minutes from the December 9, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shore and unanimously approved. MOTION 22-03-09-1.

#### **ITEM #4 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### Chairman Caloroso Welcome – Item 4.A.

Mr. Caloroso welcomed the 2022 Marketing Committee and introduced new members.

#### 2022 California Crop Forecast – Item 4B.

Ms. Aymami reviewed the early season California crop update. February input received from handlers did not impact the overall projection of 306 million pounds. In May she will conduct another forecast and communicate a revised projection if there is any change. Currently 42.8 million pounds of California avocados have been harvested this season. The "heart" of the season, March through August, remains unchanged overall, however the revised weekly numbers are reduced by about one-half million to a million pounds per week to adjust for what was shipped earlier than originally projected. Ms. Aymami included a handler forecast vs. 4-year average forecast comparison.

Handler and grower consensus is that the crop is looking good, but due to early shipping March may be a little lighter than projected. Due to lack of rain and cold/hot weather, sizing is smaller, which may impact overall tonnage. Ms. Aymami mentioned her analysis that about 2 million pounds of fruit might have sized up more if it had been allowed to stay on the trees, but some growers are seeing more fruit on trees so there is an upside as well. The overall budget impact if there were to be 2 million pounds fewer than projected is not concerning because CAC budgeted 300 million pounds and early pricing has been very good. It was noted that the oil content is rising in the fruit, which could be an issue if there is high heat later in the season. On the other hand, early pruning has been good for the crop and some growers said it was nice to get some fruit off early. Potential challenges were noted, including the possibility that late-season pricing might not hold and a continued sizing challenge if rains don't come. The ongoing sizing issue is something to be aware of. A continued dynamic situation is expected throughout the year.

Ms. Junquiero urged thinking further down the line – three years or more when there's even more volume in the market. Colombia and Peru are positioning as sustainable alternatives in avocado supply. She challenged the Committee to be thinking about California's positioning.

#### 2022 Import Crop Projections - Item 4.C.

Mexico: Mexico shipped less than projection right after the Big Game but then last week was right on expectations at 55 million pounds. There was consensus that Michoacan will be short this year, challenged to get through their fiscal year ending in June with current crop. Volatility in supply is expected.

Jalisco volume is not expected to have a big impact this year.

Peru: Peru could try to stage an earlier start, as could Colombia and Jalisco. If prices stay as is Mr. Fausset expects those origins to take advantage of it. HAB projections are 190 million pounds, CAC has been using 200 million pounds. The Committee advised continuing

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to use 200 million pounds for the projection, noting uncertainty in Europe due to the war.

#### 2022 Media Plan and Creative Updates – Item 4.D.

Ms. DeLyser welcomed new members to the Marketing Committee and introduced agencies who would be presenting the Marketing Updates.

Ms. Hollar presented an overview of 2022 media plans and advised what media has already started this season. She pointed out new media partners. Ms. Kelly highlighted the advertising creative campaign "the best avocados have California in them". Mr. Kirsch shared the new audio spots and noted they feature different benefits of California avocados. He also shared the outdoor creative. Mr. Reugebrink and Mr. Kirsch shared a design exploration for California avocado bag branding. Mr. Meyer requested the ability to size the bag straps as needed for different bags and MullenLowe advised the design could be adjusted as needed. Mr. Reugebrink and Mr. Kirsch announced the CAC launch (expected to be live in April) of a TikTok channel.

#### Consumer Public Relations and Living Well Brand Advocates Plans – Item 4.E.

Ms. McMenamin highlighted plans for CAC's key consumer public relations programs this year. On March 31 there will be a virtual cooking class – a California avocado charcuterie board experience for influencers, consumer media and trade guests. Other programs include a grove open house, the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of California Avocado Month and partnering with celebrated Chef Nyesha Arrington with two new recipes. She noted the content development and outreach of the brand advocates and recipe creation as well as a new sustainability infographic to be used with media throughout the season.

Ms. Paden provided an update on the Living Well Brand Advocate program. This year four influential registered dietitians will focus on different topics of consumer interest while communicating avocado nutrition benefits and California avocado messaging. She shared the editorial calendar that runs from April through August.

The retail communications program works with retailer communications departments, dietitians and cooking schools to create custom retail programs as well as local media activations to promote California avocados in season.

#### Retail and Foodservice Tiered-Account Updates – Item 4.F.

Ms. Becker shared the results of the first promotion of the year with Mollie Stone's, a Big Game promotion with displays and social media support. She also noted Northern California distribution to date and future meetings. She advised some retailers are looking for April, Cinco de Mayo and Father's Day promotions, earlier programs than usual. Mr. Anderson noted King Soopers in Denver, in conjunction with Kroger Corporate, wanted to make a statement with bold feature ad activity in late February supporting California avocados. This is a big win for an account who has not always supported California avocados in this region. Kroger promotions will focus on bags using their own creative which includes California origin prominently. The Retail Marketing Directions are busy with more calls, sewing up programs with loyal customers and setting up some in-and-out promotions.

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Ms. Kurata outlined the progress against target foodservice accounts, which started with a list of 110 accounts. She highlighted promotional plans with several including Del Taco, Erik's DeliCafé, The Flame Broiler, Nordstrom Restaurants, Norms Restaurants and Wahoo's Fish Taco. She also noted menu ideation sessions the foodservice team is working on securing.

#### Shop.CaliforniaAvocado.com Updates – Item 4.G.

Ms. Morrow reviewed the January 2022 California Avocado merch shop results and highlighted new support activities.

#### Industry Updates – Item 4.H.

Mr. Bellamore noted that the search for his replacement is happening with an external search firm. Mr. Grether expressed gratitude for Mr. Bellamore's many years of service.

Ms. Becker noted that retailers are expressing interest in the GEM and interest will likely grow due to the GEM's larger size.

#### **ADJOURN**

Mr. Caloroso adjourned the web/teleconference meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Submitted by:

Jan DeLyser, CAC Staff

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## COMMITTEE INFORMATION

ITEM 4.B: 2022 CALIFORNIA CROP FORECAST

#### **SUMMARY:**

As part of CAC's crop estimating efforts, an annual mid-season crop estimating survey is conducted among growers and handlers during the month of April. Both sets of surveys collect volume information, as well as variety distribution. Additionally, the handler survey requests each organization to provide harvest projections for the remaining months of the season. The results of these surveys are used to inform the industry of the total crop that is expected to come to market and as a guide that helps shape the timing of CAC's marketing efforts.

Included in this write-up are the results of both the 2022 grower and handler mid-season surveys, resulting in CAC's mid-season crop update of 286 million pounds, 20 million pounds less than the December 2021 handler pre-season estimate of 306 million pounds. The decrease in volume mostly comes from Hass (19 million pounds), however a slight reduction to the Lamb-Hass volume also has been made (1 million pounds).

Also attached are the monthly and weekly harvest projections based on the 286-million-pound crop volume. Please note that projected volume for the beginning of the season, which has already been harvested, do not show weekly actuals, but instead how the 4-year average and handler forecasting models project a 286-million-pound crop would have come to market. As we move through the season, Commission staff will continue to track crop harvest and remaining volume closely, ensuring that CAC's marketing efforts are aligned when California fruit is in-season.

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

Based on the strong year-to-date market conditions, the reduction in volume is not expected to have a
detrimental effect on CAC's anticipated revenue

#### **BOARD OPTIONS:**

Information item only

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Not applicable

#### **EXHIBITS / ATTACHMENTS:**

- California Avocado 2022 Mid-Season Grower Survey Results
- April 2022 Handler Crop Survey Results
- CAC 2022 Mid-Season Crop and Harvest Projection Update



## California Avocado 2022 Mid-Season Grower Survey Results

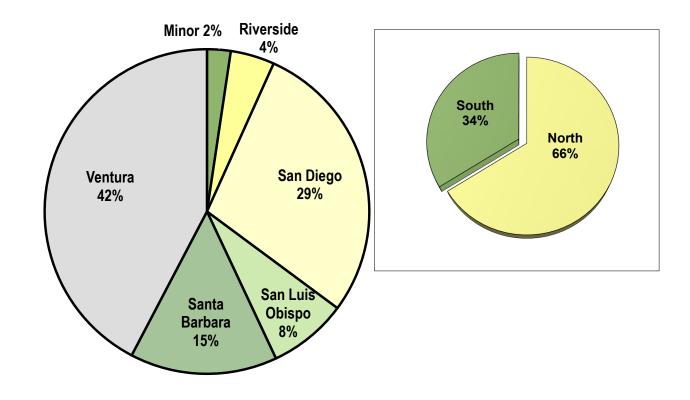
Variates	C A C A	Estimate	Response	
Variety	CAC Acres	Lbs/Acre	Lbs (MM)	%
Hass	44,014	6,141	270.29	42%
Lamb-Hass	1,617	5,019	8.11	33%
GEM	628	6,723	4.22	64%
Other	457	3,774	1.72	29%
Total	46,716	6,087	284.34	42%

		Hass Only		All Varieties			
Country		Estimate	ed Yield		Estimated Yield		
County	CAC Acres	Lbs/ Acre	Lbs (MM)	CAC Acres	Lbs/ Acre	Lbs (MM)	
San Diego	12,367	6,220	76.92	13,358	6,048	80.78	
Riverside	4,410	2,803	12.36	4,474	2,786	12.46	
Orange	900	4,010	3.61	937	3,851	3.61	
Ventura	16,070	6,940	111.53	17,303	6,955	120.34	
Santa Barbara	5,950	6,928	41.22	6,134	6,799	41.70	
San Luis Obispo	3,730	5,820	21.71	3,817	5,860	22.37	
Minor Counties	587	5,013	2.94	693	4,455	3.09	

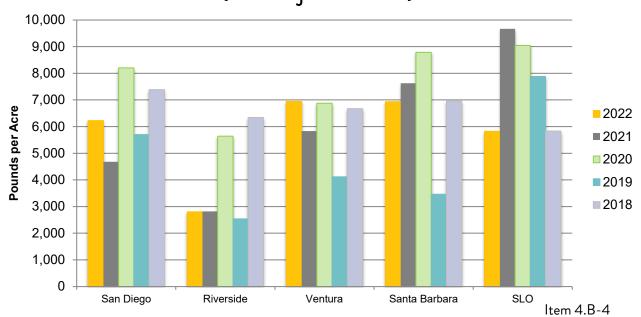
Estimated yields are on-tree forecasts and do not attempt to adjust for future weather factors or project carry-out. CAC acres include producing trees classified as four years or older.

ACE Statistics: 05/13/22 Item 4.B-3

## 2022 Crop Distribution by County



Last Five Years Estimated Hass Yield by Acre (Five Major Counties)





# AMRIC HANDLER CROP SURVEY RESULTS APRIL 2022

Below is a summary of the AMRIC Handler Mid-Season Crop Survey responses for the 2022 Total Crop Volume:

#### <u>Hass</u>

• Low: 250 million pounds

• High: 300 million pounds

○ Median – 278 million

o Average 276 million

#### Lamb-Hass

Low: 7 million poundsHigh: 10 million pounds

#### **GEM**

Low: 4 million poundsHigh: 5 million pounds

These responses have been reviewed in conjunction with CAC's Mid-Season Grower Crop Survey responses, resulting in a mid-season crop estimate update of 286 million pounds with the following varietal breakdown:

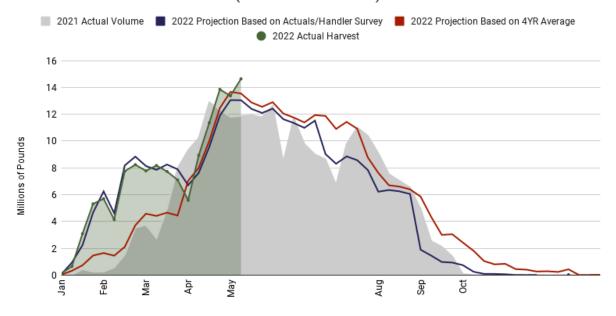
- Hass 272 million pounds
- Lamb-Hass 8 million pounds
- GEM 5 million pounds
- Other 1 million pounds



# CAC 2022 MID-SEASON CROP AND HARVEST PROJECTIONS MAY 2022 UPDATE

2	May 2022					
Month	Hass	Lamb	Gem	Other	Total	Handler Survey Hass Distribution
Jan	7,700,000	-	-	178,700	7,878,700	2.8%
Feb	27,700,000	-	-	156,200	27,856,200	10.2%
Mar	32,000,000	-	66,500	51,000	32,117,500	11.8%
Apr	47,000,000	900	1,758,700	55,400	48,815,000	17.3%
May	48,000,000	13,700	1,897,400	25,800	49,936,900	17.6%
Jun	44,000,000	195,800	1,054,100	215,800	45,465,700	16.2%
Jul	37,000,000	4,236,600	181,600	159,100	41,577,300	13.6%
Aug	23,400,000	2,354,800	37,300	55,100	25,847,200	8.6%
Sep	4,900,000	1,026,000	4,400	56,200	5,986,600	1.8%
Oct	300,000	170,800	-	9,800	480,600	0.1%
Nov	-	1,400	-	7,100	8,500	0.0%
Dec	-	-	-	29,800	29,800	0.0%
Total	272,000,000	8,000,000	5,000,000	1,000,000	286,000,000	100%

2022 California Weekly Harvest Projections and Actuals vs. Prior Year Actual Harvest based on 286 MM pound crop size (All California Varieties)



2022 Cali	fornia Crop Weekly I	Harvest Projections	s vs. Actuals
Week Ending (CAC Week)	4-Year Historical Forecast May 2022 Update	AMRIC Handler Forecast May 2022 Update	Industry Adjusted AMRIC Harvest
9-Jan	21,700	61,600	128,277
16-Jan	320,100	931,700	650,532
23-Jan	727,800	2,228,200	3,085,410
30-Jan	1,453,000	4,657,200	5,306,965
6-Feb	1,643,400	6,239,400	5,690,403
13-Feb	1,442,700	4,608,500	4,143,801
20-Feb	2,102,600	8,174,300	7,746,990
27-Feb	3,710,800	8,834,100	8,229,842
6-Mar	4,574,300	8,135,100	7,772,042
13-Mar	4,410,500	7,849,400	8,169,114
20-Mar	4,655,000	8,243,800	7,728,488
27-Mar	4,439,100	7,889,200	7,097,089
3-Apr	7,029,400	6,702,200	5,584,219
10-Apr	7,986,400	7,620,000	8,929,303
17-Apr	10,010,300	9,559,000	11,354,179
24-Apr	12,452,700	11,887,600	13,847,611
1-May	13,661,700	13,046,200	13,365,430
8-May	13,543,100	13,043,400	14,636,311
15-May	12,870,100	12,392,300	, , .
22-May	12,548,200	12,087,900	
29-May	12,894,200	12,413,400	
5-Jun	12,049,200	11,628,900	
12-Jun	11,743,600	11,339,600	
19-Jun	11,382,100	10,979,900	
26-Jun	11,931,100	11,517,100	
3-Jul	11,867,900	9,020,000	
10-Jul			
17-Jul	10,898,700	8,302,100	
24-Jul	11,424,300	8,850,800	
	10,908,900	8,565,700	
31-Jul	8,771,900	7,838,700	
7-Aug	7,614,700	6,216,400	
14-Aug	6,694,800	6,341,500	
21-Aug	6,596,400	6,243,200	
28-Aug	6,392,600	6,046,200	
4-Sep	5,850,300	1,890,700	
11-Sep	4,338,600	1,450,700	
18-Sep	3,002,000	976,700	
25-Sep	3,040,500	930,800	
2-Oct	2,421,700	737,500	
9-Oct	1,815,100	251,100	
16-Oct	1,045,300	86,900	
23-Oct	797,900	84,300	
30-Oct	840,700	58,400	
6-Nov	443,300	3,400	
13-Nov	404,600	2,000	
20-Nov	263,200	3,100	
27-Nov	283,000	-	
4-Dec	231,600	-	
11-Dec	426,600	12,800	
18-Dec	2,100	-	
25-Dec	7,600	6,900	
31-Dec	12,600	10,100	
Season-to-Date	94,184,600	129,710,900	133,466,006
% of Crop	32.93%	45.35%	46.67%
Crop Size	286,000,000	286,000,000	Left to Harvest
Crop Variance	39,281,406	3,755,106	152,533,994

## **COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

#### ITEM 4.I: 2021-22 MAY DASHBOARD UPDATE

#### **SUMMARY**:

#### CALIFORNIA AVOCADO COMMISSION DASHBOARD - 2021-22 MAY UPDATE

• The Dashboard provides an in-depth overview of the performance of the Commission's marketing programs from November 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

N/A

#### **BOARD OPTIONS:**

Information only

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

N/A

#### **EXHIBITS / ATTACHMENTS:**

• CAC Dashboard Update Through April 30, 2022



REVENUE

CONSUMER ADVERTISING

ONLINE MARKETING CONSUMER PR CONSUMER/ TRADE LIVING WELL

RETAIL

FOODSERVICE

RESEARCH

#### **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS: NOVEMBER 2021 – APRIL 2022**

\$1.45

Average Selling Price

Category Average Selling Price per Unit for the 4-weeks ending April 17, 2022

**59.7** Million

Consumer Media Impressions

Includes offline, online and social media impressions through April 2022

791.0 Million

Consumer PR Impressions

Media coverage secured with print, broadcast and online media outlets, as well as retailer communications through April 2022

4.9 Million

Trade Media and Public Relations Impressions

Positive direct CAC trade public relations circulation through April 22

4.5 Million

Consumer Facebook Impressions

A 95% increase versus the same period through April 2022 12

**Retail Promotions** 

Number of Retail Promotion Agreements fully executed through April 2022



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May 2022

## **REVENUE: CROP MOVEMENT AND MEASURES**

U.S. Hass Avocado Supply (November-April)								
	2021/22	2	2020/2	1	2019/20			
		Est. %						
Origin	Volume (MM lbs)	Complete*	Volume (MM lbs)	% Complete	Volume (MM lbs)	% Complete		
California	121	40%	83	30%	116	31%		
Chile	12	122%	-	0%	8	85%		
Mexico	1,146	46%	1,349	57%	1,109	53%		
Peru	1	1%	0	0%	1	0%		
Other	10	63%	2	22%	3	29%		
Total	1,290	43%	1,434	50%	1,237	47%		
*based on current project	based on current projections Source: CAC							



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## **REVENUE: CROP MOVEMENT AND MEASURES**

	Ca	lifornia	Avocado (	Grade and	d Size Dis	stributio	n - This '	Year vs. L	ast Year		
November 1, 2021 - April 30, 2022							November 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021				
			(millio	ons)		%		(millio	ons)		%
Grade	Size	Size %	Pounds	Dollars	Avg Lug \$	Consigned	Size %	Pounds	Dollars	Avg Lug \$	Consigned
Hass #1 Conv	40	4%	3.5	9.1	\$ 64.74	1%	9%	5.4	9.0	\$ 42.83	2%
	48	27%	22.8	57.6	\$ 63.16	6%	37%	21.9	38.0	\$ 43.67	1%
	60	30%	25.3	54.8	\$ 54.17	6%	27%	15.8	24.0	\$ 38.35	1%
	70	22%	19.0	33.2	\$ 43.62	6%	15%	8.8	10.3	\$ 29.51	1%
	84	12%	10.5	14.4	\$ 34.29	8%	6%	3.7	3.5	\$ 24.02	1%
	Other	5%	3.4				7%	3.9			
	All	100%	84.4	174.6	\$ 51.73	6%	100%	59.5	90.3	\$ 38.38	1%
Hass #2s	All		5.5	9.9	\$ 45.08	6%		5.9	6.2	\$ 27.35	4%
Hass Organic #1	All		8.6	22.8	\$ 66.35			4.4	9.7	\$ 55.60	2%
		Califor	nia Avoca	do Regio	n Distrib	ution - T	his Year	vs. Last \	⁄ear		
All Variet	ies		November	1, 2021 - April	30, 2022			November	1, 2020 - Apri	1 30, 2021	
			(millio	ons)		%		(millio	ons)		%
Region		Region %	Pounds	Dollars	Avg Lug \$	Consigned	Region %	Pounds	Dollars	Avg Lug \$	Consigned
EAST CENTRAL		4%	4.1	9.2	\$ 55.93	20%	3%	1.9	2.9	\$ 40.71	6%
NORTHEAST		3%	3.4	7.8	\$ 57.54	1%	2%	1.6	2.6	\$ 40.07	1%
PACIFIC		82%	82.3	171.1	\$ 51.96	6%	79%	55.5	82.8	\$ 37.78	1%
SOUTHEAST		3%	3.1	6.9	\$ 56.43	4%	2%	1.4	2.5	\$ 44.30	0%
SOUTHWEST		3%	3.0	6.2	\$ 51.10	0%	3%	2.2	3.4	\$ 39.11	0%
WEST CENTRAL		3%	3.2	7.5	\$ 59.65	2%	1%	1.0	1.6	\$ 39.88	0%
EXPORT		1%	0.9	1.9	\$ 53.55	0%	10%	6.8	11.2	\$ 42.56	3%



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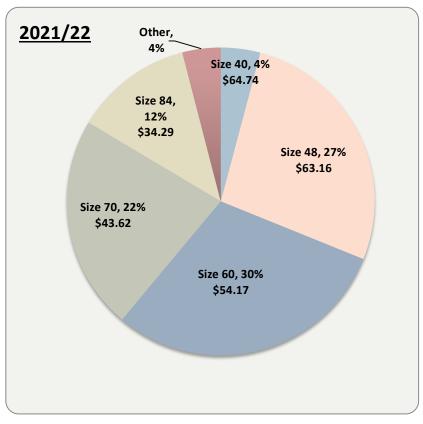
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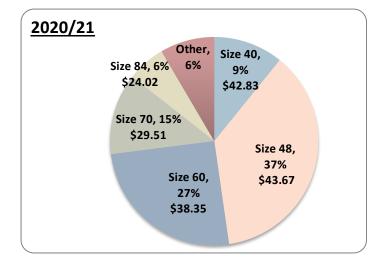
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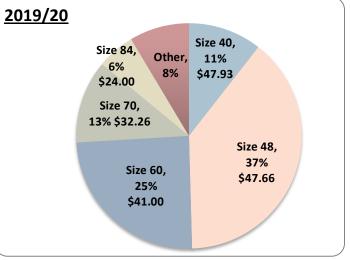
## **Size Distribution and Average Lug Price**

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## **REVENUE: RETAIL SALES AND VOLUME**

RETAIL (4 wks)	<u>Apr21</u> (3/22/21-4/18/21)	<u>Apr22</u> (3/21/22-4/17/22)	<u>Variance</u>
Volume (Unit)	173,822,623	158,621,668	-9.6%
Dollars	\$206,395,912	\$204,344,152	+10.1%
Avg. Selling Price/Unit	\$1.19	\$1.45	+17.9%
<u>RETAIL</u> <u>California Season</u>	<u>Mar21-Apr21</u> (3/1/21-4/18/21)	<u>Mar22-Apr22</u> (2/28/22-4/17/22)	<u>Variance</u>
Volume (Unit)	312,138,242	273,411,415	-14.2%
Dollars	\$349,436,025	\$393,343,396	+11.2%
Avg. Selling Price/Unit	\$1.12	\$1.44	+22.2%
<u>RETAIL</u> <u>Non-California Season</u>	<u>Sep20-Feb21</u> (8/31/20-2/28/21)	<u>Sep21-Feb22</u> 8/30/21-2/27/22	<u>Variance</u>
Volume (Unit)	1,127,294,171	1,009,066,000	-11.7%
Dollars	\$1,113,345,713	\$1,240,154,420	+10.2%
Avg. Selling Price/Unit	\$0.99	\$1.23	+19.6%







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#### **REVENUE: RETAIL SALES AND VOLUME**

Avg. Retail Price \$1.15



Mar 2021 – Aug 2021 (3/1/21 – 8/29/21) Avg. Retail Price \$1.23

Off Season

Sept 2021 – Feb 2022 (8/30/21 – 2/27/22) Avg. Retail Price \$1.44



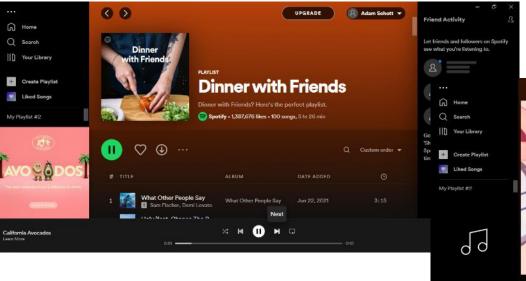
Mar 2022 – Apr 2022 (2/28/22 – 4/17/22)





#### **CONSUMER ADVERTISING: AUDIO**

- 11,220,012 Impressions
- 12,497 Clicks with a 0.27% Click Through Rate
- 2,968,497 Video Views
- Targeted listening sessions, audio, banners, overlays, in-car audio and podcast live reads

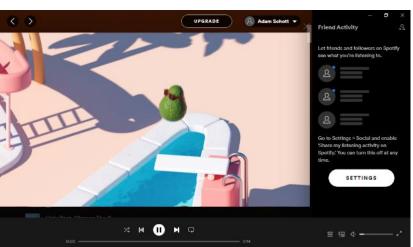
















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#### CONSUMER ADVERTISING: DIGITAL BRAND

- 20,188,168 Impressions
- 41,324 Clicks with a 0.26% Click Through Rate
- 10,868,895 Video Views
- Digital video, mobile and display banners































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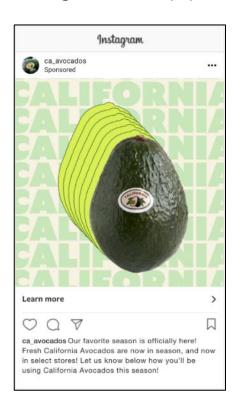






- 6,853,338 Impressions
- 60,290 Engagements with a 0.88% Engagement Rate
- Season-long social advertising across top platforms











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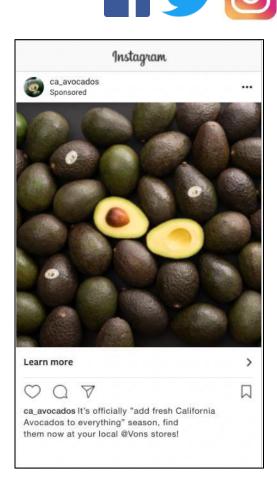
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### **CONSUMER ADVERTISING: SOCIAL RETAIL**

- 592,175 Impressions
- 4,903 Engagements with a 0.83% Engagement Rate
- Promoted California Avocados in-store to drive users to retailers









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#### ONLINE MARKETING: NOVEMBER 2021 – APRIL 2022

#### **SEARCH RESULTS**

- Organic Search Impressions: 18.9MM
- Paid Search Impressions: 1.9MM

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

- Facebook
  - Total Fans: 320.1K (-1% decrease YoY)
  - Impressions: 4.5MM (95% increase YoY)
- Twitter
  - Total Followers: 20.9K (-2% decrease YoY)
  - Total Retweets: 734 (103% increase YoY)
- YouTube
  - Views: 12.3MM (11% increase YoY)
  - Subscribers: 2.6K (30% increase YoY)
- Instagram
  - Followers: 43K (2% increase YoY)
  - Impressions: 250K (-56% decrease YoY)
- TikTok (launched 4/6/22)
  - Followers: 199
  - Impressions: 2.7K

#### **CONSUMER WEBSITE**

- # of Visits: 591K (17% decrease YoY)
- Page Views / Visit: 1.33 (2% increase YoY)
- Time on site: 41 seconds (2% decrease YoY)
- Total Page Views: 784K (17% decrease YoY)

#### **EMAIL**

- Average Open Rate: 27.3%
- Click through rate: 5.4%
- Emails Sent: 1 email sent to 171K recipients





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## CONSUMER PR: VIRTUAL COOKING CLASS WITH MEGQUINN

- To promote California Avocado season, CAC hosted a virtual charcuterie board class in partnership with LA-based food stylist and charcuterie board expert Meg Quinn (and moderator Erica Domesek, founder of the lifestyle brand P.S.- I made this...)
- Meg was joined by 16 media attendees from national, regional and local consumer and trade outlets, as well as four retail contacts
- Through earned media relations, as well as distribution of a press release and mat release, the program resulted in 213,017,227 impressions across national and regional media outlets, including Associated Press, The San Diego Union-Tribune and Los Angeles Downtown News, as well as organic social mentions from attendees













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#### **CONSUMER PR: BRAND ADVOCATES**

- To celebrate California avocado season, CAC partnered with five influencers to serve as this year's Brand Advocates. The Brand Advocates were chosen based on their significant influence on social media, large viewership on their blog channels and their vibrant content creation
  - The ask for this season was to develop unique recipes promoting California Avocados on their respective social media channels, including their blog, Instagram, Facebook, TikTok and Pinterest pages
- During March and through April, the Brand Advocate program secured 168,930 blog post impressions and 300,700 social media impressions, resulting in a total of 469,630 impressions













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#### **CONSUMER PR: NEWS BUREAU**

- Ahead of the 2022 season, the team identified relevant story angles for CAC and leveraged its unique perspective and assets to promote with consumer media
- Reactive and proactive news bureau media efforts resulted in 3,616,838 impressions

## The Alercury News

Eating 2 servings a week of 1 fatty fruit can reduce heart attack risk, study says



## Tasting Table.

The Best Ways To Keep Avocados Fresh







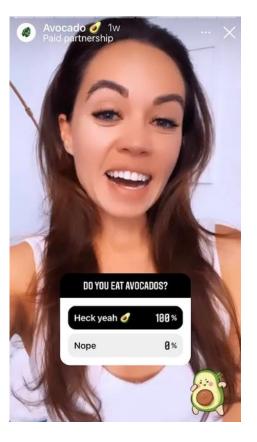
#### CONSUMER/TRADE - LIVING WELL: BRAND ADVOCATES

Dietitians & health and wellness influencers tell the California Avocado story to raise awareness and promote purchase via website articles and social media

Bonnie Taub-Dix - Website Article



Mascha Davis - Instagram Story







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## **RETAIL: TRADE RELATIONS – KEY ACCOUNT MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS**

# Gelson's











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#### RETAIL: KEY ACCOUNT MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS







California Avocados at Grand Opening event



California Avocado Recipe videos ran on Raley's Facebook and Instagram, and Raley's ONE Market Instagram Instagram



the corner, and we know the best way to get the party started... with guacamole, of course! Guacamole is great whichever way you enjoy it, whether scooped with chips, spread onto sandwiches or stuffed into tortillas. It's even better when made with delicious California Avocados 9!

raleys Cinco de Mayo is just around

Get the freshest @ca\_avocados and everything else you need to make the









108 views

7 DAYS AGO



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#### RETAIL: RETAILER INTERACTIVE EVENTS: VIRTUAL COOKING CLASS











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#### **RETAIL: RETAIL DIETITIAN RELATIONS**



As part Hy-Vee's April "a1C3 Screening Tour," California Avocados were included as a recommended food for those with pre-diabetes and Type 2 diabetes. In addition to being included in local market media coverage, California Avocados were named "Dietitian's Pick" with display signage in all Hy-Vee stores.







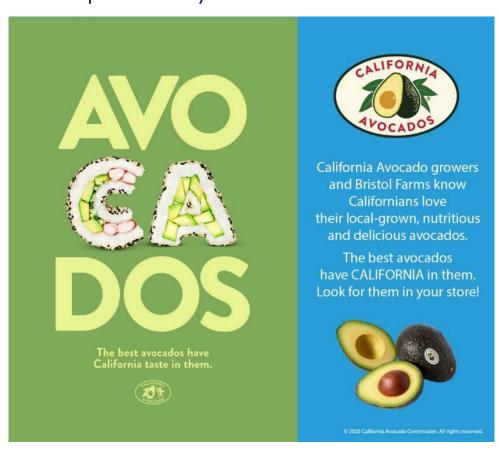


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## **RETAIL: BRISTOL FARMS**



Passport to Savings Coupon and Online Special with special at 2/\$5 on large bulk avocados runs April 6 - May 31









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#### **RETAIL: GELSON'S MARCH MADNESS SALES CONTEST**



- Month-long sales contest promoting March Madness
- California Avocado display bins & sponsored March Madness POS for use in store displays
- 3.1%-to-13% unit volume movement over previous year brand awareness











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## **RETAIL: KING SOOPERS**



- California Avocados in Colorado February
- Front-page ad (February 23) and huge displays move good volume of early product







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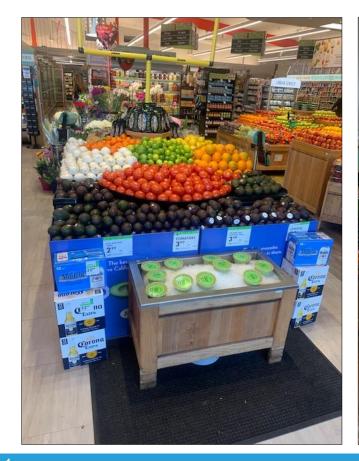
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## **RETAIL: MOLLIE STONE'S**



- Big Game display contest January 26 February 16
- 18-31% Unit volume movement increase over previous year in stores









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Organically Grown Company

# RETAIL: RETAILERS PROMOTING GEM: GELSON'S, MOTHER'S MARKETS, ORGANIC GROWN COMPANY AND PCC COMMUNITY MARKETS

GEM Promotions in April









OGC is thrilled to partner with our friends at Del Rey

Avocado to be their exclusive wholesaler of Gem avocado
in the Pacific Northwest. California born and bred, Gem is
large, nutty and delicious.

There's a lot to love about this exciting avocado!

Share the Gem story with staff and shoppers to establish a new fanbase! Download and print Gem POP for displays to introduce this new variety to shoppers. Use the talking points in the Produce Profile to educate and the merchandising tips to increase sales. Meet avocado lovers where they are! Reach them digitally by sharing photos and product information on your social media channels.

#### Resources

· Produce Profile: Gem Avocado







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## **RETAIL: RALEY'S**

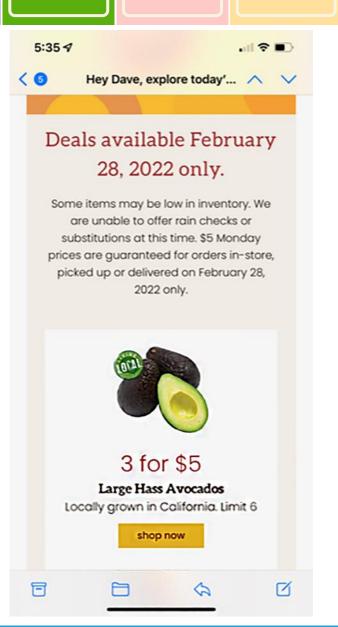
First of Season Online Shopper Special – February 28













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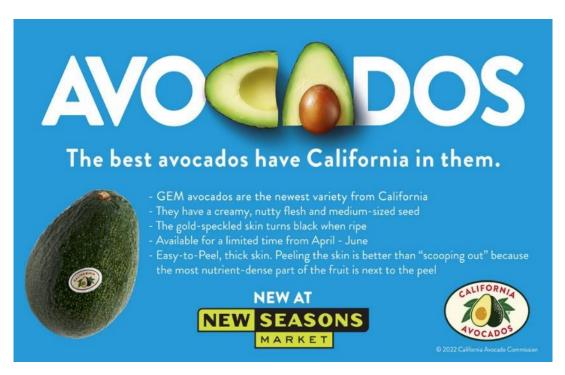
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### **RETAIL: NEW SEASONS MARKET**









### **RETAIL: SAVE MART SUPERMARKETS**



- Farmers Market displays with CA GROWN features California Avocados on display during April and will be back again in June
- California Avocado Sales Contest to run in June to boost additional sales







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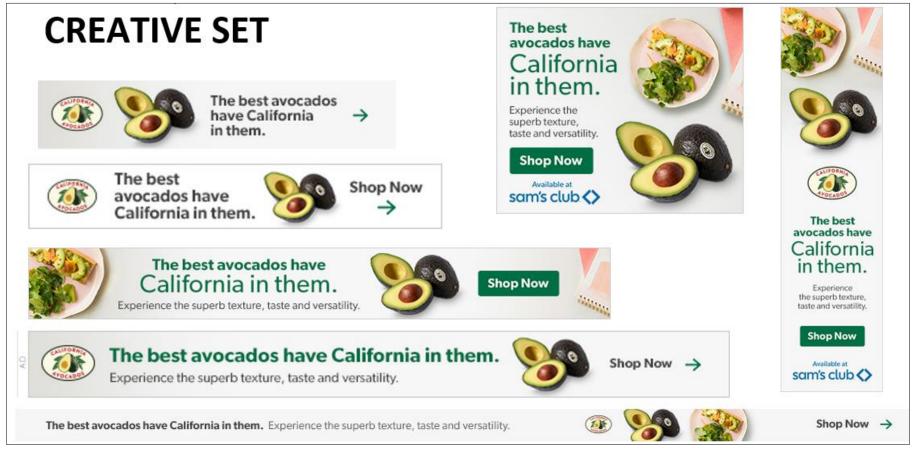
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### **RETAIL: SAM'S CLUB - DIGITAL ADVERTISING**

- Fresh California Avocados featured in advertising campaign, 165 clubs
- April 15 May 16; 4.5 million impressions







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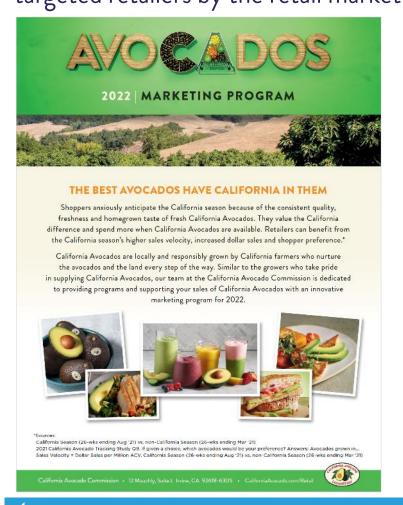
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### RETAIL: CALIFORNIA AVOCADO MARKETING PROGRAM

Highlights from our 2022 California Avocado Marketing program which are presented to our targeted retailers by the retail marketing directors









### **RETAIL: MASTERS OF MERCHANDISING 2022**

A full page of editorial content and full-page ad ran in the March issue of Produce Business



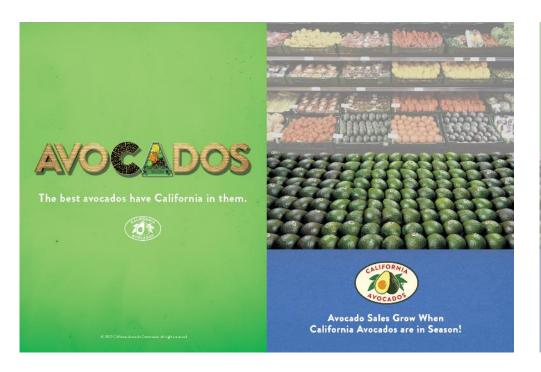






## **RETAIL: TRADE PRINT AD**

To launch the season, a two-page spread ran in the February issue of The Snack magazine with a special vellum overlay to reveal how California Avocados grow when in season







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## **RETAIL: TRADE PRINT AD**

11 print ads ran from February through April generating 1,381,451 impressions









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### **RETAIL: TRADE DIGITAL ADS**

- 287 digital ads ran from February through April generating 13,061,691 impressions
- Total print and digital impressions: 14,433,142

## THE PACKER

## THE PRODUCE NEWS













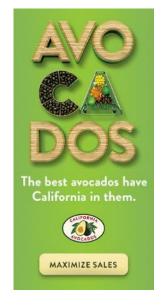






### AVOCADO SALES GROW WHEN CALIFORNIA AVOCADOS ARE IN SEASON!

Shoppers anxiously anticipate the California season because of the consistent quality, freshness and homegrown taste of fresh California Avocados. They value the California difference and spend more when California Avocados are available. Retailers can benefit from the California season's higher sales velocity, increased dollar sales and shopper preference.



The digital ads feature a "Maximize Sales" button. The button/ad links to CAC's retail website page where the Infographic graphically represents information that supports the sales data of how retailers can grow their sales when California Avocados are in season.



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## **RETAIL: TRADE DIGITAL ADS**

A video trailer ran on AndNowUKnow in April





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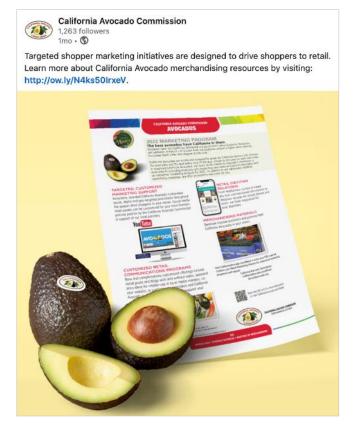
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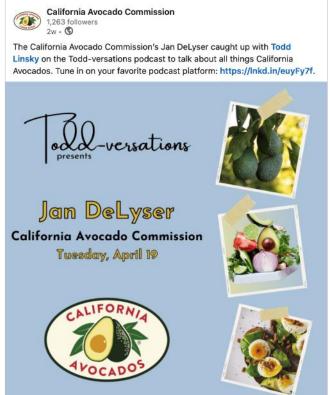
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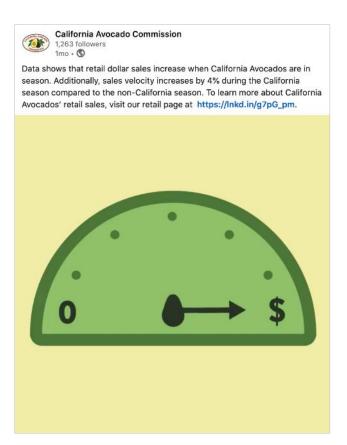
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### **RETAIL: LINKEDIN**

From November 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022, 36 posts ran on the CAC LinkedIn page. The page has gained 335 new followers, a 36% growth rate. The posts have generated over 131,172 impressions with over 1,718 engagements and a 4.6% engagement rate









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## **RETAIL: TRADE PUBLIC RELATIONS**

- Nearly 4.9 million Trade PR impressions in November April
- Key Press Releases: season start/forecast, advertising and programs
- Media coverage related to early season start, Mexican avocado ban and high prices has contributed to higher circulation than last year during the same period





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## **EXPORT PROMOTIONS – SOUTH KOREA**

## California Avocado Virtual Cooking Class (April 19)

- Celebrity Chef Boeun Lee
- Rice wrapped in greens with California Avocado sauce
- California Avocado Banana Smoothie
- Nearly 10,000 views through April

## California Avocado In-Person Cooking Class (April 27-28)

- Celebrity Chef Young Bin Kim
- 30 Participants
  - California Avocado Tuna Salad
  - California Avocado Spring Roll
  - California Avocado Chocolate Chip Cookies







## California Avocado Verbal Demos:

- 35 Emart stores
  - April 15-17, 21-23









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## FOODSERVICE: CHAIN PROMOTIONS

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- 27 units (NorCal/Bay Area)
- April 1 May 31
- California Avocados on the menu



- 99 units (CA, AZ)
- April 1 April 29
- California Avocado upsell



- 43 units (CA, NV)
- April 1 May 31
- Kahuna-style upsell



#### California Avocado Commision

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Social media post

Website logo placements





Mounds of creamy, smooth California-grown avocados (@ca\_avocados) are piled high and added to our veggie sandwich, Del Monte Special. Get ready for a mouthful of avocado goodness.







Your bowl, your way What's your favorite ingredient combination? Ours always includes some Fresh California Avocados and Simply Magic Sauce \*\* @CaliforniaAvocados



### Sunset Chopped Chicken Salad

Charbroiled or blackened chicken, romaine lettuce, avocado, red cabbage, tomato, roasted corn, green onion, cilantro, queso fresco, pepitas and tortilla strips with Honey Lime Vinaigrette (649-871 cals)

11.99









## **FOODSERVICE: CHAIN PROMOTIONS**



- 400 units (CA, AZ, NV, OR, UT, WA)
- April 14 June 8
- California Avocados on the menu



Website logo placements





- 14 units (NorCal/Bay Area)
- April 18 May 31



- 8 units (NorCal/Bay Area)
- April 22 June 3
- California Avocados on the menu California Avocados on the menu

## SALADS



We proudly serve Fresh California Avocados.



We proudly serve California-grown avocados.

Website logo placement



## BURGERS



Website logo placements

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## FOODSERVICE: MENU IDEATION SESSIONS

• Utilizing a chain's current inventory of items, provide menu concepts featuring California Avocados, on innovative dishes



- Concepts based on chain's menu strategy and operational setup
  - California-based chain, 22 units in LA, Orange County and San Diego









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**FOODSERVICE: EVENTS** 

# **NORDSTROM**

- AvoTour and Flavor Building Fallbrook, CA
- April 6-7
- Customized educational tour



# FOODOVATION EXCHANGE

- FoodOvation Exchange #27 Sun Valley, ID
- April 10-13
- One-on-one 40-minute meetings with 13 operators







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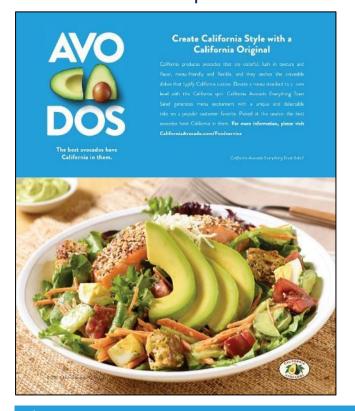
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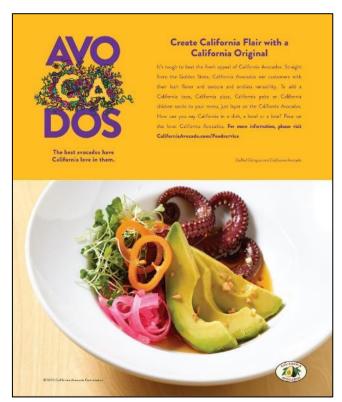
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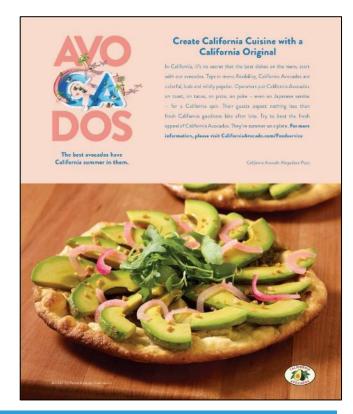
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## FOODSERVICE: PRINT ADVERTISING

- Focus on California Avocado season and California cuisine and style
- 3 insertions starting in March
- 3 print publications (Flavor & The Menu, FSR and Plate)
- 92,484 impressions













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### FOODSERVICE: DIGITAL ADVERTISING

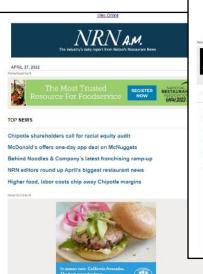
• Leverage pre-season insertion dates to build anticipation of California avocado season

 8 digital ads appeared on four platforms (Recipe Watch, Winsight Recipe Report, NRA SmartBrief, NRN A.M. and Native Gallery)

• Over 730,000 impressions

NRN: Native Gallery







NRN A.M.

## Recipe Watch



#### Leverage California Avocados on Your Menu Schedule customer faves on spring and summer menus, when Fresh California Avocados are in season. The best avocados have California in them.

**View Recipe** 



View Recipe

Avocados, in season March-

September.

## Winsight: Recipe Report





NRA SmartBrief



Put "Grown in U.S." to Work on Your Menu
Post pandemic outbreak, almost 80% of consumers are
saying "Grown in U.S." will positively impact their purchase
decision." Add confort and seasonal style to your summer
menu with Fresh California Avocados. The best avocados
have California in them.

\* Source: Menu Matters, 'Patron preference for 'California' and 'California Avocados', 2020"







## **FOODSERVICE: ENEWSLETTER**

- Custom content enewsletters promoting the benefits of seasonal, local ingredients
- Delivered to 7,957 with an Open Rate of 42%



The Season Provides a Reason



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## FOODSERVICE: PUBLIC RELATIONS

- Over 1.4 million Foodservice PR impressions between November April
- Key topics: Avocados, California style, Plant-Based, Local























### **RESEARCH: STUDIES IN DEVELOPMENT**

## Report on Inflation and its Impact at Retail

- Scope: a look at rising prices and the impact on avocado dollar sales and volume. Also includes an overview of the current state inflation is having on food, energy, etc.
- Timing: to be presented at June CAC Marketing Committee Meeting

## 2022 California Avocado Tracking Study

- Objectives: to monitor performance vs. plan objectives, to better understand consumer attitudes and to showcase reasons why retailers should merchandise California Avocados
- Methodology: quantitative study of 1,500+ avocado purchasers
- Tentative Timing: fielding in July, full report by 10/31/22

## 2022 Nielsen Advertising Study

- This study measures the brand impact of the California Avocado online campaign against the intended audience across multiple equity metrics and provides creative diagnostics
- Methodology: responses are gathered from a third-party survey panel
- Tentative Timing: fielding during media campaign, full report by 10/31/22