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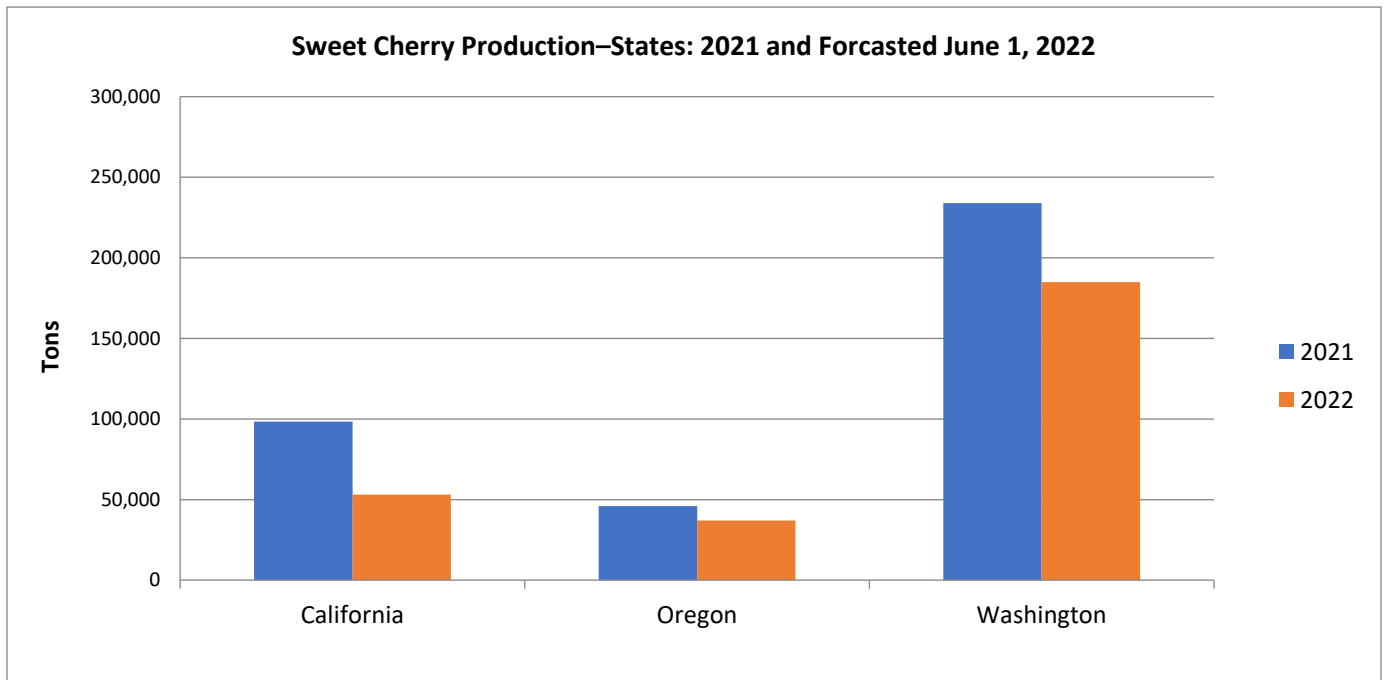
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U.S. Sweet Cherry Production Forecast Down 27 Percent From Last Year

United States sweet cherry total production for 2022 is forecast at 275,000 tons, down 27 percent from 2021. In Washington, the largest producing State, severe cold weather in winter and spring reduced pollination and fruit set. In California, most trees received adequate chilling hours; however, frosts in February and March damaged the crop in some areas. In Oregon, cold winter with high rainfall and low temperatures reduced fruit set for the 2022 crop. A late spring storm slowed pollination with some growers reporting damage to blossoms.

Sweet Cherry Production — States and United States: 2021 and Forecasted June 1, 2022

State	Total production	
	2021 (tons)	2022 (tons)
California	98,300	53,000
Oregon	46,000	37,000
Washington	234,000	185,000
United States	378,300	275,000



U.S. Tart Cherry Production Forecast Up 33 Percent From Last Year

United States tart cherry total production for 2022 is forecast at 229 million pounds, up 33 percent from the 2021 production. In Michigan, the largest tart cherry producing State, the season started slowly due to cooler weather but progressed with no major freeze events. In Utah, as of week-ending May 29, bloom was 81 percent complete compared with 95 percent for the previous year. In Wisconsin, blossoms have progressed with no frost.

Tart Cherry Production — States and United States: 2021 and Forecasted June 1, 2022

State	Total production	
	2021 (million pounds)	2022 (million pounds)
Michigan	96.6	159.5
New York	(D)	(D)
Utah	33.4	27.3
Washington	(D)	(D)
Wisconsin	10.5	13.3
Other States	(NA)	(NA)
Other States	31.6	29.1
United States	172.1	229.2

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.
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