



INFOCADO CROP FORECAST

Quarterly Report - October 2008

Welcome to the quarterly Infocado report. This report is released in the months January, April, July and October. Each reports shows the previous 12 month's dispatch figures and the future 12 month's forecast figures including both Australian and New Zealand data where and when available.

Australian Avocados Forecast Oct 07 to Sep 08 (5.5 kg eqv trays)

	Oct 07	Nov 07	Dec 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08	Apr 08	May 08	Jun 08	Jul 08	Aug 08	Sep 08	12 Mth Total
Total	576,825	419,475	322,677	249,964	359,667	576,918	688,759	961,321	862,380	824,302	1,027,802	1,023,003	7,893,094

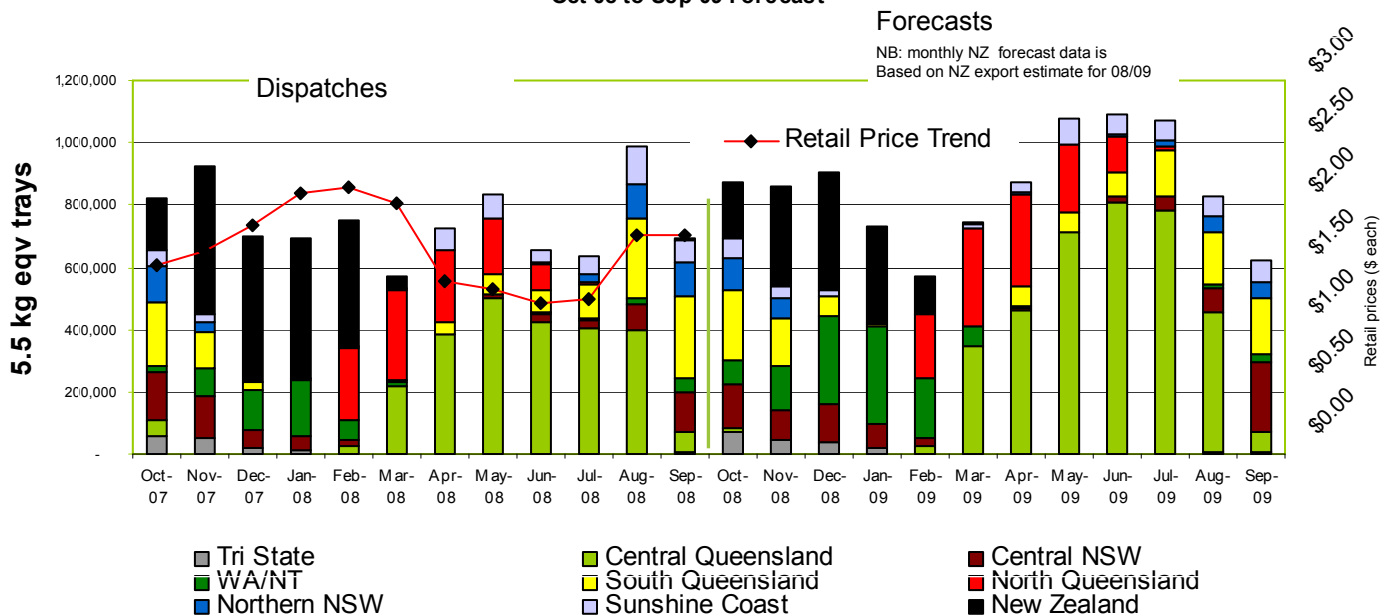
Australian Avocados Dispatches Oct 07 to Sep 08 (5.5 kg eqv trays)

Total	656,537	450,751	234,003	245,519	345,080	535,720	725,844	831,085	657,201	632,948	987,941	683,794	6,986,425
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Australian Avocados Forecast Oct 08 to Sep 09 (5.5 kg eqv trays)

	Oct 08	Nov 08	Dec 08	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	Apr 09	May 09	Jun 09	Jul 09	Aug 09	Sep 09	12 Mth Total
Hass	679,065	532,818	499,319	396,851	207,657	86,858	361,701	973,796	1,017,609	998,595	764,620	608,232	7,127,121
Shepard				2,353	227,059	629,386	474,726	26,588					1,360,112
Other	14,941	5,059	24,235	25,294	15,224	21,824	39,412	75,760	73,172	74,078	65,412	15,412	449,821
Total	694,006	537,876	523,554	424,498	449,940	738,067	875,839	1,076,144	1,090,781	1,072,673	830,032	623,644	8,937,054

Australian & New Zealand Avocados: Oct 07 to Sep 08 Dispatch / Oct 08 to Sep 09 Forecast



Oct 07 to Sep 08 Dispatches & Oct 08 to Sep 09 Australian Avocado Production Estimates 5.5kg eqv trays

Region	2007/08	2008/09
North Queensland	1,034,547	1,158,126
Central Queensland	2,461,935	3,666,149
Sunshine Coast	524,247	518,249
Southern Queensland	1,145,179	1,151,576
Northern NSW	400,378	311,941
Central NSW	697,040	822,118
Tri State	150,794	190,129
WA	572,306	1,118,765
Total	6,986,425	8,937,054

Comments from the CEO

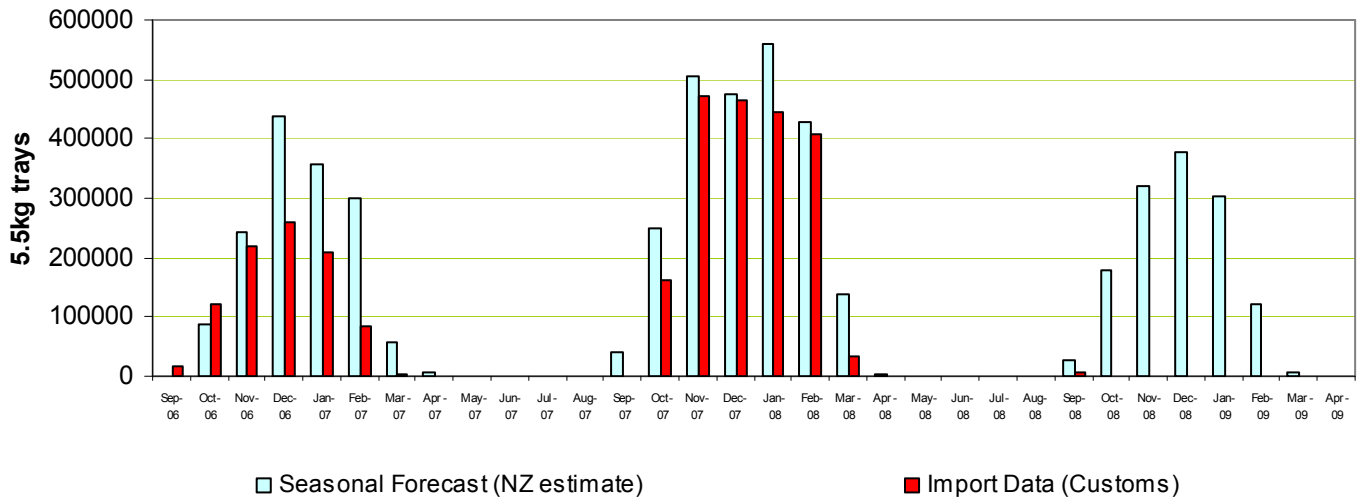
This crop forecast continues to indicate that the 2009 year will be the largest production year on record for the Australia avocado industry, an increase of around 2 million trays on last year's crop. A number of growing regions will deliver record crops, this will occur along side the drought stricken Tri State are delivering a very small percentage of what should have been that regions production for this year.

The New Zealand crop continues to look smaller than all published reports. The three graphs in this Quarterly Report reflect the published figure of export to Australia of 1.3 million trays. This figure is most like to be closer to 1 million trays by seasons end.

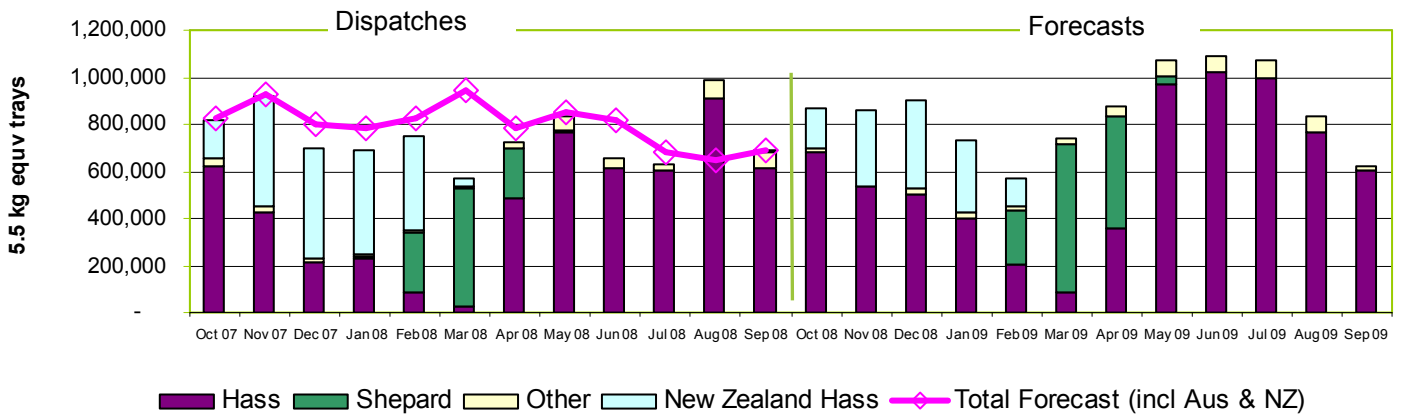
Demand over the summer period is always stronger for avocados and this will greatly help the Western Australian crop move through the market.

This forecast is critical in the planning for the 2009 year crop, all members of the supply chain need to begin the planning development to market the coming volume. The experience of the 2007 and 2008 crops will go a long way to preparing for the coming 2009 crop. The task is will be a challenge but not insurmountable.

New Zealand Avocados - Dispatch and Forecast



Oct 07 to Sep 08 Dispatches & Oct 08 to Sep 09 Forecasts Avocados by Variety



NB: NZ Dispatch figures sourced from Australian Customs, NZ forecast figures are based on the NZ export estimate for 08/09. The total forecast line (pink line) in the chart above illustrates the most up to date forecasts as per previous quarterly reports eg. The July, August & September figures come from the July 08 quarterly report and the figures for April, May and June come from the April 08 quarterly report.

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