

California Walnuts Industry Update

FEBRUARY 2020



Todays Agenda

- Market Situation
- Industry Strategic Plan
- Tariffs/Trade Policy
- Mitigation Measures
- Export Marketing
- Domestic Marketing
- News for Growers
- Concluding Thoughts



Market Situation

- Chile
- U.S. Supply/Crop/Inventory
- Foreign Market Demand
- Tariffs/Trade Policy
- Trade Mitigation
- USDA Section 32 Purchase

= Positive Market Momentum







Tariffs and Trade Policy



Tariff Overview

MARKET	TARIFF INSHELL	TARIFF SHELLED
Canada	0%	0%
China	75%	70%
European Union	4%	5.1%
India	120% 100% Base Rate + 20% Retaliatory	100% Effective 2/1/2020
Japan	10%	0% Effective 1/1/2020
Korea	24%	0%
Turkey	25%	25%
U.A.E.	5%	5%



Trade Policy/Trade Agreements

- United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA)
- Japan Trade Agreement
- China Phase 1 Agreement
- Potential Bilateral Trade Agreements:
 - UK ongoing dialog
 - EU ongoing dialog
- Other Trade Discussions
 - India
 - China Phase 2



Mitigation Measures

Market Facilitation Program (MFP)

- USDA Issues Third and Final Tranche of 2019 MFP Payments
 - Announced on February 3, 2020
 - Final Payments will begin to show up in farmers' bank accounts by February 7th
 - o If you have any questions, please contact your local USDA Farm Service Agency

Agricultural Trade Promotion Program (ATP)

- CWC awarded \$3.6 MM in additional funding for our export programs
 - Benefits entire industry to move crop



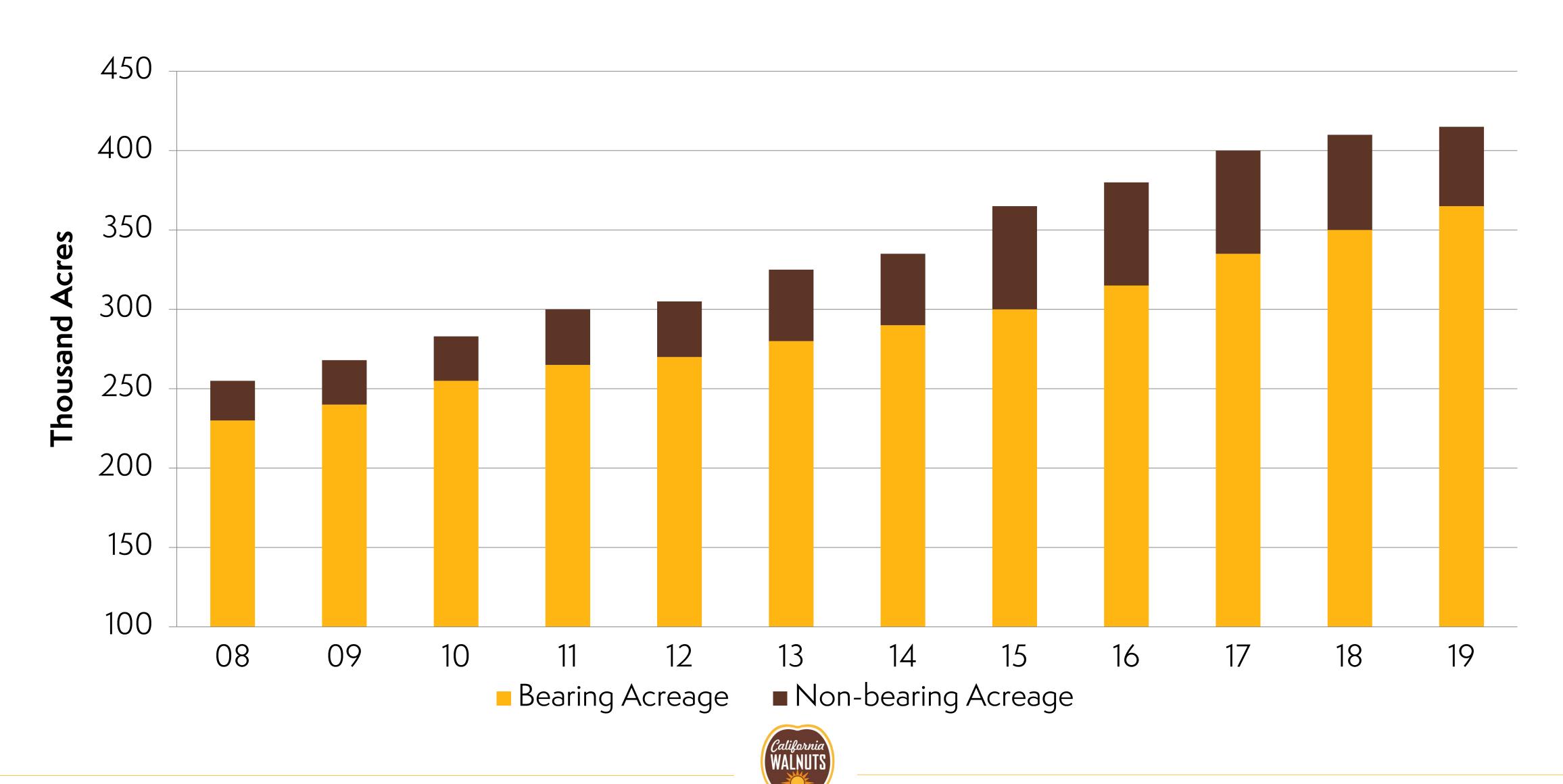
Agricultural Trade Promotion Program (ATP)

\$3,628,000 TOTAL ATP FUNDS AWARDED

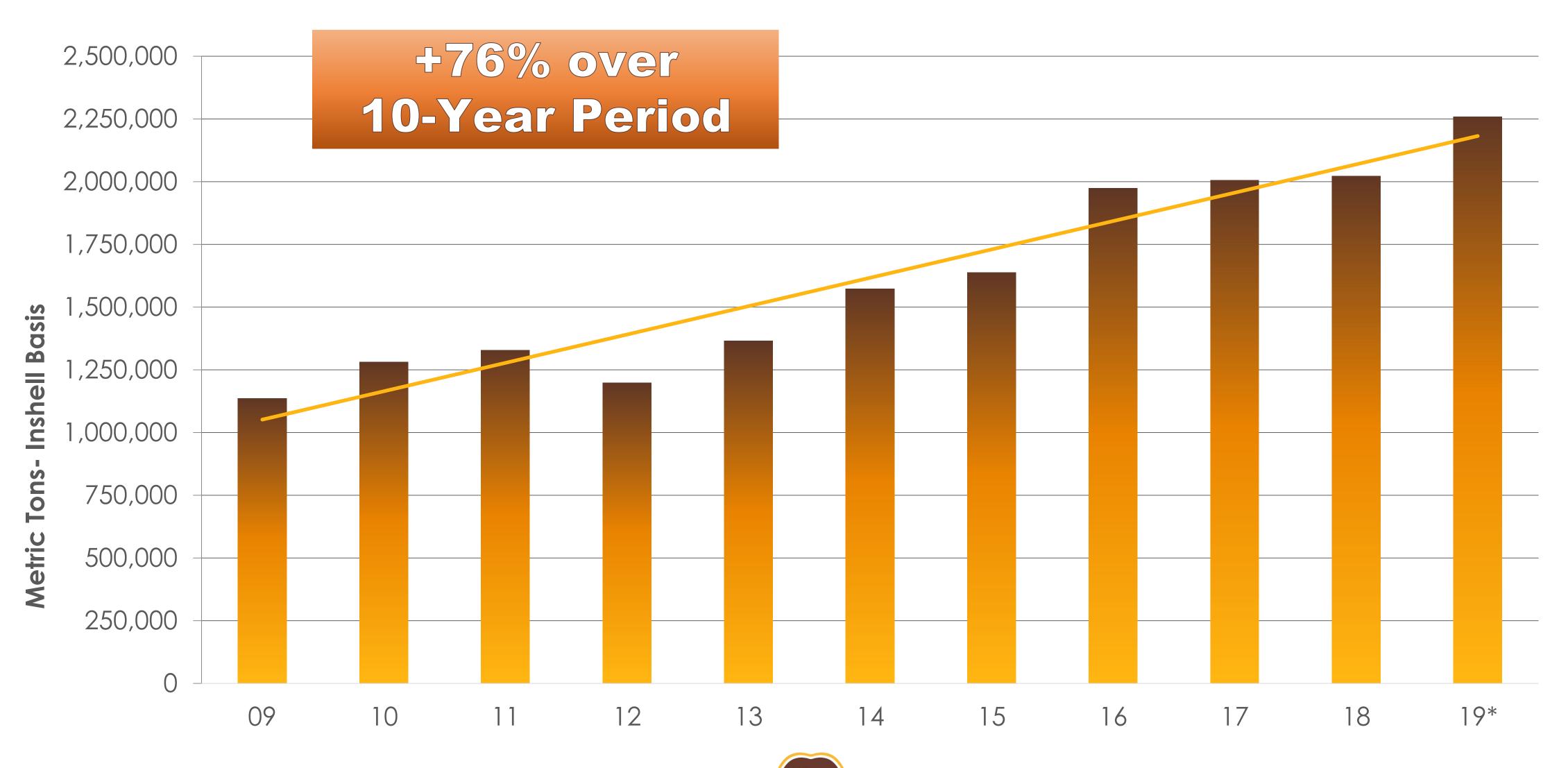




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World Walnut Production





Future Crop/Utilization

- Over the next 5 years (2022/2023) we are working toward moving an additional 196,000 tons
- Move 64,000 tons of incremental volume domestically and
- 132,000 tons of incremental volume internationally

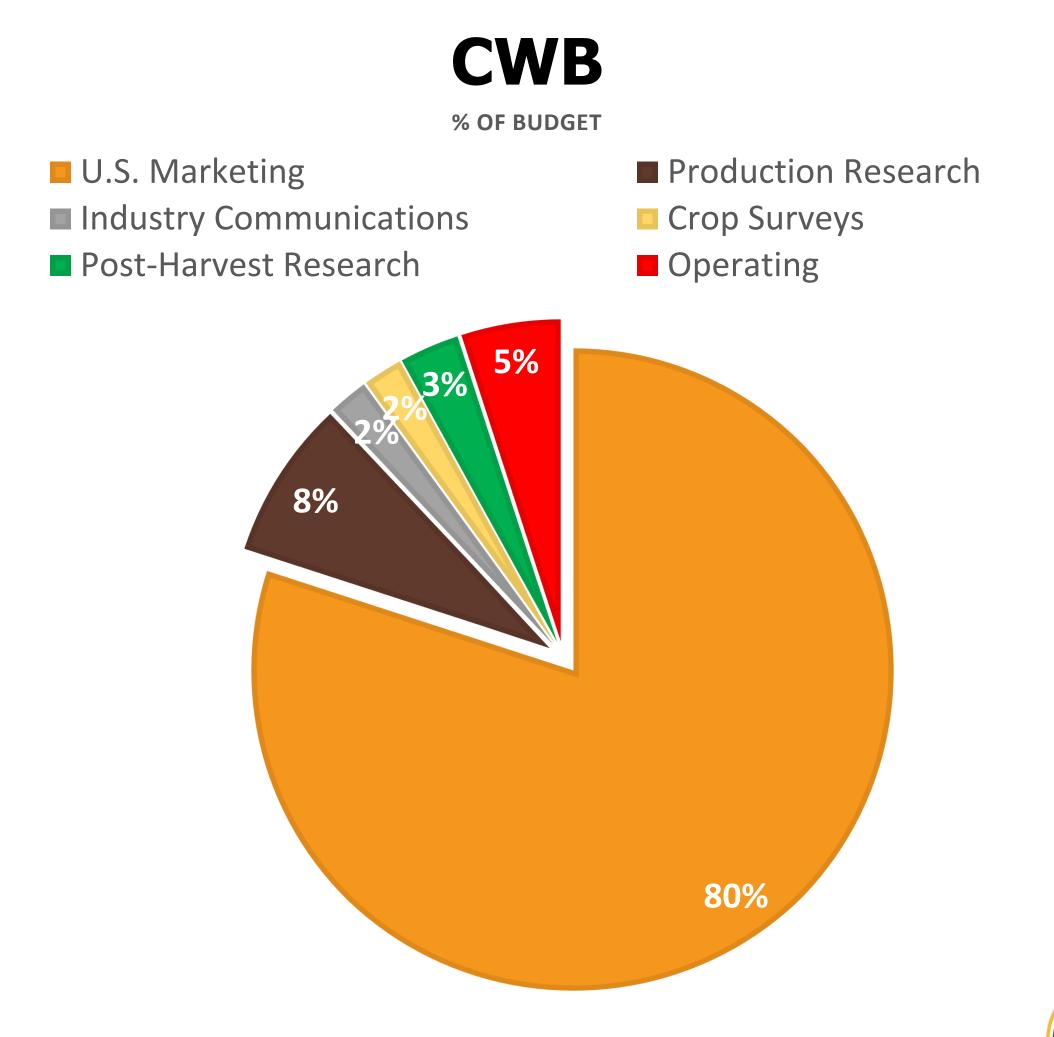


Strategic Priorities: *Areas of focus to achieve the vision*

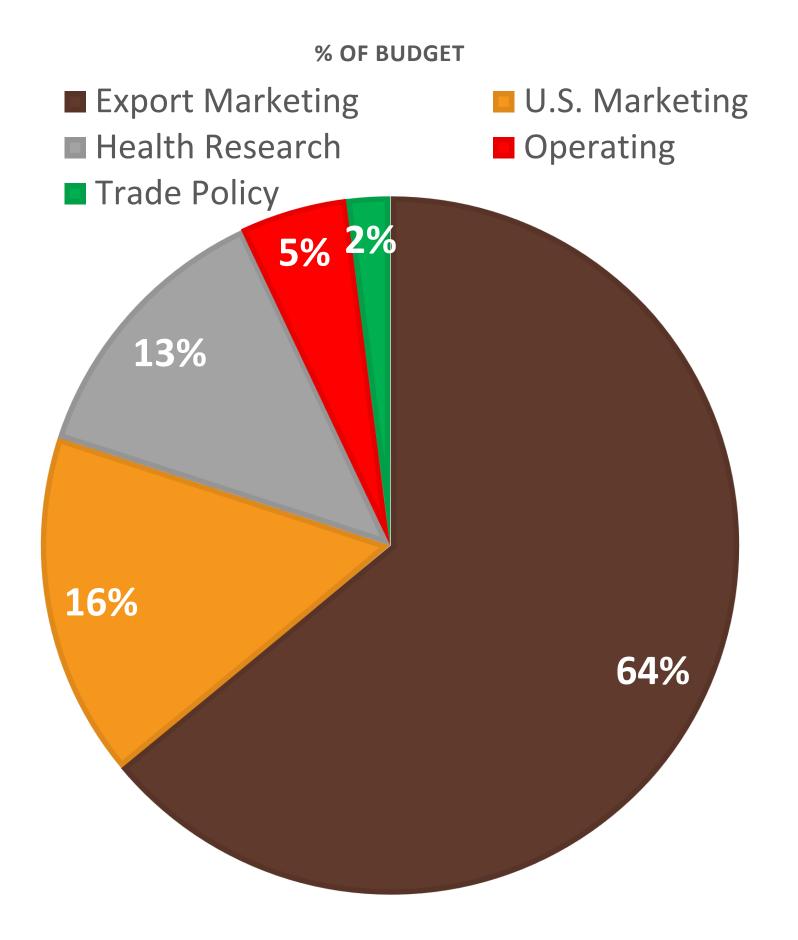
- 1. Grow domestic and international demand
- 2. Conduct research programs that fuel the vision
- Continue to build support via industry engagement/communication plans
- 4. Strengthen regulatory support for walnut production/trade through advocacy
- Demonstrate industry commitment to sustainable production practices



CWB/CWC Expenditures



CWC







Strategic Planning — Target Distribution Channels

- Retail Increase consumer purchase at retail.
- Food and Beverage Manufacturing Grow awareness of California walnuts as a desirable ingredient for product development.
- **Menu Development** Educate institutional decision-makers about the benefits of including walnuts at restaurants and hotels on their menus.



2020 Export Marketing Mix

Canada

Germany

India

Japan

Korea

Spain

So. Korea

Turkey

U.K.

UAE/Middle East





Retail Activities

Drives consumer trial and increases sales volume year-over-year

Country	Retailer	Promotion	Year-over-year increase in sales
India	Walmart	End-cap Branding	24%
	Vishal Mega Mart	End-cap Branding	135%
Korea	Emart	Sampling and POS displays	275%
	AK Plaza	Sampling and POS displays	226%
Turkey	Migros	Sampling and POS displays	200%
UAE	LuLu	Sampling and POS displays	220%
UK	Home Bargains	POS Display	52%



Japan – Yamazaki Bakery 55% Increase



ATP-Funded UK Retail Activities

Retailer	Promotion	Promotion Period Uplift
Home Bargains	2-week National promotion in almost 50% of their stores	59%
Costco UK	1-day sampling in all 29 depots Nationally	28%

Additional Retailers:

- Birds of Derby Bakery
- Tesco Online
- Sainsbury
- Asda
- Ocado



Costco UK



Birds of Derby



Home Bargains



Trade Outreach

Keeps all levels of the trade informed about:

- CWC consumer activities
- Health Benefits and health research
- Product development tips
- Media activities
- Major Campaigns
- Food & Beverage Trends



Product Information Sheets

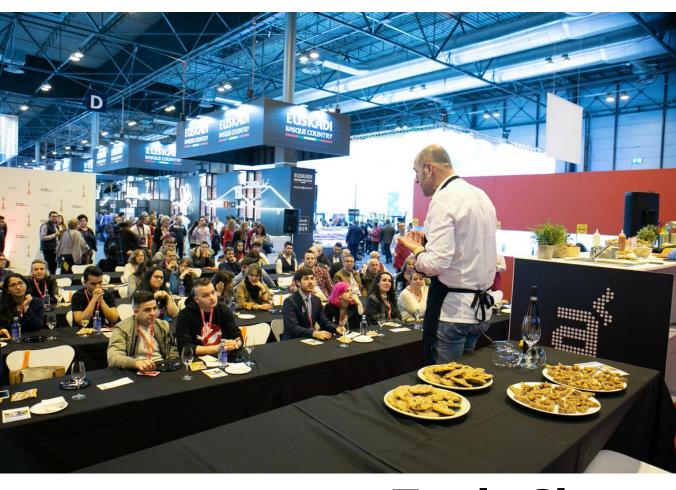




Trade Newsletters



Trade Advertising



Trade Shows

International New Products



































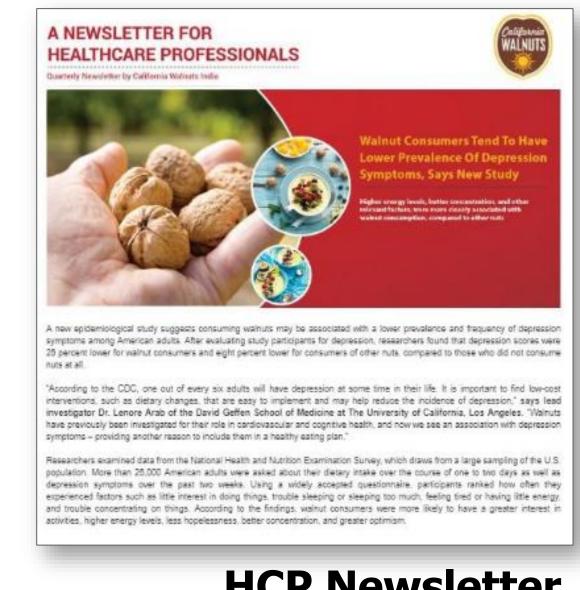
Health Research/ HCP Outreach

Allows us to spread the word about walnuts as part of a healthy lifestyle exponentially through trusted health professionals



VDD Dietitians Conference, Germany





HCP Newsletter



HCP Materials



Media Outreach

Health Research provides close to 50% of media coverage in many markets



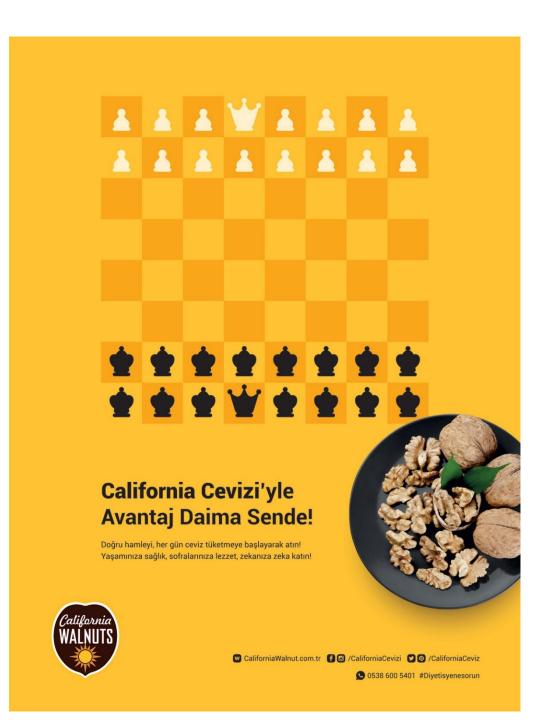


The editor of Marie Claire magazine attended the harvest tour and in December published 4 pages on California walnuts reaching 400,000 readers.



Consumer Outreach

Keeps walnuts top of mind so that consumers will purchase while shopping in store and online.







Global Marketing Initiative #sharethepowerof3





UK - Social Media



London Taxi Wraps









Domestic Marketing



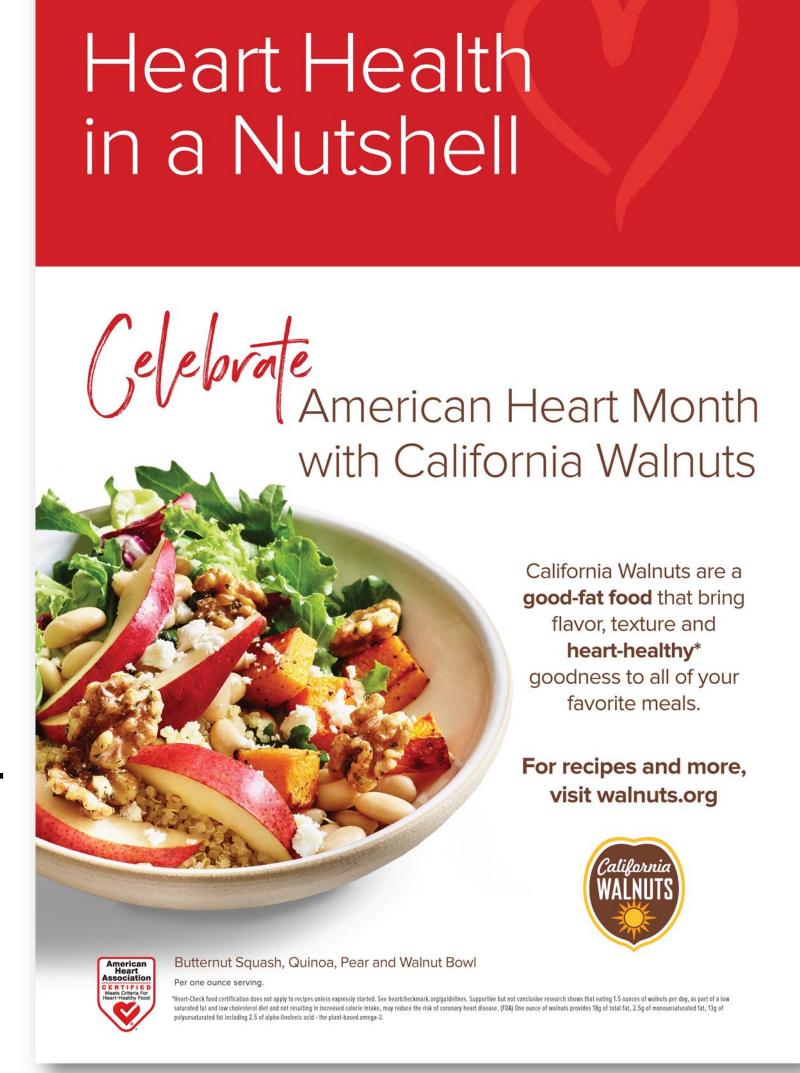
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- Industrial Grow awareness of California walnuts as a desirable ingredient for product development.
- **Institutional** Educate institutional decision-makers about the benefits of including walnuts on their menus.
- **Restaurants** Change the mindset of chefs by educating them about the desirable traits and unique uses of walnuts.



2019/20 Retail Program

- American Heart Month Goes <u>National!</u>
 - \$2.1 million diverted from core advertising to support advertising in participating markets
 - Instore tactics such as circulars, signage, demos, social media, RD activities
 - Consumer sweepstakes with digital media initiative
- Produce Promotions
 - Produce Pairings Promotions with Produce for Better Health Foundation
 - Promotions with companies such as Stemilt Apples,
 Naturipe, Fresh Express, USA Pears





American Heart Month 2020

















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Consumer Advertising: The Task Ahead

Build upon the strengths of the previous consumer advertising campaign to shift how people think and feel about walnuts.

Continue to enhance and expand the impressions of walnuts by portraying them in a fresh, relatable and engaging light.

Go beyond simply communicating the functional benefits by appealing to our audience on a deeper and more emotional level.











THE NEW CAMPAIGN

Life Isn't Always Simple... Here's Something That Is... California Walnuts



The New Campaign





The New Campaign





New Creative







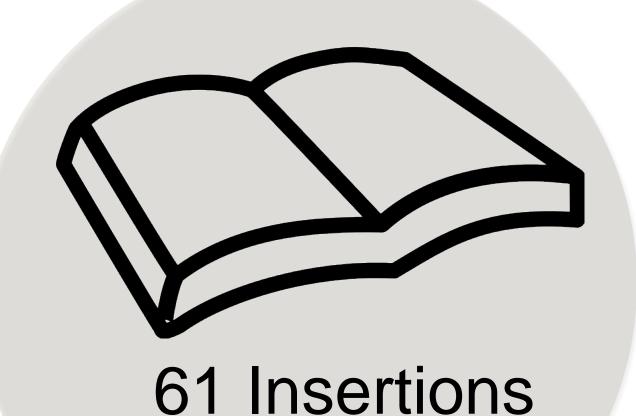


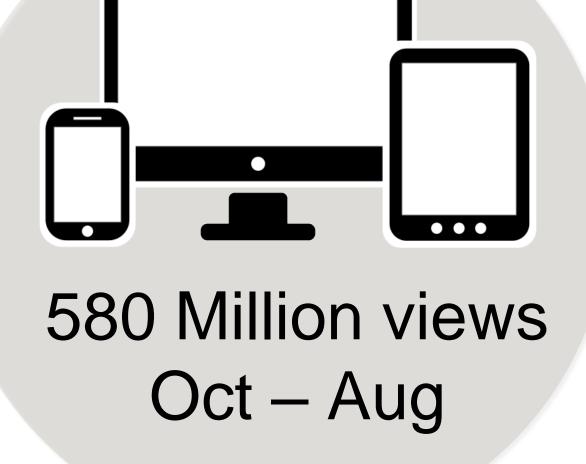
Advertising Reach

- 97% of Adults 18+ will see California Walnuts advertising an average of 32 times
 - $_{\circ}$ Delivering over 3.7 billion impressions to adults 18+



15 Weeks Oct - June







Oct - Aug

Focus on Snacking

Consumer Trends:

- ✓ 50% of all eating occasions are snacks¹
- ✓ Snack nut category grew 10% to \$6.6 billion between 2013 and 2017²

CWB Market Research Shows:

- ✓ Snacking is the #1 use of walnuts³
- ✓ Top 3 eating occasions for walnuts are all snacking³
- ✓ Snackers popped as a target in our consumer segmentation research





^{1 -} Mintel Report, Snacking Motivation and Attitudes. 2 - Mintel Market Sizes.

^{3 - 2019} Rose Research Attitude & Usage Study.

Snacking Plans

Objective is to build awareness and credibility for CA Walnuts as a simple, delicious and nutritious snack.

- Public Relations: Media event, influencer partnerships
- Retail Test Promotion: 4 markets, supported by \$400k in local media
- Social Media Content & sweepstakes
- Industrial Media outreach, events



Public Relations

- **5,226 articles**, with the walnuts message seen by each U.S. adult approximately **33 times**
- Health benefits of walnuts were covered in 6 out of 10 articles
- 78% of consumers say the health benefits of walnuts impacts their purchase decision



"Even beyond the known heart health benefits, walnuts have been researched for a variety of potential benefits including diabetes, cognitive function, mental health, cancer, weight, and gut and reproductive health. They are just one of the superfoods every healthy woman needs in her diet and are rich in omega-3 fatty acids, protein, and fiber."

.— Stephanie Middleberg, MS, RD, CDN, Reader's Digest



"...there's plenty of research on the benefits of eating walnuts, including studies in the fields of heart health, cognition, healthy aging, weight maintenance, gut health and more."

Natalie Rizzo, MS, RD



Health Research Pipeline

Area of Research	Total Projects
Heart Health	7
Cognitive Health	6
Diabetes	5
Body Weight and Composition	2
Cancer	3
Gut Health	2
Reproductive Health	1
Totals	26





New Products

















Sustainability

- Conduct lifecycle assessment
- Development of industry surveys (grower/processor):
 - Grower –efficiency improvements (water/equip./pesticide reduction/solar, etc.), planned future investment, etc.
 - Processor understanding what the customer requires of the supplier, what improvements processors have made
- Monitor regulatory environment to anticipate potential sustainability requirements
- Material development and communication/message strategy
- Industry Working Group





Sustainable Nutrition & Human Health



Environmental Stewardship



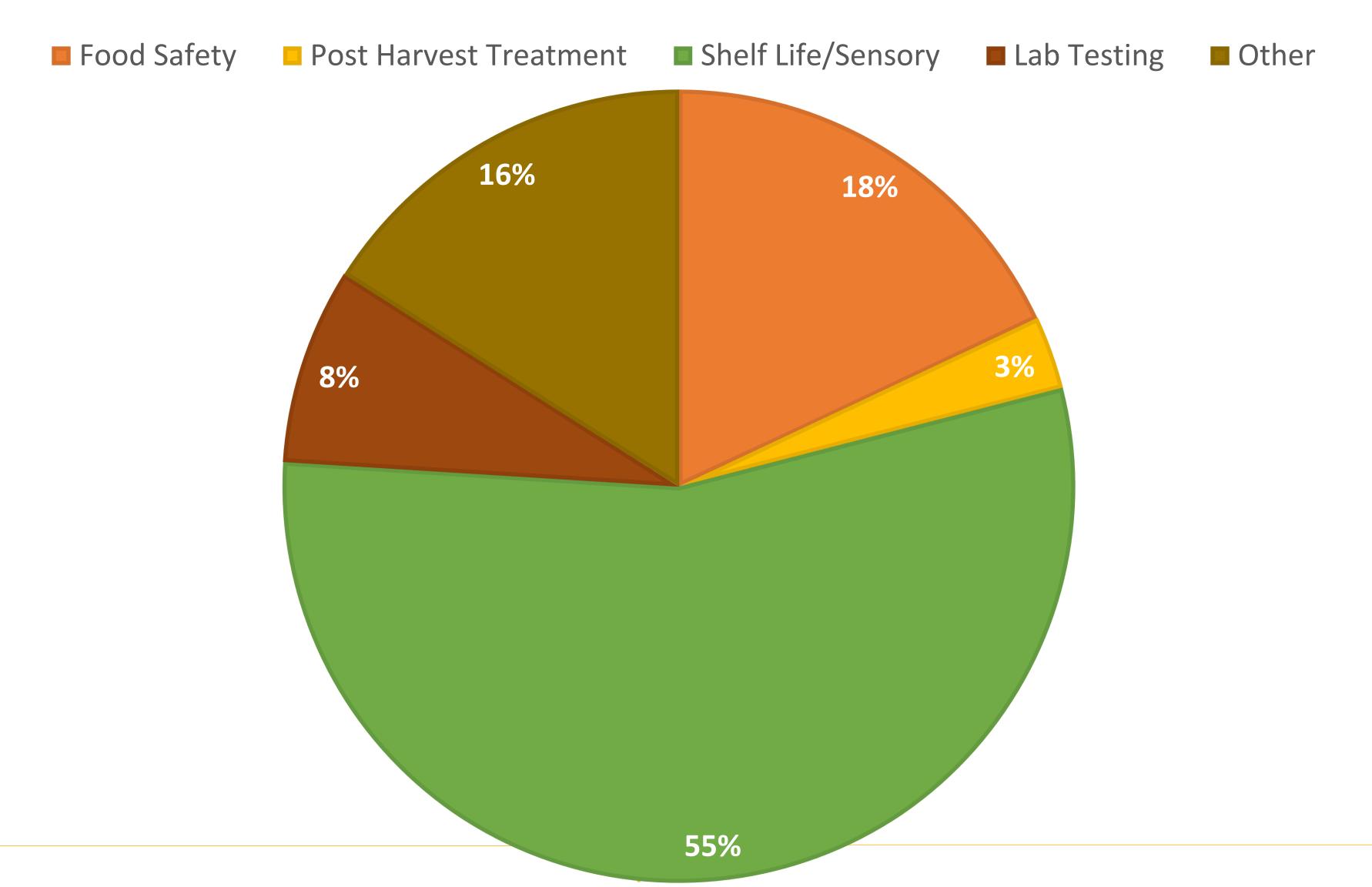
Food Safety



Economic Health



Post-Harvest Research Pipeline



FSMA Produce Safety Inspections

- FSMA farm inspections contracted to CDFA.
- Inspections expected to begin in Spring 2020.
- •At least one person per farm must have attended an approved PSR training and put together a GAP plan for the farm.



Regulatory Updates-I

- Chlorpyrifos: Growers will not be allowed to posses or use products after December 31, 2020.
 \$ 5.7 million for researching alternatives; Public Meetings in January 2020. Locations and dates will be in our newsletter.
- Glyphosate: EPA backs re-registration; no Prop 65 label needed; E.U. to review starting in December 2019.

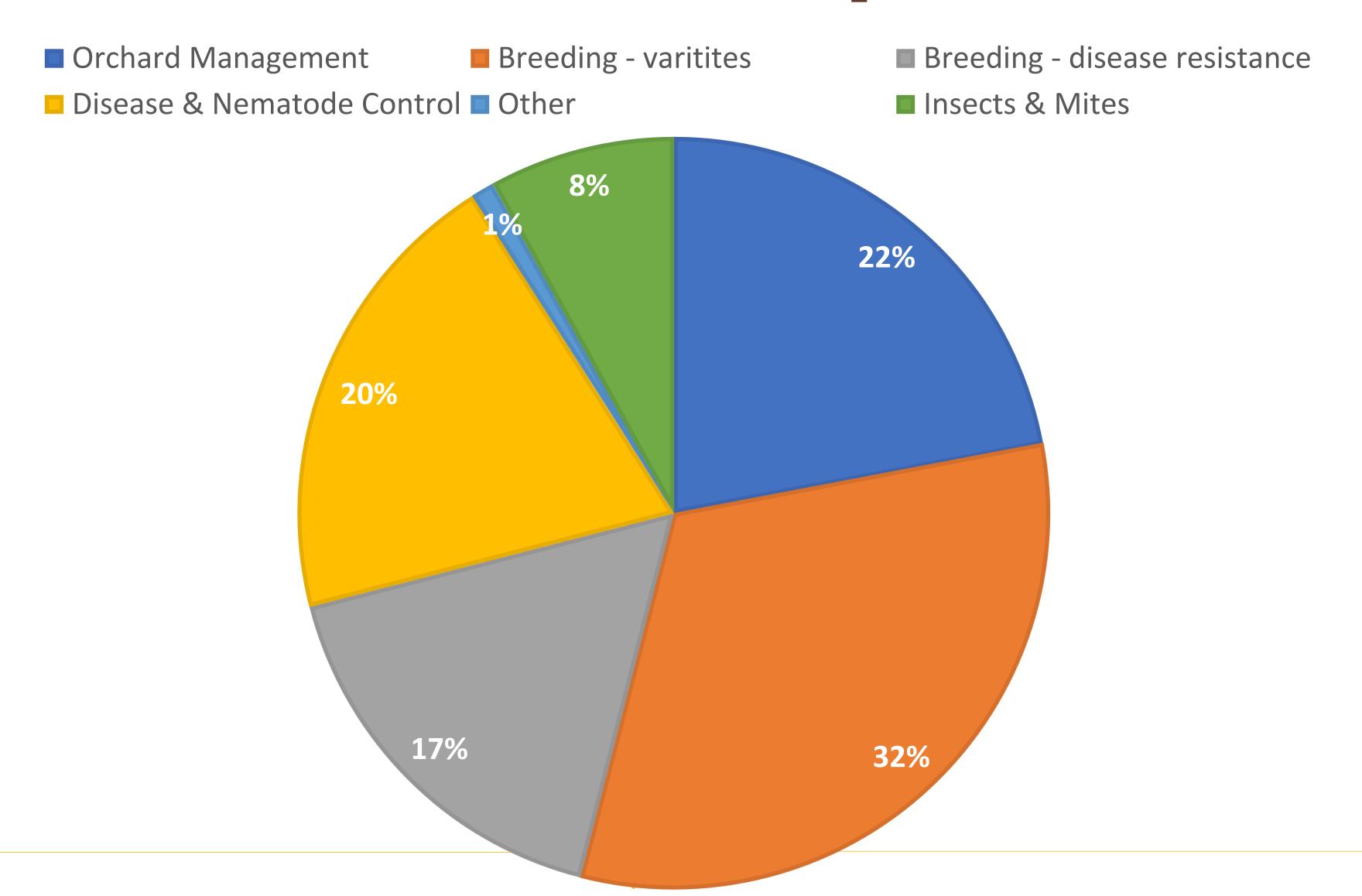


Regulatory Updates-II

- Section 24-C: Requested label changes to allow growers to apply blight sprays with standing water in the field (previously not allowed). Dithane F-45 (copper), Champ WG (Mancozeb) under review. Kasumin rejected by DPR.
- Telone (1, 3-D): DPR considering additional measures for Telone use (buffer limits, application rate limits, tarping).



Production Research Pipeline



In Conclusion

- Positive Momentum as we begin the year
- Tariffs will remain an ongoing challenge industry will adapt
- New marketing programs domestic and export
- Additional ATP funds to continue to offset tariff challenges/develop new business segments



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