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Almonds

On Friday evening 11th March, the Almond Board of California released their February Almond Position Report, with shipments of 155 million lbs; an increase of 10.8% compared to last year's 140 million lbs. This increase in shipments was larger than anyone expected, most were predicting 0 to +5%. A few have suggested last year's number was affected by the port strike; this is not the case as the strike was more or less over by the first half of February last year. The February 2016 number is, in fact, the 2nd largest amount ever shipped during February [largest was 160 million lbs in 2013].

Compared to last year February shipments were up in Eastern Europe +49%, Western Europe +36%, the Middle East/Africa +10% and US Domestic +3.7%. Only Asia showed a decline of -9%. With 7 months of the season completed, only Western Europe continues to show an increase in shipments vs. the previous season +8%. Other destinations show a decline: Middle East/Africa -24%, Eastern Europe -22%, Asia -10% and US Domestic -6%. Year to date shipments are at 991 million lbs compared to 1.058 billion lbs last season, a decline of 6.3%.

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