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Almonds

Facts/Market Data:

The Almond Board of California released their August 2016 Almond Industry Position Report on Friday evening 9th September, with shipments of 170 million lbs, a 35% increase over last year's 126 million lbs. We all expected an increase over last year, although no-one predicted such a remarkable increase in shipments. This is by far the largest amount ever shipped during August [previous all time record was 147 million lbs in August 2013]. We have now seen record shipments in April, May, June and August 2016; July 2016 was also a strong number, being the 2nd largest amount ever shipped in July.

Compared to last year, August shipments to all destinations were up: Asia +72%, Western Europe +39%, the Middle East/Africa +37%, Eastern Europe +21% and US Domestic +9%. In total, export shipments were up for the first month of the season by 54%. The most notable single increase was India with a remarkable +146%. Almost 800 containers were shipped to India during the month of August!

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