

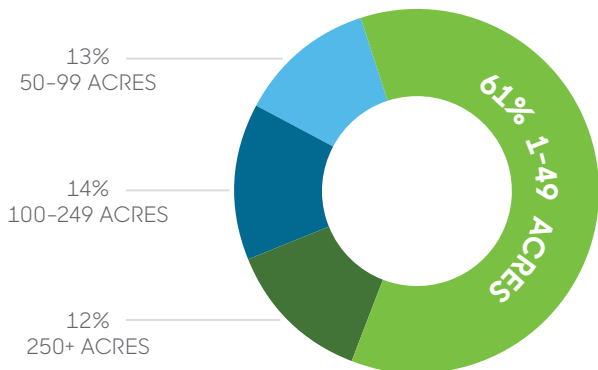
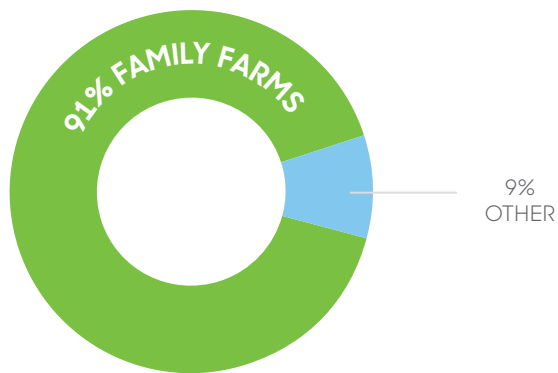


THE CALIFORNIA ALMOND GROWING COMMUNITY IS DRIVEN BY FAMILY FARMERS.

According to the 2012 USDA Agricultural Census, there are around 6,800 California Almond farms.

Many are owned and operated by third- and fourth-generation farmers who live on their land and plan to pass it on to their children and grandchildren.

CALIFORNIA ALMOND FARMS



NEARLY 75% OF CALIFORNIA ALMOND FARMS ARE 100 ACRES OR LESS.

While much is discussed about the pros and cons of both small and large farms, both have an important role to play. For example, large farms contribute to the industry's overall production with their size and scale lending themselves to operational efficiencies and precision growing practices. Regardless of size, all almond farmers recognize that near-record production must be matched by an unprecedented commitment to sustainability, especially as they depend on natural resources for their livelihoods.

Source: USDA 2012 Census of Agriculture.