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USDA's Cost of Pollination Survey will be sent to California crop producers this fall

SACRAMENTO, CA – On Nov. 1, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will mail the 2022 Cost of Pollination Survey to over 2,700 CA crop producers. The survey will be sent to nearly 16,000 producers nationwide.

“Honey bees are important pollinators of crops ranging from almonds to zucchinis,” said Gary R. Keough, director of the NASS Pacific Regional Office. “To help accurately depict the health of the pollination industry in the United States, NASS will ask crop producers about their use of honey bees, the fees they paid for honey bee pollination, and any other expenses related to pollinating their crops.”

Survey recipients are asked to respond securely online at agcounts.usda.gov through the Respondent Portal, by mail, or fax. Those who do not respond by Nov. 14 may be contacted by a NASS representative to arrange an interview to complete the survey.

All information reported by producers will be kept confidential, as required by federal law. NASS will publish the survey data Jan. 11, 2023, on the NASS website at nass.usda.gov and in the NASS Quick Stats searchable database at www.quickstats.nass.usda.gov.

For more information about the Cost of Pollination Survey and NASS's bee and honey program, visit [www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide to NASS Surveys/Bee and Honey/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide%20to%20NASS%20Surveys/Bee%20and%20Honey/). NASS's other honey bee reports include the Honey report published every March and the Honey Bee Colonies report published every August.

These and all NASS reports are available at www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/. For more information, call the NASS Pacific Regional Field Office at 1-800-851-1127.

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