

Pears

Thirty-two states ship pears. Only six of the states are shown in the following table. Of the remaining 26 states Colorado shipped 807 cars; Delaware, 217 cars; Texas, 131 cars, while the other 23 states shipped less than 100 cars each.

MONTHLY SHIPMENTS OF PEARS IN CARLOADS

Origin State	Year Total	Average 3 years 1924, 1925 and 1926											
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Calif. ..	8,889	6	6	10	1	1	368	4,123	3,281	777	242	63	11
Oreg. ..	2,191	4	3	6	8	..	..	66	1,022	815	197	54	16
Wash. ..	3,662	86	75	32	5	..	..	101	1,135	1,498	457	173	100
Ill.	689	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	77	441	166	4	..
Mich. ...	334	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	176	113	24	..
N. Y....	3,258	41	27	14	3	..	..	3	381	1,315	1,252	181	41
Other ..	1,760	2	3	1	..	..	..	57	519	744	412	22	..
U. S....	20,783	139	114	63	17	1	368	4,351	6,455	5,766	2,839	521	169

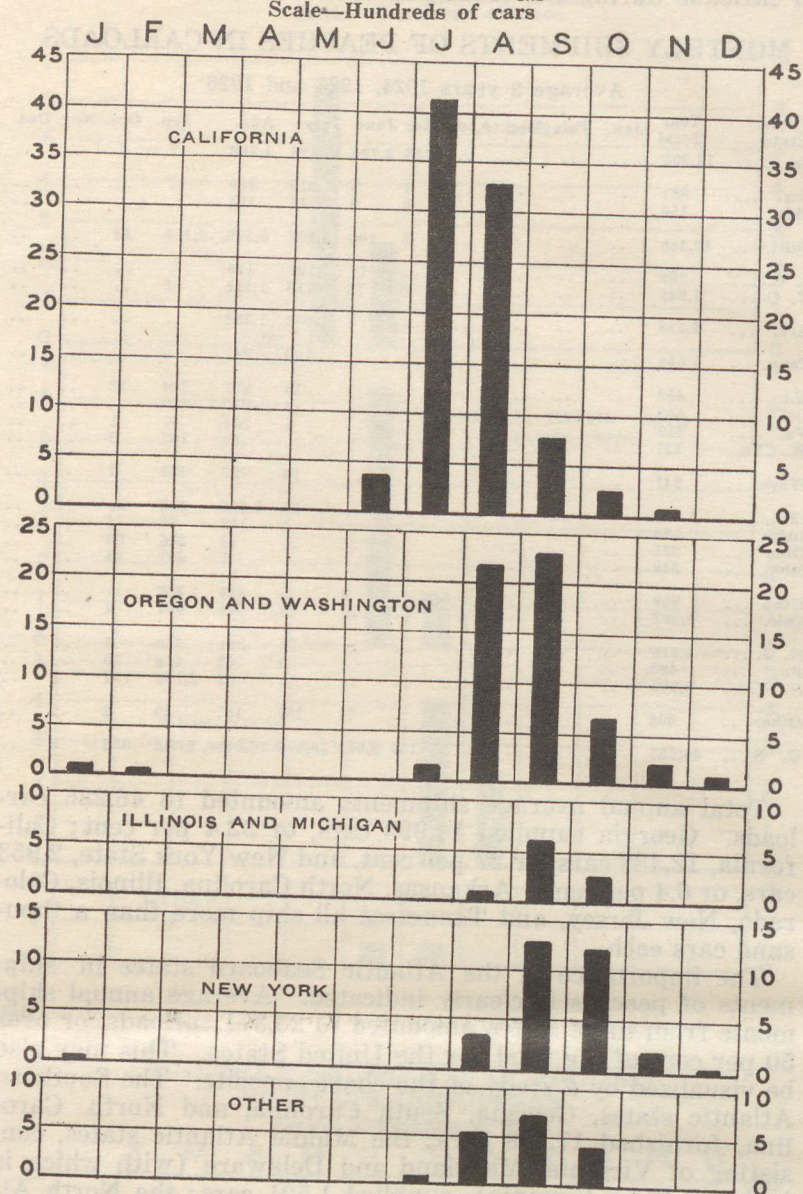
California, the most important shipping state, accounted for 8,889 cars, or 42.8 per cent of the average annual shipments of 20,783 cars during the three years. Washington was second with 3,662 cars, or 17.6 per cent; New York State third with 3,258 cars, or 15.7 per cent, and Oregon fourth with 2,191 cars, or 10.5 per cent. Shipments from no other state amounted to so much as 4 per cent.

Although none of the states included in the "other" group, except Colorado, is a very large shipper, the aggregate of the shipments from these states is not insignificant, averaging 1,760 cars, or over 8 per cent of the annual shipments of pears for the entire United States.

The shipping season begins in California about the first of June, in Oregon and Washington about July, and in Illinois, Michigan and New York about August. California ships in every month of the year, Oregon, Washington and New York during ten months, and the other two states during five months. For California, the peak movement is in July, with nearly as many shipments in August. For Oregon, August is the heaviest shipping month, while for the remaining states the largest shipments are made in September.

For the United States as a whole, the heaviest movement occurs in the month of August. September is not far behind August in shipments, while July and October stand third and fourth. Although pears move in some quantity throughout the whole year, these four months account for more than 93 per cent of the annual total.

MONTHLY SHIPMENTS OF PEARS BY STATE GROUPINGS



Plums and Prunes

Shipments of plums and prunes during the three years averaged 5,557 cars annually. For the country as a whole the shipping season begins in May and ends in October, a few belated shipments occasionally being made early in November. The months of heaviest movement are June, August and September. California, the largest shipper, furnished over 48 per cent of the movement. Its season begins in May, reaches a peak in June, declines considerably in July, tapers off in August and is completed in September. The season for the remaining shipping states is short, lasting generally about three months. Oregon and Washington begin with light shipments in July, make heavy shipments in August and complete their seasons with light shipments in September. Idaho begins in August and practically completes its season with heavy shipments in September. New York makes most of its shipments in September.

MONTHLY SHIPMENTS OF PLUMS AND PRUNES IN CARLOADS

Origin State	Year Total	Average 3 years 1924, 1925 and 1926											
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Calif. ..	2,685	..	..	..	..	172	1,427	872	199	14	1	..	..
Oreg. ..	693	..	..	..	..	..	29	571	93	..	..	..	..
Wash. ..	569	..	..	..	..	..	37	485	46	1	..	..	..
Ida.	1,064	..	..	..	..	..	..	167	895	2	..	..	..
N. Y....	403	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	259	134	2	..	..
Other ..	143	..	..	..	..	4	7	1	14	101	16	..	..
U. S....	5,557	..	..	..	..	176	1,434	939	1,444	1,408	154	2	..

MONTHLY SHIPMENTS OF PLUMS AND PRUNES BY STATE GROUPINGS

