



Ants Can't Resist Esteem[®] Ant Bait

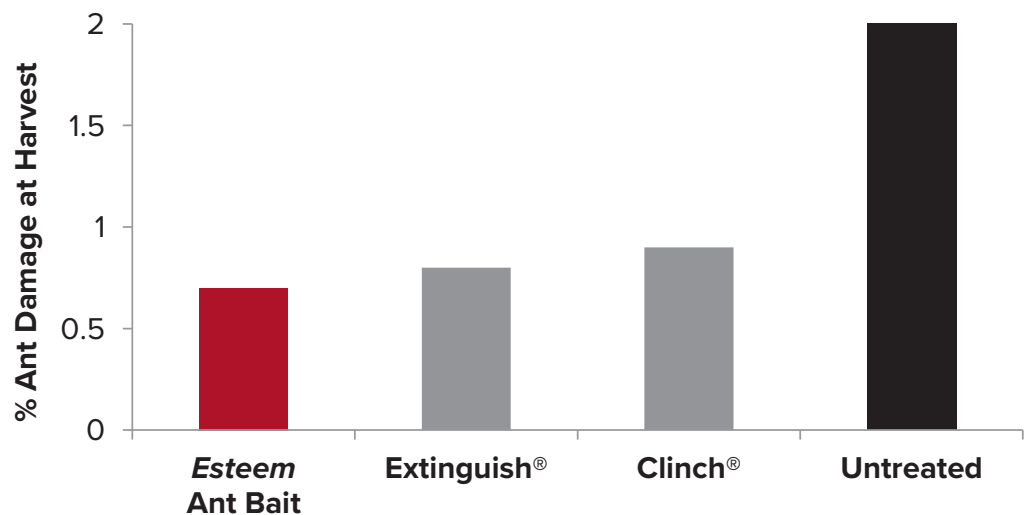
Protect your crops and your profits from protein-feeding ants with Esteem[®] Ant Bait.

- ▶ **Long-Lasting**—Controls entire colonies of Southern fire ant, red imported fire ant, big-headed ant and pavement ant
- ▶ **Farm-Friendly**—Excellent safety and environmental profile; no grazing restrictions in pastures; won't harm beneficial insects
- ▶ **Dooms the Colony**—Protein feeding worker ants carry *Esteem* Ant Bait back where it disrupts the queen's ability to reproduce and replace worker ants

Top Performing Ant Bait in Almonds

Esteem Ant Bait controls the entire ant colony for better harvest protection

Source: Bradley Higbee and David Haviland, Kern County



How To Use

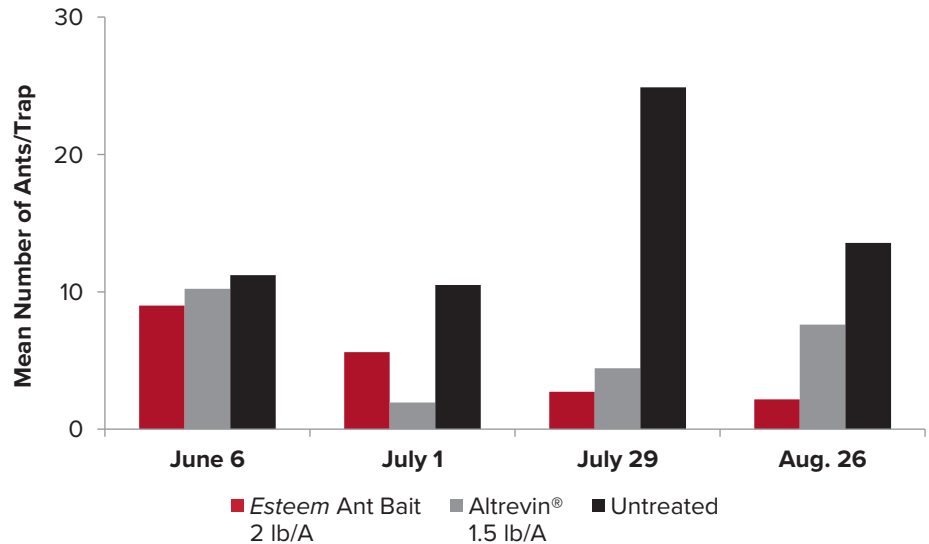
Rate	1.5–2 lb/A. Valent recommends the 1.5-lb rate for most situations. Use higher rate when abundant and well-established ant nests are present—infestation pressure dependent.
Timing	Apply <i>Esteem</i> Ant Bait when ants are actively foraging—typically early spring or summer when the soil temperature is above 60° F. In bearing almond orchards, apply 8+ weeks prior to first harvest to protect fallen nuts.
Method	Apply uniformly with ground equipment, such as an ATV-mounted spreader
REI / PHI	12 hours / 24 hours

Control of Southern Fire Ants with *Esteem* Ant Bait

Esteem Ant Bait provides longer control of fire ant colonies

Application date: June 12

Source:
Dr. Elizabeth Grafton-Cardwell,
Dept. of Entomology,
Riverside, CA



Other Important Information

- ▶ Continuous use of *Esteem* Ant Bait in farm operations can ensure higher quality yields by protecting the fruit/nut on the ground or the tree
- ▶ Registered on more crops than other ant baits; almond, pistachio, walnut, citrus, tropical and subtropical fruits, tree fruits, berries, olives, figs, cotton, many vegetables, plus pasture and rangeland
- ▶ Reapply after 12–16 weeks if needed
- ▶ Caution signal word

Esteem Ant Bait Quick Calibration for GT-77 Spreader

Plate	1.5 lb/A	2 lb/A	1.5 lb per total acre with skip row*
#2–1 hole	3.5 mph	2.7 mph	—
#2–2 holes	6.0 mph	4.3 mph	3 mph
#1	9.5 mph	7.1 mph	4.8 mph
#0	—	13 mph	8.8 mph

A 25-lb bag of *Esteem* Ant Bait should treat 12.5–16.6 acres. Recalibrated if not in this range.

*These settings will give you 1.5 lb on a total acre of trees when applying the product to every other row.



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