

# TRANSITION TO NEW REQUIREMENTS AND FACING BOTTLENECKS

## EXAMPLE CROATIA

### THE PUBLIC AND THE PRIVATE SIDE

Overview on how quality inspection systems have changed in Croatia and how bussines reacted

**Sustainable Cross-border Trade of  
Fresh Fruit and Vegetables**

22-24 March 2017, Thessaloniki, Greece

# LEGAL FRAMEWORK (2007 - 2009)

## LAW ON FOOD

### Ordinance on the quality of fruit

apple, pear, lemon, orange, mandarin, peach and nectarine, apricot, strawberry, apricot, strawberry, cherry and sour cherry, plum, kiwi, walnut, hazelnut, banana, table grapes, avocado

### Ordinance on the quality of vegetables

tomato, eggplant, pepper, melon, watermelon, cucumber, zucchini, cabbage, kale, cauliflower, Brussels sprout, carrot, celery, spinach, lettuce, endive, radicchio, onion, garlic, leak, asparagus, artichoke, bean, peas

# LEGAL FRAMEWORK (2009 - 2013)

## LAW ON ORGANISATION OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETS

Ordinance on marketing standards in the fruit and vegetable sector

Ordinance on registration traders of fresh fruit and vegetables in trader database

# RULES CONCERNING MARKETING

REGULATION (EU) No. 1308/2013  
OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

Title II, Chapter I, Section I  
RULES CONCERNING MARKETING

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU)  
No. 543/2011  
Title II, Chapter I  
GENERAL RULES



# MARKETING STANDARDS

general marketing standard

Annex II, Part A

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011

specific marketing standards

in accordance with Annex II, Part B

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011

marketing standard for banana

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1333/2011

# MARKETING STANDARDS

the same standards applied in all stages

- production
- trade
- export
- import





# RESPONSIBILITY

## ON THE MARKET

### Agricultural Inspection

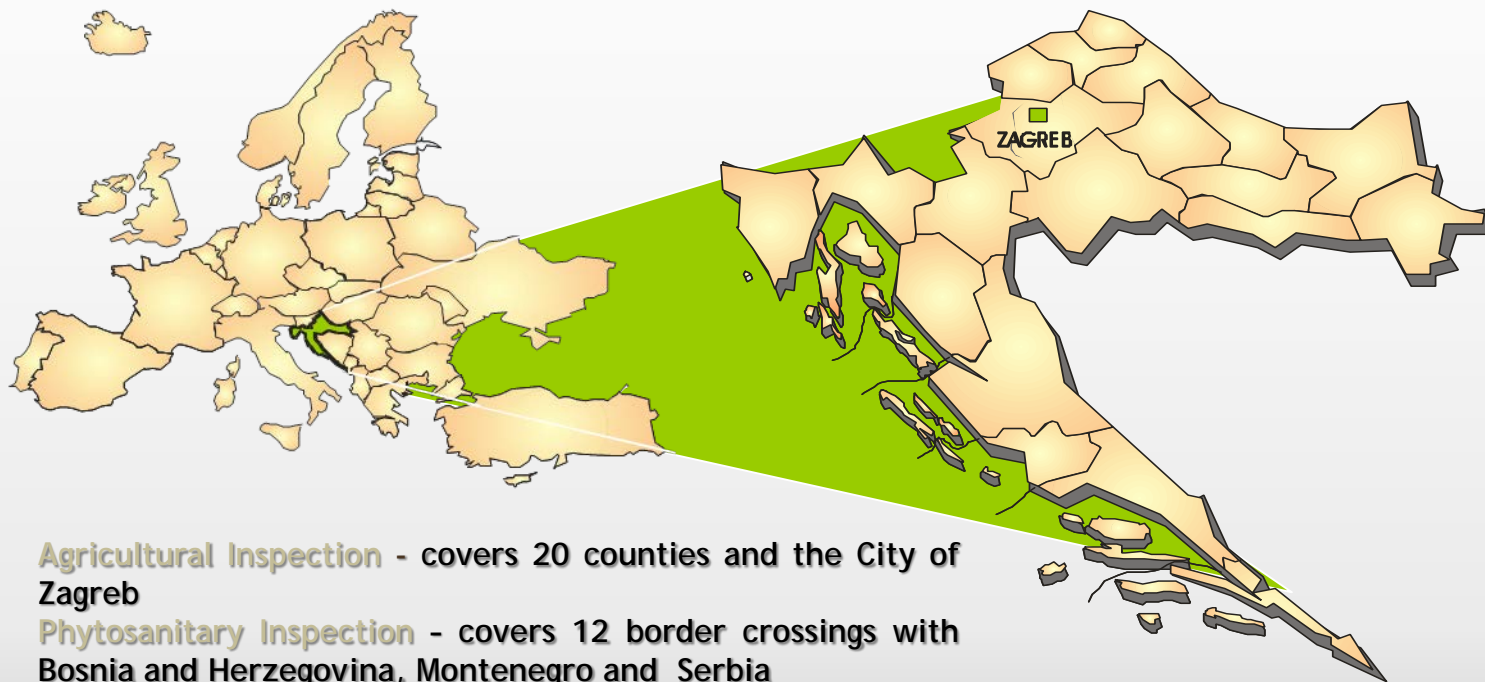
- checks on conformity to the marketing standards applicable to fruit and vegetables intended to be placed on the market in the Republic of Croatia and to those intended for export

## AT THE BORDER

### Phytosanitary Inspection

- checks on conformity to the marketing standards applicable to fruit and vegetables imported from third countries

# RESPONSIBILITY



**Agricultural Inspection** - covers 20 counties and the City of Zagreb

**Phytosanitary Inspection** - covers 12 border crossings with Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia



# PLACE OF CONTROL

checks on conformity to marketing standards

- on the market
- on the border crossing
- at the point of customs clearance
- in a warehouse under customs supervision, if fruits and vegetables are placed under the storage



# IMPORT 2015

## FRUIT

banana and citrus fruits (orange, lemon, grapefruit) and apple, pear and watermelon

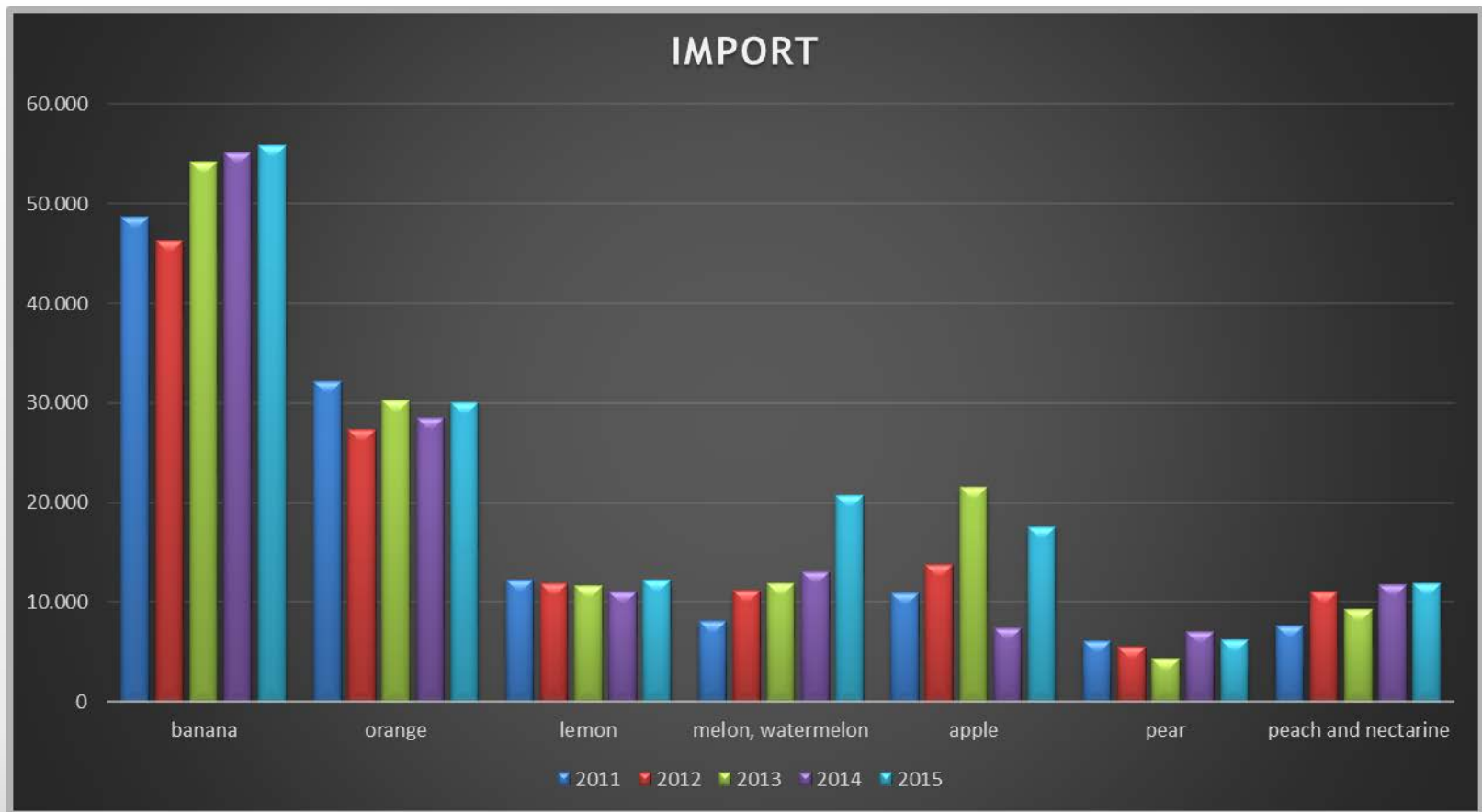
(Italy, Slovenia, Spain, Ecuador, Netherlands, Germany, Turkey, Greece, USA, Belgium)

## VEGETABLES

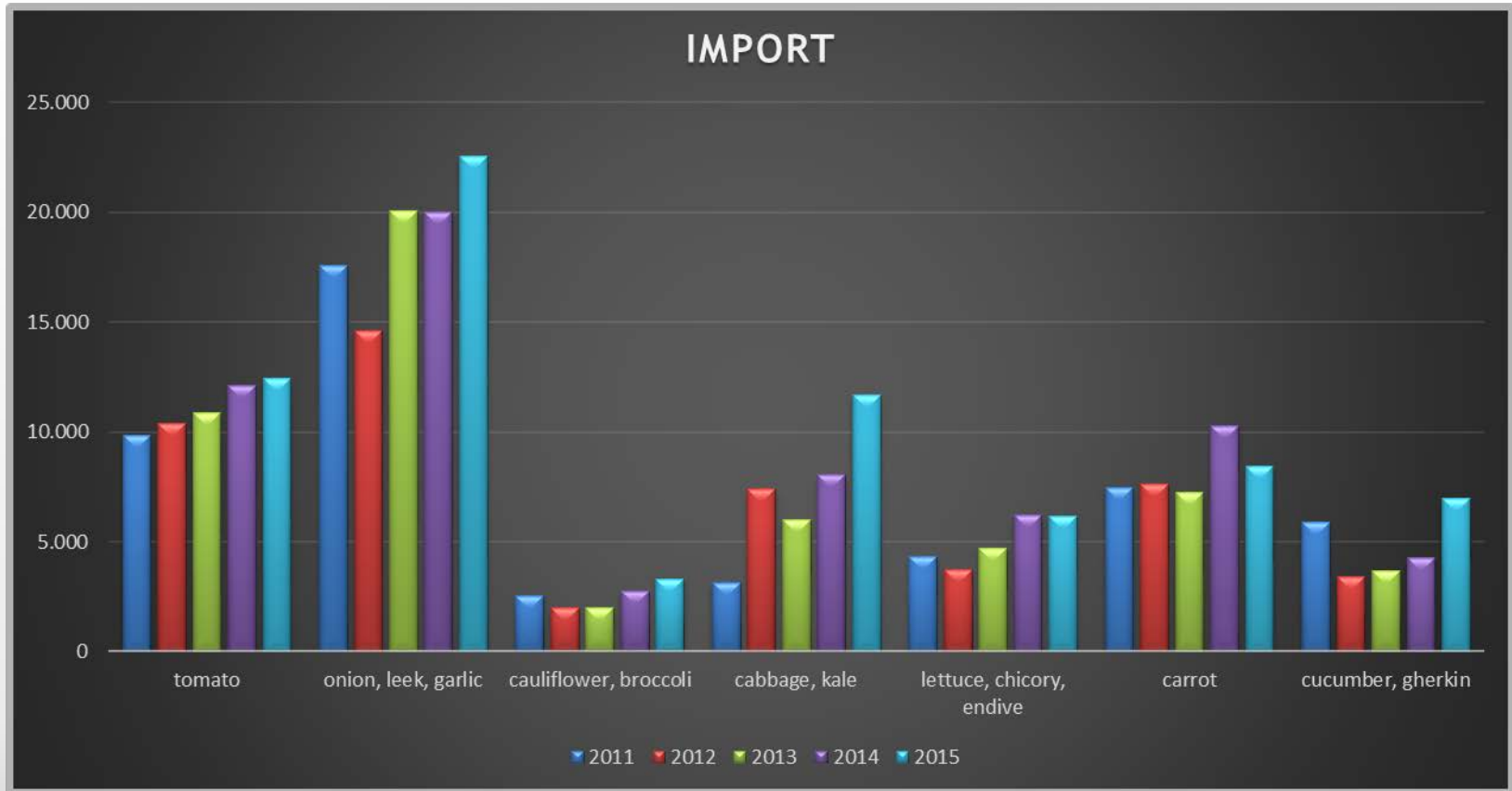
onion, garlic, tomato, carrot

(Italy, Netherlands, Germany, Spain, Poland, Macedonia, Serbia, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China)

# IMPORT OF FRUIT



# IMPORT OF VEGETABLES



# EXPORT

## FRUIT

mandarines, apples

(Slovenia, Serbia, Bosna and Hercegovina, Italy, Hungary, Czech Republic, Austria, Germany, Slovakia, France)

## VEGETABLES

onion, garlic, tomato

(Slovenia, Bosna and Hercegovina, Serbia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Germany, Montenegro, Bulgaria, Kosovo)

# CHECK ON CONFORMITY TO THE MARKETING STANDARDS

Year	No Controls / inspections - Import	No Certificate of conformity issued - Import	Trade flaw (t) - Import	No Lots checked - Import	No Lots not on conformity - Import	5 main F&V, defect, country of origin - Import	3 main defects - Import
2012	9.285	2.369	162.351	24.710	55	1. Citrus fruits - skin damages and decay (Turkey), inappropriate labelling (South Africa, Greece) 2. Peaches and nectarines - non-conformity in terms of size, overripe, damage caused by pest (Montenegro), inappropriate labelling (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia) 3. Sweet peppers - damaged peduncle and calyx, unclean (Bosnia and Herzegovina), skin defects, decay (Macedonia) 4. Lettuces - not appropriate size and weight (Bosnia and Herzegovina) 5. Table grapes - defects in bunches shape, over 20% of berries not normally developed (Bosnia and Herzegovina)	1. skin damages 2. decay 3. nonconformity in terms of size
2013	6.319	2.443	124.948	14.795	17	1. Citrus fruits - damages caused by cooling (South Africa), inappropriate labelling (Albania), not labelled (South Africa) 2. Apples - no uniformity, inappropriate labelling (Bosnia and Herzegovina) 3. Pears - no uniformity, inappropriate labelling (Bosnia and Herzegovina) 4. Peaches and nectarines - inappropriate labelling (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro), 5. Lettuces - not appropriate size, leaf damages, unclean (Bosnia and Herzegovina)	1. nonuniformity 2. inappropriate labelling 3. damages caused by cooling
2014	1.474	1.442	45.384	1701	2	1. Lemons - inappropriate labelling (Albania)	1. inappropriate labelling
2015	1.418	1.383	33.864	1697	33	1. Sweet peppers, tomatoes, peaches, apples, pears - inappropriate labelling (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro) 2. Sweet peppers, peaches - non-conformity in terms of size (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania) 3. Tomatoes - non-conformity in terms of fruit stalks (Albania) 4. Lemon - too much fruits affected by rotting (Argentina) 5. Peaches - the development and condition of fruits are not appropriate to withstand transportation and handling (fruits too soft) (Montenegro)	1. inappropriate labelling 2. nonconformity in terms of size 3. nonconformity in terms of fruit stalks
2016	1.328	1.323	35.094	1592	7	1. Peaches, nectarines, sweet peppers, tomatoes - inappropriate labelling (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania)	1. inappropriate labelling



# CHECK ON CONFORMITY TO THE MARKETING STANDARDS

WITHDRAWN FROM THE MARKET				
requirements for check on conformity to the marketing standards	826	mandarins	562	
		apples	264	
issued certificate of conformity	825	mandarins	561	
		apples	264	
issued report on the non-conformity	1	mandarins	1	23.600 kg
		apples	-	-
EXPORT				
requirements for checks on conformity to the marketing standards	336	kiwifruit	1	
		cabbage	1	
		lettuces, curled leaved and broad-leaved endives	2	
		cauliflower	4	
		carrot	7	
		mandarins	310	
		apples	11	
issued certificate of conformity	336			
issued report on the non-conformity	0			

# COMMON RULES

- ❖ reduce administrative barriers
- ❖ facilitate the flow of fruits and vegetables across the border
- ❖ reduce the time from farm to fork
- ❖ increased the administrative matters and minimum knowledge of the inspector

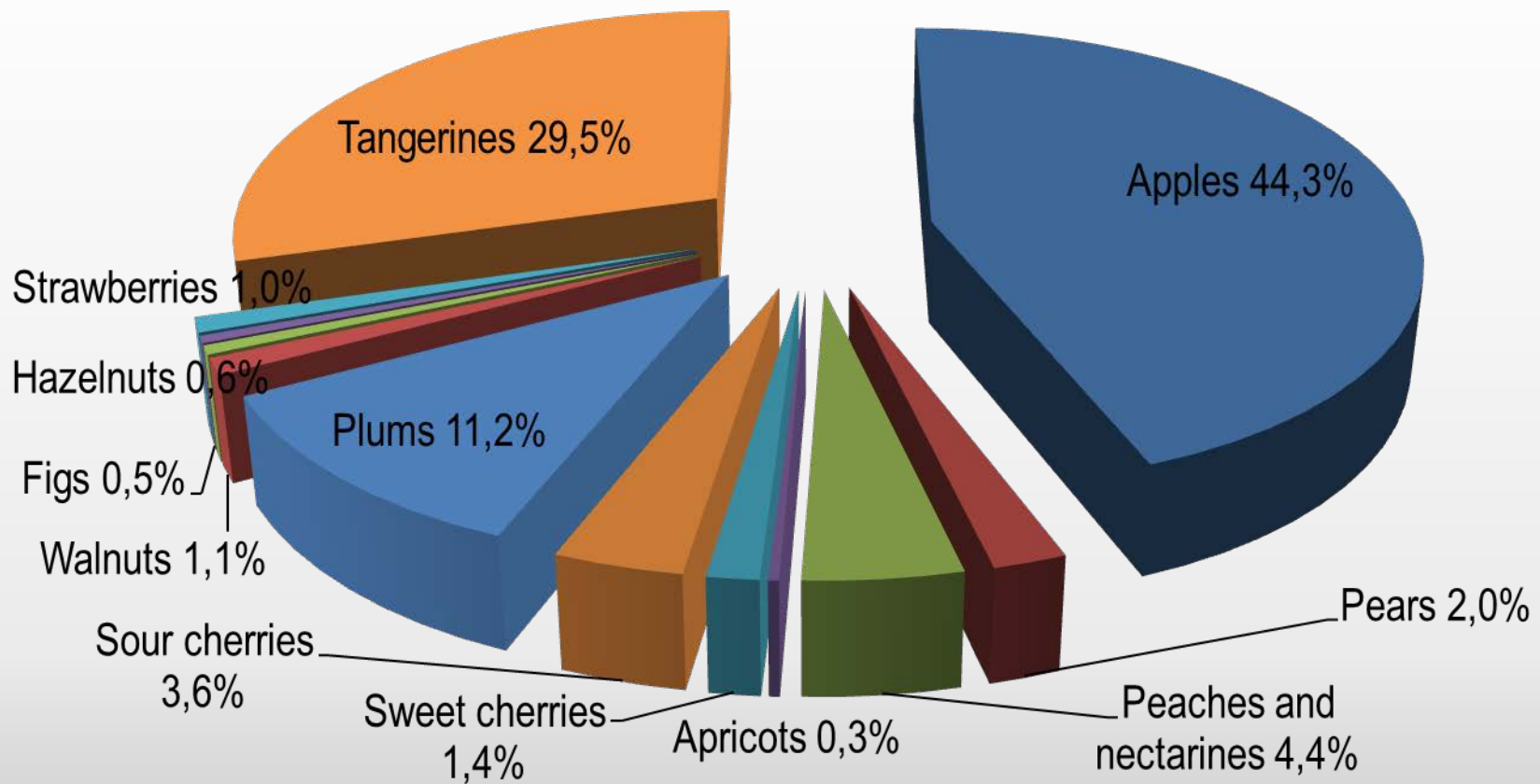


# AREA UNDER APPLE, PEAR, PEACH, APRICOT, ORANGE, LEMON AND SMALL CITRUS FRUIT TREES, 2012.

	Total	Apples	Pears	Peaches	Apricots	Oranges	Lemons	Small citrus fruits
EU-28	1 289 693	449 629	104 613	199 123	67 593	267 255	54 866	146 614
Belgium	14 716	6 398	8 318	:	:	0	0	0
Bulgaria	13 074	5 239	540	4 352	2 943	0	0	0
Czech Republic	13 911	10 487	1 026	761	1 637	0	0	0
Denmark	1 711	1 348	363	0	0	0	0	0
Germany	33 671	31 739	1 933	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	600	600	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ireland	616	616	:	0	0	0	0	0
Greece	85 290	8 704	3 212	32 229	4 671	27 017	3 682	5 775
Spain	432 612	26 753	21 989	77 164	20 350	149 971	33 303	103 083
France	68 660	36 741	5 025	10 786	12 489	802	793	2 024
Croatia	8 082	4 799	554	1 042	212	0	0	1 475
Italy	285 625	52 251	30 183	62 104	16 591	77 519	15 844	31 133
Cyprus	3 891	528	87	362	180	1 201	369	1 163
Latvia	2 390	2 390	:	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	1 440	1 401	39	0	0	0	0	0
Luxembourg	57	39	18	0	0	0	0	0
Hungary	35 503	25 265	2 426	3 976	3 836	0	0	0
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands	16 117	7 948	8 169	0	0	0	0	0
Austria	9 504	7 908	535	211	851	0	0	0
Poland	150 992	143 113	5 884	1 315	680	0	0	0
Portugal	35 830	10 095	9 217	2 536	402	10 745	875	1 961
Romania	59 043	51 226	3 217	1 887	2 713	0	0	0
Slovenia	3 352	2 702	213	398	39	0	0	0
Slovakia	3 782	3 782	:	:	:	0	0	0
Finland	667	667	:	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	1 690	1 494	196	0	0	0	0	0
United Kingdom	6 868	5 396	1 472	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Eurostat

# SHARE OF FRUIT SPECIES IN PRODUCTION



Source: DZS





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