

Ukraine: Wholesale greenhouse tomatoes up by 50%

Prices of domestic greenhouse tomatoes have grown by 50% in Ukraine over a week. According to Fruit-Inform daily price monitoring, the tomato price growth is now registered at almost all wholesale markets of the country.

The most rapid growth in prices was observed at Stolychnyi Wholesale Market, Kiev. For the present, sellers ship those vegetables at UAH 25-27/kg (EUR 1.28-1.38/kg), an increase of 70% week-on-week. Current prices are 2.3-2.5 times of those registered in the same period of the previous season.

Meanwhile, tomatoes have become 40% more expensive at Dubovo Wholesale Market, Khmelnytskyi, and now are offered at UAH 20-25/kg (EUR 1.02-1.28/kg), 3.2 times as high as a year before.

Prices at Shuvar Wholesale Market, Lviv, have not changed compared with the previous week and now vary between UAH 20-22/kg (EUR 1.02-1.12/kg), an increase of 50-60% year-on-year.

The price growth at the level of wholesale markets is observed due to an increase in prices fixed by greenhouse farms, which have raised them by 16-20% week-on-week in connection with closer end of the season. An increase in prices is also backed by relatively high price levels of imported produce due to the devaluation of the Ukrainian hryvnia. The supply of imported tomatoes is limited in Ukraine due to instability in the currency market.

Current prices fixed by Ukrainian greenhouse farms are 60-100% higher compared to the same period of the previous season.

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