

## **Morocco: Zucchini exports down 70%**

According to sources from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development of the Junta de Andalucía, Moroccan zucchini exports to the European Union declined by 70% in week 50, from December 8 to 14, over the same period last year.

In that week, Morocco exported a total of 898,000 kilos of zucchini, 30 per cent more than in the previous week, to the Community territory. The Moroccan zucchini plantations have been severely affected by floods in recent days.

In week 50, Morocco sold its zucchini in the EU for an average price of 0.67 Euro per kilo.

The volume of zucchini marketed under quota up until December 14 amounted to 14 percent of the total available, which is slightly less than the 20 percent consumed in the 2013/14 campaign.

### **Tomato**

In week 50, Moroccan tomato exports to the EU amounted to 3.6 million kilos, with a price of 0.83 Euro per kilo.

For the first time this season, in week 50, the average price of tomatoes exported to the EU approached the average price for the same period in the 2013/14 season (0.81 € / kg).

The volume of Moroccan tomatoes exported to the EU is 60 percent lower than the previous week and than the same date of last season.

Consumption in the first half of December amounted to 30 percent of the monthly quota available. Morocco has a quota of 42,150 tons of tomato for December and an additional quota of 28,000 tons between October and May.

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