

BLE market report week 50, 2015

Grapes: Brazil and Peru dominate the trade

Grapes

Brazil and Peru are the top suppliers of grapes. Thompson Seedless, Sugraone, Red Globe and Crimson Seedless dominate the market.

South Africa shipped mainly Prime Seedless. The supply of European grapes decreased more and more, which heralds the end of the season: The supply existed of Italian Italia, Red Globe and Sugraone grapes, some Spanish Aledo grapes and Greek Thompson Seedless amongst others.

The availability of the Turkish Sultana and Crimson Seedless grapes decreased too. However the demand could easily be satisfied, since the import of grapes from the Southern hemisphere increased significantly.

While the prices slowly decreased, the prices of the European and Turkish supply could often be increased, mostly because the quality was satisfactory and the grapes were still cheaper than the batches imported from overseas.

Apples

Germany dominated the trade. The supply matched the demand and therefore the prices showed no significant changes.

Pears

Italy dominated the market. The Turkish Santa Maria pears were increasingly less available and because of their advanced ripeness they had to be sold for discounted prices in some places.

Kiwi fruits

Greece dominated the trade ahead of Italy and France. The South African supplies strongly decreased, and they often withdrew from the trade.

Oranges

The range existed almost exclusively of European oranges. Overall the trade was quiet, even with Advent coming up, however it became a little livelier.

Other small citrus fruit

After the first week of December a certain saturation of the market was to be expected, the demand was quite low.

Lemons

The range mainly existed of Spanish Primofiori and Turkish Enterdonato. The demand could be met with ease. The prices often decreased a little.

Bananas

As usual the supply matched the constant demand and therefore the prices remained stable.

Cauliflowers

The French cauliflowers dominated the market. The prices barely had to be adjusted, because the supply matched the demand.

Lettuce

Iceberg salad exclusively came from Spain. The supply increased slightly and was sufficient to satisfy the demand. The prices often increased slightly.

Cucumbers

The cucumbers almost exclusively came from Spain. The increased sales possibilities didn't lead to increased prices.

Tomatoes

Initially, prices remained at the same level due to a slightly increased interest. Due to the decreased availability the prices of the entire range of tomatoes increased.

Sweet peppers

Spain clearly dominated the trade. Even when the sales were slow sometimes, the overall sales were satisfactory.

Onions

The supply of Spanish onions couldn't always cover the demand. The prices remained on a stable level, but later on gradually increased.

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