



Peru: Fruit and vegetable exports up to May increased

Exports of fresh fruits and vegetables between January and May 2018 increased when compared to the same period of the previous year. Fresh fruits grew by 33%, equivalent to US \$ 1.061 billion. Exports of fresh grapes stood out with US \$303 million (+29%).

They were followed by exports of avocado with US \$284 million (+22%), mango with US \$202 million (+47%), organic bananas with US \$77 million (+17%), pomegranate with US \$ 66 million (+12%), blueberries with US \$50 million (+233%), citrus fruits with US \$37 million (+31%) and Brazil nuts with US \$33 million (+99%).

Meanwhile, fresh vegetable exports registered a 2% growth when compared to the previous period. The countries that received the highest exports of fresh fruits and vegetables from Peru were the Netherlands with US \$371 million (+47%), the United States with US \$337 million (+13%), Spain with US \$93 million (+49%), the United Kingdom with US \$77 million (27%), South Korea with US \$50 million (+178%), Hong Kong with US \$48 million (+6%), China with US \$34 million (+31%), Russia with US \$23 million (+30%), Chile with US \$20 million (+116%), and Canada with US \$19 million (+25%).

The agricultural sector also recorded a 20% growth when compared to the period between January and May of last year. Agricultural exports went from US \$ 1.893 billion to US \$ 2.280 billion, and continued to be Peru's second most important export sector.

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