

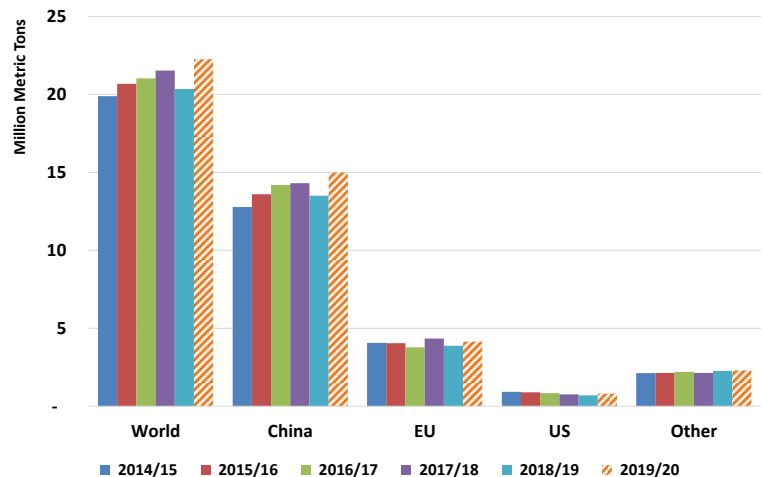
# Fresh Peaches and Cherries: World Markets and Trade

## Fresh Peach/Nectarine 2019/20 Highlights

**World** peach and nectarine production is forecast up 1.9 million metric tons (tons) to a record 22.3 million as orchards in China, the European Union, and the United States rebound from severe weather in the previous year. Imports and exports are projected up on rejuvenated global supplies.

**China's** production is projected up 1.5 million tons to a record 15.0 million as early-season dry conditions in top-producer Shandong province were countered by good growing conditions in other producing provinces. With record supplies, exports are set to rebound nearly 60 percent to 100,000 tons, driven by higher shipments to Vietnam. A boost in imports to 28,000 tons is also expected, prompted by an increasing demand for Chilean product and elimination on January 1, 2019, of the tariff on Australian imports as part of the bilateral Free Trade Agreement.

**China's Recovery Drives Record Global Peach Production**



**U.S.** production is expected to rise nearly 20 percent to 814,000 tons as plenty of chill hours resulted in very good bloom for California freestone peaches and top East Coast producing states. Higher supplies are forecast to lift exports to top markets Canada and Mexico, rising to 75,000 tons. Lower shipments from Chile in early 2019 are expected to ease total imports to 35,000 tons.

**EU** production is forecast up nearly 260,000 tons to 4.1 million, its third highest level in 9 years, rebounding from the previous year's losses stemming from a wet spring and extended cold temperatures. Planted area is anticipated to remain stable. Improved supplies are expected to raise exports nearly 30 percent to 200,000 tons and reduce imports to 30,000.

**Turkey's** production is projected up slightly to 830,000 tons on favorable weather conditions during bloom and harvest. Planting area also is expected to rise again as growers continue to convert orchards to varieties suitable for export markets and the domestic juice industry. Exports are projected to remain steady at 130,000 tons on stable supplies. Note: the historical production series has been revised going back to 2001/02 due to updated data.

**Chile's** production is estimated at 162,000 tons, a marginal rise on slightly higher yield. Exports are expected to remain steady at 98,000 tons as higher shipments to China offset lower shipments to top market United States.

**Japan's** production is forecast to slide 12,000 tons to 102,000. Weather events have exacerbated the overall downward trend as orchards continue to suffer from a 2018 typhoon, followed by frost and hail damage in spring 2019 that further lowered yields.

**Australia's** production is expected to see a third straight year of improvement, rising to 96,000 tons. This trend is expected to continue growing as orchards are replanted with newer, higher-yielding varieties. Parallel to production, exports should see a third straight year of growth, rising to 17,000 tons on higher supplies and strong demand from top-market China.

**Russia** is expected to remain the world's top importer as sustained shipments from Turkey and Belarus keep imports nearly unchanged at 225,000 tons.

**Data Changes:**

- The "For Processing" category for Argentina peaches has been reduced to zero going back to 2001/02 because the quantity of processed peaches is unknown. The balance has been added to the "Fresh Domestic Consumption" category.

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### **Marketing Years:**

**Peaches/Nectarines** - Northern Hemisphere countries are on a January-December year. Southern Hemisphere countries are on a November-October year indicated as the first year of the split year.

**Cherries** - Northern Hemisphere countries are on an April-March year. Southern Hemisphere countries are on a November-October year indicated as the first year of the split year.

The next publication of this circular will be in September 2020.

**Peaches and Nectarines, Fresh: Production, Supply and Distribution in Selected Countries**  
(1,000 Metric Tons)

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sep 2019/20
<b>Production</b>						
China	12,784	13,600	14,200	14,300	13,500	15,000
European Union	4,055	4,043	3,778	4,346	3,881	4,138
Turkey	609	643	674	772	790	830
United States	930	889	840	758	687	814
Brazil	216	192	249	249	249	249
Argentina	250	266	251	90	226	226
Uzbekistan	200	220	203	193	193	193
South Africa	194	182	184	184	184	184
Mexico	174	176	177	164	164	164
Chile	137	146	149	159	158	162
Other	342	316	322	322	311	296
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,890</b>	<b>20,673</b>	<b>21,026</b>	<b>21,535</b>	<b>20,343</b>	<b>22,255</b>
<b>Fresh Dom. Consumption</b>						
China	10,719	11,314	11,627	11,813	11,258	12,528
European Union	2,733	3,022	2,892	3,357	3,022	3,227
Turkey	449	472	504	558	533	565
United States	456	424	401	393	327	430
Brazil	240	215	268	267	267	267
Russia	260	231	233	281	259	257
Argentina	246	265	251	86	222	222
Other	1,131	1,107	1,091	1,081	1,034	1,096
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>17,049</b>	<b>17,266</b>	<b>17,836</b>	<b>16,922</b>	<b>18,592</b>
<b>For Processing</b>						
China	2,000	2,200	2,500	2,400	2,200	2,400
European Union	972	708	666	734	708	711
United States	412	430	406	349	330	344
Turkey	120	120	120	125	130	135
Japan	16	16	14	14	13	14
Australia	10	10	10	10	10	10
Chile	5	6	6	6	6	6
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,535</b>	<b>3,490</b>	<b>3,722</b>	<b>3,639</b>	<b>3,396</b>	<b>3,619</b>
<b>Imports</b>						
Russia	225	200	197	250	228	225
Belarus	82	170	110	108	58	70
Vietnam	16	22	18	22	13	55
Kazakhstan	46	37	36	45	45	45
Ukraine	42	17	26	34	23	45
Canada	40	41	44	34	37	40
United States	23	38	47	40	38	35
European Union	26	28	31	27	35	30
Switzerland	31	34	31	34	29	30
China	0	0	0	9	22	28
Other	105	113	125	115	129	113
<b>Total</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>716</b>
<b>Exports</b>						
European Union	357	297	226	251	155	200
Turkey	39	51	51	89	127	130
China	65	86	74	96	63	100
Chile	84	86	88	97	97	98
United States	86	73	81	55	69	75
Uzbekistan	20	12	42	38	54	45
Belarus	55	150	87	84	44	40
South Africa	19	20	19	19	18	18
Australia	9	10	9	12	16	17
Argentina	4	1	1	4	4	4
Other	2	2	3	4	2	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>730</b>

Note: The marketing year begins in January of the first year for Northern Hemisphere countries and November of the first year for Southern Hemisphere countries.