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## Spain

## Fresh Deciduous Fruit

## Semi-Annual

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### Report Highlights:

**PS&D data for fresh apples and fresh pears have been updated. There is an increase of 26 percent in apple production and a 14 percent increase in pear production in comparison with the previous year's campaign.**

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Includes PSD changes: Yes

Includes Trade Matrix: No

Semi-Annual Report

Madrid [SP1], SP

**Executive Summary**

Based on the most recent official data available (October 2001), the 2001/02 total apple harvest (including cider apples) is estimated at 890,300 tons, slightly higher than our previous forecast. Table apple production is estimated at 830,700 tons, about 21 percent higher than the previous year. Estimated at 59,600 tons, apple cider production increased dramatically in comparison to the previous season's crop of only 15,200 tons; this increase is due to the regular crop cycle and to favorable weather conditions. Cider apples are used for cider production, while table apples sent to processors are used for the production of juices, jams and purees.

The 2001/02 pear crop is estimated at 678,140 tons, slightly higher than our previously released figure. This output, which is 14 percent above the previous year's crop, was due to favorable weather conditions in most pear producing regions.

Apple stock levels at the beginning of December 2001, were about 10 percent higher than stocks a year ago, and 11 percent higher than the average of the last three years. Pear stocks were also 10 percent above year-earlier levels and 7 percent higher than the average of the last three years. In Catalonia, the main apple and pear production region, apple and pear stocks were reported at 299,040 tons and 156,225 tons, respectively.

The average price paid during the current 2001/02 marketing year for processing has been 10-12 pesetas/kilo (.066 Euros) for apples and 8-10 pesetas/kilo (.054 Euros) for pears.

Prices paid in the MERCOLERIDA wholesale market for cold storage and controlled atmosphere pears and apple during the week of December 7 2001, were as follows:

**Cold Storage**

Conference +60	.436 Euros/kilo
Passa Crassana (70-90)	.286 Euros/kilo
Red Chief 70+	.316 Euros/kilo
Golden 70+	.271 Euros/kilo
Granny Smith 75+	.255 Euros/kilo

**Controlled Atmosphere**

Blanquilla +58	.436 Euros/kilo
Conference +60	.436 Euros/kilo
Gala 70+65% color	.376 Euros/kilo

Note: Current exchange rate is 1.13 Euros/\$1.

**P,S&D Fresh Apples**

PSD Table						
Country	Spain					
Commodity	Fresh Apples				(HA)(1000 TREES)(MT)	
	Revised	1999	Preliminary	2000	Forecast	2001
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/1999		07/2000		07/2001
Area Planted	49000	49000	49000	49000	49000	49000
Area Harvested	46500	46500	46500	46500	46500	46500
Bearing Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Bearing Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial Production	847000	847000	668500	668500	840000	850000
Non-Comm. Production	40000	40000	30000	30000	35000	40000
TOTAL Production	887000	887000	698500	698500	875000	890000
TOTAL Imports	193800	193800	272700	272800	180000	170000
TOTAL SUPPLY	1080800	1080800	971200	971300	1055000	1060000
Domestic Fresh Consump	795000	795000	725000	723000	750000	750000
Exports, Fresh Only	57300	57300	55600	57800	70000	70000
For Processing	196000	196000	170000	170000	200000	200000
Withdrawal From Market	32500	32500	20600	20500	35000	40000
TOTAL UTILIZATION	1080800	1080800	971200	971300	1055000	1060000

**P,S&D Fresh Pears**

PSD Table						
Country	Spain					
Commodity	Fresh Pears				(HA)(1000 TREES)(MT)	
	Revised	1999	Preliminary	2000	Forecast	2001
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/1999		07/2000		07/2001
Area Planted	39500	39500	40000	41500	40000	41500
Area Harvested	37000	37000	37500	38500	37500	38500
Bearing Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Bearing Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Trees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial Production	662500	662500	575000	575000	645000	653000
Non-Comm. Production	20000	20000	20000	20000	20000	25000
TOTAL Production	682500	682500	595000	595000	665000	678000
TOTAL Imports	24500	24500	45500	44000	20000	20000
TOTAL SUPPLY	707000	707000	640500	639000	685000	698000
Domestic Fresh Consump	499000	499000	480000	480000	490000	495000
Exports, Fresh Only	138000	138000	92000	93200	130000	135000
For Processing	40000	40000	45000	43800	45000	45000
Withdrawal From Market	30000	30000	23500	22000	20000	23000
TOTAL UTILIZATION	707000	707000	640500	639000	685000	698000