Spanish exports of fruit and vegetables maintained their upward trend until August

In the first eight months of the year, exports of vegetables increased by 4% in value compared to the same period in 2019, totalling €4,130 million, with peppers, tomatoes, lettuces and cabbages making up most of the exports. Sales abroad of peppers amounted to €802 million (+4%); those of tomatoes rose to €641 million, the same amount as in the same months of the previous year, while sales of lettuces amounted to €468 million (-5%) and cabbages to €444 million (-11%). In terms of volume, vegetable exports decreased by 1.5%, totalling 3.7 million tons.

Up to August, fruit experienced an 11% growth in value compared to the same months in 2019, totalling €5,981 million, with citrus fruit being the most exported fruit and showing strong growth. The export of stone fruit also stands out, with a decrease in volumes, but strong growth in value. This is the case of peaches, with 280,895 tons exported and €348 million (+16.5%) and nectarines with 277,612 tons (-14%) and €384 million (+20.5%). Strawberries, on the other hand, reflected a decline in both volume and value of 3%, totalling 279,568 tons and €563 million.

In the monthly comparison of August 2020 with August 2019, exports fell by 7% in volume and increased by the same percentage in value, reaching 742,196 tons and €738 million, according to

data from the Tax Agency's Customs and Excise Department, processed by FEPEX.