Citrus Consumption in the EU
Growth is back!

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Methodological remarks

• Calculation based on the « appearing consumption »:

  IMPORT – EXPORT

• Custom sources

  EUROSTAT, US/japan customs, COMTRADE

• Work on a selection of markets

  - Focus on the EU 28
  - Producing countries excluded (Spain, Italy, Greece, Cyprus)

Target: to COMPARE and DESCRIBE THE EVOLUTION of markets with similar structure
A nice growth, especially in the Eastern part of the EU 28

• EU12: Awakening at least!
  - 4 consecutive years of growth after a long period of slept
  - Record breaking consumption in 2016 at 11.6 kg/capita … +2.5 kg/capita in 4 years!
  - Linked to the come back of a nice economic growth since 2014?
  - Consumption still far from the EU 15np one…

• EU15 np*: close to the record after 2 years of strong growth!
  - End of the stability at around 13.5 kg/capita
  - Increase these last two years
  - 14.5 kg/capita in 2016 – not so far from the record at 14.8 kg/capita registered …10 years ago!

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**Soft citrus : strong growth all over the EU 28**

- **EU15 np**: a solid growth!
  - Growth till 2011 (with off production season effects)
  - Back to the 2006 all time high at 5,1 kg/capita

- **EU12**: a recent … but strong movement
  - 3 consecutive years of growth “only” but +800g!
  - Back to the 2006 all time high at 3,6 kg/capita
  - Still far from the EU 15np one…

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The strength of a renovated range on the late market

• A more qualitative supply, on a longer production calendar

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Professional sources

• A production boom for today… and tomorrow

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Lemon: such a good surprise!

• EU15 np*: a slight but regular upper trend
  ▪ +300 g in 4 years
  ▪ All time high at 1,8 kg/capita

• EU12: More and more over-consuming!
  ▪ 3 consecutive years of growth / +400/500 g/capita
  ▪ All time high at 2,3 kg/capita
  ▪ Within the world champions:
    - Russia: 1,3/1,4 kg/capita
    - USA/Canada: 1,8/1,9 kg/capita

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• Consumption boosted by a very positive image of a diet/detox product

100g of lemon = 30% daily recommended intake

• A worldwide trend

Lemon consumption - evolution 2016-2013
Eurostats - national customs

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• Also positive for lime
EU 15 – 2009/2016 : consumption x 2
**Orange: mixed trends**

- **EU15 np**: The end of the nightmare
  - No more decreasing countries
  - Mixed situation

- **EU12**: Static...but confirming a nice increase
  - A sharp 1 kg increase in 2013
  - Strange...but confirmed these last seasons
  - New step at 4.5 kg/capita
  - Only Bulgaria/Romania still increasing
  - Still far from the EU standard
    - 4.5 kg versus 6.7 kg/capita
EU15 np*: A mixed situation

- Stability of the highest and lowest consumers
  - Scandinavia still at around 8 kg/capita
  - And UK still at 4 kg/capita….  

- End of a dramatic decrease in Germany
  - 5.5 kg/capita

- France is up!
  - From 6.4 kg/capita in 2010 to around 7.0 kg/capita

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**A cocktail of improved quality varieties and new convenient consumption ways**

- A more qualitative supply, on a longer production calendar

![Orange planting in the Comunida Valenciana GVA](chart.png)

**Late Navel oranges – Mediterranean Basin – Harvest calendar**

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**Valencian Community**

(50-55% of Spanish orange production)

2014-2016 estimate

- Washington Navel: 130 000 to 150 000 t
- Lanelate and Navelate: 450 000 to 550 000 t
- Powel/Chislett/Barnfield/Rhode: 75 000 to 100 000 t

- New ways of consumption – fresh juice machine EVERYWHERE in France
Grapefruit: last…but also least….

• EU15 np*: From a **sharp decrease to an erosion**
  - Period of sharp seems decrease to be over
  - All countries **stable to slightly down**
  - Erosion more marked in the “Floridian fan” countries

• EU12: **Recovering the 2005/2010 level**
  - Recovery at 1.1 kg/capita, after a gap at the beginning of the decade
  - Poland / Romania / Bulgaria are the leading consumers and the main driver of the growth
To sum up: INNOVATION AND COMMUNICATION PAY!

• An unexpected – growth recovery after years of stability/erosion
  – Movement especially marked in soft citrus / lemon and at a lower extend orange in some markets (France)

• A very interesting message from the market:

  INNOVATION AND COMMUNICATION PAY!
  – Varietal innovation key driver of the growth in soft citrus / orange (French market)
  – New way of consumption key driver of the growth for orange in France
  – Communication on the health benefit of citrus key driver of the growth for lemon

We have to continue to work on these points!

• But be cautious: the fruits to feed this growth have already been planted !!!
  – Soft citrus: Plan Maroc Vert in Morocco / development expected in Spain/Israel
  – Lemon: lots of plantings theses last years in Spain, Sicily, Turkey (at a lower extend?) and in the SH
  – Orange: lots of new acreage in Egypt / Production of the new orchards of Late Spanish varieties increeeasing

All the statistics by country in the next FRUITROP edition
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