

State ports present their range of services and facilities at the Fruit Attraction trade fair

Spanish ports, a very competitive option for the transport of fruit and vegetable produce

- **Port traffic of fruit and vegetable products in Spain has been growing steadily since 2019**

05-10-2022 (State Ports Public Body). The State-owned ports are present at Fruit Attraction, the main trade fair for the fruit and vegetable sector in Southern Europe. With more than 7.5 million tonnes moved (including embarkations, disembarkations and transit) between January and August 2022, Spanish ports have become a very competitive option for a crucial sector in Spanish trade. According to data from the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), Spanish imports and exports of fruit and vegetables exceeded 22 million tonnes in 2020, and Spain exported more than 17 million tonnes, making it the leading country in Europe and second in the world, behind China.

Although road transport continues to dominate Spanish exports with European countries, more than 83%, mainly with Germany, France and the Netherlands, maritime transport accounts for more than 16% of this market, which has not stopped growing since 2019, and growth expectations remain intact, given the number of connections that Spanish ports have with the main ports of these countries, as well as the diversity of services they offer.

Connecting the world to fresh food: 214m² to present a comprehensive logistics-port offer

Under the slogan *Connecting the world to fresh food*, the 16 main Spanish ports (Almería, Bahía de Algeciras, Bahía de Cádiz, Barcelona, Bilbao, Cartagena, Castellón, Huelva, Las Palmas, Málaga, Motril, S.C. Tenerife, Sevilla, Tarragona, Valencia and Vigo) are presenting their



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range of products and services aimed at the fresh fruit and vegetable market at the 14th edition of the Fruit Attraction trade fair.

Movement of fruit, vegetables and pulses January-August 2022

Port Authority	2022
Total Public Administrations	7519585
Alicante	76087
Almería	96400
Bay of Algeciras	3808926
Bay of Cadiz	238296
Balearic Islands	109385
Barcelona	420823
Bilbao	79068
Cartagena	34703
Castellón	17623
Ceuta	434
Ferrol-San Cibrao	322
Gijón	40267
Huelva	94057
Las Palmas	573935
Malaga	82276
Marín and Ría de Pontevedra	88
Melilla	10735
Motril	886
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	313848
Santander	28899
Seville	26691
Tarragona	104621
Valencia	1243482
Vigo	114555
Vilagarcía	3178

Thus, Spanish ports offer more than 85 million m² of land surface and storage areas, refrigerated warehouses with a capacity of nearly 2 million m³, more than 300,000 linear metres of berthing, connections with any port in the world, border inspection points (BIP), phytosanitary services, and all kinds of logistics solutions.