



Press release

Spanish ports present their offer, "Connecting the world to fresh food", at the Fruit Logistics Fair in Berlin

Fruit, vegetables and greens traffic through Spanish ports exceeded 12 million tonnes in 2021

- 60% of the traffic, 7.4 million tonnes, corresponded to unloaded cargo.
- 12 Port Authorities (Almeria, Algeciras Bay, Cadiz Bay, Barcelona, Bilbao, Cartagena, Huelva, Malaga, Motril, S.C. Tenerife, Valencia and Vigo), representing 87% of the total moved, will participate in the Ports of Spain stand.

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The tenure port system moved 12,118,989 tonnes of fruit, vegetables and pulses in 2021, which represented an increase of 0.5% and 0.7% over 2020 and 2019, respectively. 61% of this traffic, 7.4 million tonnes, were unloaded goods, and the remaining 4.7 million tonnes were loaded. It was precisely the unloaded goods that experienced the greatest increase, +5% compared to the 2019 data, which offset the drop in loaded goods, which fell by a similar percentage.

According to the Spanish Federation of Associations of Exporting Producers of Fruit, Vegetables, Flowers and Live Plants (Fepex), Spanish exports of fresh fruit and vegetables in 2021 experienced a year-on-year growth of 2.6% in volume and 7.4% in value, totalling 13.4 million tonnes and €15.68 billion, respectively. While imports of fresh fruit and vegetables in the same year continued the upward trend of previous years, with a year-on-year growth of 5.5% in volume and 4.5% in value, amounting to 3.6 million tonnes and 3,258 million euros.





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	2019	2020	2021
Port Authority			
ALICANTE	137.342	113.366	97.749
ALMERIA	73.213	79.349	98.163
ALGEORAS BAY	4.738.823	5.372.576	5.732.330
CADIZBAY	303.704	323.461	366.980
BALEARES	143.769	102.120	129.530
BARCELONA	1.933.981	844.976	799.896
BLBAO	167.270	122.172	137.435
CARTAGENA	104.687	79.663	38.962
CASTELLON	38.544	17.440	11.791
CEUTA	13.790	2.341	1.696
FERROL- SAN CIBRAO	-	50	_
GUON	88.488	100.961	70.888
HUELVA	111.798	141.394	119.423
LASPALMAS	859.747	964.064	930.957
MALAGA	49.758	66.202	119.513
MARINYRIA DEPONTEVEDRA	148.783	5.681	394
MELILLA	17.484	18.995	18.003
MOTRIL	91.500	29.556	1.067
PA SAIA	2.453	98	-
SANTA CRUZ DETENERIFE	586.511	581.719	561.707
SANTAN DER	28.087	19.604	51.290
SEVLLA	86.873	54.927	67.115
TARRAGONA	188.160	204.173	204.620
VALENCIA	2.087.151	2.644.698	2.368.946
VIGO	16.625	154.442	178.777
VILAGA ROA	17.676	16.700	11.757
Total AA.PP.	12.036.217	12.060.728	12.118989

PORTS OFFER THEMSELVES AS A COMPETITIVE OPTION FOR IMPORT/EXPORT

12 Port Authorities (Almeria, Algeciras Bay, Cadiz Bay, Barcelona, Bilbao, Cartagena, Huelva, Malaga, Motril, S.C. Tenerife, Valencia and Vigo), which represent 87% of the total of this type of goods moved in 2021, will be present at the 132 m2 stand of Puertos del Estado at the Fruit Logistics Fair, to be held between 5 and 7 April in the city of Berlin, offering a wide range of infrastructures and services for importers and exporters from all over the world.





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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.

A SECTOR WITH AN IMPORTANT PRESENCE IN SPANISH AGRICULTURE

The fruit and vegetable sector is one of the most important economic sectors in Spanish agriculture. Thus, according to data published by Fepex, the fruit and vegetable sector in Spain is an economic activity with a strong weight in production, exports and agricultural employment. The sector's share in Agricultural Plant Production reached 17,723 million euros in 2018 (latest advance to January 2019), which represents 55% of the total, according to data from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment. As for the Final Agricultural Production, it represents 33% of the total.

Employment in the fruit and vegetable sector represents 50% of agricultural employment, with 400,000 workers, and also employs 80,000 workers in handling and marketing in the production areas. Exports account for approximately two thirds of the sector's turnover.