



# Durban Port Friday Report

An assessment of the northern regions citrus production volume, Durban export volume & synopsis of Durban port operations

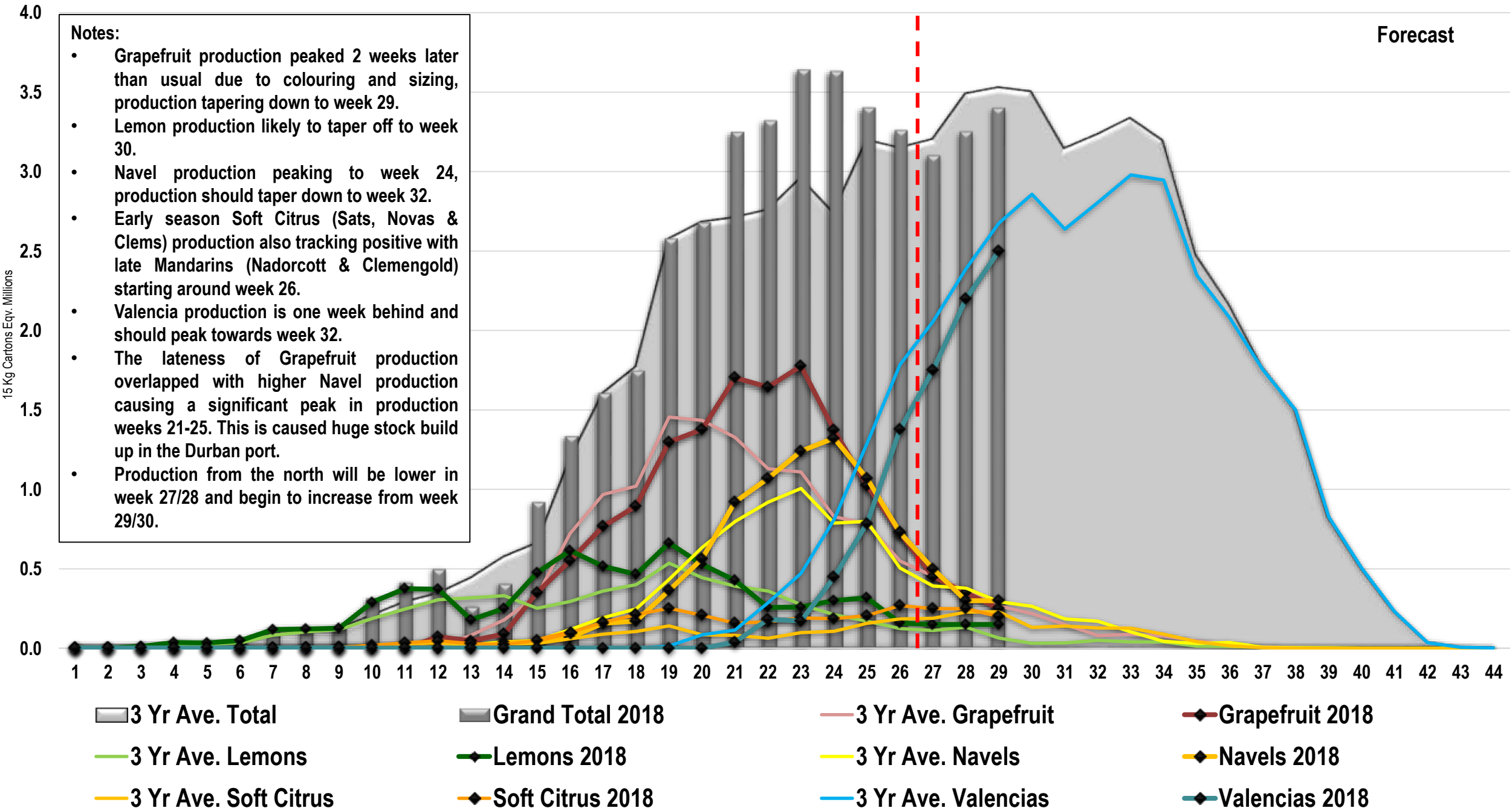
**Week 27**

*Data Supplied by PPECB*

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# Northern Regions Weekly Citrus Export Production YTD 2018 vs. 3 Yr Ave.

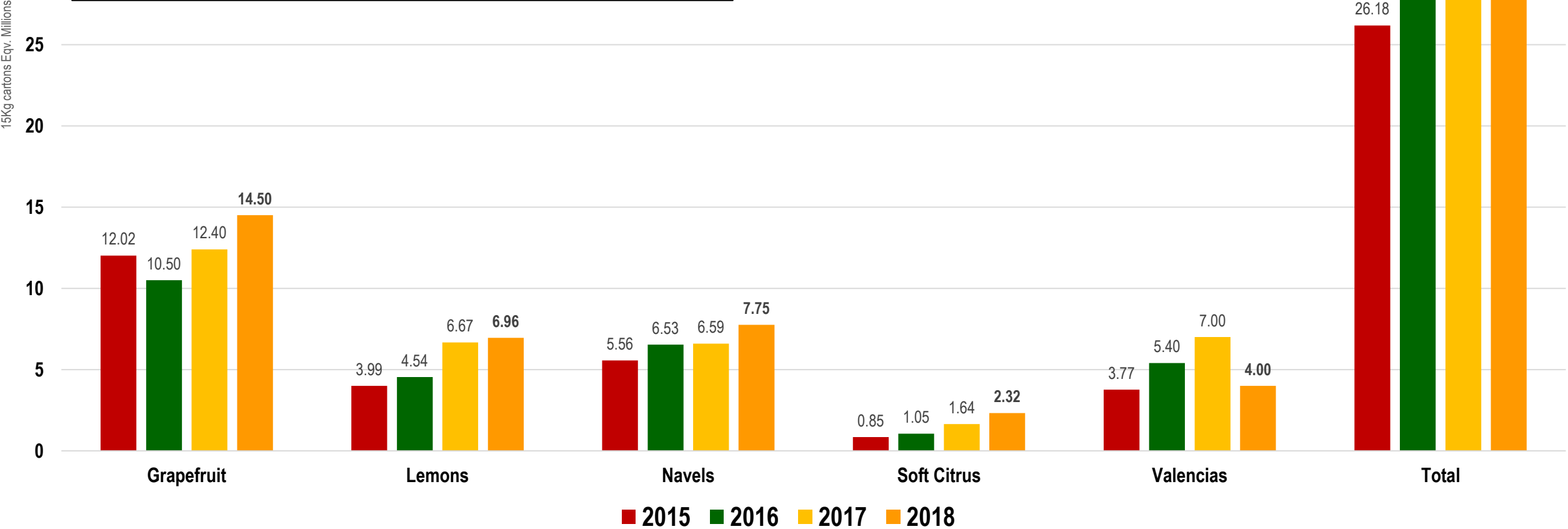


# Northern Regions Citrus Export Production Volume 2015 -2018 YTD

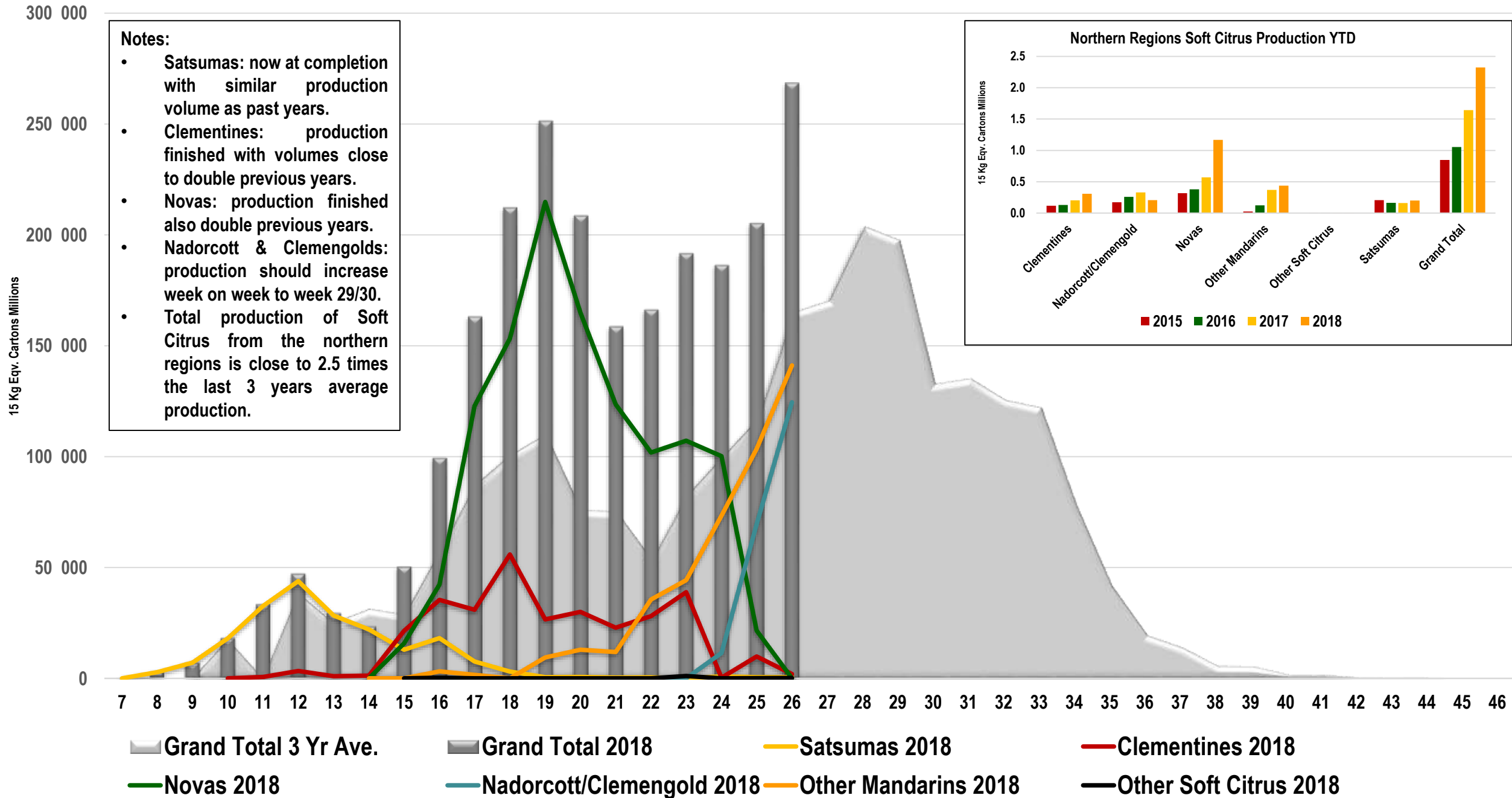
| Grapefruit | Lemons | Navels | Soft Citrus | Valencias | Total Estimate 2018 |
|------------|--------|--------|-------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 16m        | 8,3m   | 8,8m   | 4,84m       | 38,9m     | 76,84m              |

**Notes:**

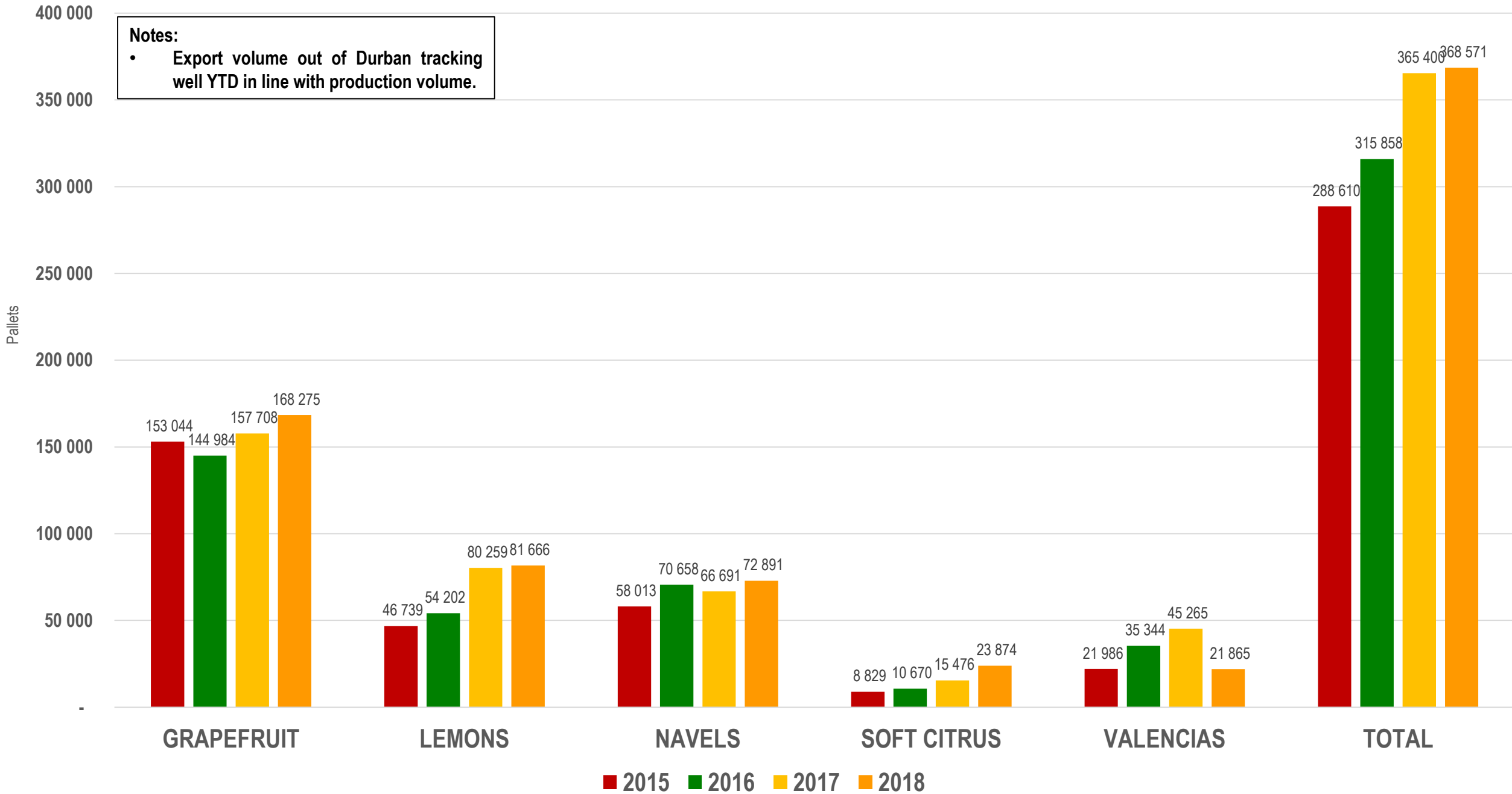
- Overall production from the northern regions exporting through Durban port is tracking in line with the 2018 estimates. Production of Grapefruit and Navels peaked later and higher than usual with production now on par with previous seasons volume YTD.
- Northern Regions production estimate increased to 76,84m cartons.



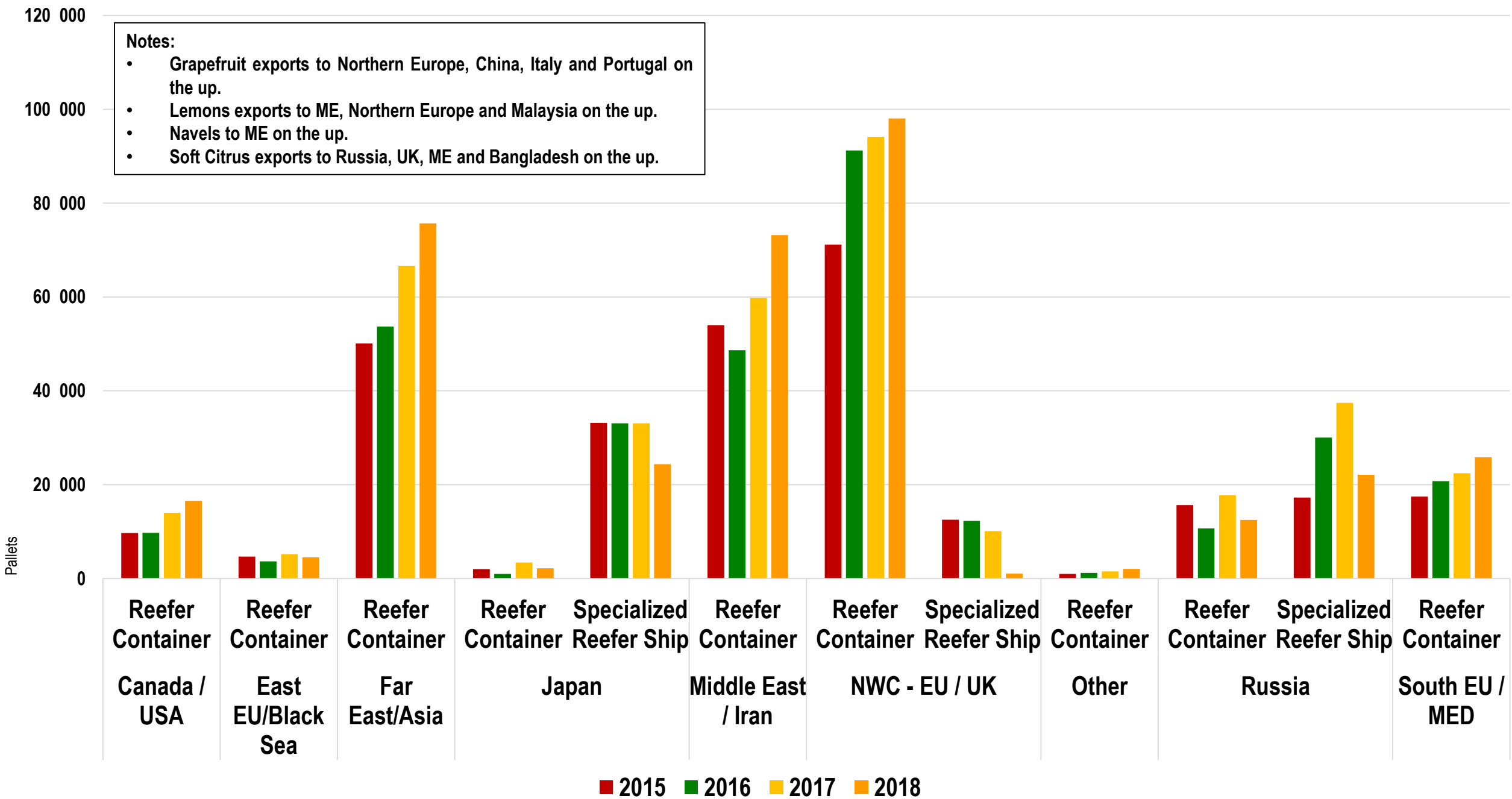
## Northern Regions Soft Citrus Production 2018 vs. 3 Yr Average Production



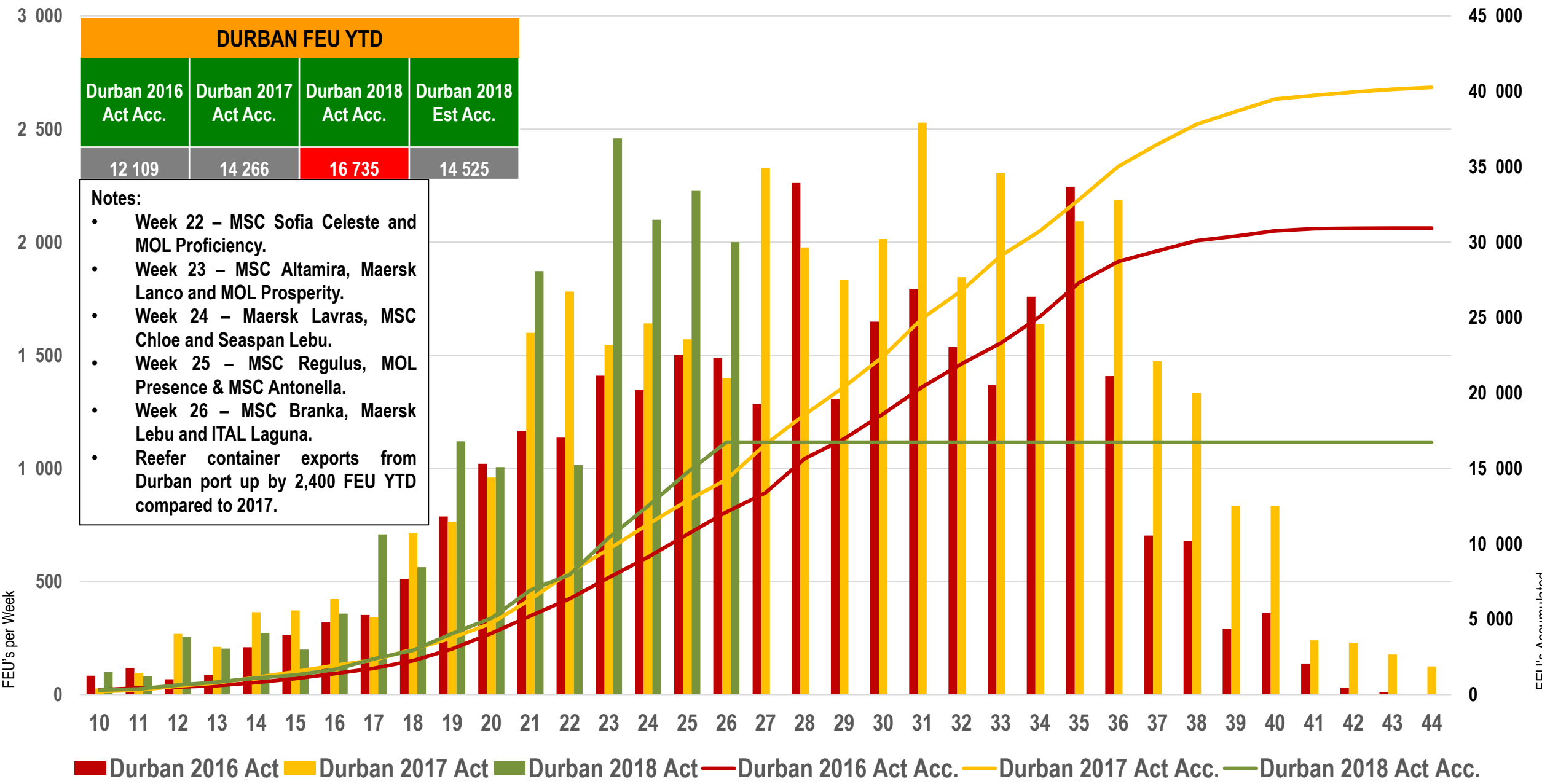
# Durban Port Citrus Export Volume by Commodity YTD



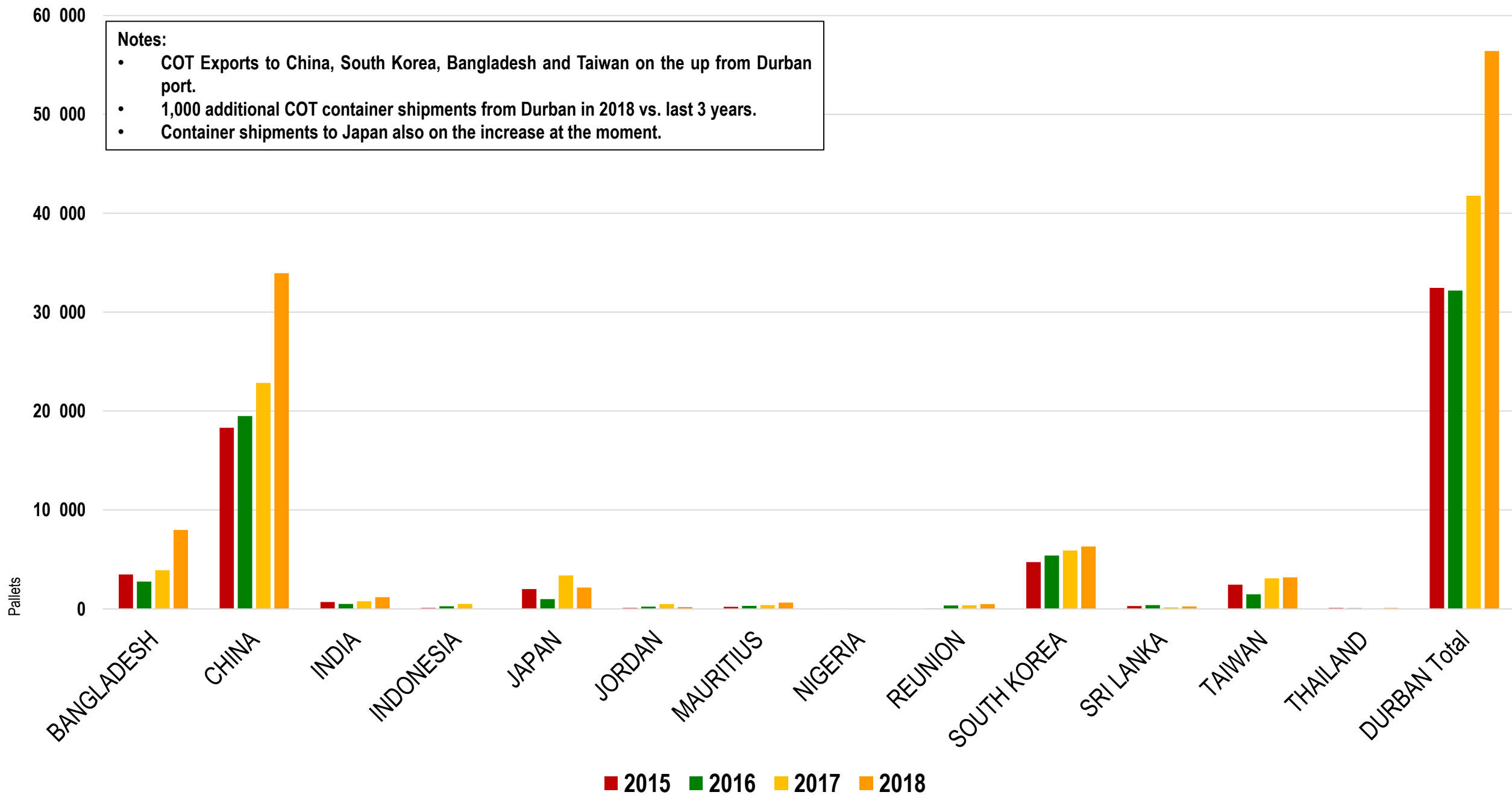
# Durban Port Citrus Export Volume by Market by Ship Mode YTD



Durban Port Citrus Reefer Export Volume YTD ex DCT/MW/DRT



# Durban YTD Reefer Container Export Volume to Protocol Countries (Steri Containers / COT)



## SUMMARY:

- Farm truck intakes (Thur) – truck arrivals to Durban have reduced this week due to Grapefruit and Navel production subsiding with Val production lower than usual. Normal truck delays can be expected but should not be excessive.
- Cold storage capacity – stock holding in Durban roughly 70% capacity. Stock holding at most cold stores has reduced due to good load outs and reduced intakes awaiting Vals to arrive.
- Railed containers from inland to DCT – Tzaneen and Bela-Bela trains running smooth with usual operational challenges. Start up of rail from City Deep imminent, PPECB presently conducting assessments. Also discussion on deployment of an additional reefer rail set to be implemented at Musina in next few weeks.
- Durban Container Terminal – truck TTT at DCT Pier 2 last week ave. = 139 min with average 117 moves per hour. This week DCT experienced high TTT of average 600 min with gate moves averaging 600-800. TPT has communicated that there are presently labour related stresses impacting terminal operations and performance. If the present issues are not resolved timeously this could have a knock on effect for a few weeks.
- Japan SEP – . Rej. 1% GF - FCM/CBS/Markings / 3% LE – CBS / 2% OR - FCM week 26. 119 Containers exported YTD with container volume now increasing. DAFF Inspections on track.
- Korea SEP – Rej. 2% GF Mealie bug/Markings / OR zero rej. week 26. 277 containers exported YTD. Stock levels for South Korea at 80 containers worth. Consignment for inspections on track – 3 day delay.
- General –
  - Data reflects an additional 2,800 reefer containers used against 2017 volume and 1,000 additional COT containers. Important for exporters to feed forecasts to lines to align reefer equipment to Val production.
  - Projecting DCT Pier 2 reefer plug point utilization will remain high until Tuesday pm. TPT have heeded the call to close stacks for Santa Clara 6am 07/07 and reopen 6am 08/07 to prevent possible reefer blockage.