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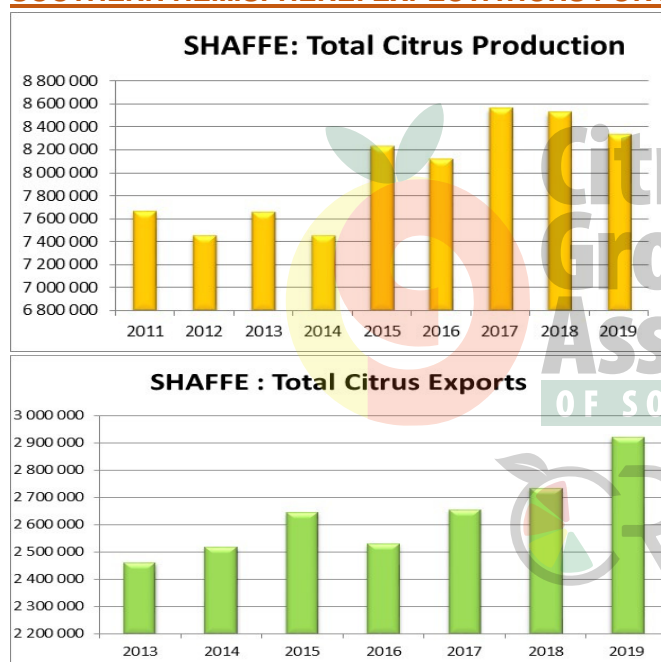
"All you need in life is ignorance and confidence; then success is sure" Mark Twain

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SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE: EXPECTATIONS FOR 2019



Even with a 20% drop in **production** Argentina remains the highest producer in the southern hemisphere – at 2,82 million tons. South Africa follows closely behind with 2,76 million tons – a 1% decrease on 2018. Peru and Australia are expected to grow production by 4%, with Peru at 1.18 million and Australia 753 000 tons. Chile anticipated to grow by 5% to 531 000 tons, and Uruguay decrease by 1% to 288 000 tons. SH total 2% down at 8.3 m t.

South Africa remains the leading southern hemisphere citrus **exporter** with a 1% increase to 1,94 million tons. Chile (increase 7% to 352 000 tons), and Argentina (decrease 9% to 334 000 tons) vie for second spot. Australia is predicting exports of 259 000 tons, 2% less than 2018. Peru is expecting an 11% increase to 199 000 tons, and Uruguay 2% up to 100 000 tons.

For South Africa the original exports showed a small decrease in oranges (1%), a big decrease in grapefruit (8%), and increases in soft citrus (13%) and lemons (10%). Chile predicts increases across the board – oranges 15%, lemons 8% and soft citrus 2%. Conversely, Argentina shows decreases across the board – soft citrus 17%, oranges 8% and lemons 8%. Australia predicts an orange decrease of 5% and a soft citrus increase of 8%. Peru is expecting soft citrus to increase by 5%, while Uruguay expect 1% decreases in oranges and soft citrus.

PACKED AND SHIPPED

Million 15 Kg Cartons to end Week 22	Packed	Packed	Packed	Shipped	Shipped	Original Estimate	Latest Prediction	Final Packed
SOURCE: PPECB/AgriHub	2017	2018	2019	2018	2019	2019	2019	2018
Grapefruit	10 m	9.9 m	9.6 m	6.0 m	6.8 m	17.1 m	15.5 m	18.8 m
Soft Citrus	5.4 m	5.5 m	5.5 m	4.3 m	4 m	18.3 m	17.8 m	16.2 m
Lemons	9.5 m	9.6 m	8.9 m	8.2 m	6.9 m	22 m	21.4 m	19.9 m
Navels	6.3 m	6.3 m	4.9 m	2.9 m	2.2 m	26.9 m	25.7 m	26.7 m
Valencia	0.8 m	0.4 m	0.1 m	-	-	52.9 m	52.4 m	54.4 m
Total	32 m	31.8 m	29 m	21.4 m	19.9 m	137.2 m	132.8 m	136 m

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