

Northern Hemisphere market report for Week 6 (ending Feb. 9)



The Americas

Crop	Group	Main Market	Supply	Demand	Price	Comments
Blueberries		U.S.	↗	→	→	Blueberry prices began to stabilize thanks to good movement, despite some issues with Chilean fruit. Prices were slightly lower than the same week last year.
Table grapes	White Seedless	U.S.	↗	→	↘	Prices of Chilean and Peruvian Supraone and Thompson Seedless fell again due to some issues with quality, condition, and low demand resulting from scarce promotions.
Table Grapes	Red Seedless	U.S.	↗	→	↘	The situation remains difficult for red seedless grapes in the U.S. market, due to high volume of Chilean Flame Seedless and their condition problems. It is likely that the prices will continue to fall for a couple of weeks.
Table grapes	Red Globe and Black Seedless	U.S.	↗	→	↘	Prices of Peruvian Red Globes and Chilean black seedless fell due to problems with other varieties.
Nectarines and peaches		U.S.	↗	→	↘	Nectarine prices fell somewhat due to a slight increase in available volumes. Peaches were more stable. Demand is limited for both commodities, although lower volumes compared to 2017 have allowed for relatively stable prices during the campaign.
Plums		U.S.	↗	→	↘	Prices of red and black plums are declining due to higher fruit availability and limited demand. Despite the fall, they remain higher than the same week last season.
Table grapes	White seedless	Latin America	→	↘	↘	Lack of consistency in sizes caused a slow displacement of Chilean white seedless grapes in Mexico, impacting on prices.
Table grapes	Red Globe	Latin America	→	↗	↗	During this week better quality fruit was seen, allowing for agile movement in the Mexican market with prices higher than last season.
Stonefruit	Nectarines	Latin America	→	↗	↗	Thanks to good quality and condition of Chilean nectarines, sales were agile this week, allowing for a slight increase in prices.
Stonefruit	Peaches	Latin America	→	→	→	Although some Chilean peaches arrived with condition problems, sales remained stable this week in the Mexican market with prices similar to the previous week.
Stonefruit	Plums	Latin America	→	↘	↘	The irregular condition and quality of Chilean plums caused a decrease in sales in the Mexican market, impacting on prices.

Asia

Crop	Group	Main Market	Supply	Demand	Price	Comments
Blueberries		Asia	→	↗	↕	Although demand tended to improve in the Chinese market, sales of Chilean blueberries remained slow, with prices varying depending on the quality and condition of the fruit.
Cherries		Asia	↗	↗	↗	In the run-up to Chinese New Year, Chilean cherry sales tended to increase to different markets. In general, the pace of sales in China tended to improve thanks to increased demand, which allowed for more fluid sales and price rises.
Stonefruit	Nectarines	Asia	↗	↗	↕	The Australian nectarine supply remains abundant in China, with good demand, agile rotation and rising prices. On the other hand, the volume of Chilean fruit continues to rise and is selling well thanks to good demand and adequate quality. White-flesh varieties fetched slightly higher prices than yellow-fleshed varieties.
Stonefruit	Plums	Asia	↗	↗	→	The plum supply in China was mainly Chilean. This week, sales were rapid and prices were high, surpassing those registered last season.
Table grapes	White seedless	Asia	↗	↗	→	In China, the white seedless grape supply was made up of South African and Peruvian fruit, in addition to the first Chilean arrivals which fetched higher prices than last season. Sugraone and Thompson Seedless were the main varieties sold, with a good pace of sales and stable prices.
Table grapes	Red seedless	Asia	↗	→	↘	Slow sales of red seedless grapes in China caused price declines. Australia fetched the best per-kilo prices.
Table grapes	Red Globe	Asia	↗	→	↕	The Red Globe supply in China remained similar to previous weeks. Peru is the main supplier, with prices dependent on the quality and condition of the fruit and on average higher than last season.
Table grapes	Black seedless	Asia	↗	→	↗	In China, the supply of black seedless grapes was made up of fruit from South Africa, India, Chile, and small volumes from the U.S. All the origins saw price rises thanks to good demand and adequate quality and condition.

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