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| |  | | --- | | CGA_Eng_Fax_logo_72  ***FROM THE DESK OF THE CEO (35/17)***  (Follow me on Twitter justchad\_cga)  *Justin Chadwick 15 September 2017* | |  |   ***“Asia is not going to be civilized after the methods of the West. There is too much Asia and she is too old” Rudyard Kipling***  **SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE EXPORTS INTO ASIA (TONS)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Country** | **Volume in T** | | **Chile** | **526,775** | | **South Africa** | **497,644** | | **New Zealand** | **478,311** | | **Australia** | **314,479** | | **Peru** | **96,381** | | **Argentina** | **26,230** | | **Uruguay** | **2,145** | | **Total** | **1,941,965** |   South Africa’s participation at AsiaFruit Logistica was bigger and better than ever before. Department Trade and Industry have come to the table resulting in more square metres and more delegates. The stand was buzzing for the full three days. The reason is not hard to see – with 500 000 tons of South Africa fruit shipped to the region, and an extremely diverse range of destinations, South Africa is stamping its mark in Asia. This is despite many competitive imbalances – competitors have supportive governments negotiating a myriad of partial and free trade agreements, giving their traders a distinct advantage.  Nevertheless the unique taste, excellent quality and range of product, coupled with dedicated exporters who go the extra mile; and attractive pricing levels, has resulted in South Africa being the southern hemispheres number one citrus exporter to Asia. As efforts to optimise access conditions gain results, South African fruit exports to Asia will grow.  **South Africa: Export destinations**  **PACKED AND SHIPPED**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | To End Week 36  Million 15 Kg Cartons | Packed | Packed | **Packed** | Shipped | **Shipped** | Original Estimate | Latest  Prediction | Final Packed | | **SOURCE: PPECB/AGRIHUB** | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2016 | 2017 | 2017 | 2017 | 2016 | | Grapefruit | 16 m | 13.2 m | 15.6 m | 13.1 m | 14.1 m | 15.6 m | 15.7 m | 13.2 m | | Soft Citrus | 9.7 m | 12 m | 13.2 m | 11.1 m | 12.6 m | 13.2 m | 13.8 m | 12.2 m | | Lemons | 14.5 m | 14.7 m | 18.7 m | 14.3 m | 18.3 m | 17.5 m | 18.7 m | 15 m | | Navels | 24.3 m | 26.2 m | 21 m | 25.4 m | 21 m | 26.3 m | 21 m | 26.2 m | | Valencia | 39.8 m | 37.4 m | 44.7 m | 33.7 m | 36.7 m | 50.1 m | 49 m | 41.8 m | | Total | 104.3 m | 103.5 m | 113.2 m | 97.6 m | 102.7 m | 122.7 m | 118.2 m | 108.4 m |   **THE CGA GROUP OF COMPANIES (CRI, RIVER BIOSCIENCE, XSIT, CGA CULTIVAR COMPANY, CGA GROWER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY & CITRUS ACADEMY) ARE FUNDED BY SOUTHERN AFRICAN CITRUS GROWERS** |