IFPA Commodity Profiles Lemons & Limes

International Fresh Produce Association brings you the latest information on production, global trade, and consumer sentiment for top categories of fresh produce.

Consumer sentiment fast facts: *****

Almost 30% of consumers said they bought limes in the past year.

Consumers who are higherincome purchase limes more frequently compared to other age groups.

One third of consumers of limes live on the West Coast of America

The consumption of lemons have been increasing in recent years.



Production Quantities by Country*

Country	Australia	Brazil	Chile	China, mainland	Colombia	Mexico	New Zealand	Peru	South Africa	USA
Volume (tonnes)	40,117	1,499,714	221,416	2,571,932	469,349	2,983,802	5,988	336,828	656,382	801,950

Export Value, USD** Top Exporting IFPA Member Countries and Their Top Destination Markets

Mexico	\$843M	South Africa	\$809M	USA	\$200M	Brazil	\$152M	Colombia	\$82M
USA	\$795.9M	Netherlands	\$77.4M	Canada	\$94.5M	Netherlands	\$111.4M	USA	\$51M
Netherlands	\$7.5M	UAE	\$38.3M	Japan	\$47.8M	UK	\$22.7M	Netherlands	\$9.5M
UK	\$1.8M	UK	\$29.1M	Republic of Korea	\$31.4M	Spain	\$5.5M	Germany	\$6.9M
Japan	\$1.4M	Portugal	\$26.9M	Mexico	\$8.6M	Belgium	\$4.1M	France	\$6.3M
France	\$814K	Russian Federation	\$26.5M	Bahamas	\$3.9M	Argentina	\$1.4M	Spain	\$2.6M

Import Value, USD** Top Importers Globally

	Value imported in 2022 (USD '000)	Unit value (USD/ton)	Annual Growth in Value Between 2018-2022 (%)	Annual Growth in Value Between 2021-2022 (%)	Market Share (% world imports)	Concentration of Supplying Countries
World	4,079,820		2	2	100	0.12
USA	972,226	1,195	11	9	23.8	0.64
Germany	373,771	1,711	2	-5	9.2	0.4
Netherlands	320,429	1,230	5	3	7.9	0.2
France	254,041	1,307	0	1	6.2	0.42
UK	186,989	1,275	-2	13	4.6	0.3
Russian Federation	167,877	679	0	9	4.1	0.28
Poland	161,008	1,179	2	2	3.9	0.19
Canada	152,639	1,387	3	8	3.7	0.24
Italy	126,284	1,128	-7	-17	3.1	0.23
Japan	92,156	2,019	-7	5	2.3	0.38

^{*}FAOSTAT 2023, data from 2021, **ITC Trade Map 2023, data from 2022,

^{***} IRI Shopper Sentiment Survey June 2022; ***** The Packer, Fresh Trends 2023