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Argentina

Canned Deciduous Fruit

Canned Peach

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Report Highlights:

Includes PSD changes: Yes
Includes Trade Matrix: No
Unscheduled Report
Buenos Aires [AR1], AR

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The 2001 Argentine harvest of peaches for processing was forecast at 115,000 metric tons, with canned peach production is estimated at 80,000 metric tons. This 14 percent increase in production is due to favorable climatic conditions, (no rain, no frosts) during the entire growing period. Furthermore, the fruit is considered of very good to excellent quality, and producers claim that this is one of the best seasons they had for many years.

Domestic consumption is expected to increase by 5 percent due to: a) reduced retail prices, resulting from abundant fresh fruit, and therefore cheaper price paid to producers for raw material, and b) the recent resolution from the Ministry of Economy No 27/01 dated April 10, 2001, which increases to 35 percent import duties on several products (including canned peaches) coming from non-Mercosur countries, including Chile.

Table 1: Supply & Distribution

PSD Table						
Country	Argentina					
Commodity	Canned Peaches				(MT)(MT, Net Weight)	
	Revised	1999	Preliminary	2000	Forecast	2001
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/1999		01/2000		01/2001
Deliv. To Processors	0	108000	0	112565	0	115000
Beginning Stocks	1000	1000	3890	3890	4000	11890
Production	65850	65850	69800	70000	0	80000
Imports	7276	7276	5000	12217	0	1000
TOTAL SUPPLY	74126	74126	78690	86107	4000	92890
Exports	6892	7021	10400	934	0	4000
Domestic Consumption	63344	63215	64290	73283	0	77000
Ending Stocks	3890	3890	4000	11890	0	11890
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	74126	74126	78690	86107	0	92890

Table 2: Imports

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Argentina		
Commodity	Canned Peaches		
Time period	CY	Units:	
Imports for:	1999	Metric tons	2000
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Greece	3504	Chile	4509
Chile	3021	Spain	953
Spain	512	Greece	6754
British Poss.	98		
South Africa	89		
Brazil	47		
France	5		
Total for Others	7276		12216
Others not Listed			1
Grand Total	7276		12217

Table 3: Exports

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Argentina		
Commodity	Canned Peaches		
Time period	CY	Units:	CY
Exports for:	1999	Metric tons	2000
U.S.	55	U.S.	121
Others		Others	
Brazil	4482	Brazil	236
Paraguay	863	Bolivia	219
Uruguay	481	Uruguay	49
Japan	475	Chile	24
Bolivia	324	Venezuela	16
Peru	158	Peru	3
Puerto Rico	110	Jordan	2
Germany	31	Barbados	2
Chile	23		
Total for Others	6947		551
Others not Listed	19		262
Grand Total	7021		934