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WAPA RELEASES SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE APPLE AND PEAR CROP FORECASTS

Representatives of key apple and pear producing and exporting countries from around the world met on 8 February 2013 at the recent FruitLogistica fair in Berlin for the annual general meeting of the World Apple and Pear Association (WAPA). During its annual meeting WAPA elected Mr Peter Beaven (Pipfruit New Zealand – New Zealand) as its new president replacing Kevin Moffitt (USA Pears – USA) who chaired the association for the last two years. At the same occasion, Mr Daniel Sauvaitre (ANPP – France) was elected as the new vice-president of WAPA.

WAPA released in Berlin its annual consolidated crop forecasts for the forthcoming southern hemisphere apple and pear seasons (see tables below). Collected from industry groups in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, New Zealand and South Africa, the forecast showed that the 2013 apple and pear Southern Hemisphere crops are expected to reach 5.468.000 MT and 1.520.000 MT, respectively. For apples, this represents a small increase of 1% on the 2012 crop; while forecasted export figures also increase by 4% to 1.667.369 MT. For pears, also a small increase of 2% on the 2012 crop is recorded while forecasted export figures are expected to be 5% higher at 749.821 MT.

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WAPA was founded in August 2001 with the objectives of providing a forum for discussion on matters of interest to the apple and pear business and initiating recommendations to strengthen the sector. The current President of the Association is Kevin Moffitt of USA Pears, while Peter Beaven of Pipfruit New Zealand is Vice-President. WAPA membership includes the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Chile, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Scandinavia, Slovenia, South Africa, the UK, Ukraine and the USA.

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SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE APPLE PRODUCTION

Apples

x 1000 tons

Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	F2013	(1)	(2)
Argentina	1.121	1.051	1.047	980	933	800	1.048	853	937	10	4
Australia	327	276	271	265	267	259	264	298	289	-3	6
Brazil	882	759	993	983	1.053	1.226	1.250	1.184	1.270	7	4
Chile	1.562	1.644	1.732	1.770	1.811	1.755	1.784	1.766	1.627	-8	-8
New Zealand	506	392	427	434	466	448	513	476	519	9	8
South Africa	703	637	689	749	747	775	780	819	826	1	4
Total	5.101	4.759	5.159	5.181	5.276	5.264	5.639	5.396	5.468	1	1

(1) Percentage difference between F2013 and 2012

(2) Percentage difference between F2013 and the average of 2010 - 2011- 2012

x 1000 tons

Variety	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	F2013	(1)	(2)
Braeburn	294	248	272	220	239	212	213	209	213	2	1
Cripps pink	149	153	164	206	215	229	246	311	329	6	26
Fuji	593	535	636	629	643	729	690	754	705	-7	-3
Gala	1.186	1.260	1.496	1.574	1.654	1.768	1.863	1.739	1.858	7	4
Golden Delicious	186	155	181	172	169	169	168	211	211	0	16
Granny Smith	919	807	843	856	837	786	871	826	721	-13	-13
Red Delicious	1.370	1.177	1.152	1.078	1.025	843	1.141	941	949	1	-3
Others	404	424	415	446	494	528	448	405	481	19	5
Total:	5.101	4.759	5.159	5.181	5.276	5.264	5.639	5.396	5.468	1	1



SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE PEAR PRODUCTION

Pears

x 1000 tons

Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	F2013	(1)	(2)
Argentina	530	749	739	723	895	770	843	801	828	3	3
Australia	151	142	135	130	127	107	130	124	129	3	7
Chile	201	196	194	189	176	170	195	191	191	0	3
New Zeal	13	11	9	9	12	11	11	9	10	11	-4
South Afr	316	324	359	342	366	356	362	371	363	-2	0
Total	1,211	1,423	1,436	1,393	1,577	1,414	1,541	1,496	1,520	2	2

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Beurre Bosc	41	38	40	35	36	34	36	32	30	-7	-13
Forelle	58	71	78	84	90	90	92	96	94	-2	2
Others	294	380	337	341	397	374	335	341	349	2	0
Packham's Trium	402	460	487	480	528	488	518	501	487	-3	-3
Williams BC / Bart	415	474	494	454	526	429	560	525	560	7	11
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