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Report Highlights:

This report contains only minor changes in the PS&D tables compared to the Fresh Deciduous Fruit Annual report submitted on September 17, 2001 (FR 1063) French apple and pear productions for MY 2001/2002 are slightly down from their MY 2000/2001 level. Gala apple variety production continues to grow to the detriment of Golden Delicious variety. Consumption is expected to remain stable. Apple exports may decrease due to the lower production. French apple imports are expected to remain about 3 fold higher than exports. Most apples and pears are traded within the European Union. France does not import a significant volume of apple and pears from the United States.

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Executive Summary

IMPORTANT NOTE: This report contains only minor changes in the PS&D tables compared to the Fresh Deciduous Fruit Annual report submitted on September 17, 2001 (see FR 1063). Further information is generally not yet available at this time of the year.

French apple production for MY 2001/2002 is slightly down from its MY 2000/2001 level. As anticipated, the production of the Golden Delicious variety continued to decrease while production of Gala variety grew by 12 percent. Overall, quality of the crop is good, especially since the harvest benefited from a dry and sunny autumn. With strong demand, both domestically and abroad, prices have remained high since the harvest. However, apple exports are expected to decrease in MY 2001/2002 due to the lower prduction.

French pear production for MY 2001/2002 is also down from previous MY. Quality is good and prices have remained strong since the harvest.

Apple Tables

PSD Table						
Country	France					
Commodity	Fresh Apples				(HA)(1000 T	REES)(MT)
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Planted	60200	60200	59100	59100	58100	58100
Area Harvested	54000	54000	52900	52900	52000	52000
Bearing Trees	61000	61000	59000	59000	58000	58000
Non-Bearing Trees	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000	6000
Total Trees	67000	67000	65000	65000	64000	64000
Commercial Production	2260000	2260000	2021000	2015000	2100000	2100000
Non-Comm. Production	40000	40000	40000	40000	40000	40000
TOTAL Production	2300000	2300000	2061000	2055000	2140000	2140000
TOTAL Imports	92000	95000	100000	105000	100000	100000
TOTAL SUPPLY	2392000	2395000	2161000	2160000	2240000	2240000

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Domestic Fresh Consump	1113600	1141900	991000	1045000	1050000	1050000
Exports, Fresh Only	870000	863000	800000	750000	800000	800000
For Processing	310000	310000	310000	310000	310000	310000
Withdrawal From Market	98400	80100	60000	55000	80000	80000
TOTAL UTILIZATION	2392000	2395000	2161000	2160000	2240000	2240000

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Apples		
Time period	Jul-Jun	Units:	MT
Imports for:	1999		2000
U.S.	212	U.S.	54
Others		Others	
Belgium	25486	Belgium	33298
Netherlands	24193	Netherlands	24787
Italy	12572	Italy	12937
Spain	6310	South Africa	5441
Germany	4567	Spain	5263
South Africa	4228	United Kingdom	4290
		Germany	4287
		Czech Rep.	1405
Total for Others	77356		91708
Others not Listed	3980		3408
Grand Total	81548		95170

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Apples		
Time period	Jul-June	Units:	MT
Exports for:	1999		2000
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
United Kingdom	165436	United Kingdom	203446

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Spain	126063	Spain	175780
Germany	117467	Germany	82732
Netherlands	101759	Netherlands	78277
Belgium	49139	Portugal	46738
Finland	30456	Belgium	46679
Sweden	30050	Sweden	30027
Portugal	27010	Finland	27695
Denmark	22466	Denmark	21838
Russia	21412	Ireland	19723
Total for Others	691258		732935
Others not Listed	121940		129969
Grand Total	813198		862904

Fresh Pears Tables

PSD Table						
Country	France					
Commodity	Fresh Pears				(HA)(1000 T	REES)(MT)
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Planted	12700	12700	12600	12600	12500	12500
Area Harvested	11800	11800	11500	11500	11400	11400
Bearing Trees	12700	12700	12600	12600	12600	12600
Non-Bearing Trees	800	800	800	800	800	800
Total Trees	13500	13500	13400	13400	13400	13400
Commercial Production	259000	262000	240000	253000	250000	250000
Non-Comm. Production	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
TOTAL Production	264000	267000	245000	258000	255000	255000
TOTAL Imports	95000	101000	100000	105000	100000	100000
TOTAL SUPPLY	359000	368000	345000	363000	355000	355000
Domestic Fresh Consump	271700	279000	265000	278000	265000	265000
Exports, Fresh Only	33900	39000	30000	35000	40000	40000
For Processing	45000	45000	45000	45000	45000	45000
Withdrawal From Market	8400	5000	5000	5000	5000	5000
TOTAL UTILIZATION	359000	368000	345000	363000	355000	355000

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Import Trade			
Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Pears		
Time period	Jul-Jun	Units:	MT
Imports for:	1999		2000
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Italy	22081	Italy	24866
Belgium	19937	Netherlands	22268
Netherlands	18901	Belgium	22073
Spain	15133	Spain	11406
Argentina	5694	Argentina	6643
South Africa	5361	South Africa	6611
Portugal	4045	Portugal	3292
Chile	1255	Germany	2226
Germany	1213	Chile	710
United Kingdom	1172		
Total for Others	94792		100095
Others not Listed	612		1109
Grand Total	95404		101204
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Export Trade Matrix			
Country	France		
Commodity	Fresh Pears		
Time period	Jul-Jun	Units:	МТ
Exports for:	1999		2000
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Germany	15668	Germany	10869
Netherlands	10696	Netherlands	5418
United Kingdom	6875	United Kingdom	4135
Italy	5393	Belgium	3598

5359 Italy

2393 Spain

2376 Sweden

3223

2347

2072

Belgium

Sweden

Russia

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Spain	1947	Denmark	1350
Denmark	1382	Russia	954
Total for Others	52089		33966
Others not Listed	6684		4514
Grand Total	58773		38480