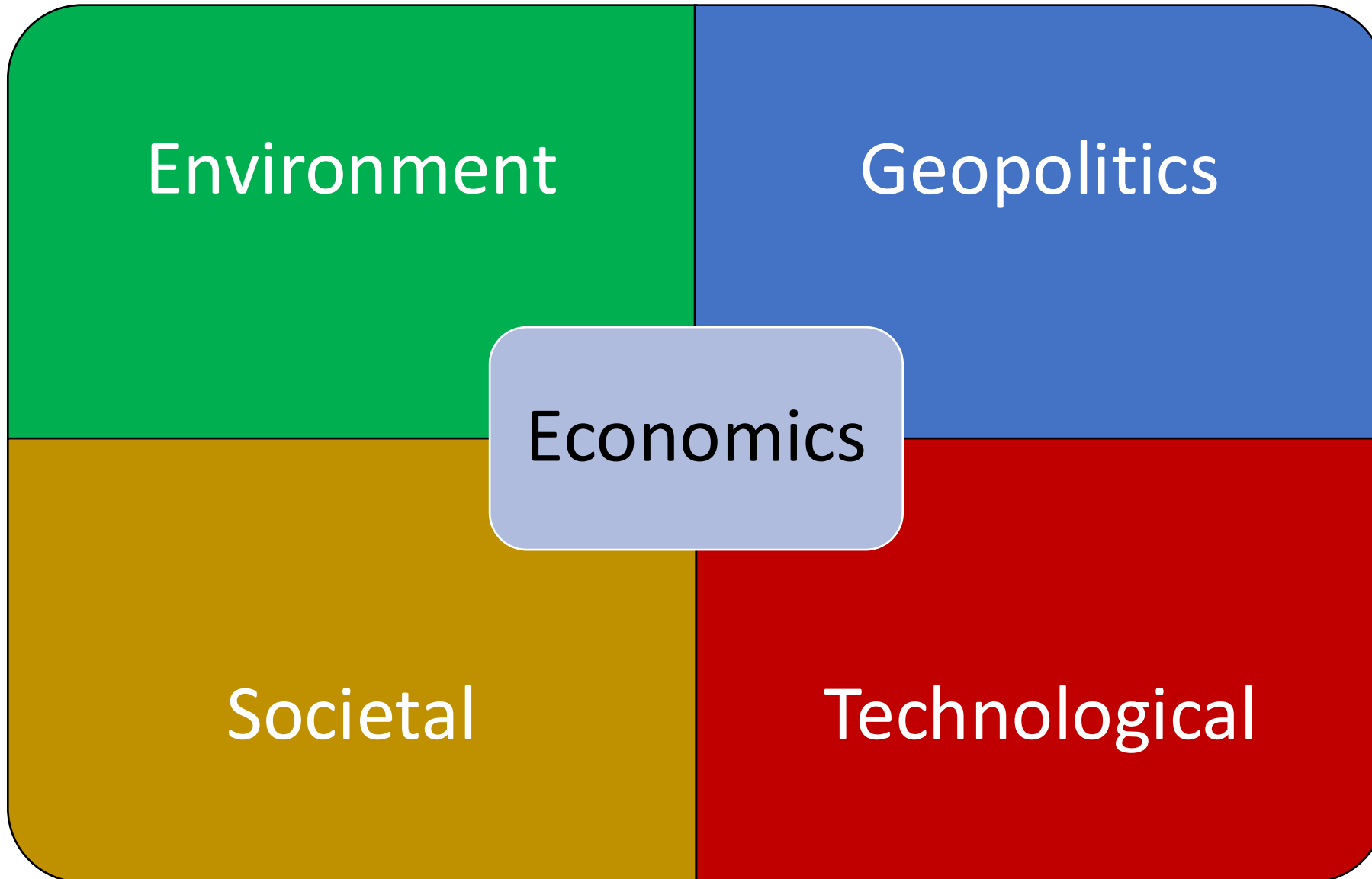




Global Production and Trade Trends — from Australia's Perspective

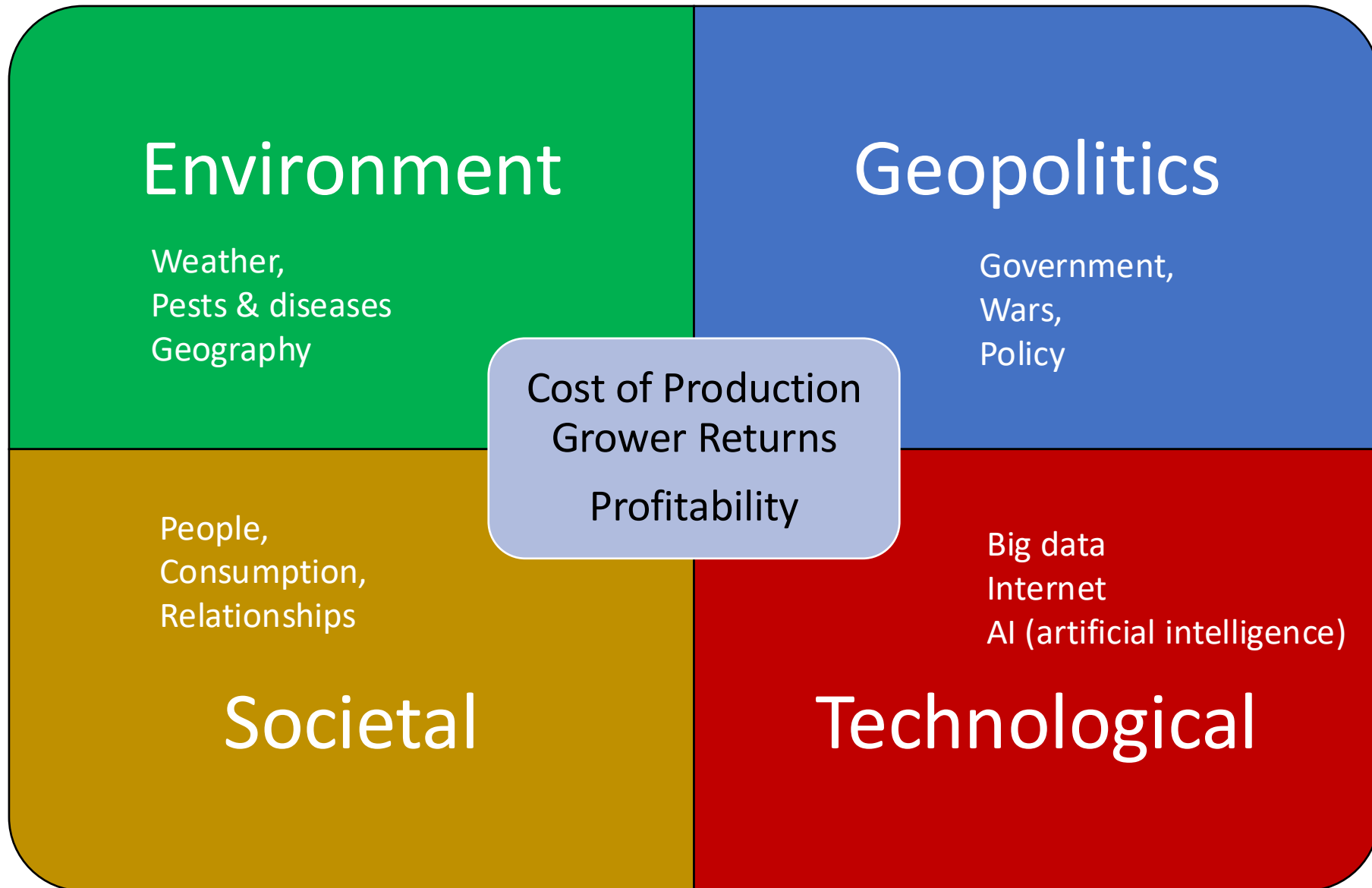
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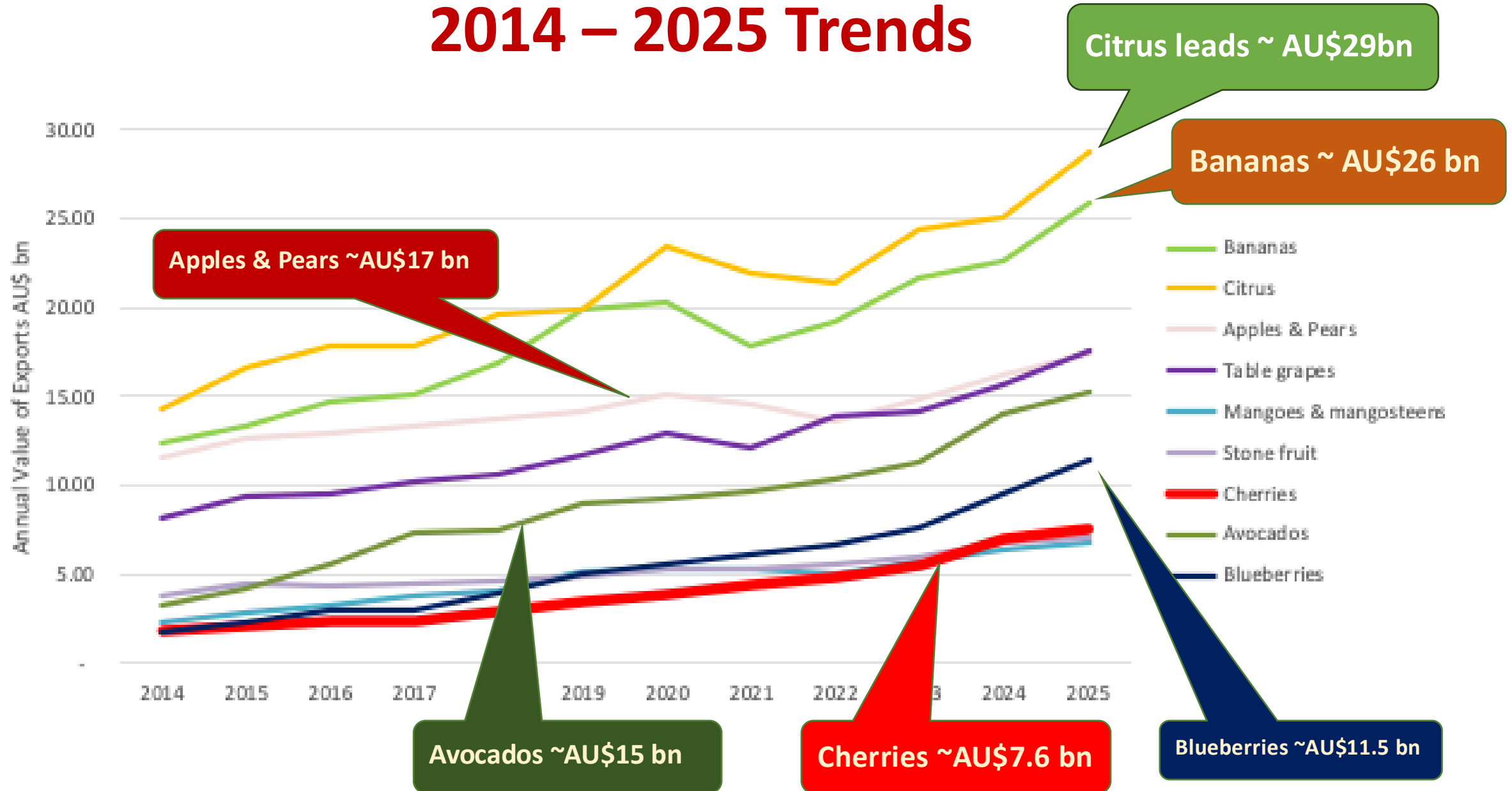


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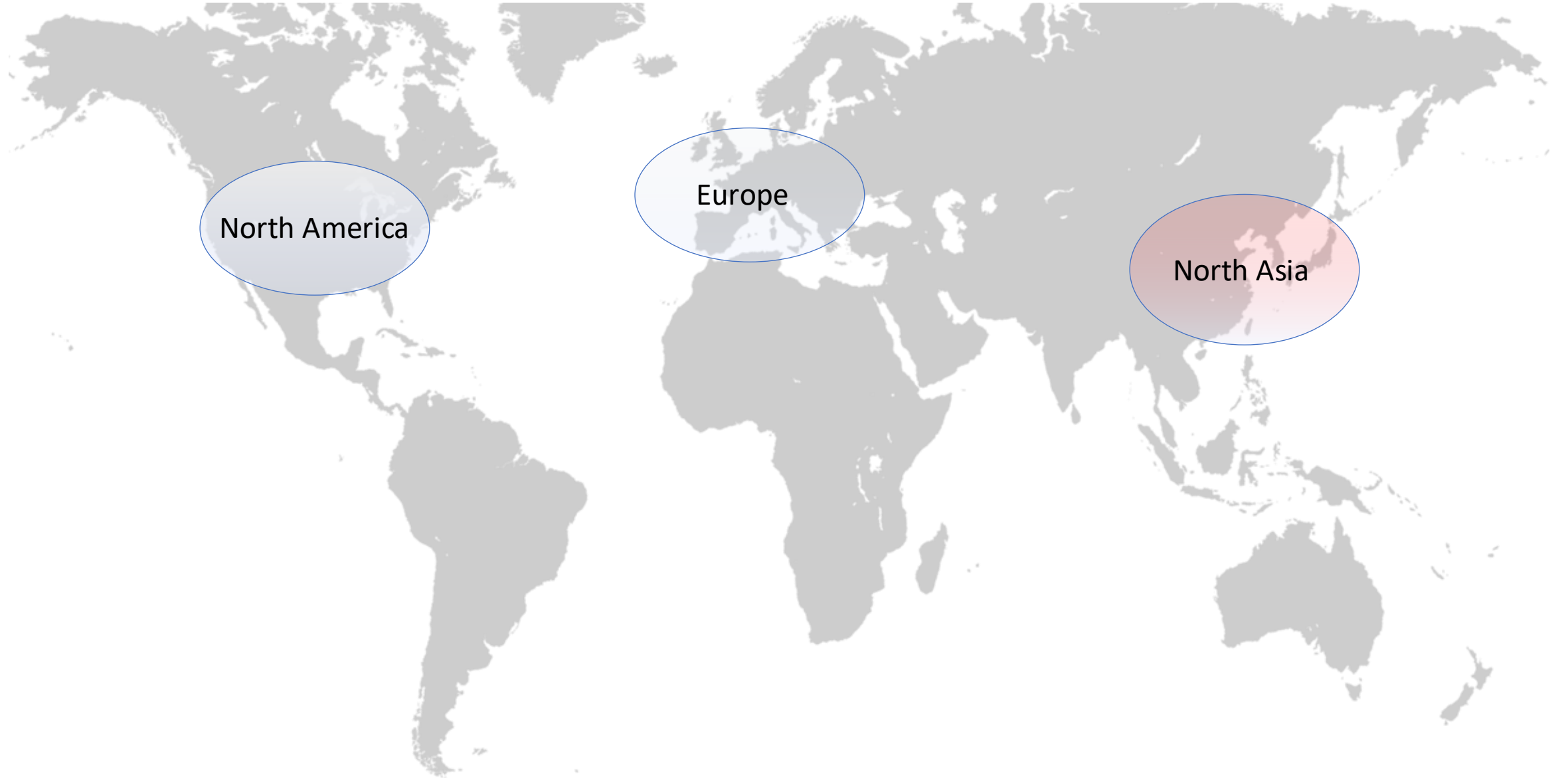
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Global Fresh Fruit Trade ~ AU\$175 bn

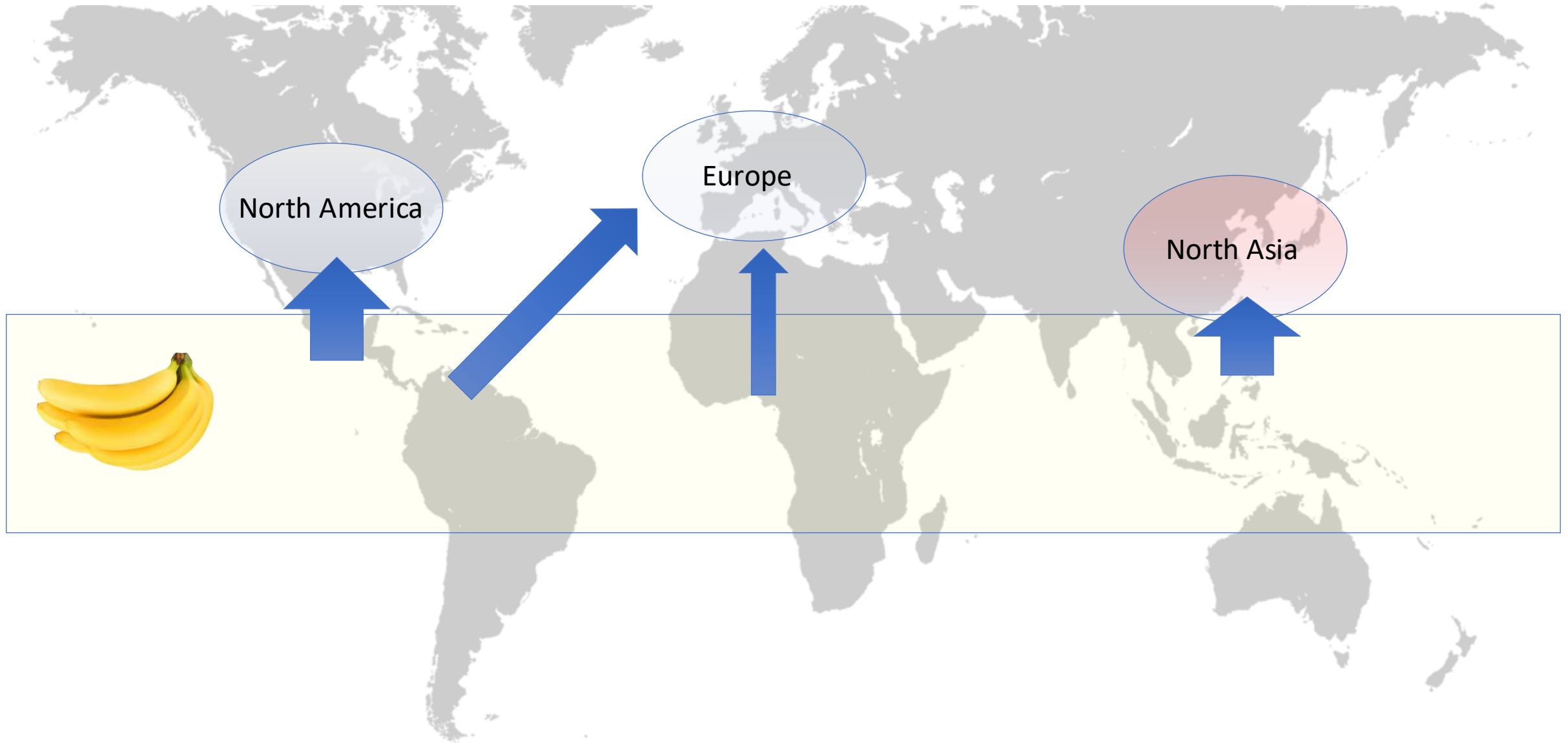
2014 – 2025 Trends



Three regions that drive the world economy, North America, Europe and Asia, are major fruit importers



Bananas are grown in tropics and almost all consumption in North America, Europe and North Asia are imported, leading to being the largest volume of all fruits traded



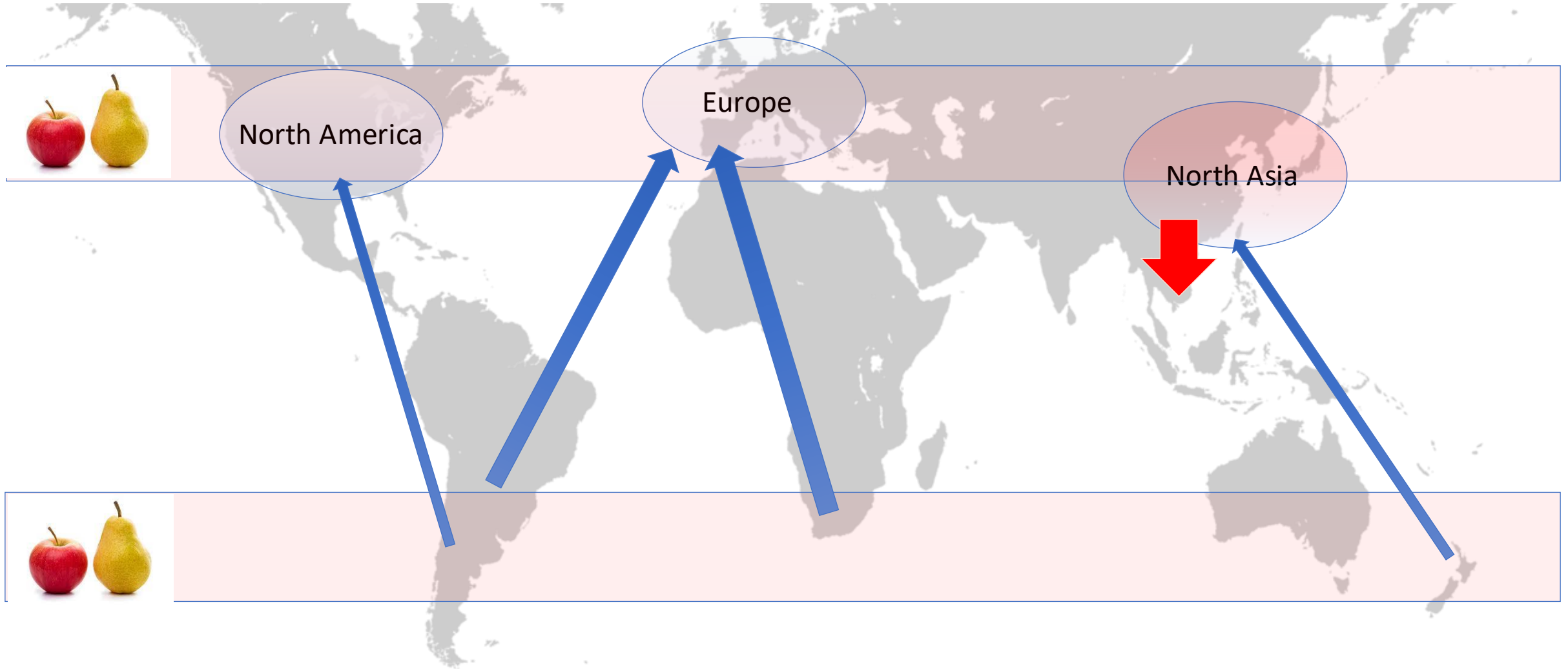
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Most traded volume is within Europe, with significant counter season trade



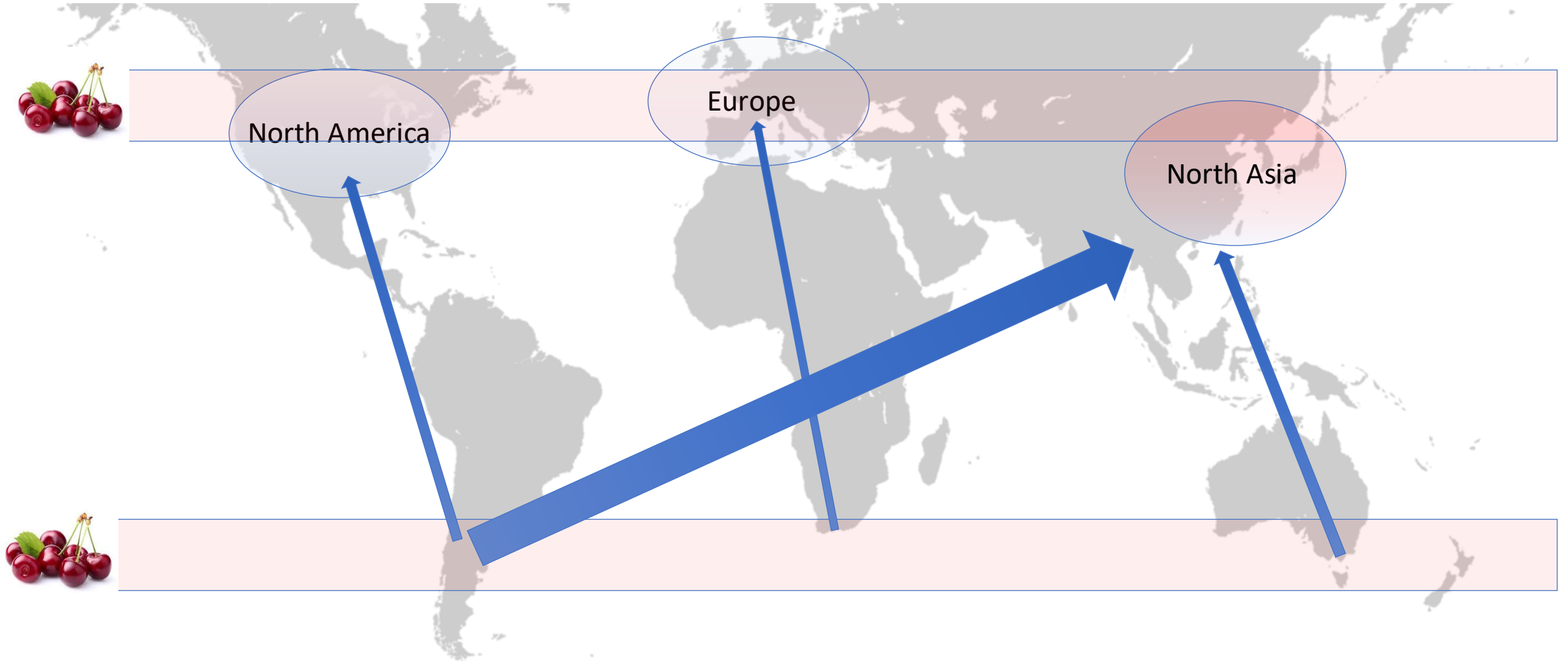
Apples & pears are grown in cooler temperate areas including inside the large markets. Apples & pears can be cold stored and demand for seasonal international trade is reduced.

Most traded volume is within Europe though with small volumes of counter season trade



Cherries, also being grown in cooler temperate areas including inside the large markets cannot be cold stored thus creates more demand for seasonal international trade.

Most traded volume is from Chile to China, driven strategically by Chile.



Global Fresh Fruit Production and Trade

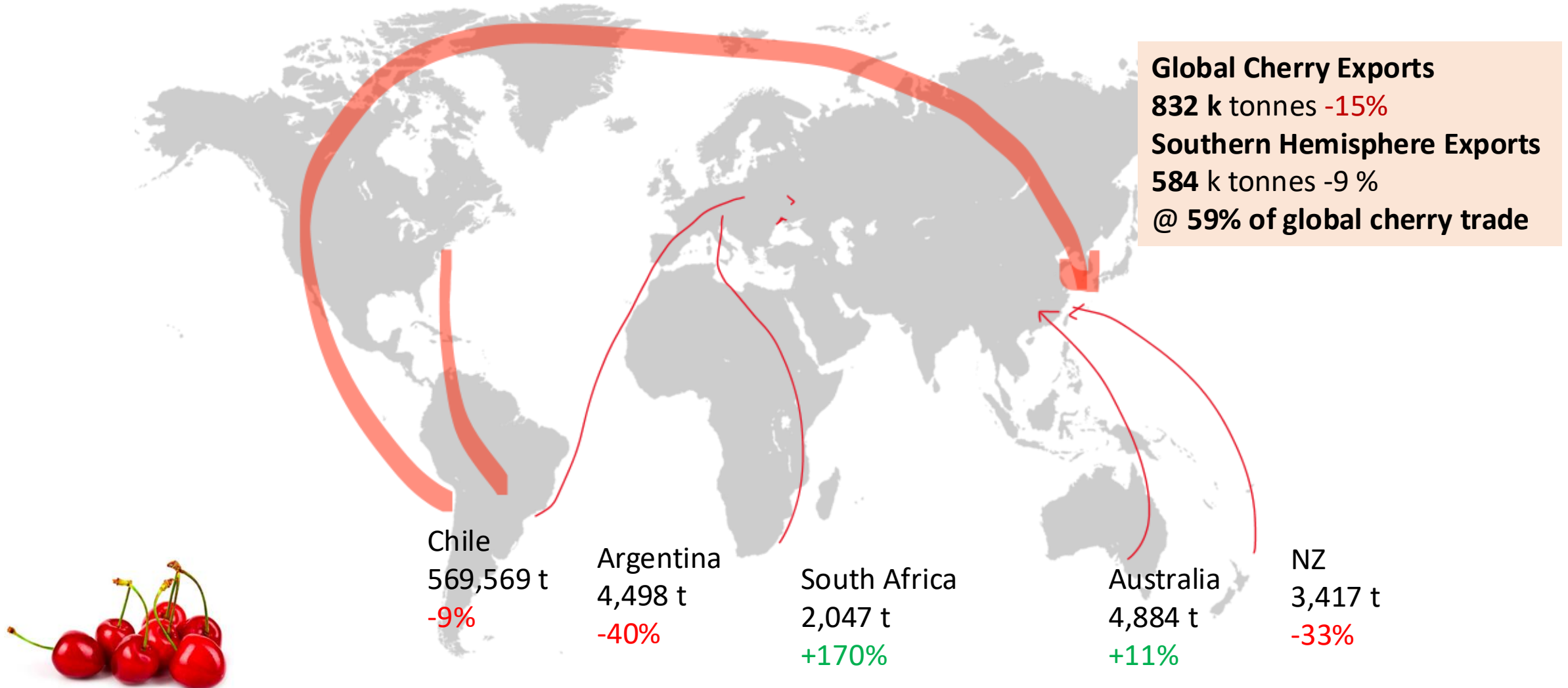
	Production	Trade	% traded	Value KG
	Million Tonnes	Million Tonnes		AU\$ / kg
Bananas	184.0	24.7	13.4%	\$0.90
Citrus	165.6	18.1	10.9%	\$1.45
Apples & Pears	125.5	10.7	8.5%	\$1.49
Table Grapes	30.0	5.3	17.7%	\$3.31
Mangoes & mangosteens	62.2	3.1	5.0%	\$2.04
Stone fruit	45.2	3.2	7.0%	\$2.14
Cherries	4.6	0.8	18.1%	\$7.37
<i>Avocados</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>3.4</i>	<i>30.0%</i>	<i>\$4.07</i>
<i>Blueberries</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>58.3%</i>	<i>\$9.38</i>
Other	252.8	13.3	5.3%	\$3.37
World	882.9	83.5	9.5%	\$1.94

Source: ITC Trademap; Fresh Intelligence analysis

Bananas and Citrus drive fresh fruit production and trade globally

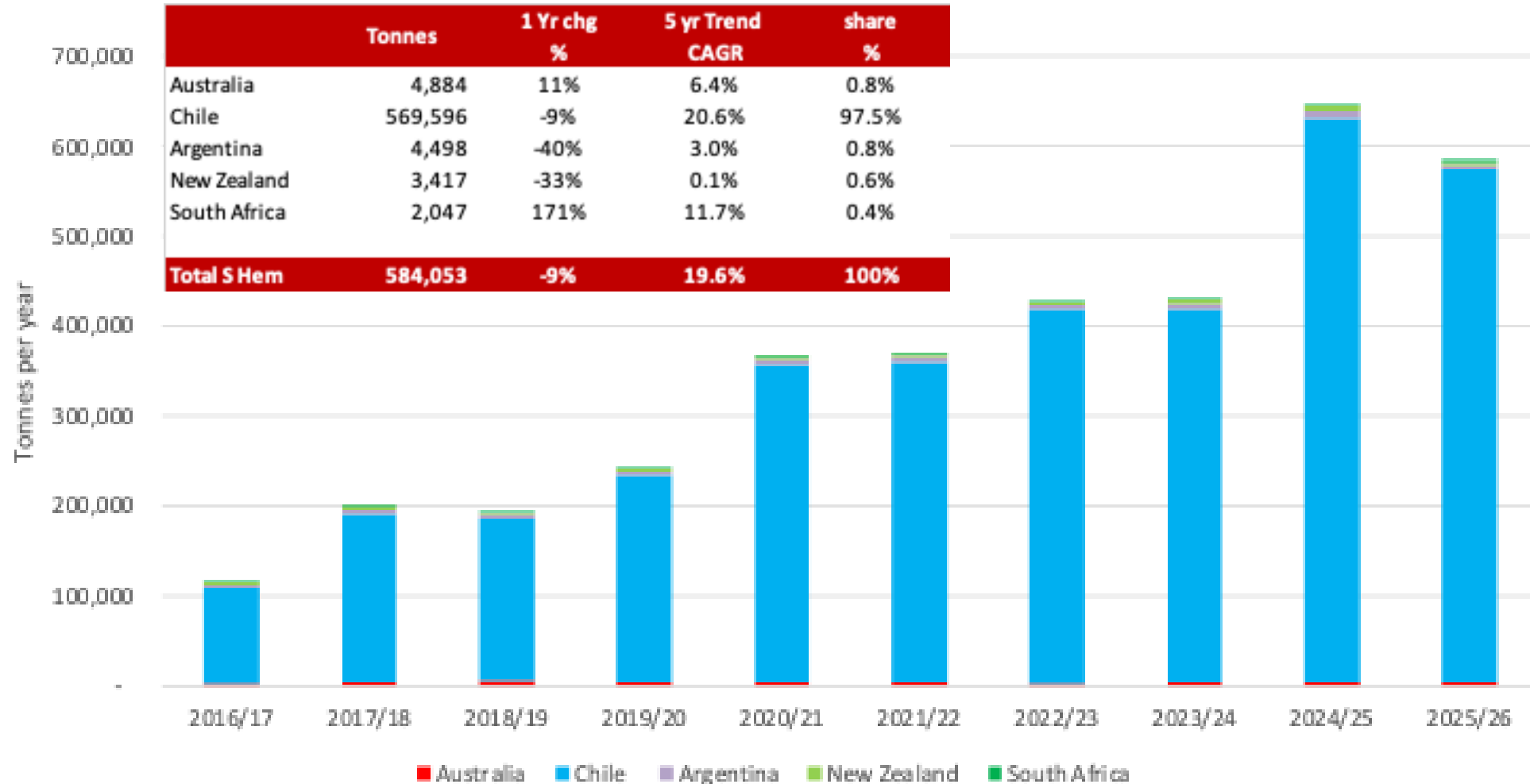
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE EXPORTERS

Southern Hemisphere cherry producers export mostly to Northern Hemisphere markets. Chile dominates by exporting 569,027 tonnes (97% share) (+51%) of which 95 per cent was exported to Asia. Australia accounts for 0.8% share of exports from the Southern Hemisphere. Chile, Argentina and New Zealand all dropped in volume in 2025/26.



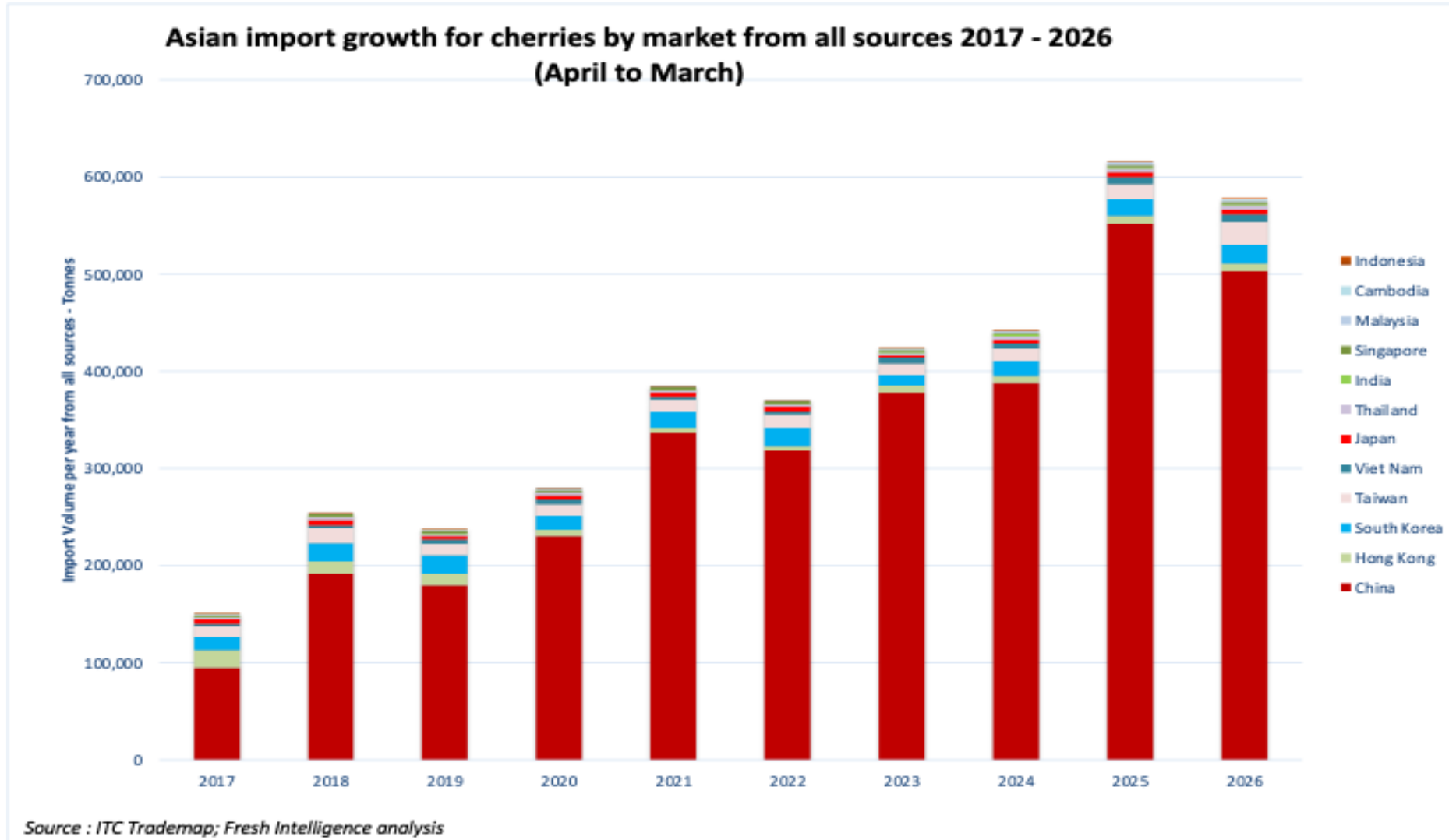
SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE EXPORT GROWTH

Southern Hemisphere cherry producers exported 584,053 tonnes in 2025/26 season, down 9 per cent on the previous year. Chile dominates by exporting 569,027 tonnes (97% share). Australia along with Argentina and New Zealand hold less than 1 per cent market share. Chile, Argentina and New Zealand all recorded lower volumes.



ASIAN MARKET IMPORTS – LONG TERM TREND

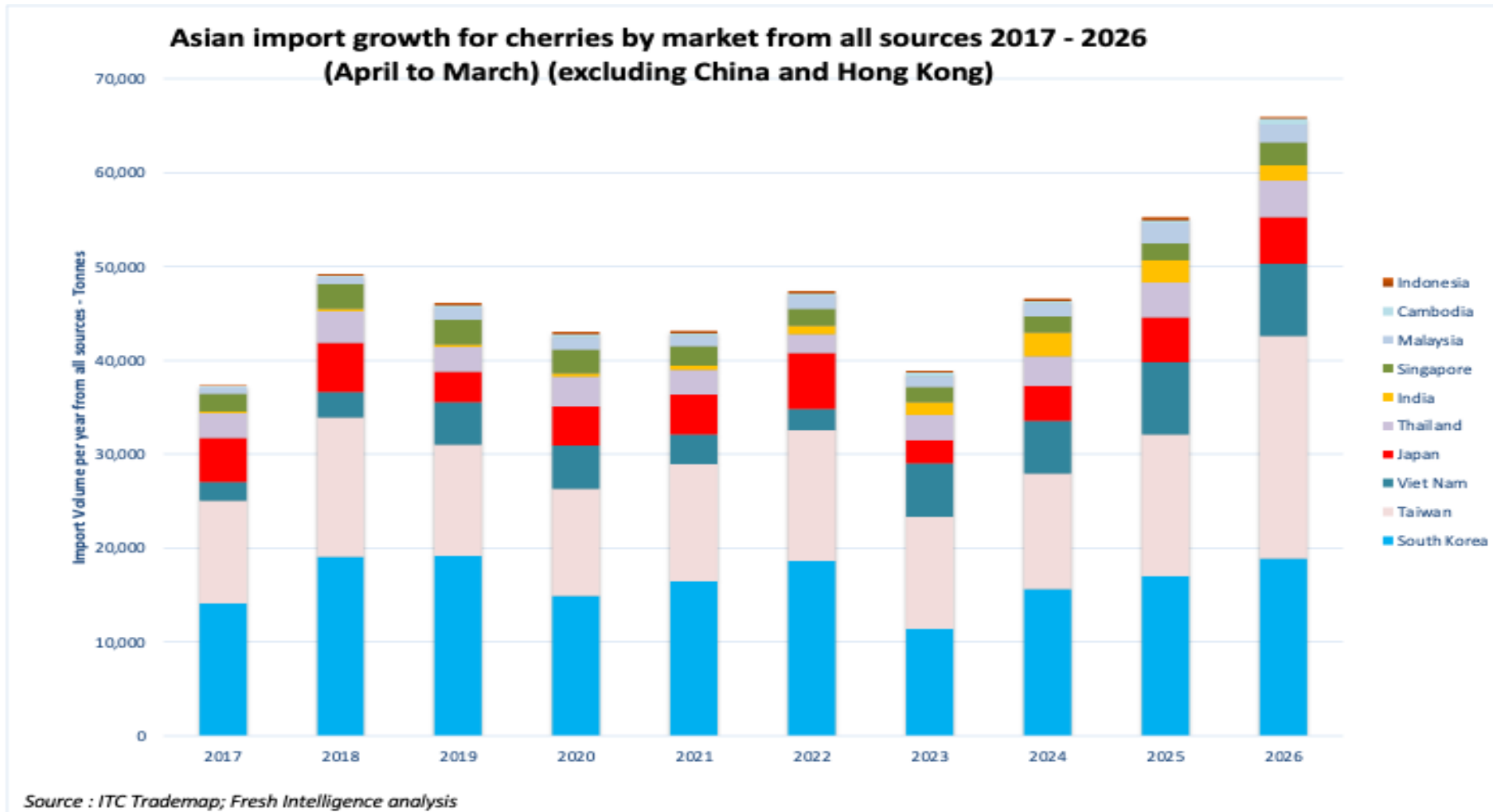
China dominated Asian import markets with over 500,000 tonnes imported mostly from Chile though eased 9 per cent last year. Overall Asian markets imported 576,532 tonnes of cherries in the year ending March 2026. Hong Kong is influenced by re exports to China, which have been removed.



ASIAN MARKET IMPORTS – (excl Hong Kong & China)

Removing China and Hong Kong figures more clearly shows the rest of Asia

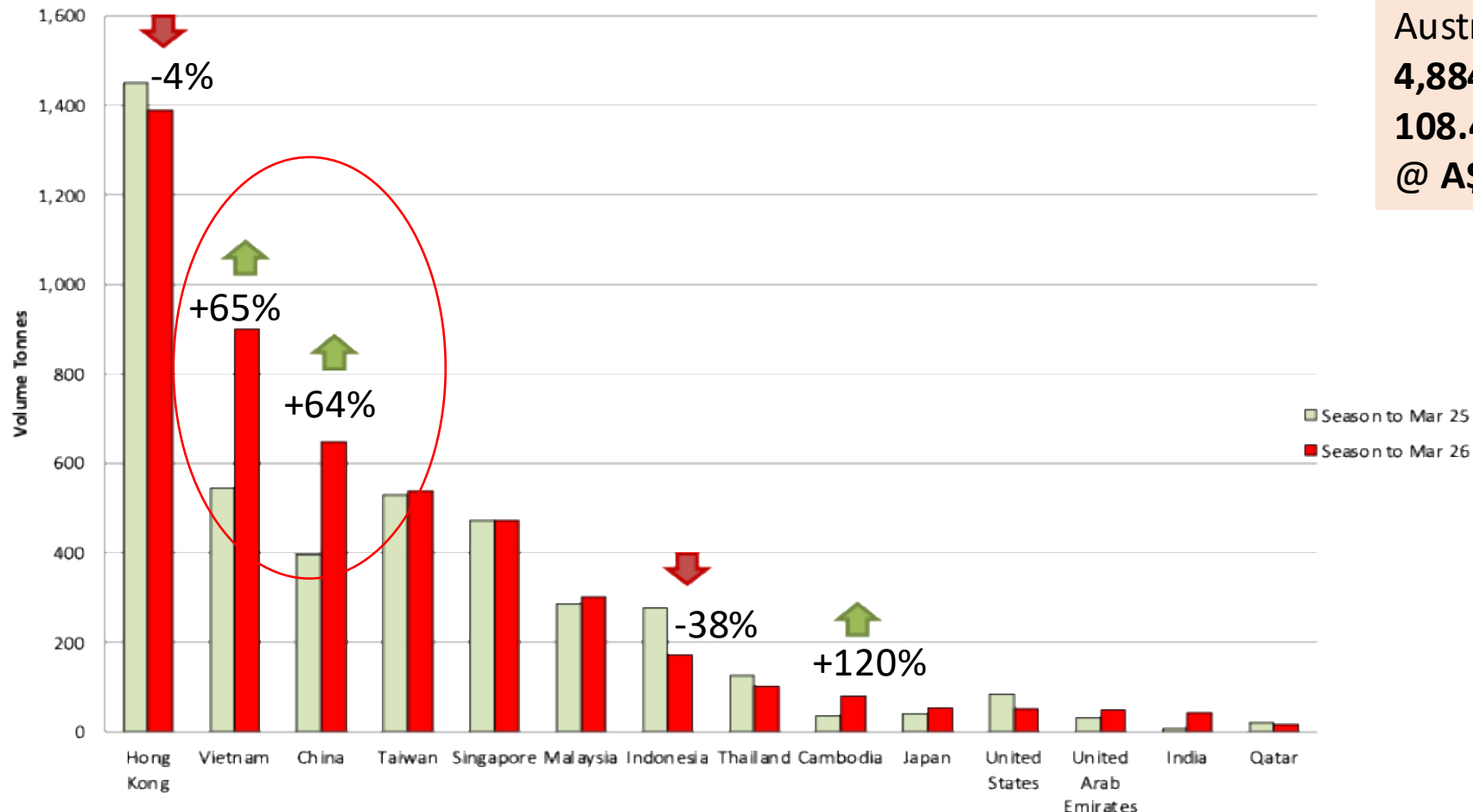
South Korea and Taiwan are largest importers in this group. Vietnam and India are increasing off small bases
Japan has been decreasing, though is mostly US fruit with negligible volumes in southern season.



AUSTRALIAN CHERRY EXPORTS – BY MARKET GROWTH

Hong Kong was the largest export destination though decreased 4 per cent to 1,389 tonnes while **China and Vietnam** increased around 65 per cent each. Taiwan and Singapore were steady while Indonesia dropped 38 per cent to 172 tonnes. Cambodia appears as an emerging market increasing 120 per cent to 81 tonnes, and India increased 4 x fold to 44 tonnes.

Australian Cherry exports by market season to March 2026 vs previous year



Australian Cherry Exports
4,884 tonnes +11.4%
108.4 million AUD + 19.5%
@ **A\$22.20** per kg

Source : ABS Data , Fresh Intelligence Analysis



SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE CHERRY SUPPLIERS to ASIA

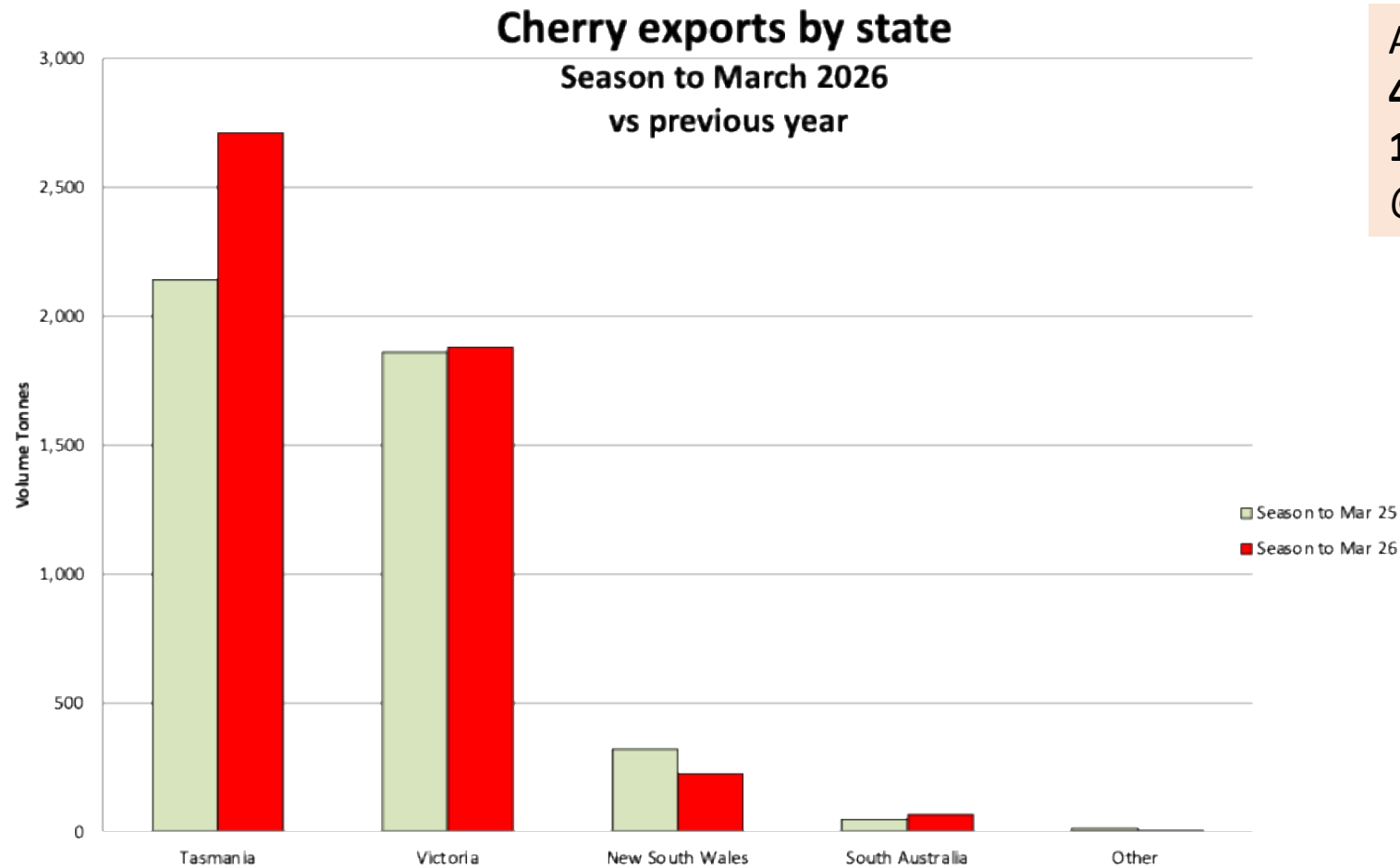
Chile dominates the Asian market by exporting 519,417 tonnes exported to Asia in 2025/26, albeit 9 per cent lower
 Australia is market leader in Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia and Indonesia where the volumes are smaller
 Argentina is making inroads to some markets notably China and Singapore
 New Zealand is ahead of Australia in Taiwan, China and Japan.

	Australia share		Chile	New Zealand	Argentina	South Africa	Total
	Tonnes	% of total	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes
China	649	0.1%	494,417	675	1,022	3	496,765
Hong Kong	1,389	60%	735	175	30	4	2,333
Taiwan	539	4%	10,653	1,368	-	-	12,560
South Korea	1	0%	7,057	0	-	-	7,059
Vietnam	899	22%	2,883	316	-	-	4,098
Thailand	102	4%	2,106	68	-	-	2,275
Singapore	472	39%	268	123	141	210	1,214
India	44	5%	800	-	-	10	854
Malaysia	303	56%	17	178	-	44	543
Japan	53	11%	258	177	-	-	488
Indonesia	172	87%	18	9	-	-	198
Total	4,636	1%	519,417	3,134	1,193	271	528,651

Source: IHS Global Trade Atlas; Fresh Intelligence analysis

AUSTRALIAN CHERRY EXPORTS – BY STATE

Tasmania accounted for 55 per cent of the total cherry export crop with 2,711 tonnes, increasing 27 per cent, followed by Victoria with 1,880 tonnes or 38 per cent share.



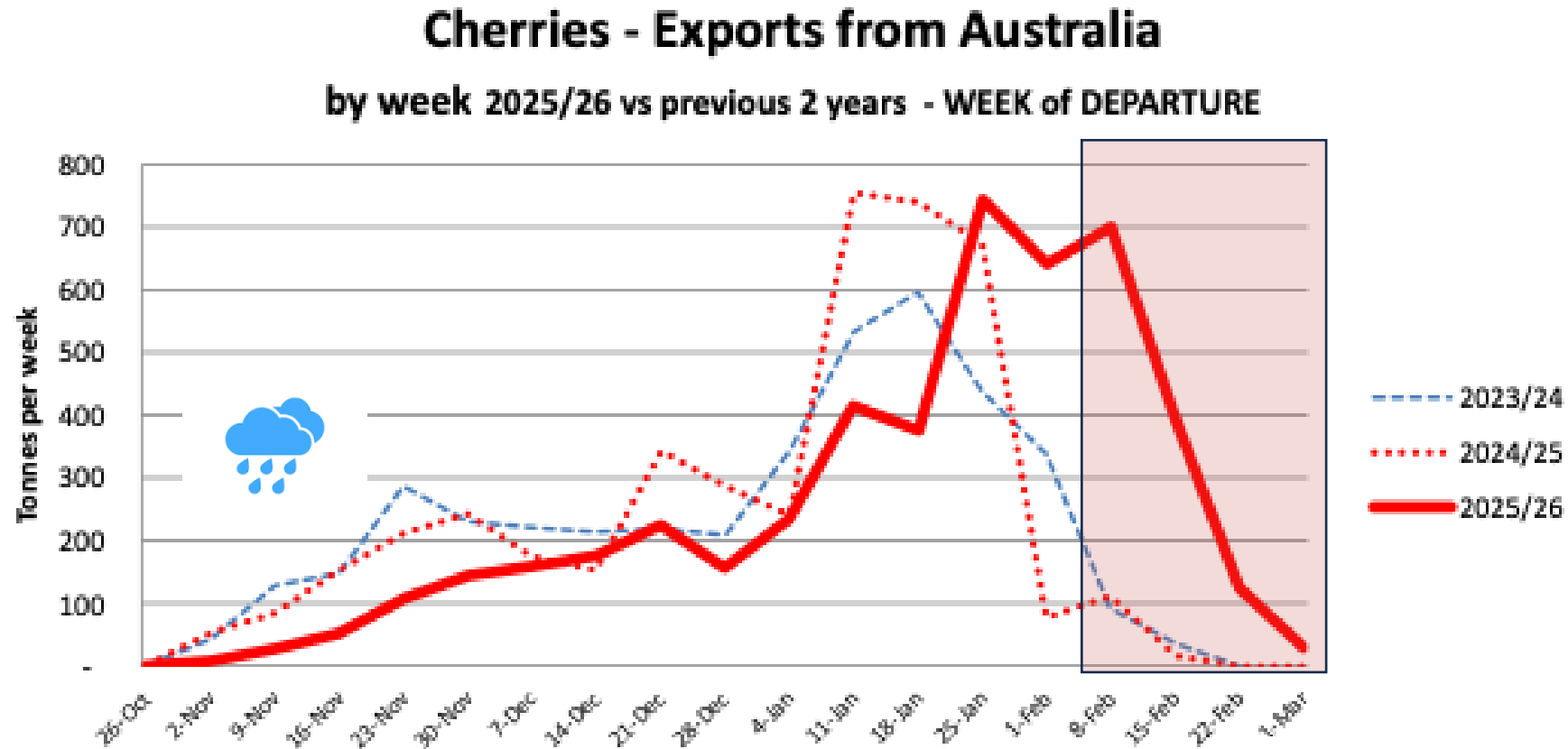
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CHERRY EXPORTS – BY WEEK

The 2025/26 exports lagged previous years until late January, then impacted by steady rain through December affecting the Victorian harvest. The unusually high level of demand and supply resulted in the highest ever recorded exports for a February and brought the total season result to an 11 per cent higher than the previous season.

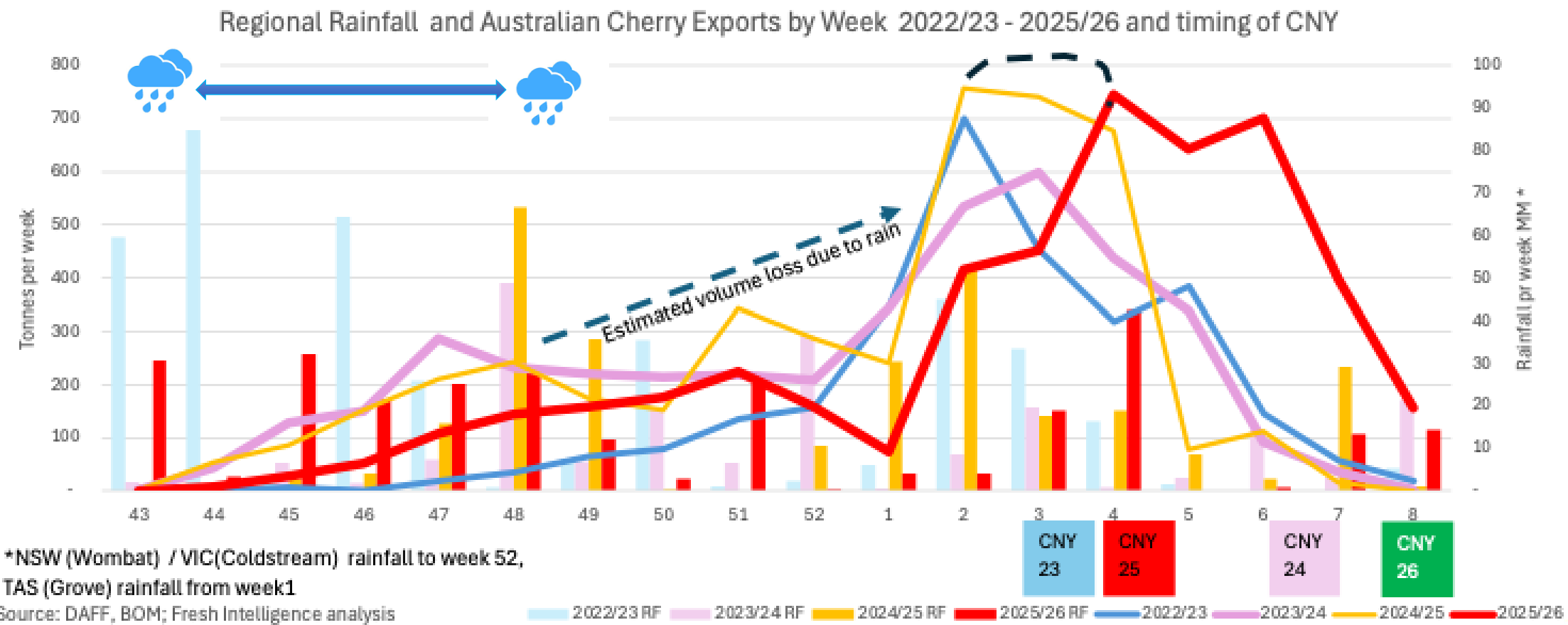


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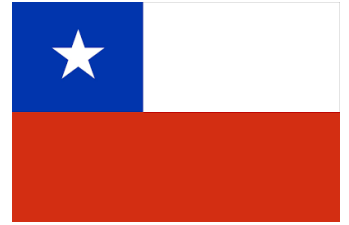
CHERRY EXPORTS – BY WEEK – with RAINFALL

Almost steady rain from weeks 43-48 slowed the 2025/26 harvest resulting in lower exports until January (week 3)
The late Lunar New Year in February 2026 and a shortage from other southern suppliers created demand that pulled more trade into February.

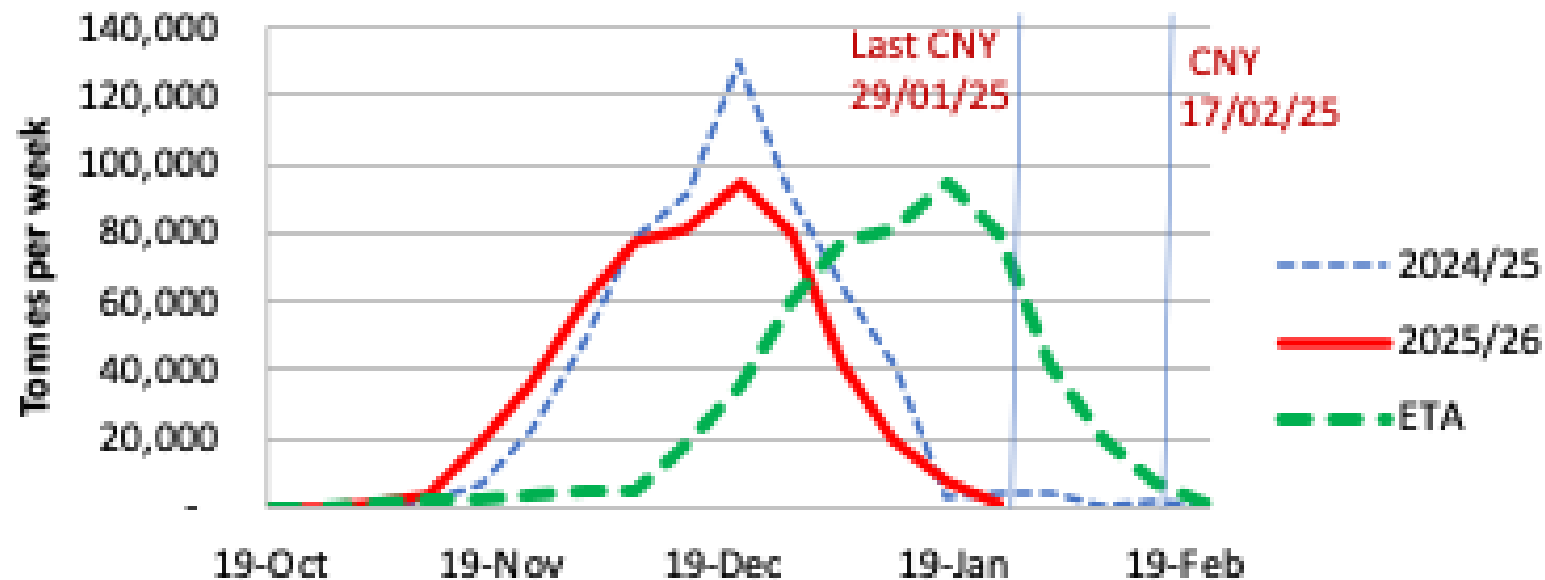


CHERRY EXPORTS FROM CHILE

Chilean cherry exports started 10 days early due to favourable climatic conditions – 18,000 tonnes by air
Chinese New Year fell later, misaligning Chilean cherry shipments with the peak of demand.
Prices were pushed downwards driven by less than optimum quality.



Cherries - Chile shipment to Asia 2025/26 vs 2024/25 - DATE of SHIPPING



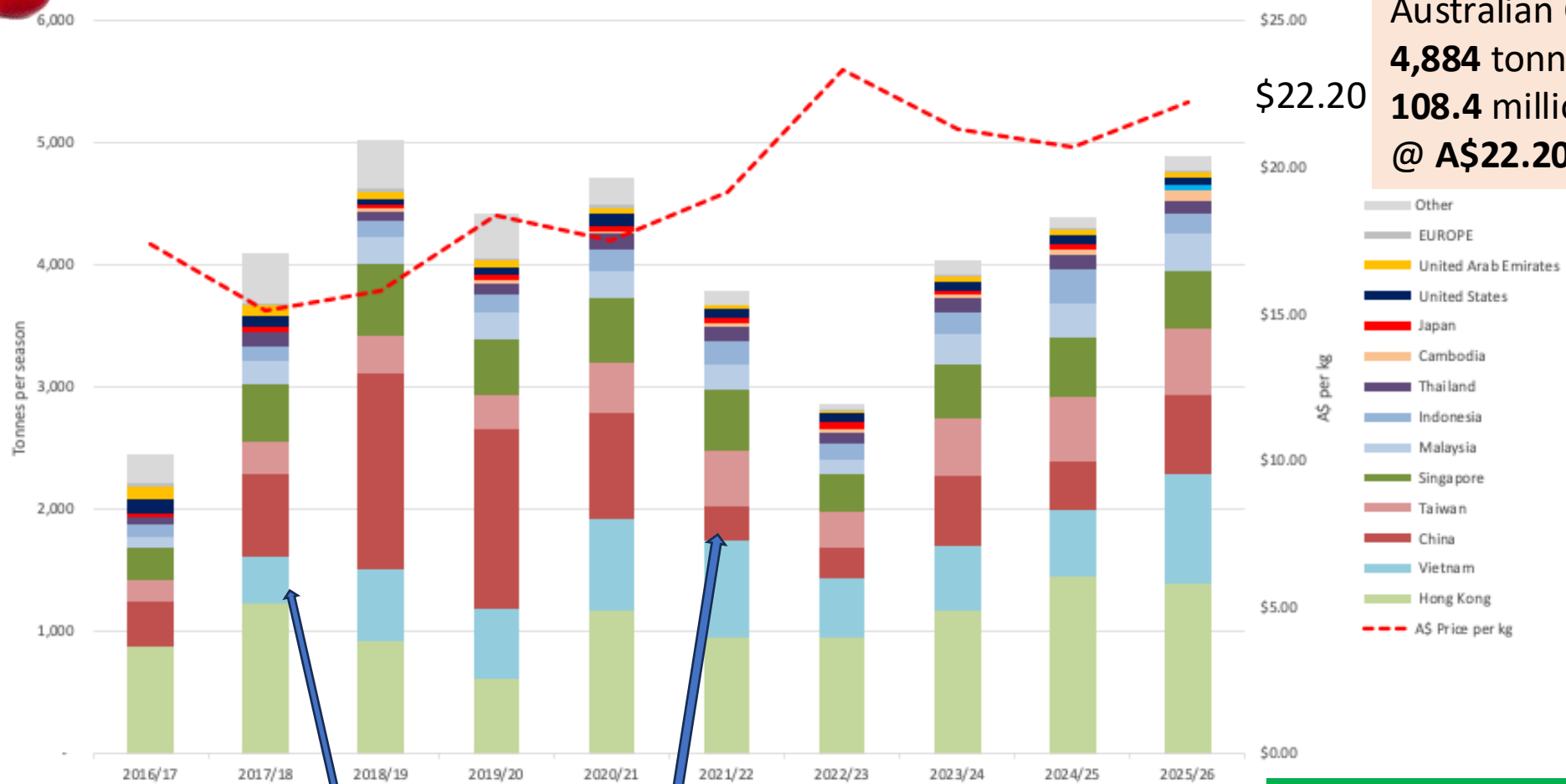
- Early Start
- Early Finish
- Misaligned CNY
- Quality and Price down
- 90% China reliance
- Over supply

Source: Decofrut; Fresh Intelligence analysis





Result - Australian Cherry Exports exceed \$100m



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Short crop
high price

Vietnam
access

China
tension

Short crop
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Crop increases
Quality Focus
Late Lunar New Year
Chile finished early

Weather impacts Australia,
Chile and New Zealand

Environment

Weather,
Pests & diseases
Geography

Market access for Taiwan, and
Thailand, Global fallout from ME

Geopolitics

Government,
Wars,
Policy

Cost of Production
Grower Returns
Profitability

People,
Consumption,
Relationships

Societal

Chinese New Year traditions
Quality and Price

Big data
Internet
AI (artificial intelligence)

Technological

Using market data to advantage,
communications, logistics

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