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**Spanish fruit consumption grows**

Data from Fepex shows that year-on-year fresh produce consumption climbed 2 per cent in November 2012.

The consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables in Spain increased during November, according to the latest figures collated by the Food Consumption Panel of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment and published by Fepex.

Data showed that fresh produce consumption increased 2 per cent on a year-on-year basis, at a volume of 718,884 tonnes and a value of €987.5m.

Fruit consumption climbed 3.6 per cent to 386,330 tonnes, while vegetable consumption declined 1 per cent to 239,555 tonnes – not including potatoes, which grew 1.5 per cent to 92,999 tonnes.

Fepex reported that for the January-November period, the total fresh produce figures came to 8m tonnes, up 2 per cent on the same period of 2011.