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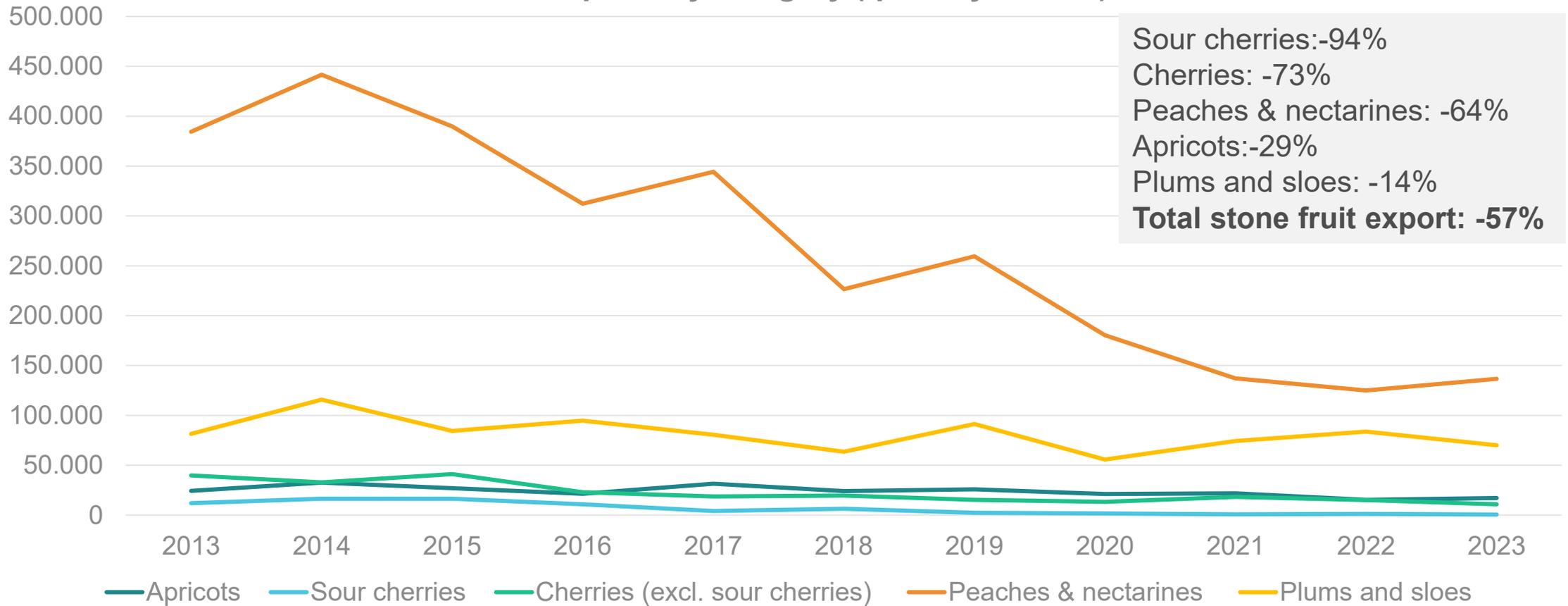
# Agri Expert Working Group on Peaches and Nectarines



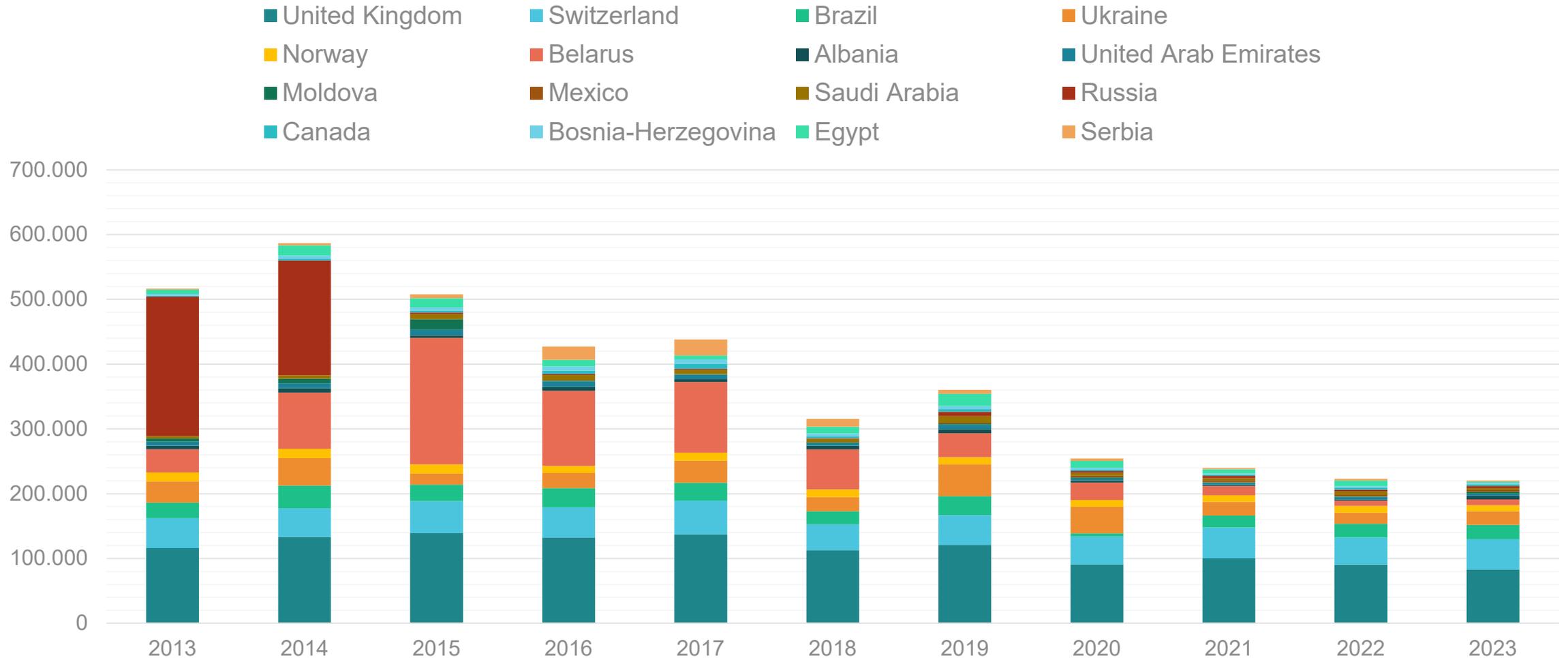
*Export developments  
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# EU stone fruit export: general 10-year trend

EU stone fruit exports by category (quantity in tons)

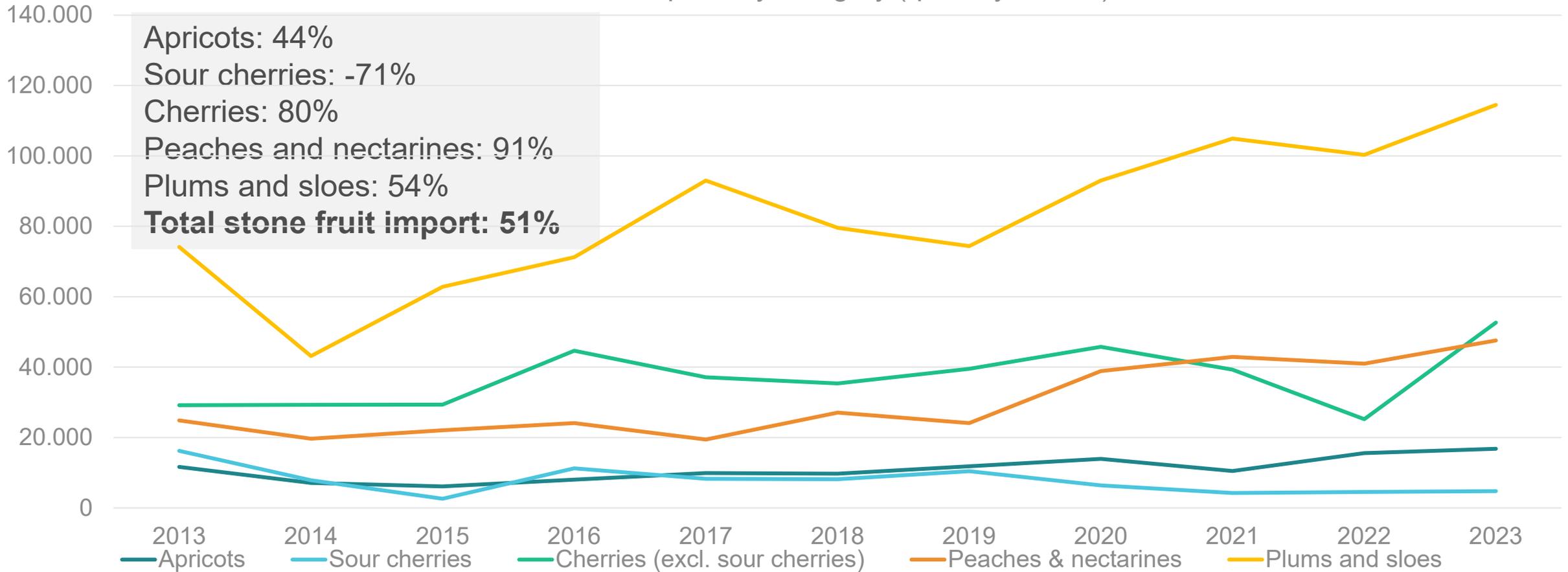


# EU stone fruit export: main destinations

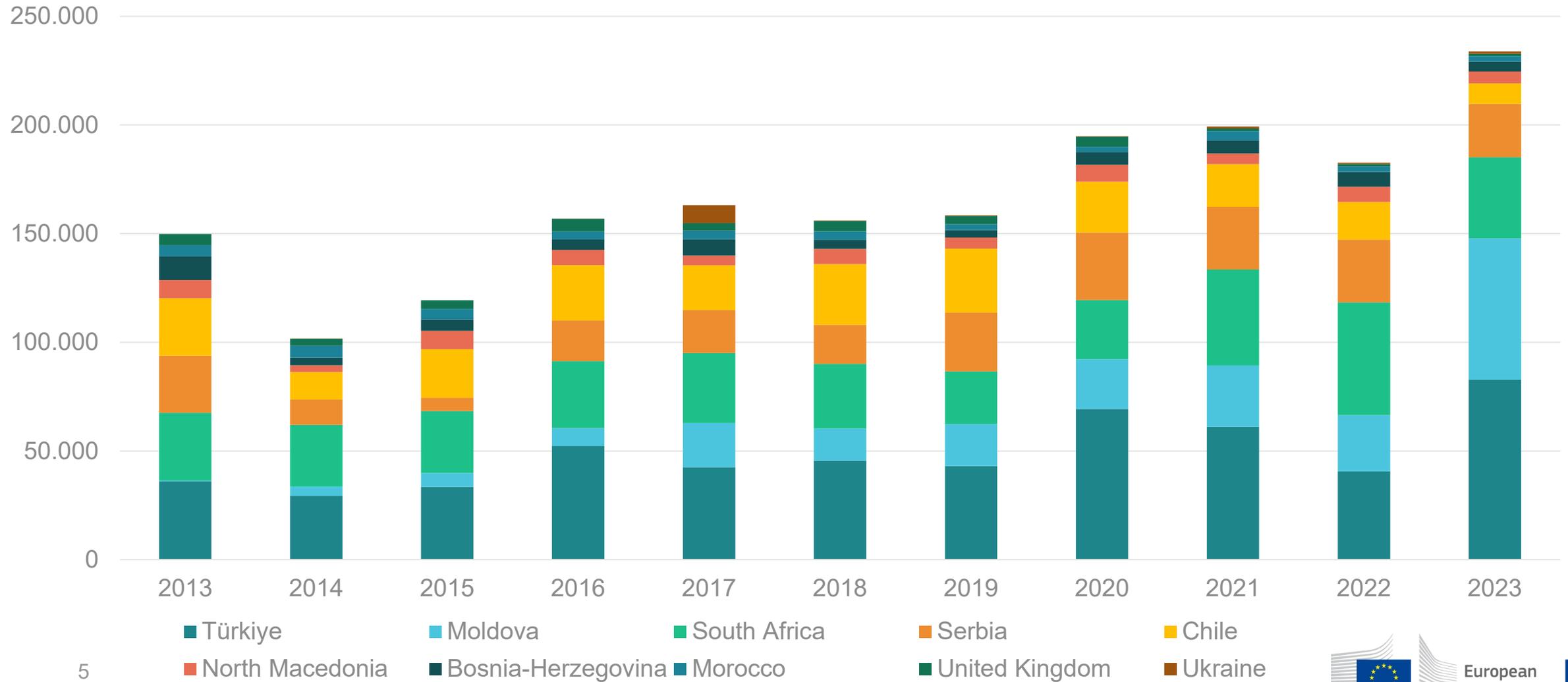


# EU stone fruit imports: general 10-year trend

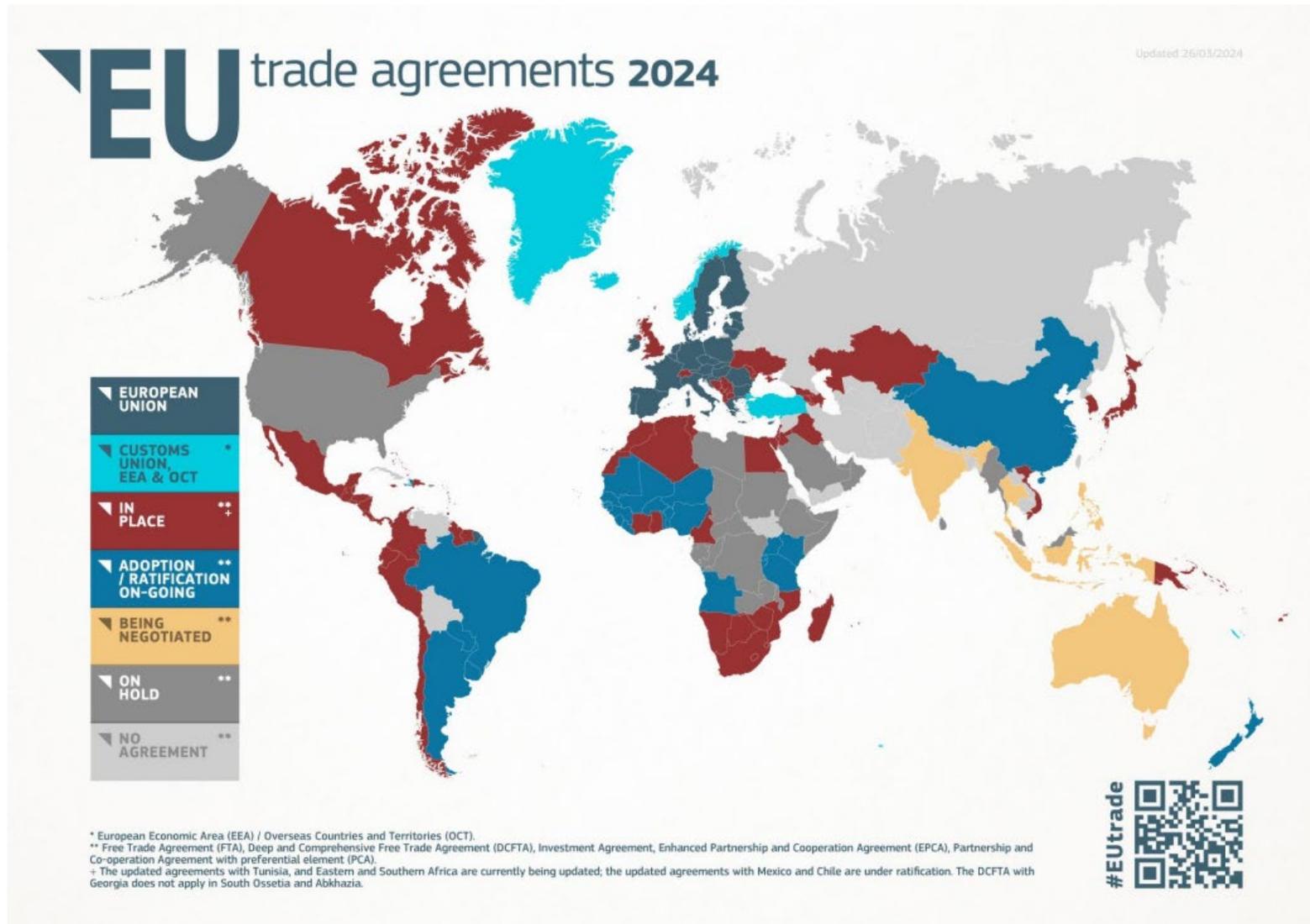
EU stone fruit imports by category (quantity in tons)



# EU stone fruit imports: main partners



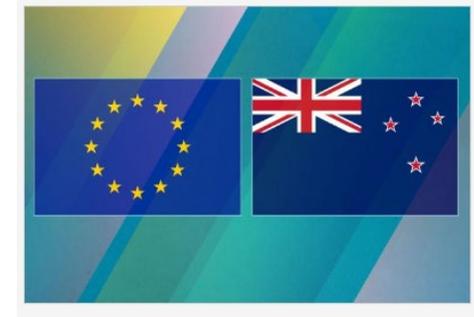
# FTA developments



# EU-FTA Tariff Schedules by third countries

Country	Description	Base rate	Category	Notes
<b>New Zealand</b> (in force since 1 May 2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stone fruit</li> </ul>	free	A	Free at EIF
<b>Chile</b> (modernized signed on 13 December 2023, entry into force expected by end 2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stone fruit</li> </ul>	Free (MFN 6%)	Year 0	As agreed under the 2002 Association Agreement
<b>Mercosur</b> (Agreement in Principle 28 June 2019 – discussion on sustainability ongoing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stone fruit</li> </ul>	10%	0	Free at EIF
<b>Mexico</b> (modernized agreement negotiations concluded, legal review ongoing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apricots</li> <li>Cherries</li> <li>Nectarines</li> <li>Peaches</li> <li>Plums &amp; sloes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0% (MFN 20%)</li> <li>0% (MFN 20%)</li> <li>20%</li> <li>20%</li> <li>0% (MFN 20%)</li> </ul>	7	No change No change Free on year 7 TRQ duty free (phase in over 10 years to 2 500 t) + 50% tariff reduction in 10 years (down to 10%)

# EU-New Zealand Tariff Schedule of the European Union



Country	Description	Base rate	Category	Notes
New Zealand (in force since 1 May 2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apricots</li> <li>• Sour Cherries</li> <li>• Cherries (other)</li> <li>• Nectarines</li> <li>• Peaches</li> <li>• Plums</li> <li>• Sloes</li> </ul>	EP (except sloes)	A (EP)	Elimination of ad valorem component of the customs duties
		12%	A	Free at EIF

# EU-Chile Tariff Schedule of the European Union



Country	Description	Base rate	Category	Notes
<b>Chile</b> (Conclusion of negotiations 9 December 2022)	• Apricots	0% + EP (1 June to 31 July)	0+EP	Elimination of ad valorem component of the customs duties as agreed under the 2002 Association Agreement.
	• Sour Cherries	0% + EP (21 May to 10 Aug)		
	• Cherries (other)			
	• Nectarines	0% + EP (11 June to 30 Sept)		
	• Peaches			
• Plums	0% + EP (11 June to 30 Sept)			
• Sloes	Free		0	

# EU-Mercosur Tariff Schedule of the European Union



Country	Description	Base rate	Category	Notes
<b>Mercosur</b> (Agreement in Principles 28 June 2019)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apricots</li> <li>• Sour Cherries</li> <li>• Cherries (other)</li> <li>• Nectarines</li> <li>• Peaches</li> <li>• Plums</li> </ul>	EP (except sloes)	10/EP 7/EP 0/EP 0/EP 0/EP 0/EP	Elimination of ad valorem EP component in 11 equal annual stages / 8 equal annual stages / EIF
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sloes</li> </ul>	12%	7	Liberalization after 8 years



# Ongoing FTA negotiations

- **India:** 7<sup>th</sup> round in February following the first offer exchanges mid-2023. Recalibration exercise of ambitions ongoing in view of lower ambition by India. Fruit and veg. among main EU agri offensives.
- **Indonesia:** acceleration of negotiations towards a potential agreement by end 2024. Final exchange of offers under preparation.
- **Thailand:** relaunch of negotiations in March 2023, two rounds of negotiations already took place.
- **Philippines:** relaunch of negotiations announced in March 2024.

# SPS Matters – Market Access applications pending

- **Argentina:** pending application for cherries from ES (market open for ES peaches and plums)
- **Brazil:** pending application for FR apricots and PT nectarines. Market open for IT plums
- **Canada:** market opened for cherries from BE, GR, HU, IT and FR, pending for ES cherries
- **China:** pending application for BU, HU and ES cherries, GR peaches, HU plums, PL frozen plums. ES has access for plum and peaches
- **Colombia:** pending approval for FR plums. PT has access for peaches and nectarines
- **India:** fresh fruits of plums are allowed from any country, ES is approved in 2019 for stone fruit (2022), pending for FR dried plums.

# SPS Matters – Market Access applications pending

- **Japan:** pending application for cherries from GR, HU and PT, various stone fruits from ES
- **Peru:** pending application for stone fruit from ES;
- **Mexico:** pending approval for BE cherries. Market open for ES stone fruit.
- **South Africa:** BE cherries pending approval. Plums and cherries' approval pending for GR.
- **South Korea:** ES pending approval for stone fruit.
- **Thailand:** market open for ES cherries, FR plums pending.
- **USA:** ES pending approval for nectarines, plums, peaches (since 2002) and cherries for ES, GR, BU (joint CATTs project ongoing) (since 2015).
- **Vietnam:** pending approval for FR plums, GR cherries & plums, HU cherries, plums and apricots

# The way forward: SPS Matrices of the Market Access Database (MADB)



SPS matrices are compilations of pending, resolved and archived SPS market access applications and certification issues.

They are used to register applications, follow-up actions by MS and TCs, and monitor progress. They are completed by MS directly in the MADB.

# Motivate Member States to update

- The COM invites business organizations at EU level to invite their national members to motivate the competent authorities of MS to **complete/update in the MADB the third country specific “SPS matrices”** – **before the COM meets the TC** – with details about the state of play and expectations of individual MS/product export applications, as this information is vital for the COM to push for **individual** MS export interests and **horizontal** issues of general interest.
- The COM has started a new procedure of **archiving** (no longer pushing TCs to solve) applications that have not been updated by MS for a long period of time.

# Access to the MADB/SPS

<https://madb2.tradenet.ec.europa.eu/>

- To learn how to use the MADB, consult the “User Guide” (bottom of the page);
- To request a new account/access, send an e-mail to [TRADE-SPS@ec.europa.eu](mailto:TRADE-SPS@ec.europa.eu); and
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