### Mango Agribusiness Research Program

Evaluation of technical issues and commercial constraints in Australian exports to China ECR study – Mango Biosecurity Project

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Implementing Agency





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## Introduction

Aim is to identify the technical, scientific and commercial constraints that may be impeding Australia from meeting mango export market requirements to China.

## Market overview Key export market summary

Australia Export Statistics

Commodity: 080450, Guavas, Mangoes And Mangosteens, Fresh Or Dried

Year To Date: January - December

Partner Country	Unit	2016/17		2017/18		2018/19		\$/kg			Volume variance	
Paraler cound y		AUS	Quantity	AUS	Quantity	AUS	Quantity	16/17	17/18	YTD18/19	17/18	YTD18/19
World	KG	\$ 31,400,728	7,359,205.00	\$ 30,950,813	8,069,482.00	\$ 32,070,37	8,703,290.00	\$ 4.27	\$ 3.84	\$ 3.68	10%	8%
Hong Kong	KG	\$ 14,050,507	3,180,384.00	\$ 12,785,765	3,244,431.00	\$ 7,912,05	2,250,514.00	\$ 4.42	\$ 3.94	\$ 3.52	2%	-31%
Singapore	KG	\$ 3,863,631	1,104,029.00	\$ 5,328,575	1,591,628.00	\$ 7,182,98	6 2,115,952.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.35	\$ 3.39	44%	33%
New Zealand	KG	\$ 3,143,323	855,379.00	\$ 3,698,673	1,118,897.00	\$ 4,292,92	4 1,297,728.00	\$ 3.67	\$ 3.31	\$ 3.31	31%	16%
United Arab Emirates	KG	\$ 2,901,477	754,738.00	\$ 2,839,168	836,852.00	\$ 3,508,77	918,322.00	\$ 3.84	\$ 3.39	\$ 3.82	11%	10%
China	KG	\$ 471,888	64,885.00	\$ 754,778	119,150.00	\$ 1,262,96	225,633.00	\$ 7.27	\$ 6.33	\$ 5.60	84%	89%
Saudi Arabia	KG	\$ 817,100	189,483.00	\$ 1,009,941	243,254.00	\$ 1,243,22	331,061.00	\$ 4.31	\$ 4.15	\$ 3.76	28%	36%
Lebanon	KG	\$ 1,443,953	410,816.00	\$ 592,573	209,163.00	\$ 1,097,61	2 399,249.00	\$ 3.51	\$ 2.83	\$ 2.75	-49%	91%
Korea South	KG	\$ 809,472	110,252.00	\$ 563,160	60,534.00	\$ 986,15	139,925.00	\$ 7.34	\$ 9.30	\$ 7.05	-45%	131%
Kuwait	KG	\$ 520,905	118,836.00	\$ 456,218	114,626.00	\$ 954,56	237,431.00	\$ 4.38	\$ 3.98	\$ 4.02	-4%	107%
Canada	KG	\$ 513,213	122,211.00	\$ 635,527	122,432.00	\$ 896,36	208,516.00	\$ 4.20	\$ 5.19	\$ 4.30	0%	70%
Qatar	KG	\$ 420,683	96,956.00	\$ 732,519	168,812.00	\$ 785,74	6 212,128.00	\$ 4.34	\$ 4.34	\$ 3.70	74%	26%
United States	KG	\$ 960,641	93,363.00	\$ 542,656	63,676.00	\$ 501,06	3 75,763.00	\$ 10.29	\$ 8.52	\$ 6.61	-32%	19%
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# **China market**

	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
Crop Flow	1%	10%	20%	25%	30%	10%	3%	1%

#### **Australian exports to China**

- Increased volumes exported directly to China over last few seasons
- YTD exports to China 225 tonnes versus last year 120 tonnes
- Increase in registrations for China exports (Orchards, Packhouse and VHT treatment facility)
- Orchard registrations namely from Queensland
- ► All 3 VHT facilities are based in Queensland
  - Mutchilba, Giru and Brisbane

Australian export registrations for China			
Season	1718	1819	
Orchards	14	18	29%
Packhouses	9	12	33%
VHT Treatment Facilities	2	3	50%

# Methodology

### Semi-structured interviews:

- ▶ 18 registrations, with only 14 unique businesses
- All were invited to participate in study

### Completions:

- ▶ 5 orchards / 5 packhouses
- ▶ 3 VHT



## Results Industry feedback

#### Orchard requirements

Time/cost to comply with *property registration* (Crop monitoring, Chemical control, Pest and disease control) to supply *treatment/protocol markets* 

#### Communication and education

Need for improved effective communications (Orchards, Exporters, Treatment facilities, Government, Industry)

#### VHT

Available facilities / location / treatment capacity / handling Alternatives to VHT, less strict requirements, protecting ?

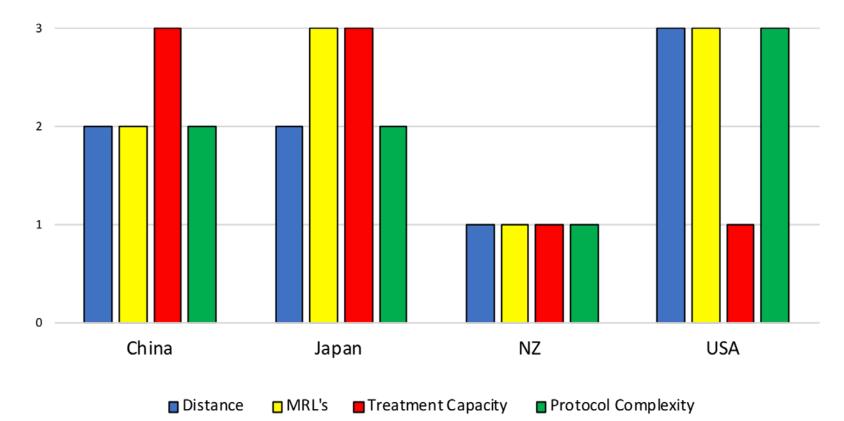
#### Market volatility

Good domestic market, supply at the detriment of the export market Price competition from 'other' markets Unpredictability of trade

## Results Market comparisons

#### **Export Market Restrictions**

- 1 = Limited or no challenge
  - 2 = Moderate challenge
  - 3 = Significant challenge



## Conclusion

Current Australian mango industry

Domestic market provides higher prices, lower market access costs resulting in better returns, lower risks, more convenience, personal relationships, language & culture etc.

China exports

- High % of Australian exports is opportunistic
- Exporting becomes favourable in peak of the Australian mango season when production/harvest exceeds Australian domestic demand and prices in Australia fall
- However, those lower prices do not incentivise growers to invest in export market access or development (at an individual farm/enterprise level at this stage).

## Recommendations

## **Requirements for export**

- Different biosecurity requirements for domestic and foreign markets
- Increasingly complex for growers to service multiple markets
- Review requirements

## **Effective communication and education**

- Encourage growers to export to phytosanitary markets
- Training and education of quality manual
- Application process workshops
- Support to reduce audit times, improved online services or applications.

## Recommendations

## VHT

- Review of protocols
- Consider other possible treatments in place of current VHT process

## **Market volatility**

- Reduce desire for opportunistic trade
- Collaboration e.g. similar to the US working group
- Improved importer relationships.