


# KALE & DAMSON

*Crop Report - week 03*

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# Weekly Review

The temperatures are due to drop further next week in southern Spain where it is expected to be around 14/16 degrees during the day and down to 3/4 degrees at night. Clear skies expected and generally sunny during the day.

In Morocco the weather is expected to remain similar with temperatures at around 17/19 degrees during the day and at around 8/10 degrees at night. Mainly sunny with isolated cloudy spells.

Meanwhile, the weather in the UK and the rest of the Continent will continue with cold conditions and temperatures at around 5/8 degrees during the day and around 0/3 at night. Mainly sunny with some cloudy spells.

The general colder weather conditions are not only affecting volume as some products are more affected than others but also quality may defer also depending on the different product range.

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## VEGETABLES

### Aubergines

- Yield continues to be limited due to colder weather
- Quality remains good, but prices remain high
- No improvement in supply expected in the short term

### Cucumbers

- Supply remains very short, with rising prices
- Cooler weather has improved quality but limited yield
- Early Dutch cucumbers are available but in low volumes

## Broccoli

- Availability is limited, with further drops expected in the coming weeks
- Night temperatures are helping maintain good quality
- Prices remain high due to constrained supply

## Standard Loose Round Tomatoes

- Volume dropping sharply across Morocco, Spain, and Canary Islands
- Harvest reduced to once a week due to slow yield, with lighter fruit expected
- Prices increasing steadily due to limited availability



## Intense Plum Tomatoes

- Main production from Morocco has decreased further
- Demand post-Christmas has pushed prices up
- Quality is good, but some shipments have lighter-colored fruit

## Beef Tomatoes

- Yields have dropped by over 50%, leading to high price increases
- Larger sizes (82/102mm) are particularly costly
- Quality is good but shorter shelf life is evident

## Cherry & Baby Plum Tomatoes

- Production is dropping, with availability becoming more limited
- Quality is good, though lighter coloration may appear in consignments
- Prices are steadily increasing

## Plum Tomatoes

- Volume significantly reduced due to plant exhaustion from high yields
- Prices rising quickly; mixed quality with some condition issues
- Cooler weather expected to improve firmness in coming weeks

## Vine Tomatoes

- Limited availability with maturing delays affecting yield
- Prices escalating quickly, and quality is good
- Further reductions in volume expected over the next weeks

## Peppers

- Lower production and quality issues, with an increase in class 2 output
- Class 1 prices are rising sharply, with limited supply expected
- Extra class 1 quality is becoming a premium item



## Sweet Pointed Peppers (Ramiro)

- Volume continues to decline; prices are increasing
- Quality remains good but with some green tinges due to earlier harvesting
- Demand remains steady despite limited supply

## Cauliflower

- UK and Spanish production are decreasing sharply
- Prices are rising quickly, with good overall quality
- Limited volume is expected in the near term

## Sweet Potatoes

- Good availability from Egypt, with stable prices
- Quality remains consistent, with no expected changes next week

## Potatoes

- Steady supply and stable prices for most varieties
- Higher prices for more favorable varieties
- Quality has improved due to better grower selectivity

## Leeks

- Frost and cold weather have halted production, reducing supply
- Prices have risen significantly, with challenging shelf-life issues
- Supply constraints will persist until temperatures improves

## Courgettes

- Volume is dropping quickly; prices escalating rapidly
- Cold weather in Spain is significantly impacting production
- Further price increases are expected next week

## **Lettuces (Iceberg, Little Gem, Cos)**

- Limited Supply continues across all varieties, with high prices
- Quality has improved, but no short-term relief in availability is expected
- Demand remains strong, keeping prices high

## **FRUITS**

### **Oranges**

- Steady supply from Spain with good demand for premium varieties (Clemenules, Navelina)
- Moroccan Nadorcotts are now available, offering high quality
- Prices are firming, particularly for favorable sizes

### **Lemons**

- Steady supply from Spain; demand is pushing prices higher for key sizes
- RSA supplies are available at lower prices but inferior quality
- Overall quality has improved significantly



### **Pomegranates**

- Good supply and quality from Spain, with Turkish imports available at slightly lower prices
- Spanish Mollar variety commands higher prices than Meyco
- Prices remain steady, and overall quality is excellent

### **Kaki (Persimmons)**

- Availability of Kaki and Persimmons is lower than in previous weeks
- Quality remains very good, with stronger prices for best sizes

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