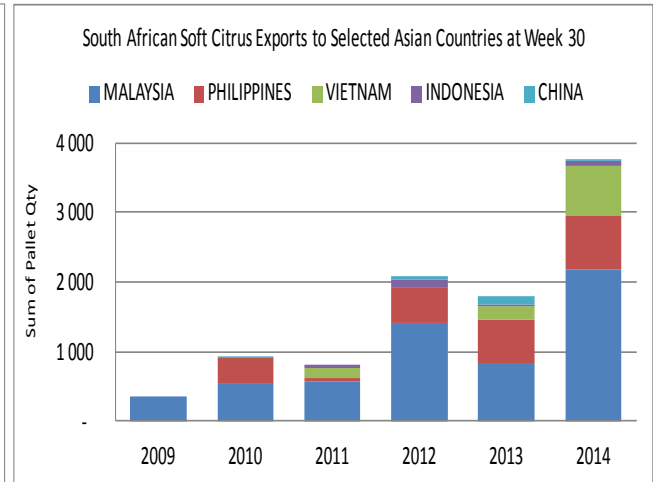
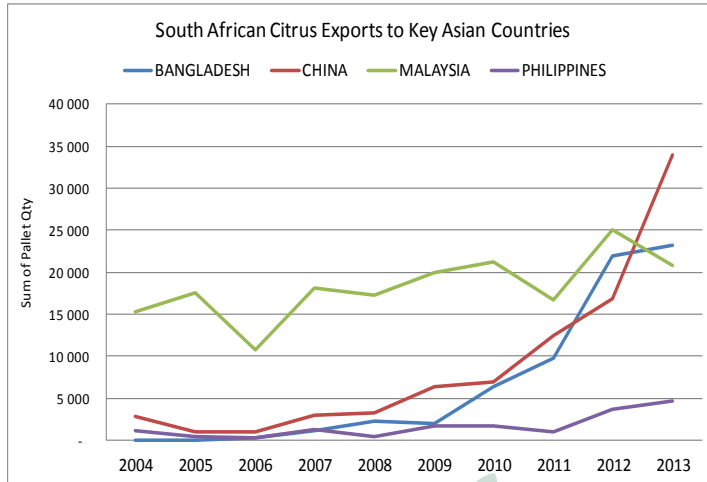
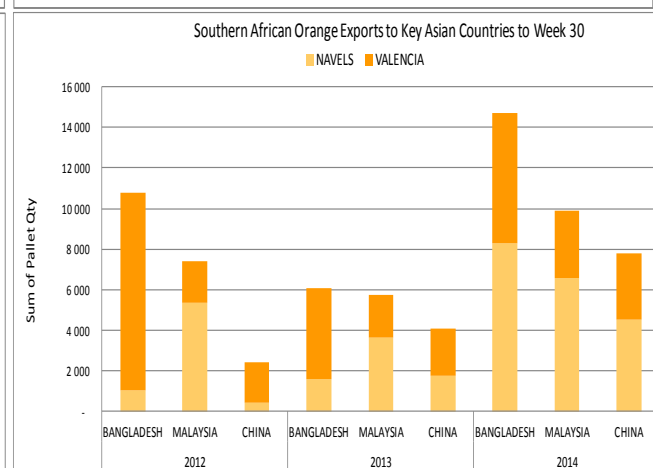
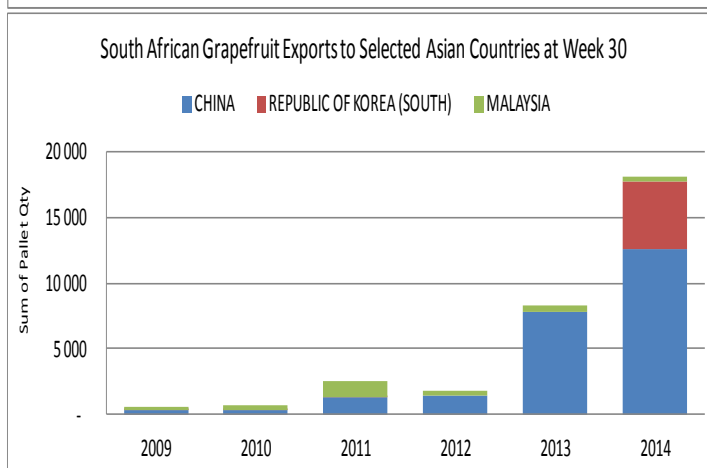
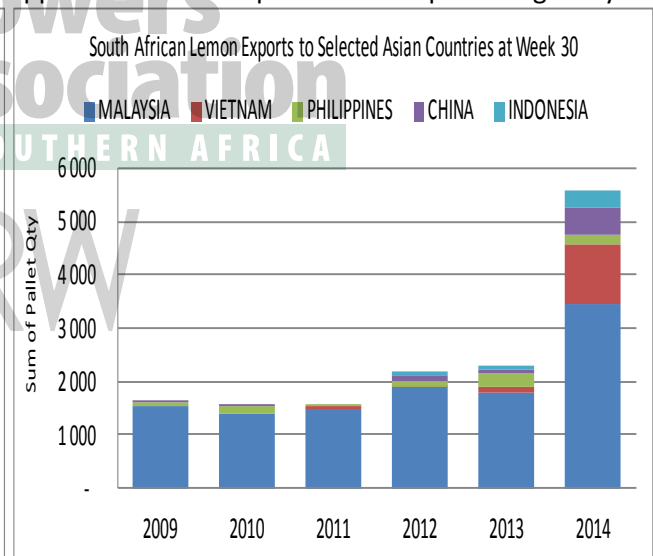
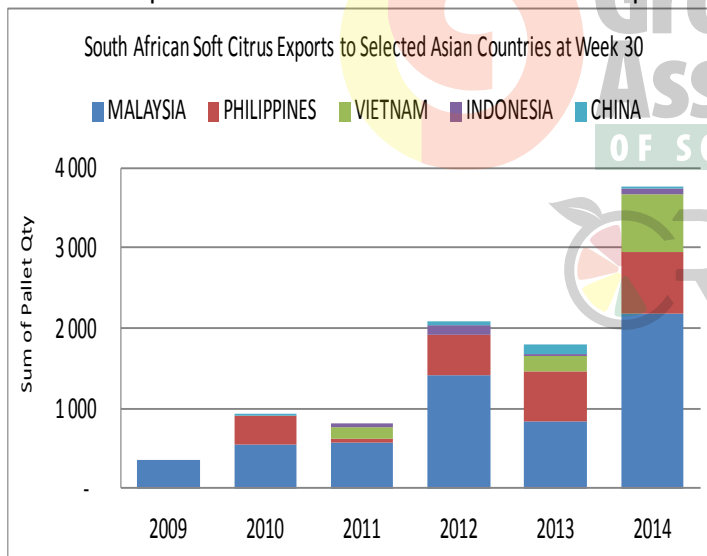


Citrus Spotlight: Exports to Asia

The last five years have seen a steep rise in South African citrus exports to Asia; particularly China and Bangladesh.



Whilst this trend is dominated by orange exports to Bangladesh, Malaysia and China; closer inspection reveals that increased exports of grapefruit to China and the relatively smaller growth of lemons and soft citrus to Malaysia also contribute to this trend of increased shipments to Asia. The graphs for each commodity below describe how the trend has expressed itself for the first 30 weeks of export as opposed to a similar period for the preceding five years.



In the case of oranges; up to week 30 there has been a fivefold increase in Navel exports to Bangladesh. Malaysia has received almost double the Navels compared to last year and Navel exports to China have more than doubled.