

## **Ag exports increase \$14.5 million in first half of 2013**

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Colorado's agricultural exports for the first six months of 2013 totaled \$725.6 million, an increase of \$14.5 million over the same period for 2012.

Increases in exports to Canada of \$23.1 million and to Hong Kong of \$18.2 million helped to offset a \$27 million decrease in exports to Russia. The \$725.6 million level recorded for the first six months of 2013 represents a twenty percent increase in just the past two years.

Colorado's agricultural export growth included increased imports by seven of Colorado's top ten markets. While Canada's increase covered a wide spectrum of products, Hong Kong's import increase was all red meats.

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