

during the 1920 and the 1930s. (27)

Table 8: Citrus Export In Cases For Selected Years.

Year	Cases
1921-22	1,234,251
1924-25	2,146,457
1926-27	2,668,291
1929-30	2,610,205
1932-33	4,490,409
1934-35	7,334,343
1936-37	10,795,894
1938-39	15,264,776

Source: *tatawwur al-zira'a wa- al-sina'a fi-falastin* [The Development of Agriculture and Industry in Palestine], 1900-1970, Ameri, 1977 p. 54

Table 9 : Value Of Citrus Exported From 1927-37 in P.L.

Year	Citrus Export
1927	817,000
1928	652,000
1929	557,000
1930	918,000
1931	946,000
1932	1,796,000
1933	2,088,000
1934	2,668,000
1935	3,546,000
1936	2,849,000
1937	4,324,000

Source: *Statistical Abstract of Palestine, 1937-38*, pp. 72-73.

Except for the period 1926-29, as demonstrated above (Tables 8 and 9) citrus export expressed both in terms of quantity and value grew dramatically throughout. During the three year period, 1932-35, citrus export increased by over 160 per cent. From 1932 to 1938-39 citrus export rose by over 300 per cent.

The point which needs to be explained in tables 8 and 9, however, is the relative decline, or state of non-growth in citrus export during 1926-29. One explanation is that the phenomenon indicated a general decline in citrus exports due to international competition. This view