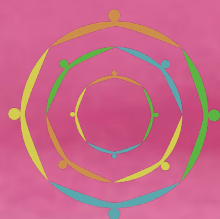


Science puts the cherry on top!

Sweet cherry acreage has increased largely due to dwarfing rootstocks developed by land-grant university researchers. These rootstocks allow more trees per acre, resulting in an increase in cherries worth \$260 million each year.

Other studies found packaging films that improve the shipping quality of cherries. Using these recommendations, growers are able to cut costs by shipping cherries by boat instead of by air.

Research also showed that cooling cherries with chilled water and added calcium salts can extend shelf life.



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