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Woolworths are importing lemons and oranges from USA to sell here.

When questioned about the practice they said they were seasonal and essentially unavailable here. But when challenged that the range of climates in Australia must enable them to be available 12 months of the year they said they were investing in developing a substitute for the imports.

Admittedly the Australian lemons I managed to track down in another supermarket were small and marked a bit but were fine on the inside but with our balance of payments in the red surely businesses like Woolworths must be stopped from destroying Australian growers markets by importing oranges and lemons.

Please stop this practice.