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Fruit and Vegetable Imports

The US is expected to import \$43 billion worth of fresh and processed fruits and vegetables in FY22, up from \$39 billion in FY21. Some \$16 billion of fresh fruit was imported in FY21, accounting for 40 percent of fruit and vegetable imports by value, followed by \$10 billion or 25 percent fresh vegetables and \$6 billion each for processed fruits and vegetables.

The leading commodities imported by value were berries, tomatoes, avocados, and bananas.

The US is expected to produce fruits and nuts worth almost \$30 billion in 2022 and vegetables and melons worth \$20 billion, making fruits and vegetables worth \$50 billion almost 20 percent of the \$275

billion of crop cash receipts. Nuts account for a third of fruits and nuts, led by \$5 billion of almonds, \$3 billion of pistachios, and \$1 billion of walnuts.

The most valuable hand-harvested fruits include apples worth \$3 billion, strawberries worth \$2.5 billion, oranges worth \$1.5 billion, and blueberries and cherries worth \$1 billion each.

Potatoes and dry beans are worth about \$5 billion or a quarter of all vegetables; the leading hand-harvested vegetables include \$2.5 billion worth of lettuce, \$0.7 billion worth of broccoli, and \$0.6 billion worth of fresh tomatoes.

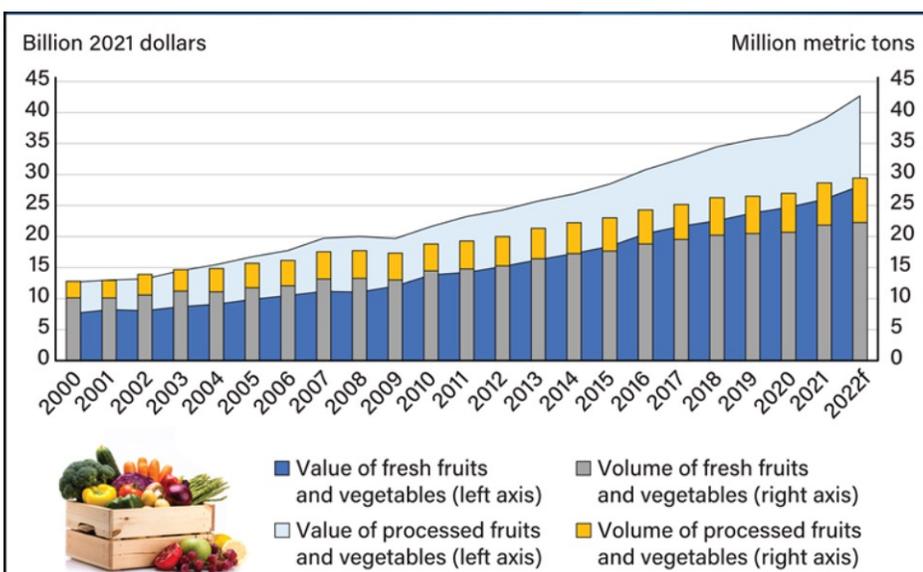
Ag Trade

The US is expected to export farm commodities worth \$196 billion in FY22 and to import farm commodities worth \$192 billion, generating a \$4 billion ag trade surplus. Imports have been rising faster than exports, shrinking the US ag trade surplus. Almost half of US farm exports by value go to Asia, including 20 percent to China, followed by 40 percent to the Americas, led by Canada and Mexico.

Corn and grain exports are projected to be worth \$48 billion in 2022, soybeans and oilseed exports are expected to be worth \$45 billion, livestock, poultry and dairy exports worth \$43 billion, and horticultural exports worth \$39 billion. US horticultural exports include \$9 billion worth of tree nuts, \$7 billion worth of fresh fruits and vegetables, and \$7 billion worth of processed fruits and vegetables.

The US is expected to import farm commodities worth \$192 billion. The \$96 billion in horticultural products include \$18 billion worth of fresh fruit and \$11 billion worth of fresh vegetables. Some \$25 billion worth

U.S. Fruit and Vegetable Imports are Projected to Reach \$43 Billion in FY22



Notes: f = forecast as denoted in 2022. Import values are based on a fiscal year (October-September) and are adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index for fresh fruits and vegetables and processed fruits and vegetables with a baseline year of 2021.

of alcoholic beverages a year are imported, including 45 percent spirits and a third wine.

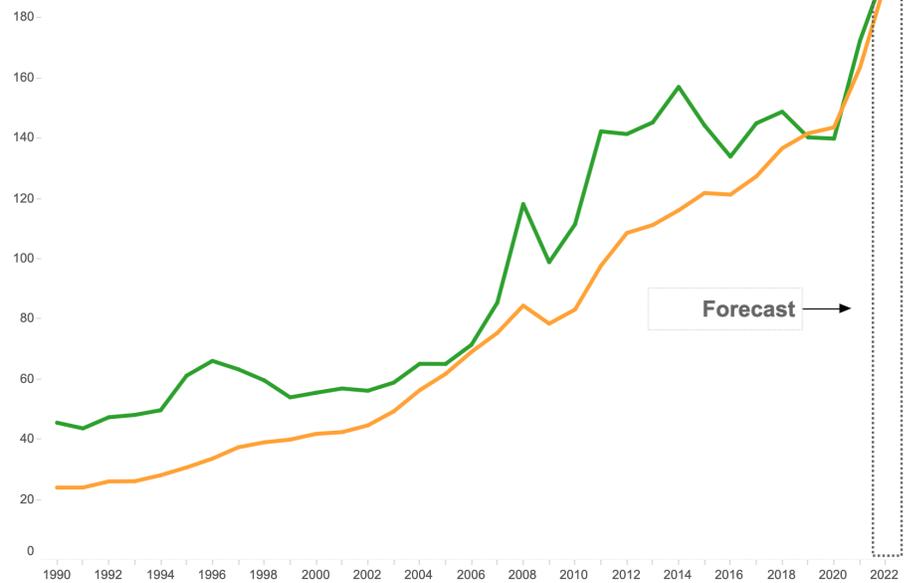
Farm imports from Mexico are projected to be \$44 billion, followed by \$37 billion in farm imports from Canada and \$35 billion from the EU. Mexico accounts for a quarter of US agricultural imports, followed by 20 percent each from Canada and the EU.

The U.S. Farm Trade Surplus Peaked in 2013 and is Shrinking

U.S. agricultural trade

Value, billion dollars

Exports
Imports



The U.S. is Projected to Export \$196 Billion Worth of Farm Commodities in FY22

Table 3—U.S. agricultural exports: Value and volume by commodity, fiscal years 2021–23 1/ 2/

Commodity	October–June		Fiscal year 2021	Forecast Fiscal year 2022		Forecast Fiscal year 2023 August
	FY2021	FY2022		May	August	
VALUE						
–Billion dollars–						
Grains and feeds 3/	32.708	36.777	42.599	46.7	47.8	46.5
Wheat 4/	5.054	5.484	7.251	8.4	8.1	7.8
Rice	1.587	1.449	2.043	2.0	2.0	2.2
Corn	14.124	15.977	17.397	19.1	19.2	19.1
Sorghum	1.668	2.220	1.938	2.6	2.7	2.0
Feeds and fodders	6.606	7.754	9.063	9.7	10.5	10.5
Oilseeds and products	32.984	37.847	37.700	44.3	45.3	46.6
Soybeans	24.056	28.337	26.417	32.3	33.0	35.2
Soybean meal 5/	4.500	4.670	5.619	6.0	6.1	5.7
Soybean oil	0.772	1.069	0.843	1.2	1.2	1.0
Livestock, poultry, and dairy	26.928	31.278	36.925	40.4	42.6	41.1
Livestock products	17.291	19.520	23.667	25.3	26.1	25.2
Beef and veal 6/	6.011	8.202	8.659	10.2	10.9	9.8
Pork 6/	5.433	4.637	7.014	6.2	6.3	6.5
Beef and pork variety meats 6/	1.385	1.620	1.924	2.1	2.2	2.1
Hides, skins, and furs	0.752	0.887	1.072	1.2	1.2	1.1
Poultry and products	4.342	5.121	5.982	6.8	7.0	6.9
Broiler meat 6/ 7/	2.588	3.061	3.562	4.2	4.2	4.2
Dairy products	5.295	6.637	7.276	8.4	9.5	9.0
Tobacco and products	0.776	0.611	1.065	0.8	0.8	0.8
Cotton 8/	5.077	6.829	6.228	9.0	8.8	7.0
Seeds	1.380	1.447	1.658	1.6	1.7	1.7
Horticultural products 9/	28.316	29.877	37.455	38.5	39.1	39.5
Fruits and vegetables, fresh	5.277	5.105	7.146	7.3	6.9	7.1
Fruits and vegetables, processed	5.297	5.451	7.030	7.1	7.2	7.3
Tree nuts, whole and processed	6.984	7.798	8.824	9.4	9.8	9.5
Sugar and tropical products 10/	4.193	4.557	5.686	5.9	5.9	6.0
Ethanol 10/	1.907	3.233	2.424	3.8	4.2	4.2
Total	134.269	152.457	171.740	191.0	196.0	193.5
Major bulk products 12/	52.441	60.957	62.482	74.2	73.8	73.3

The U.S. is Projected to Import \$192 Billion Worth of Farm Commodities in FY22

Table 5—U.S. agricultural imports: Value and volume by commodity, fiscal years 2021–22

Commodity	October–March		Fiscal year 2021	Forecast Fiscal year 2022	
	FY 2021	FY 2022		February	May
VALUE					
<i>–Billion dollars –</i>					
Livestock, dairy, and poultry	9.211	13.049	20.972	23.6	25.6
Livestock and meats	7.132	10.313	16.354	18.7	20.3
Cattle and calves	0.856	0.942	1.557	2.0	1.8
Swine	0.213	0.268	0.531	0.5	0.6
Beef and veal	2.980	4.678	7.423	8.7	9.5
Pork	0.865	1.292	1.968	2.3	2.5
Poultry	0.396	0.609	0.893	0.9	1.2
Dairy products	1.684	2.126	3.724	4.0	4.1
Cheese	0.659	0.744	1.430	1.6	1.7
Grains and feed	7.486	9.013	15.752	16.6	17.8
Grain products	5.367	6.376	11.195	12.0	12.6
Oilseeds and products	5.280	7.911	12.600	13.5	14.5
Vegetable oils	3.032	4.929	7.610	8.8	9.9
Horticulture products	41.658	47.452	86.147	89.0	92.2
Fruits, fresh	8.188	9.711	15.513	16.3	17.5
Fruits, processed	3.069	3.877	6.451	6.5	7.5
Fruit juices	1.055	1.389	2.142	2.1	2.4
Nuts, whole and processed	1.341	1.613	2.856	2.9	2.9
Vegetables, fresh	5.683	5.861	10.513	10.7	10.7
Vegetables, processed	3.136	3.582	6.513	6.8	7.0
Wine	3.198	3.594	7.485	7.7	7.7
Malt beer	2.944	3.106	6.377	6.4	6.4
Distilled spirits	4.314	5.360	9.804	10.4	10.7
Essential oils	2.092	2.203	4.413	4.4	4.4
Cut flowers and nursery stock	1.371	1.693	2.825	2.9	3.1
Sugar and tropical products	11.211	13.401	23.918	25.9	26.5
Sweeteners and products	2.418	3.076	5.365	5.5	5.9
Confections	0.997	1.269	2.214	2.2	2.5
Cocoa and products	2.674	2.747	5.353	5.5	5.5
Coffee and products	2.933	4.280	6.733	7.3	8.0
Other imports 1/	2.009	2.004	3.902	3.9	3.9
Total agricultural imports	76.855	92.829	163.291	172.5	180.5

Mexico Accounts for ¼ of U.S. Farm Imports by Value

Table 6—U.S. agricultural imports: Value by region, fiscal years 2021–23

Region and country	October–June		Fiscal year 2021	Forecast		Forecast
	FY 2021	FY 2022		Fiscal year 2022		Fiscal year 2023
			May	August	August	
VALUE						
---Billion dollars---						
Western Hemisphere	68.285	82.728	91.534	106.1	111.3	115.0
Canada	21.092	26.201	29.530	34.8	36.6	36.2
Mexico	28.213	33.183	36.468	42.9	44.4	46.9
Central America	4.714	5.685	6.497	6.9	7.5	7.9
Costa Rica	1.277	1.368	1.707	1.7	1.7	1.7
Guatemala	1.721	2.123	2.353	2.6	2.8	3.0
Other Central America	1.716	2.193	2.437	2.7	3.1	3.3
Caribbean	1.401	1.403	1.880	1.8	1.8	1.8
South America	12.864	16.255	17.159	20.1	21.0	22.2
Argentina	1.056	1.327	1.533	1.6	1.7	1.7
Brazil	3.353	4.414	4.529	6.0	5.9	6.3
Chile	2.289	2.770	2.958	3.4	3.7	3.6
Colombia	2.360	3.131	3.140	3.8	3.9	3.9
Peru	2.191	2.809	2.922	3.6	3.8	4.0
Other South America	1.615	1.805	2.076	1.7	2.0	2.7
Europe and Eurasia	24.189	27.435	33.161	35.1	37.0	38.2
European Union-27	22.675	25.712	31.143	33.0	34.8	36.0
United Kingdom	1.514	1.723	2.019	2.1	2.1	2.1
Asia	17.976	22.193	24.406	27.4	30.6	30.6
East Asia	5.155	6.133	6.986	7.1	7.8	7.9
China	2.965	3.681	3.992	4.0	4.5	4.3
Other East Asia	2.190	2.452	2.994	3.1	3.3	3.6
Southeast Asia	10.269	13.254	13.968	16.7	19.0	18.8
Indonesia	2.071	3.702	3.054	5.2	6.0	6.0
Malaysia	0.701	0.764	0.949	1.0	1.1	1.1
Thailand	2.053	2.594	2.745	3.0	3.3	3.4
Vietnam	1.578	1.939	2.349	2.3	2.6	2.5
Other Southeast Asia	3.867	4.254	4.871	5.2	6.0	5.8
South Asia	2.553	2.806	3.452	3.6	3.8	3.9
India	2.250	2.457	3.044	3.1	3.3	3.4
Oceania	4.405	5.902	6.327	6.3	6.9	6.8
Australia	2.278	3.116	3.284	3.2	3.6	3.5
New Zealand	1.946	2.584	2.805	3.1	3.3	3.3
Africa	2.755	3.016	3.597	3.7	3.9	4.1
Sub-Saharan Africa	2.194	2.292	2.860	2.8	3.0	3.2
Côte d'Ivoire	0.892	0.681	1.037	1.0	1.0	1.2
Middle East	1.394	1.840	1.870	1.9	2.3	2.3
Turkey	0.895	1.317	1.211	1.3	1.7	1.7
World total	120.803	145.433	163.341	180.5	192.0	197.0

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