



Market Access for EU Pork

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- **China**
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Regionalisation at international level

- Regionalisation is a **trade-facilitating tool**, allowing safe trade of animals and meat products, while minimising trade impacts
- Regionalisation is **recognized at international trade level** (WTO SPS agreement Article 6, WOAH Terrestrial Code Chapter 4.4)
- Regionalisation is the **top-priority SPS issue for EU** with most international trade partners

Regionalisation and pork trade

Despite some ASF outbreaks in some regions in the EU, **EU still No1 global exporter of pork and pig products** :
+/- 6 Mio tonnes and 15 Mio € (2020)
+/- 4 Mio tonnes and 12 Mio € (2023)

EU regionalisation allows safe trade of EU pork - no transmission of animal diseases via trade

Various EU Trade partners recognise EU regionalisation - for example for ASF :

- **Asia:** South Korea, VietNam, Singapore, ...
- **RoW:** UK, USA, New Zealand, Chile, Canada....

China and EU Pork



- Reminder: no FTA with China
- **China: No1 market in the world for pork and No1 export market for EU pork** (around 50% of EU pork exports in 2020, still 30% in 2023)
- **No recognition of EU regionalisation** by China (one bilateral agreement with FR since 2021)
- May 2024: market access for pork for **9 EU MS** (AT, BE, DK, ES, FI, FR, IE, NL, PT), all of them ASF-free. Major EU MS producers (eg DE) still facing national bans.

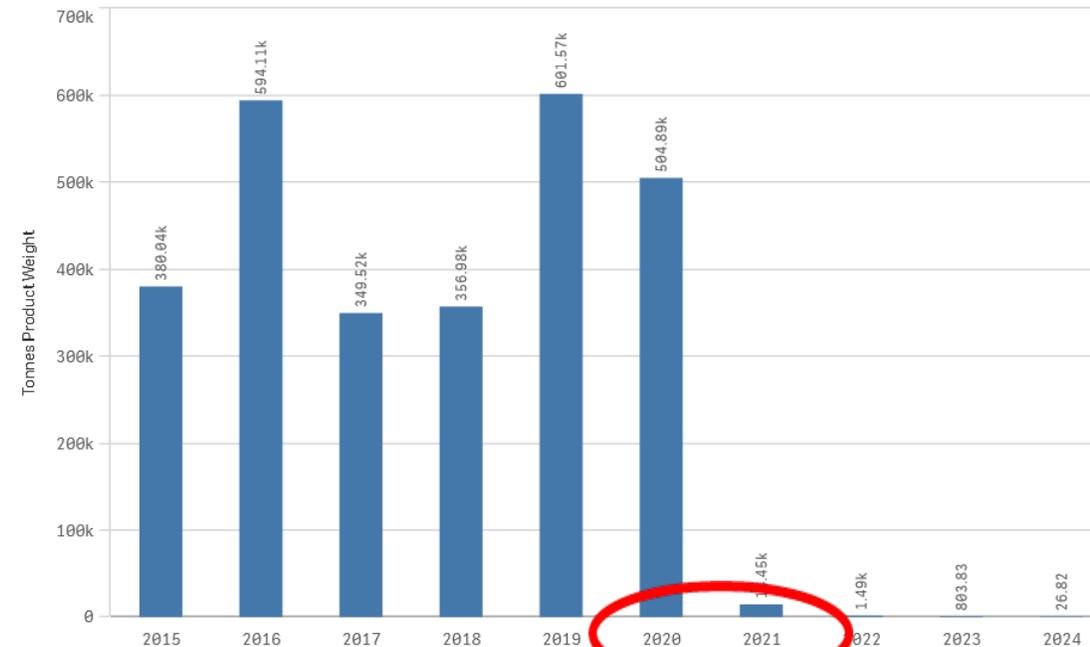
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**Trade impact of (non) regionalisation:
DE pigmeat exports: from No2 supplier of China to national ban
(ASF outbreak (wildboar) and national ban in Sept. 2020)**

Annual EU Trade, Product Weight in tonnes

DE, flow: EXPORT, all product groups, partner: China, Year: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, all months



China and EU Pork



- **Regionalisation: top-priority SPS issue with China**, raised by Commission both at technical and political level (incl. EU-China Summit 2019)
- **2023:** 3 technical WG (online) on regionalisation between Commission and China authorities (first half of 2023), EU proposal for a “roadmap” on regionalisation (June), regionalisation topic raised by EVP at EU-China HED (September)
- **2024:** 15 April : seminar on regionalisation in Beijing incl. speakers from Commission, EU MS (DE for ASF and NL for HPAI) and EU industry
16 April: meeting with China authorities – China approach on regionalisation confirmed (discussions with individual EU MS rather than Commission)

Japan and EU Pork



- Reminder: FTA in force since 2019
- No3 export market for EU pork (after China and UK, around 8% of EU pork exports)
- No (not yet) recognition of EU regionalisation by Japan for ASF (first focus on HPAI in discussions with Commission), to be followed-up under the framework of the EU – Japan Mutual recognition project on regionalisation

Philippines and EU Pork



- Reminder: FTA negotiations to start in Q4-2024
- Important export market for EU pork (No4, around 7% of EU pork exports)
- No recognition of EU regionalisation by Philippines

South Korea and EU Pork



- Reminder: FTA in force since 2011
- Important export market for EU pork (No5, around 6%)
- Recognition of EU regionalisation ongoing by South Korea – success story - DE exports ongoing, HU and PL upcoming

Vietnam and EU Pork



- Reminder: FTA in force since 2020
- Important export market for EU pork (No6, around 3%)
- Recognition of EU regionalisation (but still very long approval procedures)

Comments welcome!



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