



Study on the cumulative economic impact of trade agreements on EU agriculture - 2021 update

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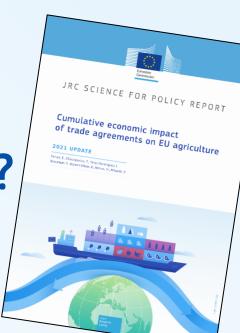
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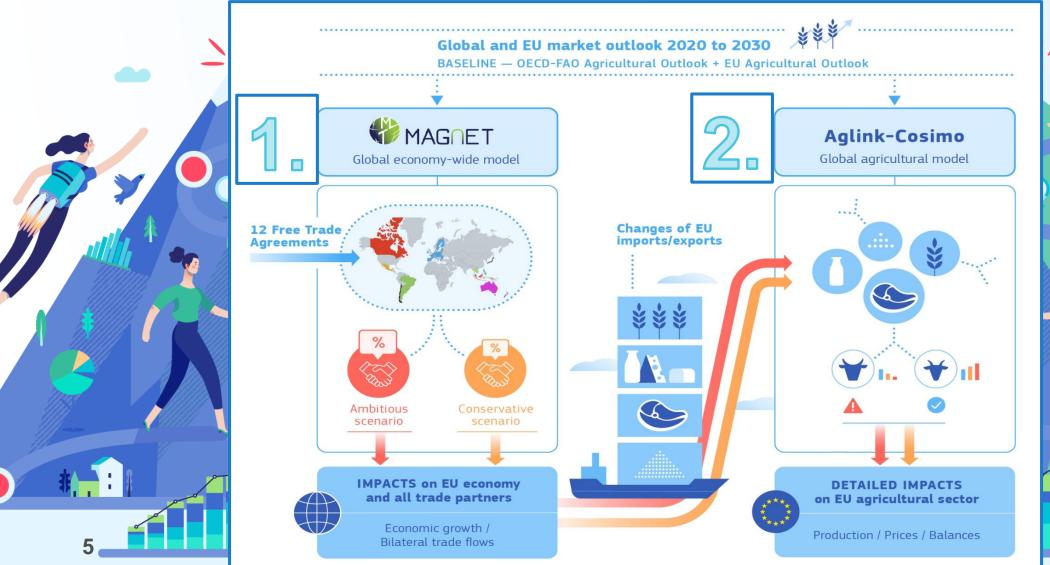


What is the study about?

- Analysis of <u>economic</u> effects on EU-27 agriculture of most significant free trade agreements:
 - o recently concluded or entered into force: Canada, Japan, Vietnam, Mexico, Mercosur
 - o under negotiation or possibly envisaged: Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, *Malaysia*, *Chile*
- Compare prospects for 2030 <u>with</u> cumulative free trade agreements and <u>without</u> agreements (= baseline)
- Similar assumptions and methodology compared to the 2016 study with some significant changes



Methodology





Trade scenarios

1. <u>Conservative</u>:

- Concluded agreements: as per negotiated outcome (tariff cuts + TRQs)
- Other agreements: 97% of tariff lines fully liberalised;
 other (sensitive) lines get a 25% tariff cut

2. Ambitious:

- Concluded agreements: same as for conservative
- Other agreements: 98.5% of tariff lines fully liberalised;
 other (sensitive) lines get a 50% tariff cut





Main assumptions and caveats

- Future **EU-UK** relationship:
 - Duty Free / Quota Free trade assumption after 2020 (friction not modelled)
 - Apportioned WTO TRQs
 - UK with same level of MFN tariffs + rolling over "old" EU FTAs
- COVID-19 not considered; Green Deal / Farm to Fork not implemented
- No analysis of non-tariff barriers (e.g. SPS) nor impact of protecting GIs
- EU-27 aggregated results, no national or regional disaggregation
- Detailed impact for only the main agricultural sectors





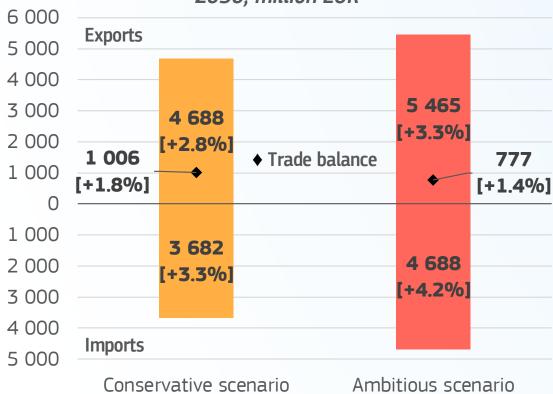
Results



Overall trade impacts

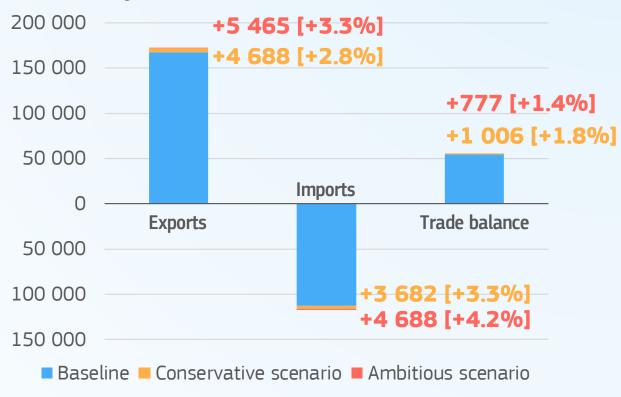
Change in EU agri-food trade value

trade scenarios compared to the baseline in 2030, million EUR



EU agri-food trade value

additional trade flows in the scenarios on top of the baseline in 2030, million EUR

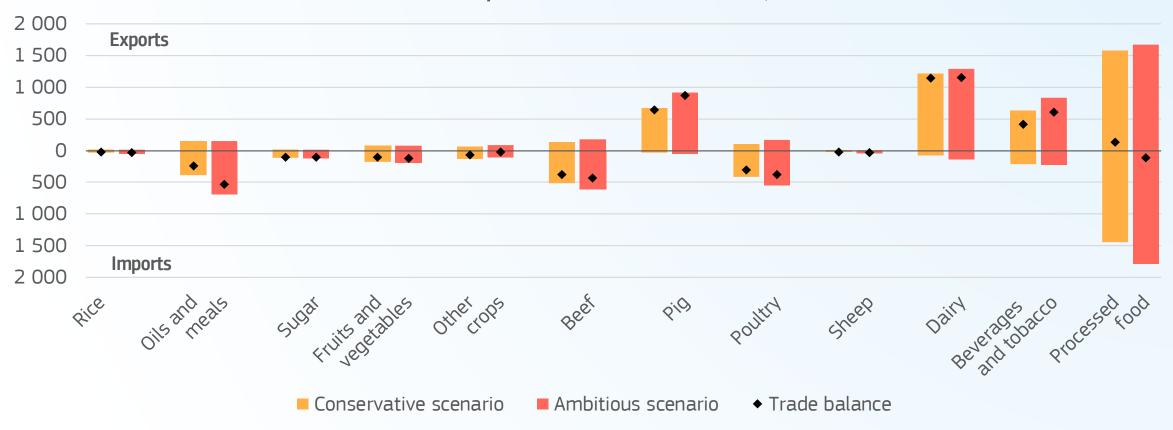




Overall results by sector

Change in EU trade value of agri-food products

trade scenarios compared to the baseline in 2030, million EUR

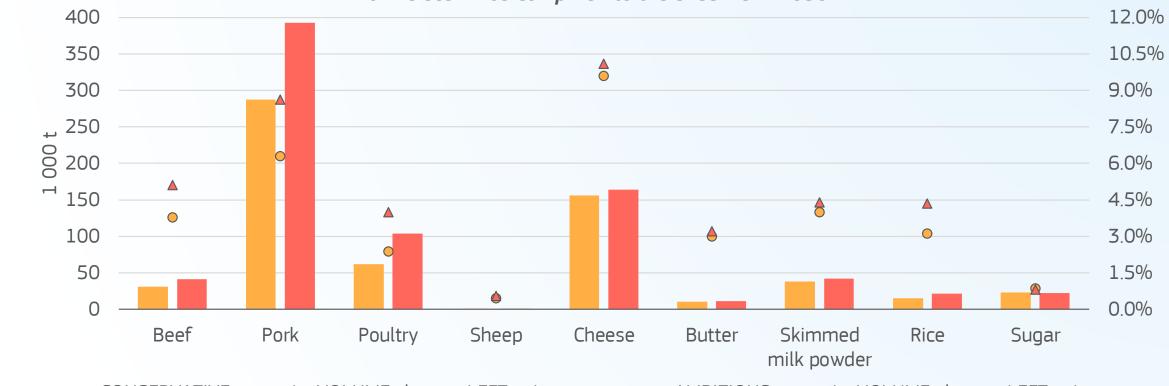




Detailed results by sectors: EU exports

Change in EU exports of agri-food products





- CONSERVATIVE scenario, VOLUME change, LEFT axis
- CONSERVATIVE scenario, % change, RIGHT axis

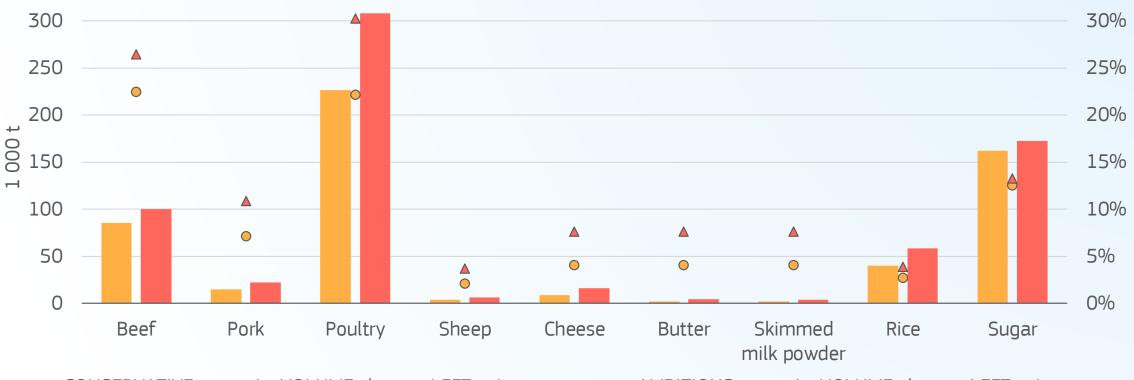
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Detailed results by sectors: EU imports

Change in EU imports of agri-food products

trade scenarios compared to the baseline in 2030



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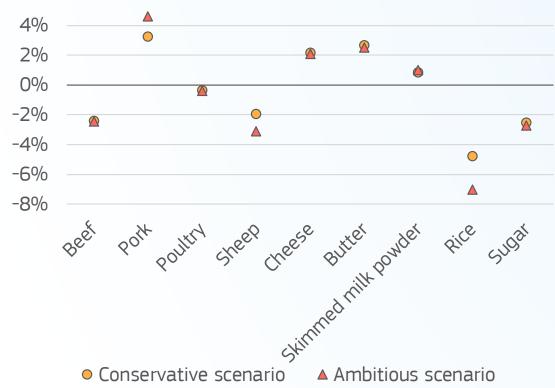
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Detailed results by sectors: prices and production

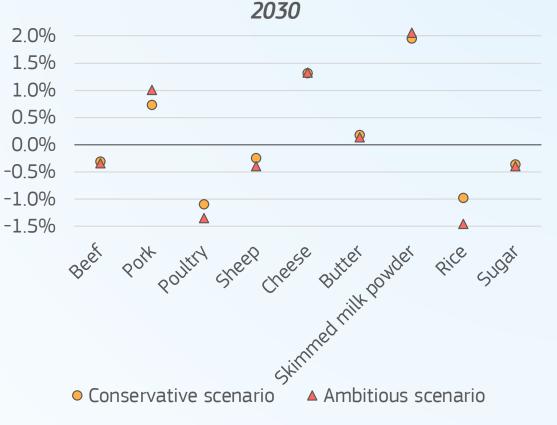
Change in EU <u>prices</u> of agri-food products trade scenarios compared to the baseline in

trade scenarios compared to the baseline in 2030

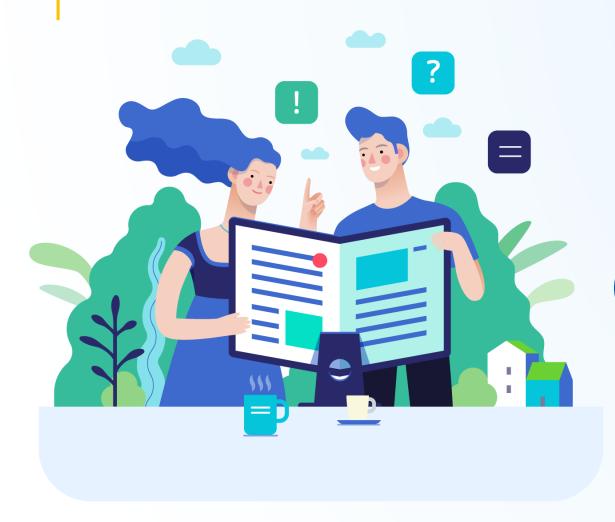


Change in EU <u>production</u> of agri-food products

trade scenarios compared to the baseline in







Conclusion



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- Confirmation that the EU agricultural sector can benefit from the EU trade agenda. Balance to be found however to guarantee adequate protection for the EU sensitive products.
- Justification of the existing approach taken by the Commission for the agricultural chapters in trade negotiations, incl. keeping a firm line when it comes to market access for sensitive products.
- TRQs are an appropriate tool to increase market access for sensitive products while limiting negative impacts on the sector concerned.
- An ambitious future CAP, supporting innovation and the competitiveness of the EU farming sector can also contribute to limiting negative impacts while reinforcing the positive ones.

