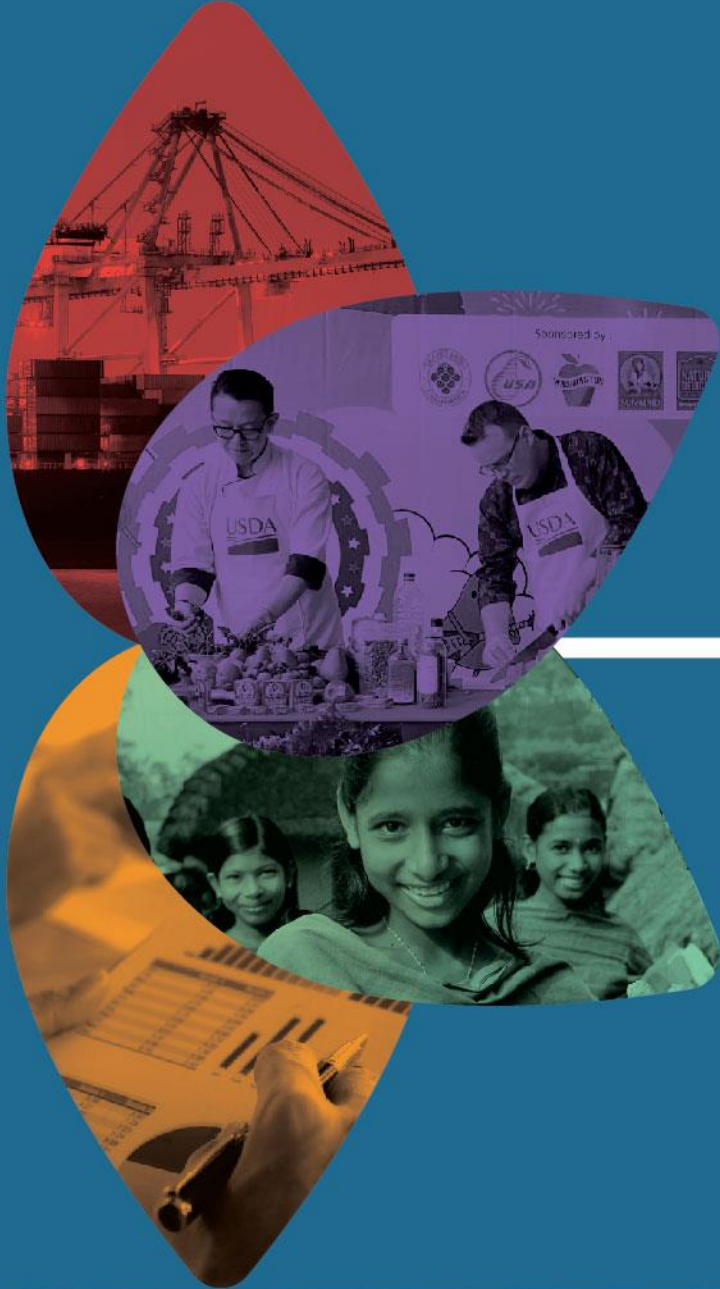




# FAS Update EU Pesticide Policies and MRLs

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## \$12.1 billion

U.S. Agricultural Exports, 2020

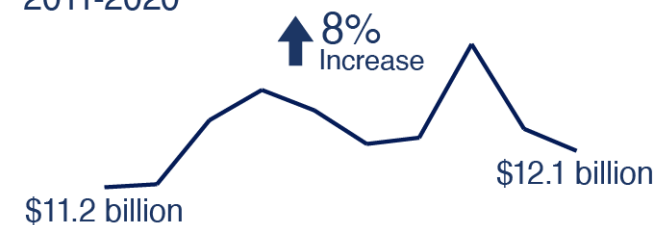
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Among U.S.  
Agricultural Export  
Markets, 2020



## Export Growth

2011-2020



Source: USDA-FAS Global Agricultural Trade System (GATS) – WTO Definition



# FAS in Brussels

- 10 staff members covering wide range of issues
- Tracking EU policies and impacts to U.S. agricultural exports
- Policy monitoring and advocacy
- Information sharing through GAIN and USDA-EU website
  - <https://www.usda-eu.org/>
  - *Check out our quarterly Green Deal update!*





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# EU Early Alert

- Quarterly document listing active ingredients undergoing renewal in the EU
- Farmers must be aware of potential loss of substances early in the process
- FAS/Brussels works with Bryant Christie Inc. and FAS/Plant Division to distribute quarterly
- Feedback informs prioritization
- Only includes substances approved for use in the United States
- Concerns and input – [plantdivision@usda.gov](mailto:plantdivision@usda.gov)





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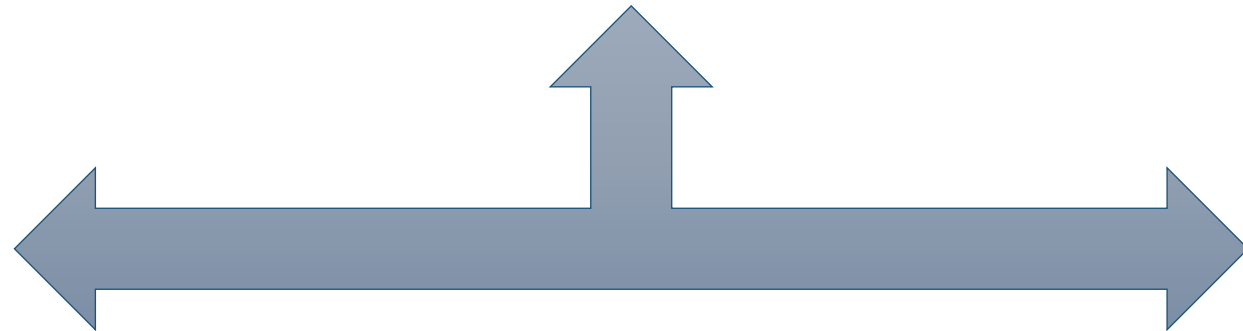


# EU State of Play

- Ongoing issues



- Emerging issues





# Pesticides – sustainable use (updated EU rules)

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## About this consultation

Feedback period	18 January 2021 - 12 April 2021 (midnight Brussels time)
Topic	Food safety

## Target audience

The Commission will engage all relevant stakeholders through public and targeted consultations to gather data and seek their opinions. Relevant stakeholders that will be consulted include, but are not restricted to, farmers and contractors applying pesticides, non-agricultural users of pesticides, health and environmental NGOs, professional associations representing industry and economic actors in relevant sectors (e.g. beekeepers, chemical, pesticide application equipment and seed industries etc.), consumer associations, EU citizens, national competent authorities and scientific experts.

## Why we are consulting

Stakeholders will be consulted on the achievements of the SUD, implementation, enforcement and application problems and their underlying causes and on possible ways forward and their impacts. The consultation aims to provide the stakeholders involved in the application of the sustainable use Directive and the wider public with the opportunity to share their experiences. It allows respondents



# Concerns & Feedback

- Based on feedback from EU Early Alert, many key pesticides are being considered for non-renewal and MRLs are being lowered to LOD
  - *What substances are most important to you?*
  - *How are you determining that importance?*
- Exporting to the EU is a challenge and can be unpredictable
  - *What do you care about most?*



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# FAS: Plant Division Engagement on MRLs and Crop Protection

Comments to WTO Notifications

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# Thank you!

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