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### **Situational Assessment**

#### **Trade Facts and Perspectives**



Top Import Partners (2015 to 2017 average)

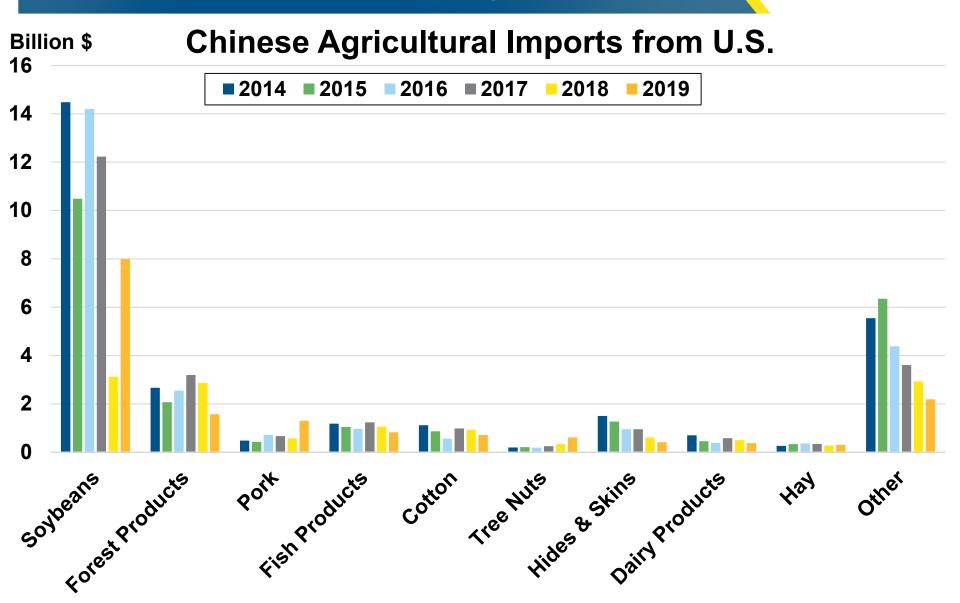
Top Export Partners (2015 to 2017 Average)

Country / Region	Average Value (USD Billions)	% Total Ag Imports
Mexico	\$22.4	19.4%
Canada	\$22.0	19.0%
EU-28	\$20.6	17.8%
China	\$4.4	3.8%
Indonesia	\$3.7	3.2%
Subtotal	\$73.1	63.2%
Source: CoBank and USDA		

	Country / Region	Share of U.S. Ag Exports
	NAFTA	28.4%
	China	18.3%
	EU-28	8.7%
	Japan	8.3%
	South Korea	4.6%
	Subtotal	68.3%
	Source: CoBank and USDA	

### Chinese Ag Imports from U.S. Down Sharply from Years Prior due to Trade War, Rising Competition

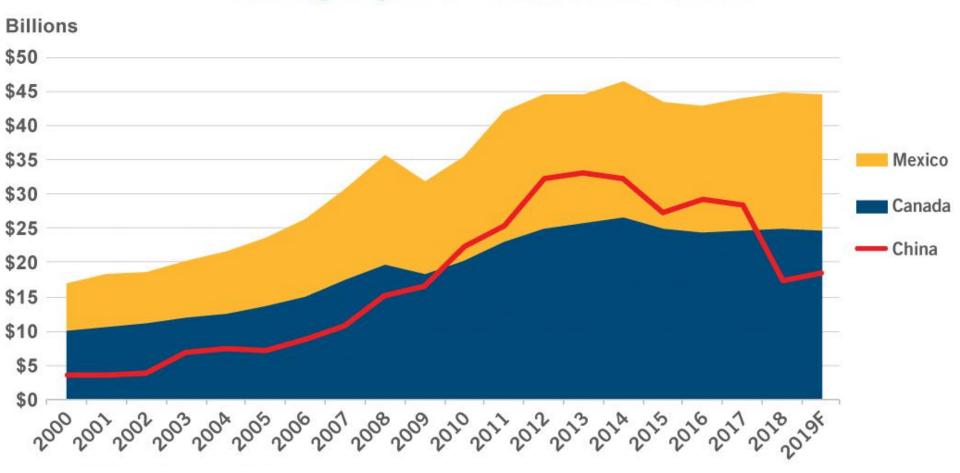




### Why Trade Renegotiations? Beyond falling China exports, Ag Exports to Canada/Mexico plateaued



#### U.S. Ag Exports – USMCA vs. China



### **Current State of Affairs**What a Difference a Year Makes



#### > China

- "Phase One" has been signed, but the market response was largely negative. China has stressed that imports from the U.S. will be based on market prices.
- African Swine Fever (ASF), coronavirus, and a slowing Chinese economy raise concerns of China's ability to fulfill commitments of the deal that went into effect Feb. 15.
- Ag exports to China: Soy, cotton, coarse grains, pork, dairy, wheat, tree nuts, fresh fruit

#### US-Mexico-Canada (USMCA) Agreement

- USMCA (the new NAFTA) has been ratified by the U.S. and Mexico. Canada is expected to ratify in the coming weeks.
- Can USMCA generate meaningful future growth for U.S. ag exports?
- Protects the status quo, and may grow U.S. dairy exports.
- Ag exports to Mexico: Corn, soy, pork, dairy, beef, poultry, wheat, forest products, fruit
- Ag exports to Canada: Forest products, prepared food, fresh fruit and vegetables, fish, pork

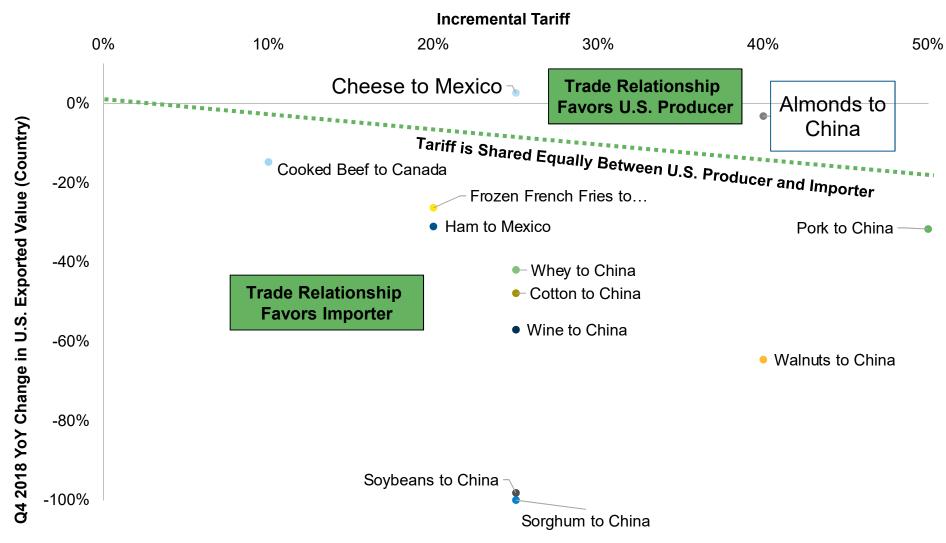
#### > India

- Trump wants a new trade pact, but suggested a comprehensive deal won't likely happen until much later this year.
- Ag exports to India: Tree nuts, cotton, ethanol, fresh fruit, dairy products, forest products

### Trade War Has Mostly Been Negative for U.S. Ag, However, the Impact Differs By Commodity Type



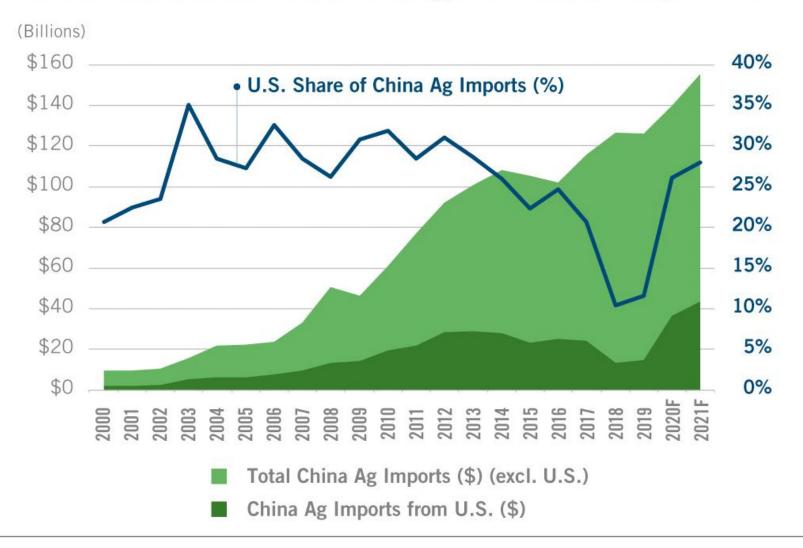
#### Impact of Tariffs on U.S. Agriculture Exports



### China's Phase 1 Commitments Add Over \$12 billion in 2020 and \$20 billion in 2021 vs 2017

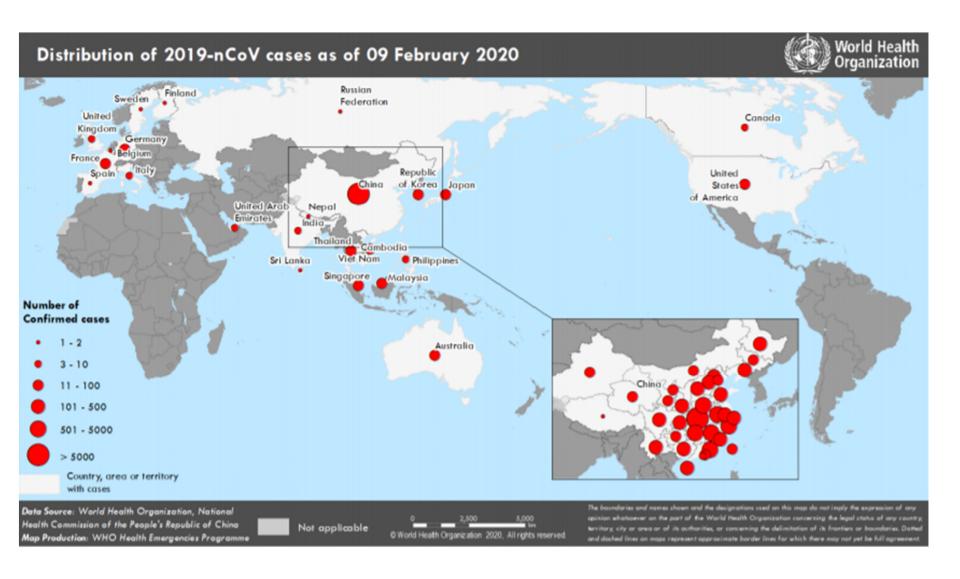


#### U.S. Share of China's Agricultural Imports



### Just as things de-escalated...Coronavirus Widespread Global Impact Likely.



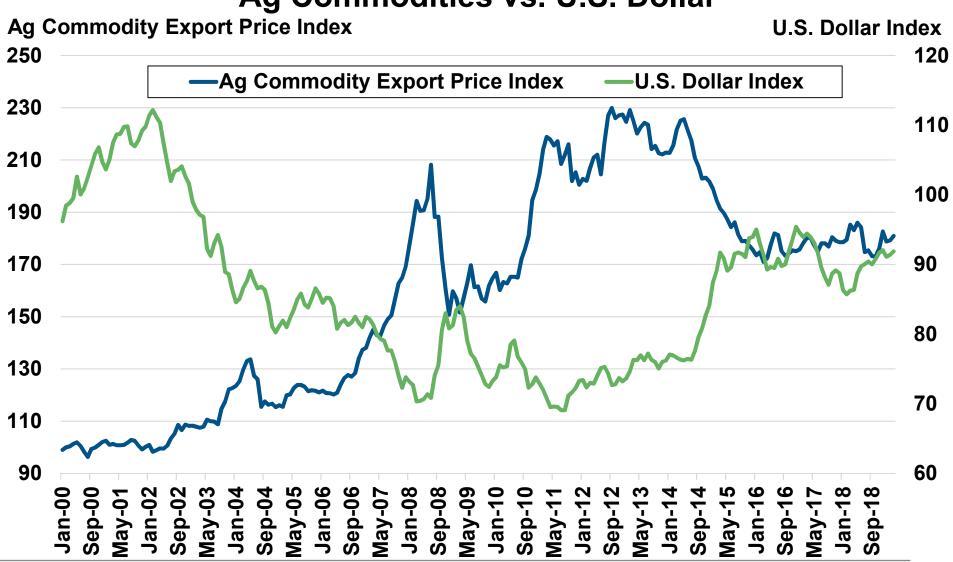


### CoBank's Analysis

### Strong U.S. Dollar is Bearish on Ag Exports, Complicating Existing Trade Issues

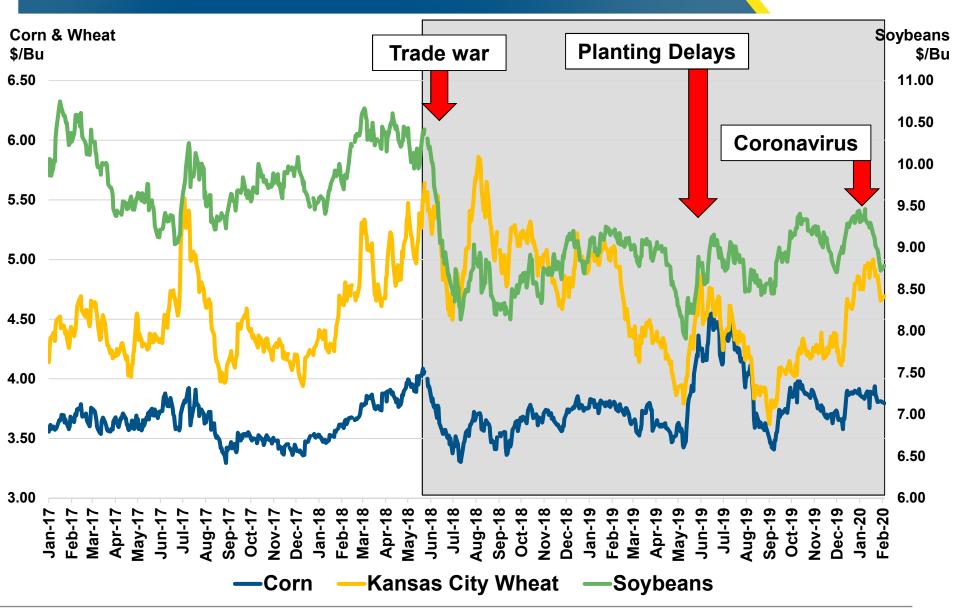


#### Ag Commodities vs. U.S. Dollar



### Grain Prices Have Not Regained Pre-Trade War Levels

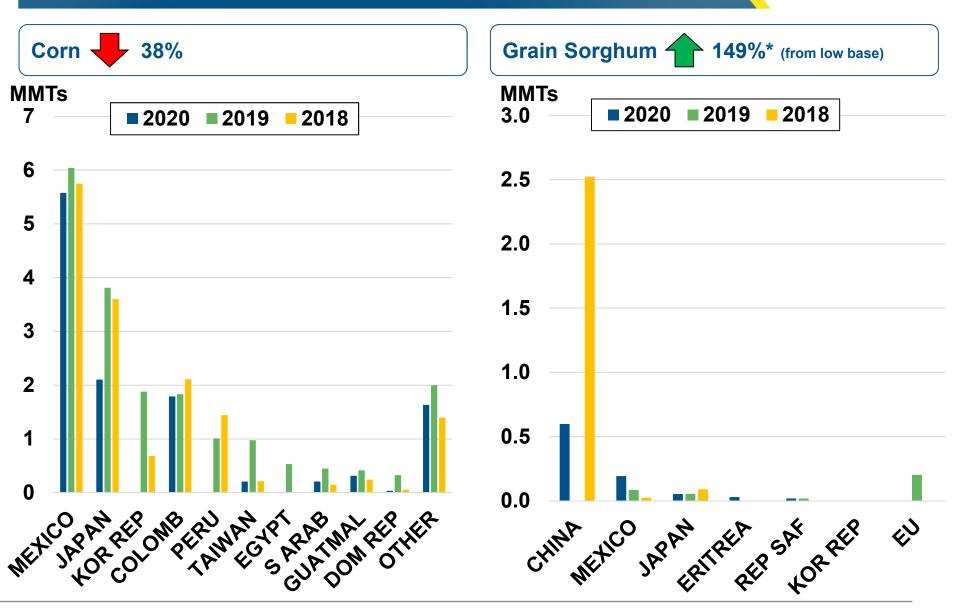




Source: CME Group

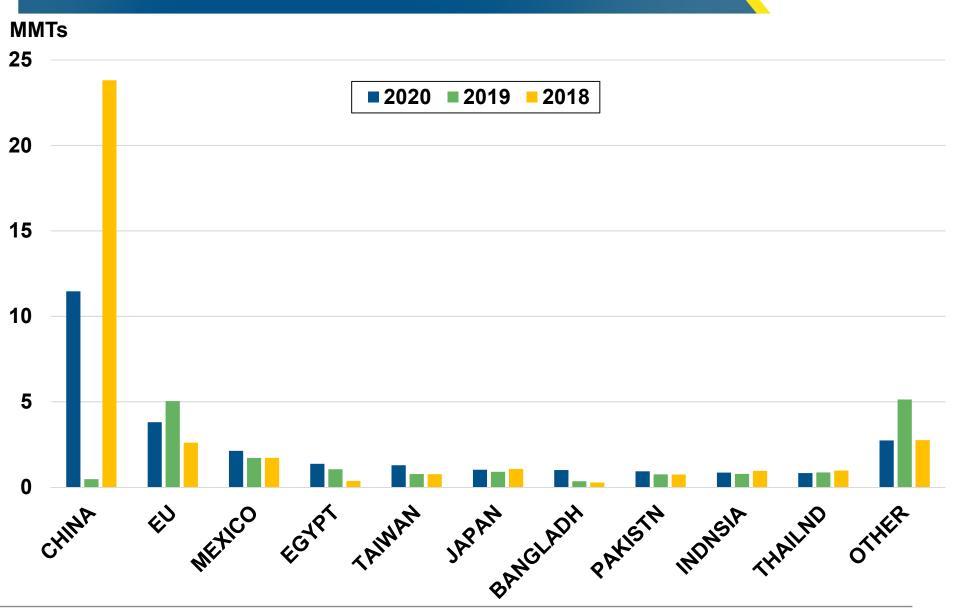
### Corn and Grain Sorghum Exports Show a Mixed Picture (as of January 30<sup>th</sup>)





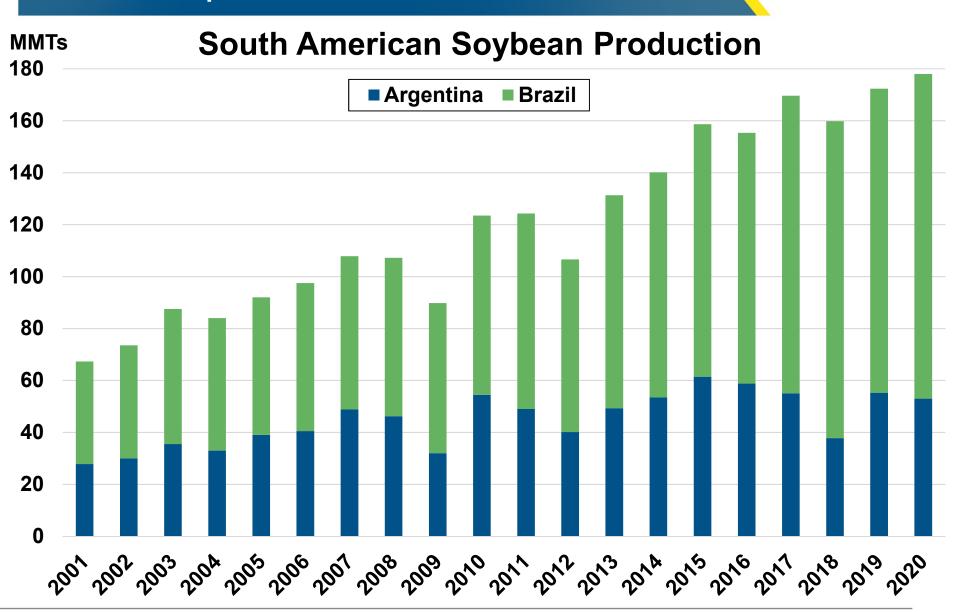
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### South American Soybean Harvest is Record Large Trade War expedited Brazil's rise





Source: USDA-FAS

## Brazil's Currency Continues to Weaken Creates a Major Competitive Advantage over US Exports (along with Panama canal expansion, highway infrastructure)



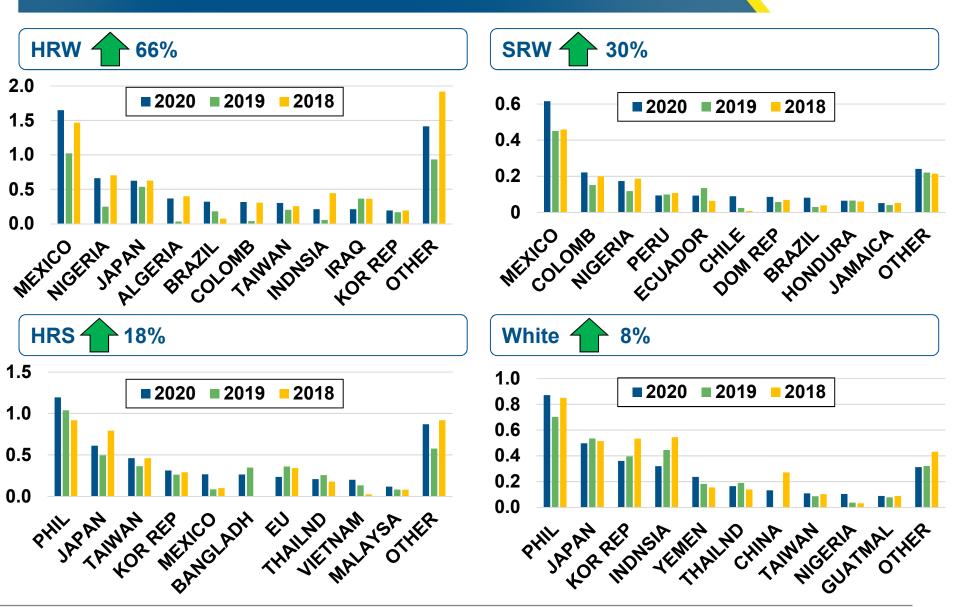
#### **Brazilian Real vs USD**



Source: Bloomberg

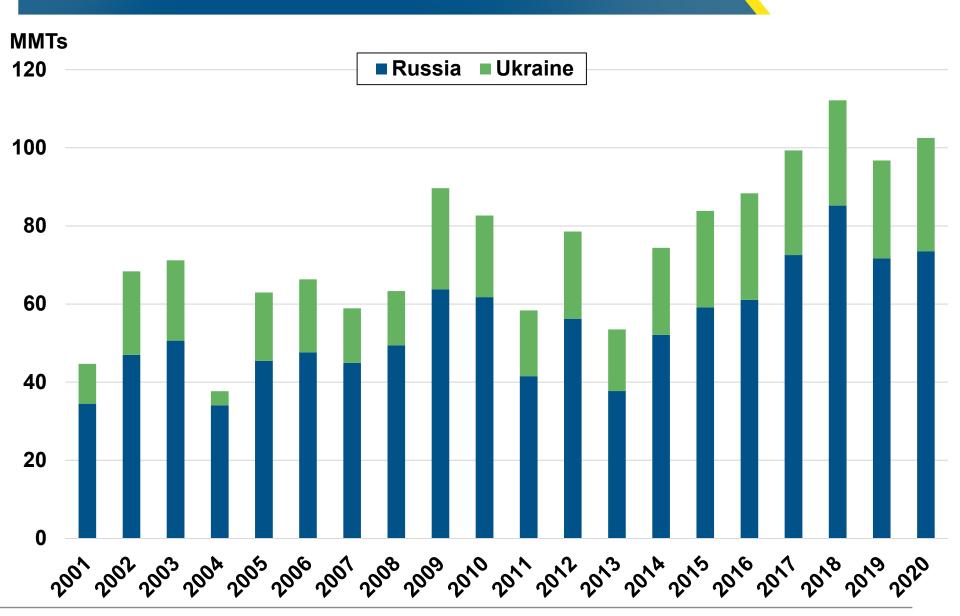
### Interestingly, Wheat Exports in MMTs Has Become the Breakfast of Champions!





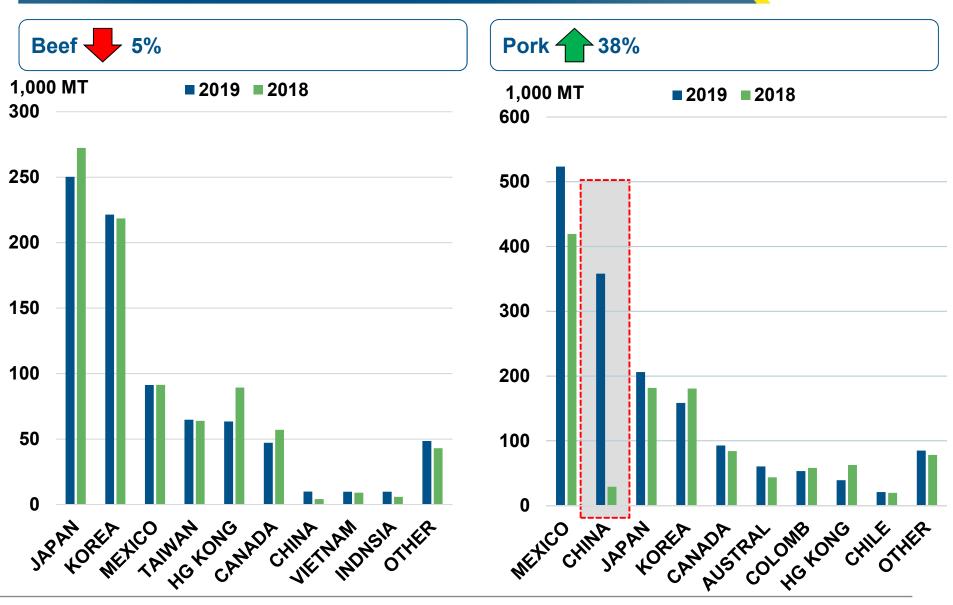
#### But Black Sea Wheat Production is Up. Stay Tuned





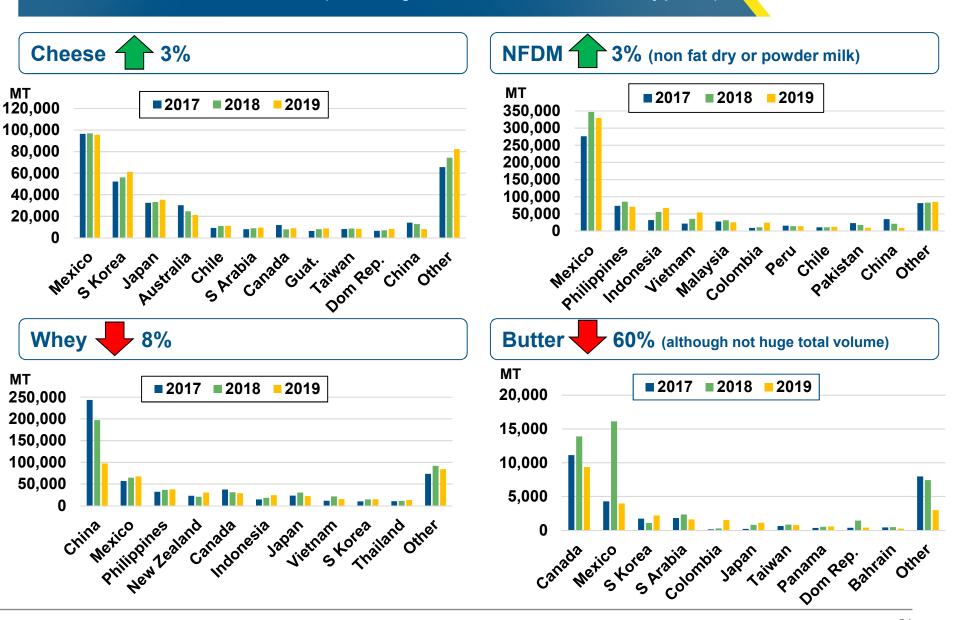
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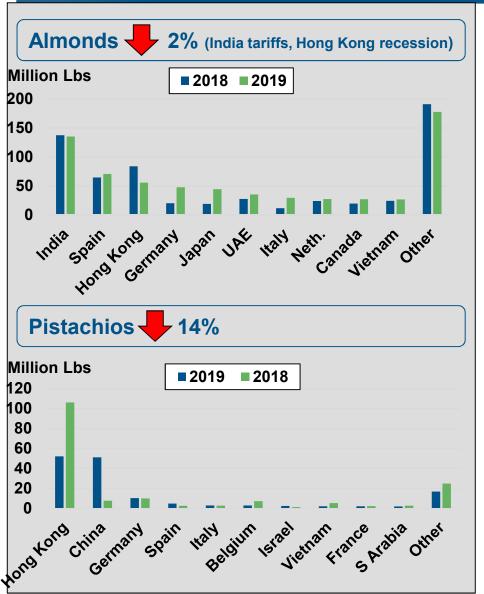
### Dairy Exports: Cheese Higher, Whey Down Due to Lower China Demand (smaller hog herd since ASF, less need for whey protein)

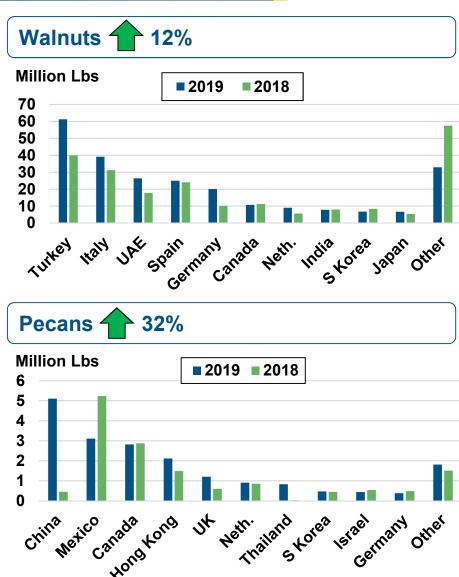




#### **Tree Nut Exports (By Country, Calendar Year)**



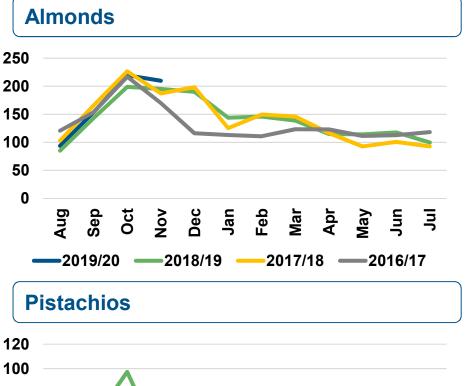


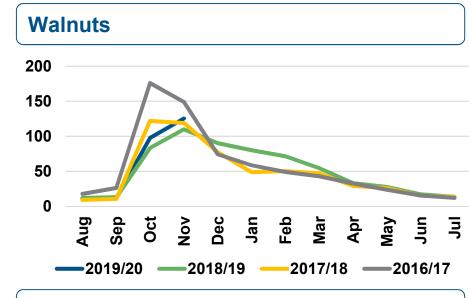


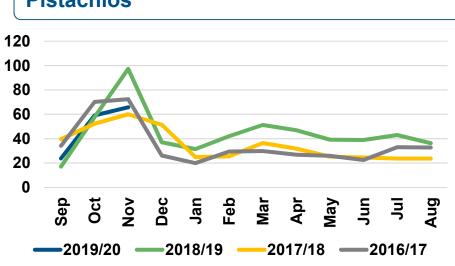
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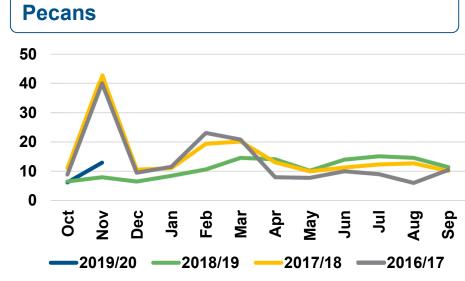
### However, the pace of Tree Nut Export Growth on Marketing Year Still Low











Source: USDA-FAS



#### Key Takeaways



- > Trade disputes impact ag commodities differently
- > Recent trade deals are positive (as tariffs typically hurt producers)
- > There are both risks and opportunities going forward
  - FOREX a strength makes US exports more expensive
  - African Swine Flu (ASF) reduced feed grain but greater demand for finished product
  - Competition with Brazil and Black Seas regions are not going away
  - EU and India Trade uncertainty
- > The "Known Unknown" Risk = Policy Risk :
  - U.S. presidential election

Scenario 1 = Republican (more trade volatility or stability?)

Scenario 2 = Moderate Democrat (likely stability)

Scenario 3 = Liberal Democrat (uncertain)

### **Questions & Answers**

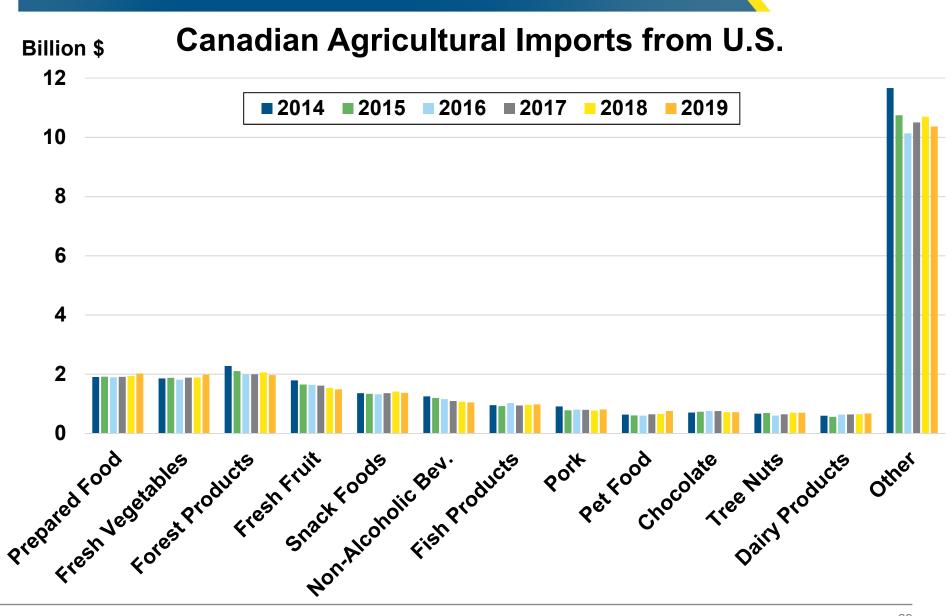
### **Additional Information**

# Additional Information Regional Observations

Canada, Mexico, India, Europe

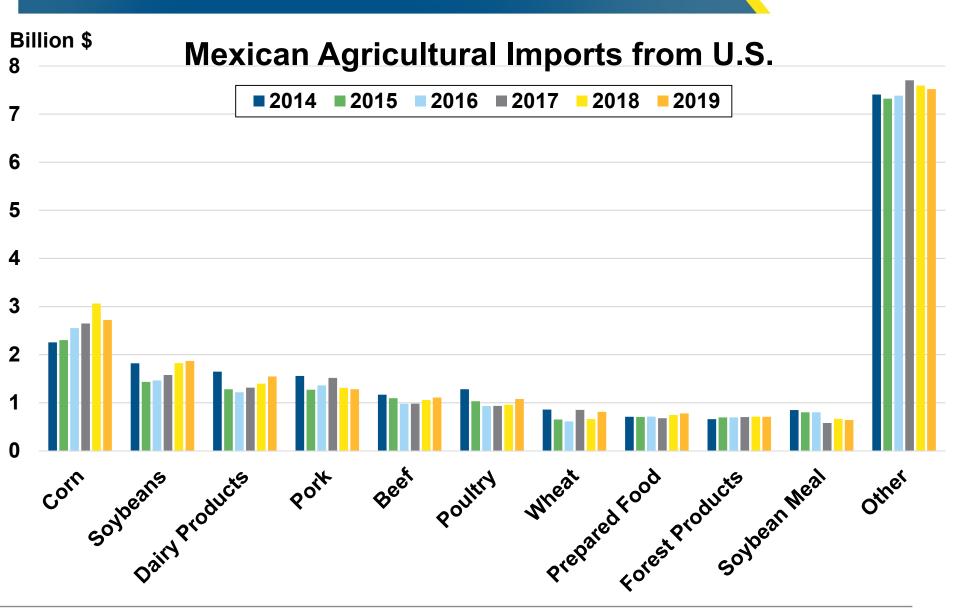
#### Canadian Ag Imports from U.S. down 1% YoY





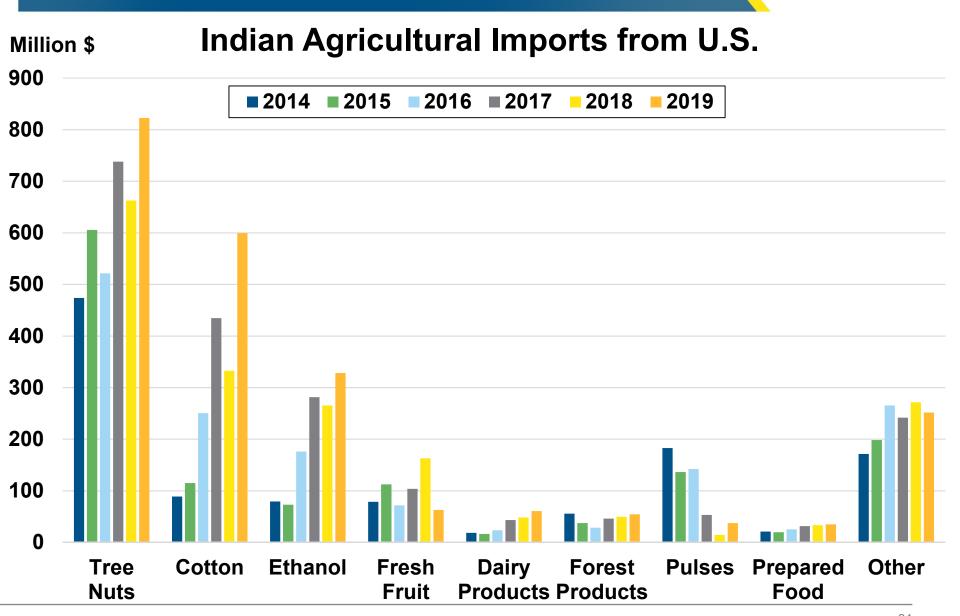
#### Mexican Ag Imports from U.S. Unchanged YoY





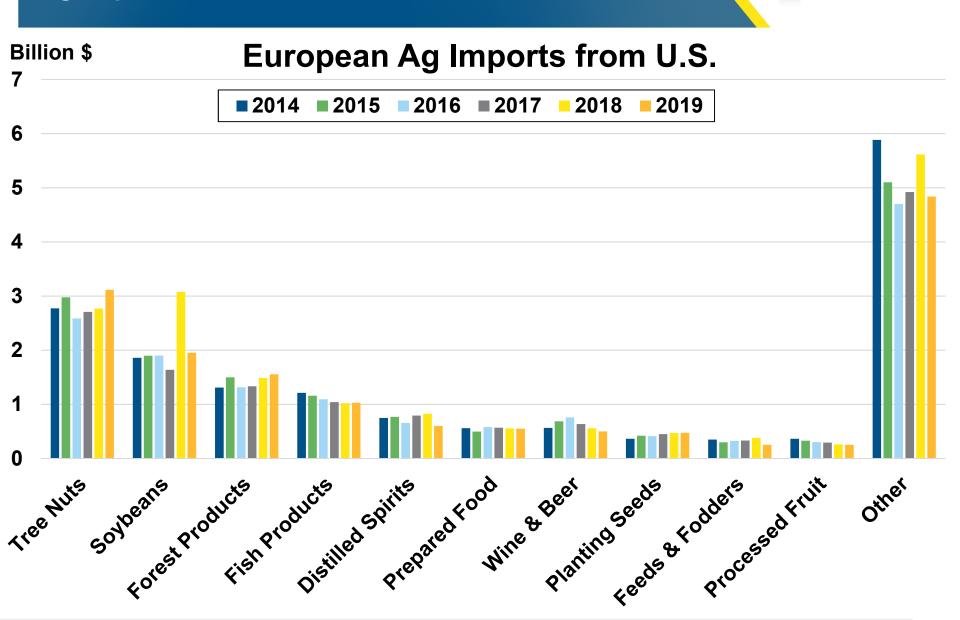
#### Indian Ag Imports from the U.S. up 22% YoY





#### **Ag Exports to EU Down 11% YoY**







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