

EGGS AND POULTRY SECTORS

Non-exhaustive list of issues and questions to facilitate preparations for bilateral meetings

COUNTRY :

1. BASIC INFORMATION

1.1. Balance sheet (Tonnes carcass weight or shell egg equivalent; please provide conversion coefficients used) 2002 2003 2004

- Census data
 - Breeding flock gallus domesticus
 - Laying hens < 6 months
 - Broilers ≥ 6 months
 - Turkeys
 - Geese
 - Ducks
 - Guinea fowl
- Production
 - Gross indigenous production (slaughterings + live bird exports – live bird imports) or usable production (egg production minus losses at farm level)
- Import
 - Meat/Eggs
 - Live animals
- Export
 - Meat/Eggs
 - Live animals

- Existing stocks
- TOTAL domestic use
(gross indig. prod. + imp – exp +/- variation stocks)
- Human consumption (kg/head/year)
- Eggs for hatching
- Other use (Non-food industry, losses)
- Self sufficiency (%)
(ratio between G.I.P. and total use)

1.2. Monthly production statistics

- Eggs incubated (by species and use)
- Chicks hatched (by species and use)
- Hen eggs delivered to packing centres
- Poultry slaughterings (by species)

1.3. Farm structure (livestock production)

- Number of holdings for egg and poultry production and number of animals
- Split by type of ownership (private – cooperative – State)
- Split of the above number of holding and animals by number of animals per holding (by groups of size 0-99/100-999/1000-2999/3000-4999/5000-9999/10000-29999/30000 and more)
- List of main breeds indicating
 - Egg yield per hen during laying period of 1 month (N° + kg)
 - Age at slaughter and average live weight of broilers
- number of hens and egg production by type (cages – deep litter – free range)

1.4. Structure of trade and industry

Describe in short the structure (number, capacity, ownership) of

- hatcheries
- egg packing centres
- egg processing plants
- poultry slaughterhouses, cutting and processing plants.

1.5. Forms of cooperation and integration at horizontal and vertical level between different stades (breeding – hatching – feed mills – farms – processing and marketing companies)

2. MARKET TOOLS

2.1. Trade and price fixing

- Role of live poultry and egg markets :

Are there physical live and egg markets or are the animals/eggs purchased directly by slaughterhouses and packers, or both ?

- Are these markets privately organised or does the state play a role ?
- Prices: Are there representative public quotations concerning the price for standard qualities or particular types of products? Please, give summary of price recording during last 3 years.

2.2. Administrative control

- Is there public intervention on the market? (public buying in, aids for private storage)
- Does there exist any form of state trading/price control/State monopolies ?
- Are storage facilities available ? (Capacity of private and public cold stores)

3. MARKETING STANDARDS (QUALITY AND LABELLING RULES)

- Is the identity of all farmers, packers and processors known and registered ?
- Is marketing of eggs, egg products and poultrymeat subject to complying with specific quality (other than hygiene) and labelling rules ?

If yes, please provide short description of quality grades, weight classes, mandatory and optional labelling requirements as well as of monitoring rules and list of control agencies.

4. IMPORTS/EXPORTS

- Please provide statistics on quantities (live animals : numbers, others : tonnes) and values of im/exports by origin/destination for the last 5 years for products covered by CMO Eggs and Poultrymeat (incl. albumines)
- Are there import agreements with other countries ?

If yes, please give detailed description including rate of use during last 3 years.

– Other candidate countries?

– EU countries?

– Non-candidate countries?

- With regard to imports, are there quotas in operation?

How are they managed ? (Certificates of origin and import licences, for example).

- Are exports to other countries subsidized ?

– If yes, describe mechanism and indicate expenditures during last 3 years.

– What are your WTO commitments ?

- Is there a licence system for products under CMO eggs and poultry in trade with third countries?

5. SUPPORT FOR FARMERS

Are any subsidies paid to farmers in the egg and poultry sectors :

– Income support?

– Structural support? (investment aid)

If yes, please provide detailed description of measures.