

Foreword

This *Agricultural Policy Monitoring and Evaluation 2021* report provides up-to-date monitoring and evaluation of agricultural policies across countries from all six continents, including the 38 OECD countries and the five non-OECD EU Member States, and eleven emerging and developing economies: Argentina, Brazil, People's Republic of China, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Ukraine and Viet Nam. It is the 34th in the series of the OECD Agricultural Policy Monitoring and Evaluation reports, and the ninth report to include both OECD countries and emerging and developing economies.

The report provides insights into the increasingly complex nature of agricultural policy and is based on the OECD's comprehensive system for measuring and classifying support to agriculture — the Producer and Consumer Support Estimates (PSE and CSE) and related indicators. These indicators provide country comparable information on the nature and extent of support and serve as a basis for OECD's policy monitoring and evaluation.

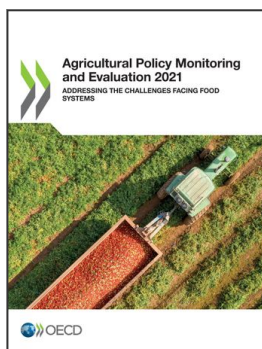
The report is structured as follows. The Executive Summary synthesises the key findings. Chapter 1 provides an overview of recent developments in agricultural policies and support, with a specific focus on policy responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. It also analyses the implications of current agricultural support policies for the performance of food systems. Chapter 2 describes the overall trends in agricultural support and is followed by individual chapters for each of the countries covered (the European Union, which has a Common Agricultural Policy, is presented as a single chapter). Country chapters begin with snapshots containing brief summaries of developments in agricultural policies and support as well as country-specific policy recommendations. This is followed by more comprehensive descriptions of agricultural policy developments, including in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A Statistical Annex containing detailed background tables of the indicators of agricultural support is available as a separate document on the OECD website (<https://doi.org/10.1787/2d810e01-en>).

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