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Report Highlights:

Opportunities exist for U.S. agricultural exporters to further develop and modernize the agriculture sector. Algeria is currently the largest country in Africa and in the Arab World with a total landmass of 2.38m sq km. Algeria is rich in natural resources but is still largely unexplored. Despite this, Algeria continues to import about \$8 billion in agricultural commodities and food annually. Algeria's overall strategy is to reduce its reliance on imports. The Government of Algeria is pursuing agriculture development and modernization, as a means of diversifying the economy and attracting foreign and domestic investment outside the energy sector.

Algeria Agricultural Fact Sheet

General

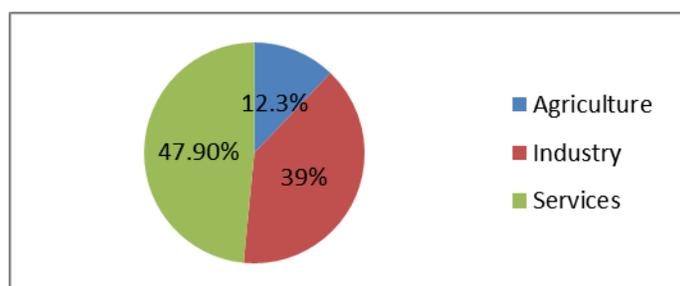
-Algeria is 2,381,741 sq km total land, slightly less than 3.5 times the size of Texas. The desert covers more than four-fifths of the country.

-The agriculture sector contributes on average about 12 percent of Algeria's GDP (2016 estimates) and employs at least 20 percent of the population in rural areas. Algeria has about 8.4 million hectares of arable land.

-About 51 percent of the total arable land is dedicated to field crops, mostly cereals and pulses, 6 percent to arboriculture, and 3 percent to industrial crops.

-Algeria's imports of agricultural commodities and food represented about 17.6 percent of the total imports (\$46.7 billion) in 2016. Algeria is one of the world's largest importers of wheat and dairy products.

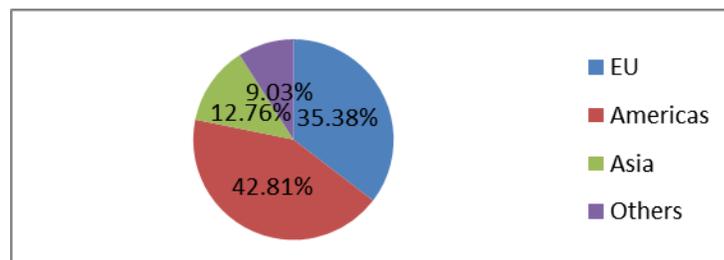
Agriculture in the GDP composition (2016):



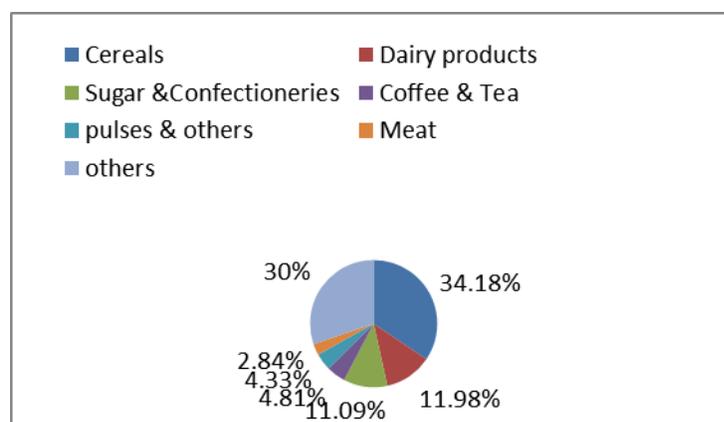
Algeria Agricultural Imports from All Countries and U.S. market Share (Source: Algerian Trade 2016 Data)

Agricultural Imports from All Countries (CY2016)	\$8.22 Billion
Agricultural Imports from U.S./Market Share(CY2016)	\$313 million /3.8 percent
Total Wheat All origin / U.S. origin market share (CY2016)	\$1.79 Billion /3.2 percent
Durum / U.S. origin (CY2016)	3.2 percent
Bread Wheat/ U.S. origin (CY2016)	0 percent
Corn / U.S. origin (CY2016)	17 percent
Dairy/ U.S. origin (CY2016)	0.40 percent
Oils \$ Fats / U.S. origin (CY2016)	2 percent
Pulses /U.S. origin (CY2016)	0 percent
Fruits &dried Fruits, Tree nuts/U.S. origin (CY2016)	15.5 percent
Rice / U.S. origin (CY 2016)	0 percent

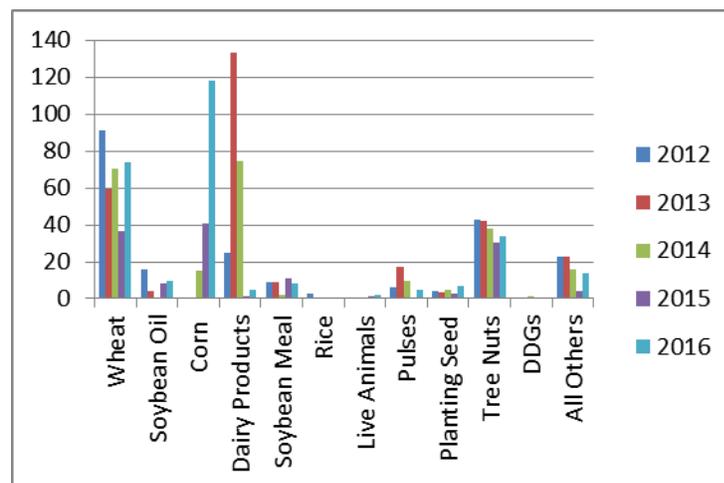
Major Agricultural Imports Countries (2016)



Major Agricultural Products Imported (percent of the total):



Major Agricultural Products Imported from the US:



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