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Report Highlights:

This guide serves as a resource for U.S. companies seeking to do business in Thailand and provides market overviews, practical tips and information on local business practices, consumer preferences, and trends. This report also identifies opportunities and entry approaches for the three major market sectors (food retail, food service, and food processing).

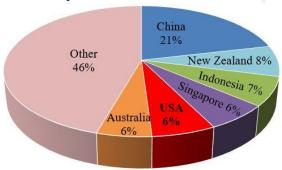
Executive Summary

Thailand is Southeast Asia's second largest economy with a 2021 gross domestic product of \$506 billion. Thailand's economy continues to recover from the pandemic with the support of government stimulus programs and public health measures on vaccination programs. Thailand remains a strong agricultural competitor as it is the world's leading exporter of natural rubber, frozen shrimp, canned tuna, canned pineapples, cooked poultry, and cassava. Thailand is also a major exporter of sugar and rice. Thailand is the 18th largest export market for U.S. agricultural products, while the United States is the third largest supplier of agricultural products to Thailand, with a market share of 11 percent of total agricultural imports.

Imports of Consumer-Oriented Products

The United States was the 5th largest supplier of consumer-oriented products to Thailand in 2021 with exports valued at \$445 million.

Thailand's Imports of Consumer-Oriented Products, 2021



Food Processing Industry

Thailand's food processing industry has developed rapidly and is one of the most developed in Southeast Asia. There are many medium-to-large food processors that produce high-value products for domestic and export markets. Thailand exported \$34.6 billion in food products in 2021, whereas Thailand imported \$3.2 billion in food ingredients. With rising demand for processed foods, Thai food processors must import large quantities of food ingredients that are not locally available.

Food Retail Industry

Higher domestic spending, exports, and a recovery in tourism have supported the Thai economy in 2022. The food and beverage industry is one of the biggest retail segments in Thailand. The country's economic growth, coupled with higher disposable incomes in the middle-

income population, a greater propensity to spend, and a trend towards urbanization fueled the growth in the retail sector prior to the pandemic. Changes in the structure of Thai households and the pandemic have led to changes in how Thais eat with a rising demand for convenient ready-to-eat meals, healthy food products, and food delivery.

Ouick Facts 2021

<u>Imports of Consumer-Oriented Products</u>: \$7.0 billion <u>List of Top 10 Growth Products in Host Country</u>

- Dairy products
 Spices
 Seafood products
 Frosh produce
 Spices
 Food preparation
 Bakery products
- 7) Tree nuts 8) Wine and beer 9) Chilled/frozen beef 10) Healthy beverages

Food Industry by Channels (billion) 2021

| Total Agricultural Exports: | \$42.4 |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Total Agricultural Imports: | \$20.6 |
| Full-Service Restaurant Sales | \$3.5 |
| Food Delivery Sales | \$2.5 |
| Food and Drink E-commerce Sales | \$0.5 |

Top Thailand Retailers

Supermarkets:Hypermarkets:1) Central Food Retail1) Lotus's2) Gourmet Market2) Big C3) Villa MarketCash and Carry4) Foodland1) Makro

5)UFM Fuji Super 6)MaxValu

Convenience Stores:

1)7-Eleven 2) Family Mart 3) Lawson 108

GDP/Population

Population (millions): 69.95

GDP (billions USD): \$506 (as of 08/2022) GDP per capita (USD): \$7,255 (as of 08/2022)

Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/Challenges

Strengths:

There is a strong food industry with well-established retail, food service, and food processing industries.

Weakness:

A high level of local industry protection results in restrictive trade barriers for imported food and beverages.

Opportunities:

Incomes are rising, and there is rapid urbanization. Urban Thai consumers are more willing to pay for premium food products.

Challenges:

There are high import tariffs on U.S. food exports to Thailand.

Data and Information Sources: Euromonitor, Trade Data Monitor, LLC, Office of the National Economic and Social Development Board, World Bank, Kasikorn Research, and Industry Estimates

Section I. Market Overview

Thailand, with a population of nearly 70 million, is Southeast Asia's second largest economy with a gross domestic product (GDP) of \$506 billion in 2021. The National Food Institute reported that the value of Thai food exports was \$34.6 billion in 2021, an increase of 12 percent from 2020. Agricultural and food exports account for 17 percent of total Thai exports. Thailand remains a strong agricultural competitor as the world's leading exporter of natural rubber, frozen shrimp, canned tuna, canned pineapples, cooked poultry, and cassava. Thailand is also a major exporter of sugar and rice. The National Economic and Social Development Council expects the Thai economy to expand between 2.7 and 3.2 percent in 2022. The recovery in domestic demand and tourism along with improvements in the agricultural sector are key drivers of the economic growth seen in 2022. Tourism is one of the largest contributors to the Thai economy and continues to recover despite there being fewer tourists than prepandemic levels. Thailand recorded 10.3 million arrivals of international tourists in 2022, and the Tourism Authority of Thailand expects the number of international tourists to reach 20 million in 2023, approximately 50 percent from the 40 million that arrived before the pandemic in 2019.

Thailand imported a total of \$11 billion in consumer-oriented and seafood products. The top five imported products were seafood, dairy products, soup and other food preparations, processed vegetables, and fresh fruits. China, Vietnam, Indonesia, the United States, and New Zealand are the largest food and beverage suppliers to Thailand. Thailand is the 18th largest export market for U.S. agricultural products. In 2021, the value of U.S. consumer oriented agri-food exports to Thailand was \$445 million, while the total value of U.S. imports of these products from Thailand was \$2.3 billion.

| Table 1: U.SThai Trade of Consumer Oriented Agricultural Products | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (million; \$ per year) 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| U.S. Imports from Thailand | 1,633 | 1,731 | 1,789 | 2,004 | 2,280 | | | | | | |
| U.S. Exports to Thailand | 393 | 428 | 483 | 466 | 445 | | | | | | |
| Trade Balance | -1,240 | -1,303 | -1,306 | -1,538 | -1,834 | | | | | | |

Source: Trade Data Monitor, LLC and USDA Foreign Agricultural Service - Bangkok, Thailand

| Table 2: Change in Thai Food Import Mix from the United States | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (million; \$ per year) | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | | | | | |
| Bulk and Intermediate | 1,430 | 1,860 | 1,557 | 1,267 | 1,356 | | | | | |
| Share of Imports | 69% | 73% | 70% | 71% | 71% | | | | | |
| Consumer Oriented | 393 | 428 | 483 | 466 | 445 | | | | | |
| Share of Imports | 19% | 17% | 22% | 21% | 23% | | | | | |
| Edible Fishery | 242 | 261 | 187 | 178 | 112 | | | | | |
| Share of Imports | 12% | 10% | 8% | 8% | 6% | | | | | |
| Total | 2,065 | 2,549 | 2,227 | 1,911 | 1,914 | | | | | |

Source: Trade Data Monitor, LLC and USDA Foreign Agricultural Service – Bangkok, Thailand

Thailand currently has free trade agreements with the Association of Southeast Asian Nation countries (ASEAN), Australia-New Zealand, China, India, Japan, Peru, South Korea, and Chile. Thailand is in negotiations for bilateral free trade arrangements with the European Union (EU), Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Turkey. On November 15, 2020, Thailand, which is an ASEAN member, officially signed the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) agreement with five other countries in the Asia Pacific region, consisting of Australia, China, Japan, New Zealand, and South Korea. The free trade agreement will go into effect in January 2022. (More information is available in the report "The Impact of RCEP on US Agricultural Exports to Thailand")

Table3: Thailand's Free Trade Agreements

| Country | Trade Agreement | Country | Trade Agreement |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| | Effective Date | | Effective Date |
| Thailand-Australia | January 1, 2005 | Thailand-New Zealand | July 1, 2005 |
| Thailand-Japan | November 1, 2007 | Thailand-India | September 1, 2004 |
| Thailand-Peru | December 31, 2011 | Thailand-Chile | November 5, 2015 |
| ASEAN-China | October 1, 2003 | ASEAN-Korea | January 1, 2010 |
| ASEAN-Australia- | March 12, 2010 | ASEAN-India | January 1, 2010 |
| New Zealand | | | |
| ASEAN-Japan | June 1, 2009 | ASEAN Free Trade | January 1, 2002-5 percent |
| | | Area (AFTA) | January 1, 2010–0 percent |
| ASEAN-Hong Kong, | June 11, 2019 | | |
| China Free Trade | | | |
| Agreement | | | |
| (AHKFTA) | | | |

Duties on imported U.S. consumer-ready food products range between 30-60 percent. Tariffs on meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, and processed foods are equally high, even for items with little or no domestic production. For example, frozen potatoes are not produced in Thailand but face a tariff of 30 percent. The tariff on apples stands at 10 percent, while grapes and cherries tariffs are 30 and 40 percent, respectively.

| Advantages | Challenges |
|--|---|
| Thais spend 28 percent of their total expenditures | č |
| on food and beverages, and about 38 million | subject to restrictive trade barriers, including high |
| middle-to-upper income consumers are eager to | import tariffs, rigid food import procedures, and |
| purchase imported food products. | burdensome documentation requirements. |
| A dynamic and eager younger population | Free trade agreements with China, Australia, New |
| (between ages of 15 and 34, representing 27 | Zealand, Chile, Japan, Korea, Peru, and India have |
| percent of the total population) is willing to try | made U.S. products less competitive especially for |
| new products and is receptive to trends that fit | high-value consumer products such as meats, |
| their westernized lifestyles. | processed meat, wine, spirits, fresh fruits, frozen |
| · | potatoes, and cheeses. |
| Urban Thais (52 percent of the population) | Local production is increasingly substituting imported |
| increasingly spend more on imported food items | food items. Locally produced snack foods, salad |
| and have become relatively brand conscious. | dressings, sauces, jams, and other processed foods are |
| They are changing their eating habits to accept | relatively inexpensive. |
| more western style foods. | |
| Increasing purchasing power of consumers in | Market penetration for imported products is mostly |
| rural areas translates into more discretionary | concentrated in Bangkok and major tourist-destination |
| spending on non-traditional agricultural products. | areas. |
| The Thai food processing industry is looking for | The oligopolistic nature of hypermarkets exerts some |
| new ingredients and shows a strong interest in | control over prices, while convenience stores prefer |
| importing healthy and functional food | low priced locally or regionally sourced products. |
| ingredients. | |
| Restaurants are offering more niche products to | Strong government protection on local agricultural |
| appeal to consumers with higher incomes by | products such as poultry and livestock products make |
| offering premium products. | it difficult for imported products to enter the market. |

Section II. Exporter Business Tips

Market Research:

- It is essential to visit the market to conduct market research, especially for product testing, price comparisons, gauging competitors, and understanding consumer preferences.
- U.S. exporters should identify the best distribution channel (e.g., local importers, distributors, and retailers) and establish a good relationship with their representatives as they are very useful in facilitating and promoting exports of U.S. consumer-ready foods to Thailand.
- Insight and analysis from FAS's overseas offices on key market sector reports, market updates, and issues impacting U.S. agricultural trade are available at https://gain.fas.usda.gov.

Business Partners:

- U.S. exporters should work with a representative or agent who has or can get strong local connections with target customers (i.e., retailers, hotels, restaurants, and food processors), a good understanding of Thai food and agriculture regulations, and food import procedures.
- Networking with government officials and/or correct authorities can be the key to doing business successfully in Thailand.
- It is recommended for U.S. exporters to attend activities and events that help them learn about the market and introduce their products, such as trade missions organized by the State Regional Trade Associations (e.g., Food Export USA, the Western United States Trade Association, and the Southern United States Trade Association) as these organizations are working closely with FAS in Thailand and can provide reliable importer contacts and market opportunity updates.

Local Business Customs and Trends:

- Localize your products: adjust the product to local tastes, verify consumer preferences, and set a competitive price.
- Trade show participation is another way to raise awareness of your product and meet with prospective importers, retailers, and distributors. The three recommended trade shows in Thailand are Thaifex Anuga Asia (non-USDA endorsed trade show targeting products for retail and food service markets), Food Ingredients Asia (USDA endorsed trade show targeting products for food processing market), and VIV Asia (USDA endorsed trade show targeting animal feed products).
- Successful U.S. exporters must provide reliable product availability, consistent quality, technical support, and respond to inquiries within 24 hours.
- When introducing new products, several factors should be kept in mind. Middle to upper income Thai consumers have an aversion to low quality products and are attracted to branded products. They also tend to be image conscious. Existing brand loyalties are most likely to be replaced by new products that focus on good quality, better packaging, availability, promotions, and competitive prices.
- U.S. exporters can request a list of importers from FAS post at agbangkok@fas.usda.gov.

General Customer Tastes and Trends:

- Smaller households are driving the demand for smaller quantity packages and more emphasis on convenience foods, which require less time for preparation.
- There is an increasing trend of healthy food consumption among Thai consumers. Thais choose to purchase more healthy products that boost disease immunity. The demand for healthy and functional food and beverages, such as vitamin enriched drinking water, continues to grow since the pandemic.
- The COVID-19 health crisis continues to change the behavior of consumers and shaping new trends in the food and restaurant industry. Restaurants and retail stores are producing new products and

- services that are based on the consumer trend towards health and wellness. Further information on market trends can be found in the Thailand's Food and Restaurant Trends in 2022 report.
- The rapid growth of food delivery applications during the pandemic contributed to the emergence of one big food trend: ghost restaurants (cloud kitchen), which are food outlets that are set up only for delivery service without a physical store and dining area. More information can be found in the report Thailand Online Food Delivery Market.
- On-going urbanization encourages Thai consumers to adopt lifestyles on convenience and speed, which lead to stronger sales of ready-to-eat and ready-to-cook meals.
- Thais are increasingly getting food related information including brands, new trends, nutritional information, and restaurant information through online searches, social media, bloggers, and influencers.

Section III. Import Food Standards & Regulations/Import Procedure

The most recent Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards report for Thailand contains information on food laws, labeling requirements, food additive regulations, pesticide and other contaminants, import procedures, and other key regulations, requirements and specific standards. The report is available on the internet at http://gain.fas.usda.gov. Contact the Foreign Agricultural Service at the U.S. Embassy, Bangkok (agbangkok@fas.usda.gov) with any questions on issues such as standards, tariffs, regulations, labeling or other concerns.

Section IV. Market Sector Structure & Trends

Thailand's consumer market is relatively mature with a high potential for future growth due to the country's growing economy, on-going urbanization, and growing middle class. Household income in Thailand has increased rapidly over the past decade in line with urbanization. Consumer disposable incomes continue to rise supporting spending on consumer goods, including food and beverage products. The expenditure on food and non-alcohol beverages is the largest spending category for Thai consumers. In 2021, Thai consumer expenditures on food and non-alcohol beverages per capita was \$1,028 (28 percent of total consumer expenditures), which ranks third in Southeast Asia (\$1,737 for Malaysia and \$1,893 for Singapore) and per capita disposable income was \$3,758.

Retail Sector

Thailand's economic growth and a trend towards urbanization, coupled with a growing young, middle-income population with higher disposable incomes and a greater propensity to spend, are driving the growth of the Thai retail industry, especially in food and beverage sales. The value of packaged foods sold in 2021 was \$15.67 billion, a slight increase from \$15.48 billion in 2020. The pandemic and changes in the structure of Thai households have led to changes in how Thais eat with a rising demand for convenient ready-to-eat meals, healthy food products, and food delivery. Consumer demand is expanding and diversifying, and retailers and importers have to offer products that meet the needs of different consumer groups. In 2030, the share of the population over 60 years old will increase to 27 percent. A growing aging population, coupled with the pandemic, has increased demand for healthy and functional food products. Thais prioritize healthier eating habits to protect themselves from illness and for their general well-being. Therefore, retailers are offering more food products with less calories and reduced salt and sugar to serve their health-conscious consumers. The enforcement of the sugar tax on non-alcohol beverages has encouraged the production and import of beverages with a lower sugar content to reduce costs, which has provided health-conscious customers with more beverage options.

Changes and digital disruptions on retail businesses forced retailers to expand and adjust their online marketing strategies and utilize omnichannel retailing to fit with consumers' modern lifestyles, where payment and delivery of products are faster and more convenient. Online sales revenue accounts for 10-15 percent of total revenue.

Further information on this market sector can be found in the Thailand Food Retail Market report.

HRI Food Service Sector

Thailand is one of the most competitive markets for the hotel, restaurant, and institutional food service (HRI) sector. The country is one of the most popular tourism destinations in the world and has a strong food culture. Tourism and an increase of modern urban Thais families are the main drivers of the growth of this sector. There are minimal barriers to entry for newcomers entering the market. HRI establishments are heavy users of imported products for food preparation, ready-to-eat meals, and catering services for airlines and cruise lines. In 2021, per capita consumer expenditure on hotels and catering was \$313 per person, a 23 percent decrease from the previous year.

The restaurant sector expanded by 4-5 percent annually prior to the pandemic, but the pandemic caused revenue from restaurant sales to drop severely. Kasikorn Research Center reported that sales in the full-service restaurant business may reach approximately \$4.3 billion in 2022, an increase of 26.5 percent from the previous year. On average, the entire HRI sector sources about 30-35 percent of their food products through imports. The United States has an approximately 20 percent share of this market. HRI operators are very familiar with the high quality of U.S. beef, seafood, cheese, frozen potatoes, seasoning, fresh fruits, dried fruits, nuts, bakery filling, fruit juice, juice concentrate, wine, craft beer, and other health and wellness products.

Further information on this market sector is available in the Thailand Food Service Market report.

Food Processing Sector

Thailand is one of the world's leading agricultural suppliers. Thailand has a well-developed food processing sector and global recognition for its quality control and standards, which enables Thailand to export value-added products to international markets like the EU, Japan, China, and the United States. Major food exports include rice, canned tuna, sugar, meat, cassava products, and canned pineapple. Thailand is one of the world's leading food exporters including seafood products, chicken, rice, sugar, processed fruits, and beverages. Food-related industries employ 40 percent of the country's workers, making food processing a vital component of Thailand 4.0 strategic economic development plan.

The Thai government has designated "Future Food" as a crucial economic driving engine. According to Krungsri Research, Thailand exported \$2.9 billion of future food products (i.e., functional, medical, novel, or organic foods) in 2021. Food processors, especially of future foods, are listed as one of the first S-Curve industries that relevant government agencies are seeking to add value to in the short to medium term. U.S. exporters have a great opportunity to supply food ingredients to Thai food manufacturers to develop value added and innovative food products. Potential products include plant-based proteins, semi-prepared and ready-to-eat food, functional food and beverages, probiotics, seasonings, frozen meats, frozen fruits, processed seafood, and healthy beverages.

Food processors have introduced a wide assortment of healthy and nutritional food and beverages products that boost immunization, such as vitamin waters, healthy snacks using grains, nuts, and dried

fruits, or ready-to-eat meals featuring new application of seafood, as demand for these products have increased and retailers are giving them better shelf space. The change in customer behavior based on health and beauty concerns as well as an increasingly aging society are factors that food manufacturers should take into consideration when developing new products to align with consumer needs. Food manufacturers are forced to develop new products and stay current on consumer trends to serve the changing preferences of consumers and seed new markets. In addition, the United Nations' Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs) have encouraged Thai food manufacturers to adjust their supply chains to ensure that their food production is environmentally friendly and ingredients are sourced sustainably.

The value of Thailand's food ingredient imports exceeded \$3.2 billion in 2022. The United States is the fourth largest supplier of these products. U.S. products with the highest growth were dairy ingredients, fish, dried fruits, nuts, and other functional ingredients. Although domestic ingredients hold the greatest **share** of the market, these items tend to be low value. With rising demand for processed foods, Thai food processors must import large quantities of food ingredients that are not locally available.

Further information on this market sector can be found in the Thailand Food Processing Market Report.

Table 4: Consumer Expenditure on Food and Beverages 2019-2021

| • | 20 |)19 | 20 | 020 | 2021 | | | |
|--|--------|---------|----------------|----------|----------------|---------|--|--|
| Million \$ | Value | Percent | Value | Percent | Value | Percent | | |
| Food | 62,735 | 81% | 64,192 | 82% | 64,888 | 82% | | |
| Bread and Cereals | 13,609 | 18% | 14,148 | 18% | 13,959 | 18% | | |
| Meat | 7,490 | 10% | 7,801 | 10% | 7,899 | 10% | | |
| Fish and Seafood | 7,226 | 9% | 7,373 | 9% | 7,296 | 9% | | |
| Milk, Cheese and Eggs | 5,123 | 7% | 5,252 | 7% | 5,382 | 7% | | |
| Oils and Fats | 2,665 | 3% | 2,805 6,482 | 4% 8% | 3,087 6,542 | 4% | | |
| Fruits | 6,487 | 8% | | | | 8% | | |
| Vegetables | 15,885 | 20% | 16,028 | 20% | 16,385 | 21% | | |
| Sugar and Confectionery | 1,880 | 2% | 1,876 | 2% | 1,856 | 2% | | |
| Other Food | 2,371 | 3% | 2,427 | 3% | 2,484 | 3% | | |
| Non-Alcoholic Beverages | | 12% | 8,766 | 11% | 8,697 | 11% | | |
| Coffee, Tea, and Cocoa | 1,354 | 2% | 1,406 | 2% | 1,405 | 2% | | |
| Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and | 7,614 | 10% | 7,360 | 9% | 7,292 | 9% | | |
| Vegetable Juices | 7,014 | 1070 | 7,300 | 970 | 1,292 | 970 | | |
| Alcoholic Beverages | | 8% | 5,409 | 7% | 5,239 | 7% | | |
| Spirits | 2,490 | 3% | 2,406 | 3% | 2,361 | 3% | | |
| Wine | 418 | 1% | 347 | 0% | 304 | 0% | | |
| Beer | 2,972 | 4% | 2,657 | 3% | 2,573 | 3% | | |
| Total | 77,583 | 100.0% | 78,367 | 100.0% | 78,824 | 100.0% | | |

Source: Euromonitor and USDA Foreign Agricultural Service – Bangkok, Thailand

Section V. Agricultural and Food Imports

| Thailand Imports | Imports from the World | | | Imports from the United States | | | | | U.S. Market Share | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|
| (In Thousands of Dollars) | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| CONSUMER ORIENTED | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AGRICULTURAL TOTAL | 5,589,266 | 5,848,902 | 6,217,544 | 6,469,641 | 6,945,292 | 393,415 | 427,916 | 482,829 | 466,498 | 445,223 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.4 |
| Dairy Products | 987,118 | 1,004,288 | 1,015,400 | 1,077,619 | 1,169,673 | 51,065 | 41,297 | 55,953 | 85,122 | 91,714 | 5.2 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 7.9 | 7.8 |
| Processed Vegetables | 713,392 | 739,447 | 805,286 | 788,755 | 793,883 | 23,045 | 26,052 | 23,037 | 22,506 | 16,370 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.1 |
| Fresh Fruit | 604,988 | 587,320 | 616,331 | 733,202 | 783,414 | 33,040 | 32,508 | 40,874 | 28,895 | 22,097 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 3.9 | 2.8 |
| Fresh Vegetables | 250,475 | 274,688 | 328,754 | 328,572 | 344,884 | 1,892 | 3,421 | 4,139 | 2,057 | 1,354 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| Tree Nuts | 304,065 | 241,346 | 269,336 | 358,891 | 380,020 | 20,703 | 41,563 | 55,342 | 39,851 | 34,678 | 6.8 | 17.2 | 20.5 | 11.1 | 9.1 |
| Bakery Goods, Cereals, and Pasta | 275,257 | 308,959 | 315,271 | 313,160 | 354,295 | 6,892 | 6,416 | 6,617 | 6,683 | 5,147 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 1.5 |
| Spices | 228,176 | 223,761 | 269,210 | 264,779 | 301,452 | 3,079 | 3,383 | 2,821 | 2,808 | 2,716 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| Chocolate & Cocoa Products | 185,469 | 198,881 | 201,072 | 188,807 | 210,772 | 17,859 | 16,994 | 21,917 | 19,207 | 20,805 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 10.9 | 10.2 | 9.9 |
| Processed Fruit | 156,380 | 168,773 | 183,032 | 216,365 | 249,277 | 18,008 | 15,662 | 13,229 | 13,040 | 11,837 | 11.5 | 9.3 | 7.2 | 6.0 | 4.7 |
| Coffee, Roasted and Extracts | 109,773 | 115,290 | 116,142 | 143,664 | 134,852 | 2,540 | 2,838 | 2,302 | 2,695 | 2,711 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| Condiments & Sauces | 73,403 | 89,165 | 106,845 | 104,201 | 115,956 | 5,230 | 6,370 | 7,444 | 6,033 | 5,423 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 5.8 | 4.7 |
| Beef & Beef Products | 92,584 | 101,748 | 103,927 | 129,941 | 175,594 | 4,442 | 6,847 | 7,142 | 7,047 | 6,604 | 4.8 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 5.4 | 3.8 |
| Wine | 69,320 | 90,626 | 82,997 | 62,284 | 65,807 | 3,657 | 6,656 | 5,947 | 6,972 | 5,831 | 5.3 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 11.2 | 8.9 |
| Beer | 15,294 | 17,421 | 17,009 | 16,370 | 19,226 | 333 | 270 | 412 | 381 | 470 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| Distilled Spirits | 214,336 | 256,392 | 265,436 | 175,244 | 156,812 | 6,875 | 8,492 | 6,508 | 4,032 | 1,848 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 1.2 |
| Chewing Gum and Candy | 88,410 | 99,895 | 108,711 | 96,145 | 104,481 | 646 | 730 | 1,016 | 1,023 | 539 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.5 |
| Other Meat Products | 106,703 | 135,242 | 96,218 | 78,570 | 85,350 | 614 | 791 | 718 | 854 | 752 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| Fruit & Vegetable Juices | 68,781 | 71,108 | 61,497 | 60,926 | 53,738 | 8,100 | 8,117 | 6,695 | 5,895 | 4,448 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 10.9 | 9.7 | 8.3 |
| Dog & Cat Food | 59,401 | 59,848 | 55,862 | 54,636 | 66,176 | 10,474 | 11,888 | 12,363 | 14,805 | 12,682 | 17.6 | 19.9 | 22.1 | 27.1 | 19.2 |
| Nursery Products & Cut Flowers | 32,296 | 39,409 | 45,320 | 53,327 | 71,785 | 89 | 150 | 178 | 81 | 357 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| Tea | 37,293 | 41,283 | 44,699 | 46,860 | 48,432 | 8,697 | 9,699 | 7,042 | 6,533 | 6,899 | 23.3 | 23.5 | 15.8 | 13.9 | 14.2 |
| Pork & Pork Products | 24,632 | 20,679 | 23,301 | 19,049 | 18,567 | 67 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Eggs & Products | 22,002 | 24,497 | 18,626 | 17,012 | 24,102 | 322 | 913 | 710 | 676 | 512 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 4.0 | 2.1 |
| Non-Alcoholic Bev. (juices, coffee, tea) | 33,326 | 34,763 | 49,679 | 44,092 | 35,202 | 1,188 | 940 | 781 | 639 | 1,238 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 3.5 |
| Poultry Meat & Prods. (ex. eggs) | 7,518 | 9,399 | 10,883 | 7,526 | 8,864 | 780 | 1,066 | 1,030 | 794 | 1,079 | 10.4 | 11.3 | 9.5 | 10.5 | 12.2 |
| Other Consumer-Oriented Products | 828,874 | 894,672 | 1,006,700 | 1,089,644 | 1,172,677 | 163,776 | 174,849 | 198,613 | 187,871 | 187,108 | 19.8 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 17.2 | 16.0 |
| CONSUMER ORIENTED | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AGRICULTURAL TOTAL | 5,589,266 | 5,848,902 | 6,217,544 | 6,469,641 | 6,945,292 | 393,415 | 427,916 | 482,829 | 466,498 | 445,223 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.4 |
| FISH and SEAFOOD PRODUCTS | 3,600,600 | 3,985,781 | 3,701,523 | 3,673,400 | 3,782,896 | 241,811 | 260,844 | 186,579 | 178,284 | 112,230 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 3.0 |
| AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS TOTAL | 12,368,893 | 12,982,241 | 13,488,825 | 3,862,363 | 16,278,176 | 1,823,211 | 2,287,789 | 2,040,061 | 1,733,640 | 1,801,294 | 14.7 | 17.6 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 11.1 |
| AGRICULTURAL & RELATED TOTAL | 16,503,100 | 17,562,187 | 17,749,671 | 8,039,264 | 20,640,929 | 2,092,033 | 2,573,235 | 2,250,091 | 1,937,115 | 1,935,294 | 12.7 | 14.7 | 12.7 | 10.7 | 9.4 |

Source: Trade Data Monitor, LLC

Best High-value, Consumer-Oriented Product Prospects Categories:

Dairy products, dried fruits and nuts, fresh fruits, chocolate and cocoa products, meat products, snacks, meat alternative products, health and functional food and beverages.

Section VI. Key Contacts & Further Information

The Foreign Agricultural Service in Bangkok maintains up-to-date information covering food and agricultural import opportunities in Thailand and would be pleased to assist in facilitating U.S. exports and entry to the Thai market. Questions or comments regarding this report should be directed to the Foreign Agricultural Service in Bangkok at the following local or U.S. mailing address:

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