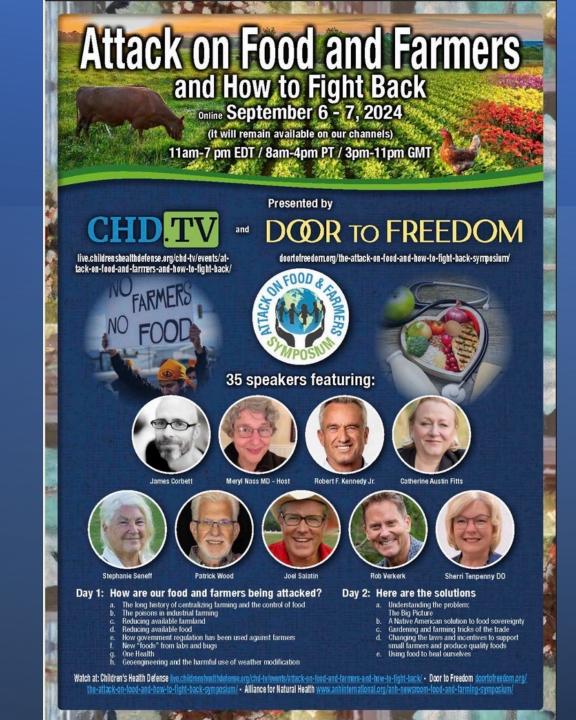
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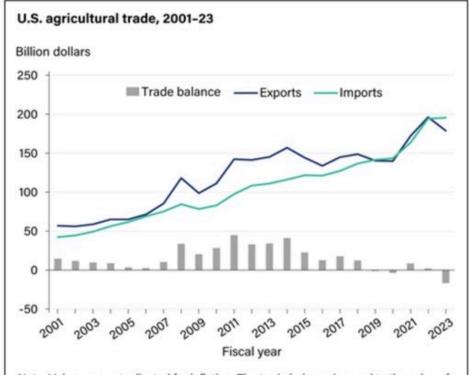
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U.S. agricultural import values outpaced export values in fiscal year 2023



Note: Values are not adjusted for inflation. The trade balance is equal to the value of exports minus the value of imports. When the balance is negative, imports exceed exports.

Source: USDA, Economic Research Service using data from U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

The United States typically exports more agricultural goods by value than it imports, but the value of imports has grown more rapidly than exports over the past decade, contributing to a negative trade balance in some years. From fiscal years 2013 to 2023, U.S. agricultural exports expanded at a compound annual growth rate of 2.1 percent. During that same time, U.S. agricultural imports increased by 5.8 percent. The robust increase in U.S. demand for imports has been largely driven by the strong U.S. dollar and consumer preferences for year-round produce selections. The resulting agricultural trade balance was negative in 3 of the past 10 fiscal years.

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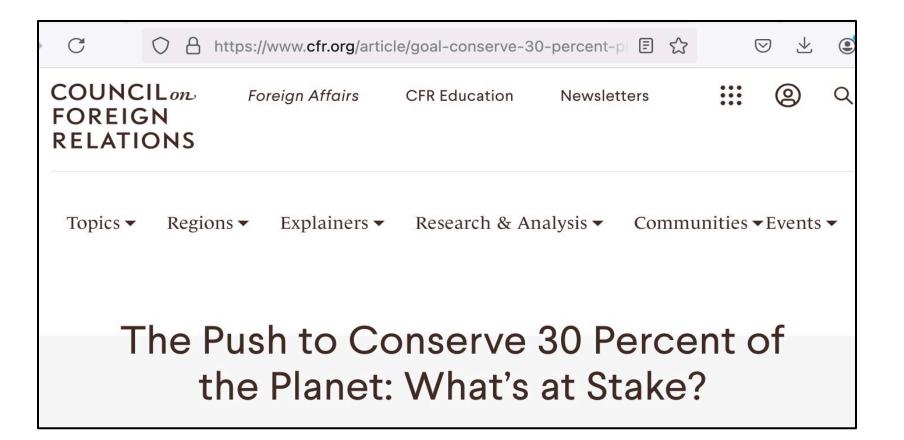
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The World's Largest Food and Beverage Companies in 2022

Food Rank	Global 2000 Rank	Company	Country	Industry	Spec.
1	46	Nestle S.A.	Switzerland	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Food Processing
2	86	PepsiCo, Inc.	United States	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Beverages
3	93	Anheuser-Busch InBev SA	Belgium	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Beverages
4	114	Coca-Cola Co.	United States	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Beverages
5	222	Mondelez International	United States	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Food Processing
6	237	Archer-Daniels- Midland Company	United States	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Food Processing
7	287	Diageo plc	United Kingdom	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Beverages
8	292	Kweichow Moutai Co., Ltd. Class A	China	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Beverages
9	318	Tyson Foods, Inc. Class A	United States	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Food Processing
10	330	Danone SA	France	Food, Drink & Tobacco	Food Processing

World's 5 largest food companies make mostly junk foods with poor nutritional content

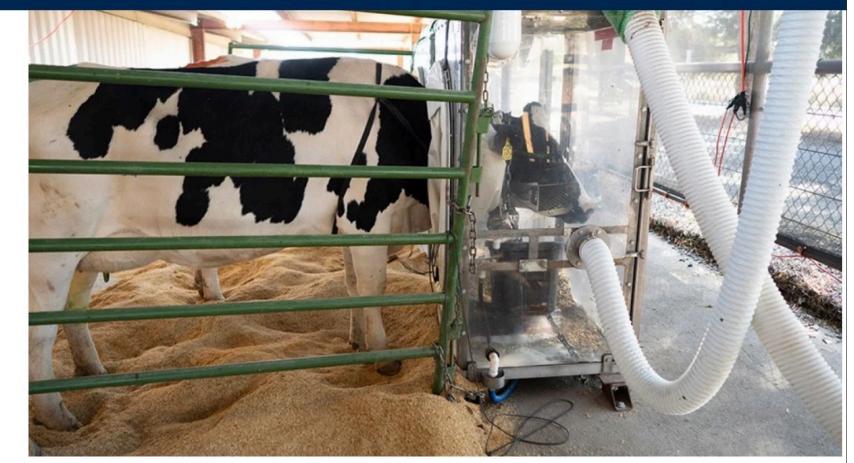
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"The 30x30 goal is a global target. More than one hundred countries have voiced support, but that doesn't mean they've pledged to protect 30 percent of their own land and waters. Experts say that's not necessarily a bad thing. "The hope is that each nation will set the most ambitious goal that it can," says the Pew Charitable Trusts' Masha Kalinina."

Cow's head enclosed in plastic chamber to measure the amount of methane it belches, in order to blame cows for global warming

UC Davis



The plastic chambers help measure the amount of gases coming from the cow's stomach more precisely. Each year, one cow can belch 220 pounds of methane, which is 28 times more potent than carbon dioxide. (Karin Higgins/UC Davis)

The USG ordered over 100 million chickens to be culled for bird flu. But the virus exists in wild birds. So culling cannot stop the outbreak.

https://www.cdc.gov/bird-flu/situ			
Wild Birds Detected	Poultry Affected	Dairy Herds Affected	
9,789 as of 8/27/2024 Full Report >	100,713,651 as of 8/22/2024 Full Report >	192 as of 8/28/2024 I <u>Full Report ></u>	

Jurisdictions with Bird Flu in Wild Birds	States with Outbreaks in Poultry	States with Outbreaks in Dairy Cows
51	48	13

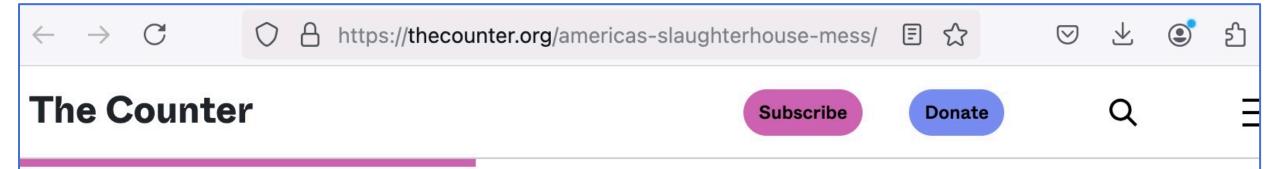
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By Chuck Abbott, August 27, 2024

99% of US cattle are slaughtered in USDA-inspected and approved facilities



USDA rules often force small, sustainable farmers to ship animals hundreds of miles away—even out of state—to be slaughtered.

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