



NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 30 November 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of **Israel**. The notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant supporting tables) for the **Calendar Year 2020**.

Explanatory notes to Israel's Domestic Support notifications for the year 2020:

Background and Adjustments in Policy

Israel's total AMS for 2020, as in recent years, is derived from two product specific AMSs that exceed the de-Minimis level: milk and eggs. The cost of production of raw milk and table eggs in Israel's arid/semi-arid climate is mostly dependent on the international prices of feed, since about 90% of the feed is imported. Milk and egg production in Israel is considered among the most strategic food sectors for both food-security related concerns and as an essential source of income in remote rural communities.

Over the years, Israel has taken several policy steps to increase the efficiency of production in both sectors, putting large efforts on the dairy sector. In 2020 the administered price of milk continued to decrease as a result of this policy, but the administered price of eggs continued to increase due to increased external costs of production.

Negotiations to reform the egg sector reported in Israel's 2017 DS:1 notification (G/AG/N/ISR/66/CORR.1) are now renewed.

Adjustments for Quality Differences

Quality adjustments as explained in G/AG/N/ISR/55 were performed. The fat and protein contents are listed in the official almanac of the Israeli Dairy Board and defined as "normative contents". The normative fat content in 2020 was 3.90% and the normative protein content was 3.44%. A total quality improvement of 16.49% was calculated using the following coefficients - protein: 54%, fat: 36%, water: 10.0%. The calculation for quality adjustments was done in consultation with the Israeli Dairy Board.

Table DS:1

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REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Total AMS commitment level (from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	Currency (from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	Current Total AMS (from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
568,980	USD/thousand	661,951.2

Supporting Table DS:1

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Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - "Green Box"

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value USD, thousand	Data Sources	Note
1	2	3	4	
2.General Services				
2 (a). Research	Agriculture Research Center: Improvement of production potential, diversification of agro-industry and post harvest processes: General operation	62,664	BB-MOA	
	Agriculture Research Center: Improvement of production potential, diversification of agro-industry and post harvest processes: Infrastructure investments	60,028	BB-MOA	
	Agriculture Research Center: Improvement of production potential, diversification of agro-industry and post harvest processes: Research centres and facilities operations	0	BB-MOA	
	Agriculture Research Center: Improvement of production potential, diversification of agro-industry and post harvest processes: Research funds	0	BB-MOA	
	Chief Scientist Research Fund: Provide grants to agriculture research: General operation for research	28,730	BB-MOA	
	Chief Scientist Research Fund: Provide grants to agriculture research: 'Kemah' fund – Agriculture Chief Scientist Fund	481	BB-BARD (Kemah)	
	Chief Scientist Research Fund: Provide grants to agriculture research: Agriculture by the Torah (Bible)	0	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	151,903		
2 (b). Pest and disease control	Services provided for farmers: Plant protection services	8,792	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Veterinary services	7,381	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Pest prevention activities	0	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Plant and animal protection	0	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Bovine spongiform Encephalopathy assistance	1	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	16,174		
2 (c). Training services	Services provided for farmers: Distribution of information, farmers training and technical assistance.	463	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	463		
2 (d). Extension and advisory services	Services provided for farmers: Support to farmers' organizations	625	BB-MOA	(1)
	Subtotal:	625		

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value USD, thousand	Data Sources	Note
1	2	3	4	
2 (e). Inspection services	Services provided for farmers: Inspection and training	0	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	0		
2 (f). Marketing and promotion services	Services provided for farmers: Marketing promotion	1,218	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	1,218		
2 (g). Infrastructural services	Services provided for farmers: Soil conservation and drainage department	59,909	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Investment in agriculture	20,083	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	79,992		
2 (h). Other general services	General Ministry of Agriculture Operations: Provision of overall management of the Ministry of Agriculture including specialised administrative service	147,630	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: National park protection Authority	0	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Pasture authorities	10,746	BB-MOA	
	Services provided for farmers: Districts assistance	1,891	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	160,267		
	Subtotal General Services	410,642		
3. Public stockholding for food security purposes	Cereal Reserve To ensure a reserve for three months of Cereal for emergency purposes	12,430	BB-MOA	
	Melah To ensure a reserve of foodstuff for emergency purposes	0	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	12,430		
5. Direct payments to producers				
6. Decoupled income support	Galilee law substitute payments Payment for meat of poultry producers in the Galilee area	8,250	BB-MOA	(2)
	Israeli workers Support to encourage Israeli workers in agriculture	33	BB-MOA	(3)
	Subtotal:	8,283		
8. Payments for relief from natural disasters	Natural Disasters Insurance Fund Government allowance in the Natural Disasters Insurance programme	23,133	BB-MOA	
	Advances for claims on Insurance Fund Advance payment to farmers not covered by the insurance policy	36,089	BB-MOA	
	Natural Disasters Compensation Payment to farmers not covered by the insurance policy	30	BB-MOA	(4)
	Water cuts payments Compensation for cut in water supply to farmers	0	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	59,252		
11. Structural adjustment assistance provided through investment aids	Small and medium farmers' loans Governmental guarantees for SME loans	0	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	0		
12. Environmental programmes	Environment reform in the dairy farms Payments to milk producers who produce in compliance with environmental requirements	69	BB-MOA	
	Jewish Shmita year Environmental programme as part of the agricultural cycle mandated by the Torah	0	BB-MOA	(5)
	Subtotal:	69		

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1	2	3	4	
13. Regional assistance programmes	Rural Department Agreement Specific measure to Kibbutzim and Moshavim.	0	BB-MOA	
	New Settlement Infrastructure Specific measure to New Kibbutzim and Moshavim	2,552	BB-MOA	
	Subtotal:	2,552		
Grand Total Green Box		493,228		

Notes:

- (1) G/AG/N/ISR/61.
- (2) G/AG/N/ISR/17.
- (3) G/AG/N/ISR/54.
- (4) G/AG/N/ISR/17.
- (5) G/AG/N/ISR/54.

Supporting Table DS:4

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REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product specific AMS (from ST DS:5 to DS:7) USD, thousand	Product-specific EMS (from ST DS:8) USD, thousand	Total (2 + 3) USD, thousand	Value of production USD, thousand	Support as a % of value of production	Current Total AMS USD, thousand	Note
1	2	3				4	
Milk	457,499		457,499	882,455	51.8%	457,499	
Eggs	204,452.2		204,452.2	299,993	68.2%	204,452.2	
Meat of poultry	0		0	1,104,589	0%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Cotton	0		0	19,404	0%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Cereals	5,267		5,267	80,645	6.5%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Vegetables	407		407	1,684,818	0.0%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Fruits other than citrus	204		204	2,125,279	0.0%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Citrus	0		0	424,095	0%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Flowers	1,721		1,721	155,009	1.1%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Meat of bovine	211		211	463,883	0.1%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
Non-product-specific AMS(from ST/DS:9)			32,280	8,971,834	0.36%	0 (<i>de minimis</i>)	
TOTAL						661,951.2	

Supporting Table DS:5

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REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Market Price Support

Description of basic products	Reporting Year		Measure Types	Applied administered price	External reference price (generally from AGST)	Eligible production	Associated fees / levies	Total market price support ((4-5)*6)-7	Data Sources	Note	
	Type	From									To
1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
eggs	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Production quotas and guaranteed min. price	0.1/Tonne	0.0/Tonne	2,177,657 thousand Tonnes		189,456.2	Poultry Board	(1)
Total Eggs								189,456.2			
tomatoes	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	absorption of surplus	0/Tonne	257/Tonne	0 hundred Tonnes			Plants Board	(2)
cucumbers	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	absorption of surplus	0/Tonne	333/Tonne	0 thousand Tonnes			Plants Board	(3)
onions	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	absorption of surplus	0/Tonne	208/Tonne	0 thousand Tonnes			Plants Board	(4)
potatoes	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	absorption of surplus	0/Tonne	303/Tonne	0 thousand Tonnes			Plants Board	(5)
Total Vegetables								0			
meat of poultry	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Production quotas and guaranteed min. price	0/Tonne	1354/Tonne	0 thousand Tonnes			Poultry Board	(6)
Total Meat of poultry								0			
milk - tradable	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Production quotas and guaranteed min. price	453/Tonne	157/Tonne	847 thousand Tonnes		250,712	Dairy Board	(7)
milk - non-tradable	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Production quotas and guaranteed min. price	453/Tonne	157/Tonne	697 thousand Tonnes		206,312	Dairy Board	(8)
Total Milk								457,024			

Notes:

- (1) "Eligible production" is total annual production.
- (2) The Plants Board no longer applies absorption of surplus practices.
- (3) The Plants Board no longer applies absorption of surplus practices.
- (4) The Plants Board no longer applies absorption of surplus practices.
- (5) The Plants Board no longer applies absorption of surplus practices.
- (6) The Poultry Board no longer sets production quotas for poultry meat.
- (7) "Eligible production" is the total annual production quota. According to FAO's Gateway to Dairy Production (<http://www.fao.org/dairy-production-products/socio-economics/markets-and-trade/>), milk products can be classified into non-tradable fluid and tradable, manufactured products.
- (8) "Eligible production" is the total annual production quota. According to FAO's Gateway to Dairy Production (<http://www.fao.org/dairy-production-products/socio-economics/markets-and-trade/>), milk products can be classified into non-tradable fluid and tradable, manufactured products.

Supporting Table DS:6

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REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Non-Exempt Direct Payments

Description of basic products	Reporting Year			Measure Types	Applied administered price	External reference price (generally from AGST)	Eligible production	Total price related direct payments ((4-5)*6)	Other non exempt direct payments	Associated fees / levies	Total direct payment (7+8-9)	Data Sources	Note
	Type	From	To										
	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
					USD	USD		USD, thousand	USD, thousand	USD, thousand	USD, thousand		
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
milk	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	dairy farm reform					475		475	BB-MOA	
Total Milk											475		
eggs	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	deficiency payment					121		121	BB-MOA	
eggs	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Galilee Law					14,875		14,875	BB-MOA	
Total Eggs											14,996		
meat of poultry	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					0		0	BB-MOA	
meat of poultry	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Galilee Law					0		0	BB-MOA	
Total Meat of poultry											0		
cotton	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					0		0	BB-MOA	
Total Cotton											0		
cereals	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					116		116	BB-MOA	
cereals	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	income insurance					5,151		5,151	BB-MOA	
Total Cereals											5,267		
vegetables	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	grower support					0		0	BB-MOA	
vegetables	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					407		407	BB-MOA	

Description of basic products	Reporting Year			Measure Types	Applied administered price	External reference price (generally from AGST)	Eligible production	Total price related direct payments ((4-5)*6)	Other non exempt direct payments	Associated fees / levies	Total direct payment (7+8-9)	Data Sources	Note
	Type	From	To		USD	USD		USD, thousand	USD, thousand	USD, thousand	USD, thousand		
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Total Vegetables											407		
fruits other than citrus	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	Marketing Board					0		0	BB-MOA	
fruits other than citrus	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	grower support					0		0	BB-MOA	
fruits other than citrus	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					204		204	BB-MOA	
Total Fruits other than citrus											204		
citrus	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					0		0	BB-MOA	
Total Citrus											0		
flowers	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					902		902	BB-MOA	
flowers	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	grower support					819		819	BB-MOA	
Total Flowers											1,721		
meat of bovine	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	investment program					8		8	BB-MOA	
meat of bovine	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	herd aid					203		203	BB-MOA	
Total Meat of bovine											211		

Supporting Table DS:7

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Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS

Description of basic products	Reporting Year			Measure Types	Other product-specific budgetary outlays USD, thousand	Other product specific support (with calculation details) USD, thousand	Associated fees / levies	Total other product-specific support (4+5-6) USD, thousand	Market price support (from ST DS:5) USD, thousand	Non-exempt direct payments (from ST DS:6) USD, thousand	Total AMS (7+8+9) USD, thousand	Data Sources	Note
	Type	From	To										
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Total Eggs									189,456.2	14,996	204,452.2		
Total Meat of poultry										0	0		
Total Milk									457,024	475	457,499		
Total Cotton										0	0		
Total Cereals										5,267	5,267		
Total Vegetables										407	407		
Total Fruits other than citrus										204	204		
Total Citrus										0	0		
Total Flowers										1,721	1,721		
Total Meat of bovine										211	211		

Supporting Table DS:9

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Non-Product-Specific AMS

Measure Types	Reporting Year			Non-product-specific budgetary outlays USD, thousand	Other non-product specific support (include calculation details) USD, thousand	Associated fees / levies USD, thousand	Total non-product-specific support (3+4-5) USD, thousand	Data Sources	Note
	Type	From	To						
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	
Non-specific support	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	0			0	BB-MOA	
Water support	CY	01-01-20	31-12-20	32,280			32,280	BB-MOA	
TOTAL							32,280		