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Part 3

**Sources for International Agricultural Trade
Information**

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Government Sponsored Sites

- *Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)* <http://www.comesa.int/> An organisation of free independent sovereign states (21 in number) which have agreed to co-operate in developing their natural and human resources for the good of all their people.
- *Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)* <http://www.apec.org/apec.html> The only inter governmental grouping in the world operating on the basis of non-binding commitments, open dialogue and equal respect for the views of all participants.
 - *Agricultural Technical Cooperation Working Group* http://www.apec.org/content/apec/apec_groups/working_groups/agricultural_technical.html
- *International Trade Canada (ITCan)* <http://www.itcan-cican.gc.ca>
- *Free Trade Area of the Americas* <http://www.ftaa-alca.org/>

Government Sites (cont'd)

- *North American Free Trade Agreement*
<http://www.sice.oas.org/trade/nafta/naftatce.asp> Full text of the agreement.
- *Europa: Gateway to the European Union* <http://europa.eu.int/>
Gateway to policies, legislation, reviews, and so on of the European Union.
 - Activities of the European Union Agriculture
http://www.europa.eu.int/pol/agr/index_en.htm
- *Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade*
<http://www.dfat.gov.au/>
- *East African Community* <http://www.eac.int/index.htm> A regional intergovernmental organisation of the Republics of Kenya, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania

International Organization Sites

- *World Trade Organization* <http://www.wto.org/>
 - Trade Topics: Agriculture
http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/agric_e/agric_e.htm
 - WTO Agreement on Agriculture
http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/legal_e/14-ag.pdf
 - General Agreements on Trade and Tariffs (GATT) Archives
http://www.wto.org/english/news_e/pres05_e/pr402_e.htm
- *Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)* <http://www.fao.org/>
 - International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
<http://www.ukabc.org/ITPGRe.pdf> A treaty to ensure the conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture and the fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of their use ... for sustainable agriculture and food security
 - Trade in Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry
http://www.fao.org/trade/index_en.asp

Organization Sites (cont'd)

- *World Bank* <http://www.worldbank.org/>
 - Agriculture and Rural Development
<http://lnweb18.worldbank.org/ESSD/ardext.nsf/11ByDocName/AgricultureRuralDevelopment>
- *Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)*
<http://www.oecd.org/home/>
- *SICE: Foreign Trade Information System*
<http://www.sice.oas.org/DEFAULT.ASP> Provides information about hemispheric integration and trade trends.

Organization Sites (cont'd)

- *International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development* <http://www.ictsd.org/index.htm> An independent non-profit, non-governmental organization that endeavors to contribute to a better understanding of development and environment concerns in the context of international trade.
 - *Agriculture Negotiations at the WTO* <http://www.agradepolicy.org/> These quarterly reports outline emerging themes, debates and the progress of WTO negotiation in agriculture.
- *Japan Association for International Collaboration of Agriculture and Forestry* <http://www.jaicaf.or.jp/English/index.htm> A non-profit organization under the joint jurisdiction of Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- *International Food Policy Research Institute* <http://www.ifpri.org/>

Organization Sites (cont'd)

- *The Cairns Group* <http://www.cairnsgroup.org/> A coalition of 17 agricultural exporting countries bringing together developed and developing countries from Latin America, Africa and the Asia-Pacific region.
- *Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)*
<http://www.aseansec.org/home.htm>
- *G-20* <http://www.g-20.mre.gov.br/index.asp> A group of 19 developing countries with a focus on agriculture
- *International Federation of Agricultural Producers*
<http://www.ifap.org/en/index.html>