# Chile Trade Snapshot Year



#### Country Overview (2022 est. Data):

Population / Growth	Urban % / Growth	GDP / Growth (PPP)	GDP per Capita (PPP)
18.4 million / 0.66%	87.9% / 0.78%	\$445.88 billion / 1.03%	\$23,300 USD

- Chile has enjoyed historically high levels of stability and income compared to other regional countries, boasting the highest per capita GDP in South America.
- COVID-19 hit Chile hard and has remained an issue despite high vaccinations.
- · Recent social unrest in the country has resulted in political uncertainty.

#### Supply/Demand Basics:

- #1 importer of U.S. animal feed.
- #3 importer of U.S. corn products.
- Domestic corn production remained practically unchanged throughout the pandemic, with improved climate conditions helping offset the drought impacts.
- Overall corn imports expected to decline but only slightly, faring better relative to total agricultural imports.
- Modest improvement in corn demand with national economic recovery due to increased poultry and pork production demanding more animal feed, which constitutes 90% of Chilean corn consumption.

Commodity	2020 Total Imports (\$)	2020 Imports from U.S. (\$)	2021 Total Imports (\$)	2021 Imports from U.S. (\$)	U.S. Market Share 2021	U.S. Supplier Rank
Starches	40,376,919	5,945,661	48,242,205	6,096,656	12.6%	#3 Supplier of Corn Starches
Corn Oil	1,642,447	72,343	1,995,320	377,993	18.9%	#2 Supplier of Corn Oil
HFCS	17,081,780	684,959	23,028,658	899,255	3.9%	#6 Supplier of HFCS
Animal Feed	98,771,479	87,175,246	106,945,494	94,403,637	88.3%	#1 Supplier of Animal Feed

### Trade and Market Share Overview:

- Chile saw a significant rise in overall corn imports from the U.S., 56% market share for U.S., followed by Argentine imports at 26% market share.
- Argentina held 93.7% of the corn market share in crop year 2021/2022.
- Both U.S. and Argentinian corn prices remain similar, and both remain higher than domestic corn prices.
- Due to the economic recovery from COVID-19, corn feed usage is expected to remain relatively flat.

### **Policy Overview:**

- The Chilean government has in the past been involved in the practice of providing a minimum price for farmers' corn crop in order to ensure they are covered during price fluctuations.
- Chile does host some restrictions on animal feed imports, with one requesting that imported feed not contain ingredients of mammalian origin.
- Since 2008, Chile has had an E5 blending target for ethanol but no blending has occurred. Ethanol imports to Chile are entirely industrial grade ethanol.

## Total U.S. Agricultural Exports to Chile

