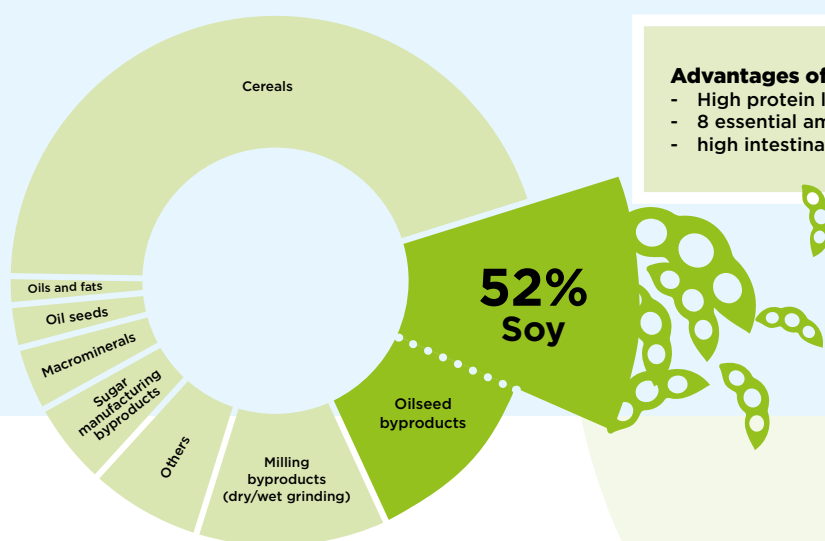


BFA contributes to sustainable soybean production

The objective of the compound feed sector is to produce quality, safe and sustainable feed. The sector therefore uses very high quality raw materials to achieve this. Soy is an important and high quality source of protein for the animal feed sector. BFA has been advocating for many years for sustainable soy crops in the country of origin.



Advantages of soy

- High protein level
- 8 essential amino acids
- high intestinal digestibility

Soy can be used whole in animal feed, but it's common to crush it.

This process separates the oil from the rest.

The animal feed industry uses mainly soy meal

Did you know?



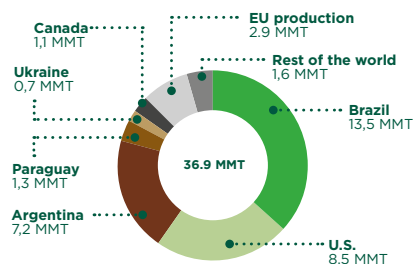
20 kg
soy hulls

790 kg
soybean meal

190-200
litres oil

EUROPE OVERVIEW

Origins of EU+ soy



Imports 34 MMT + EU production 2.9 MMT

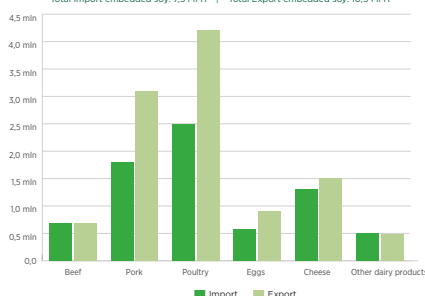
1.2 MMT
soy export
out of Europe

32.7 MMT
Soybean meal
available**

2.55 MMT
EU+ net export
embedded soy

Import and export of embedded soy (1000 t) in 13 European countries

Total Import embedded soy: 7.5 MMT | Total Export embedded soy: 10.9 MMT



30.15 MMT
EU+ soybean meal
consumption

32,7 - 2,55 = 30,15

FEFAC estimated that **77%** of EU soy imports is from **low deforestation risk areas**

GLOBAL OVERVIEW

359 MMT
global soy
production

22 MMT
is FEFAC SSG
compliant soy

125 M
hectares total
production

(*) FEFAC, the European Feed Manufacturers' Federation, has developed in collaboration with the International Trade Centre (ITC), a benchmark for sustainability standards, i.e. the FEFAC Soy Sourcing Guidelines.

(**) MMT = million metric tons

Bron: IDH Soy Monitor

Sustainability & Climate

Sustainable soy



2006

- BFA signs the Amazon Soy Moratorium in 2006: no more imports of soy grown on plots that were deforested after 2006 in Brazil.
- BFA is also setting up the socially-responsible feed platform

2012

BFA purchases the first RTRS soy certificates*
 * RTRS : Round Table Responsible Soy : a civil organisation that promotes responsible production, processing and trading of soy on a global level

2009

BFA purchases the first certificates of sustainable soy according to the BFA socially-sustainable soy standard. This standard includes criteria related to the environment, social aspects and the economy.

2020

BFA purchases 424,000 sustainable soy certificates, diversified on 3 standards: CRS, non-conversion SFAP and RTRS. 24,000 certificates were financed by Delhaize, the amount of soy needed for the production of the animal products on its shelves.

For the first time, BFA members have collectively purchased societally-responsible soy certificates in 2009, for a quantity up to 100,000 tons. The sector has also purchased RTRS certificates since 2012. In 2020, BFA was the 10th largest purchaser of RTRS certificates.

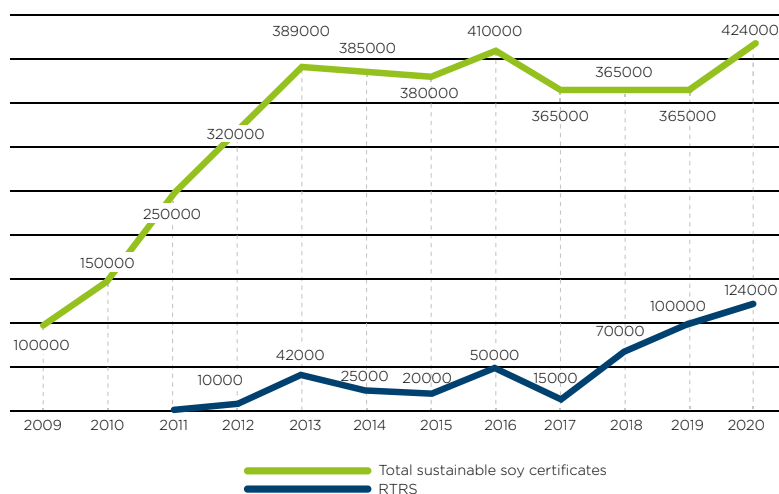
Covers **100%** of the internal market

100% deforestation-free

Collective purchases

Compulsory for BFA members

Control by an **independent certification** body



(*) According to the study by Dutch research group Profundo.

Each year, BFA invests significantly in sustainable soy certification and monitors the situation of certified sustainable soy through audit reports.

2030 Sustainability Strategy

The Belgian animal feed sector will continue to invest in the coming years to make the sector more sustainable.

By 2030, all soy used by Belgian animal feed manufacturers (60% in 2022 and 75% in 2025) will meet the FEFAC Soy Sourcing Guidelines and FEFAC Deforestation Free criteria.

More about sustainable soy?
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