

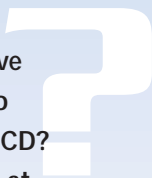
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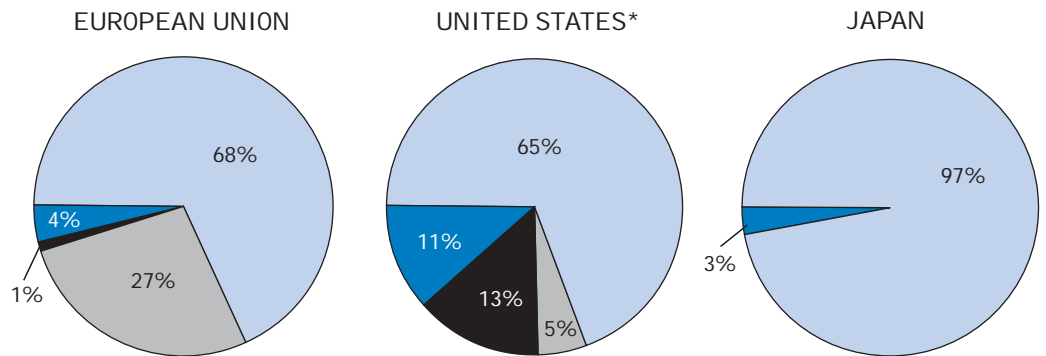
The Producer Support Estimate (PSE) is the annual monetary value of gross transfers from consumers and taxpayers to agricultural producers, measured at the farm-gate level, arising from policy measures that support agriculture. The percentage PSE measures the proportion of gross farm receipts accounted for by government support. It is the most appropriate indicator for cross-national comparisons, rather than absolute support levels for example, because it takes account of varying sizes and structures of agriculture across countries.

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## ...how countries support their farmers?



### COMPOSITION OF PRODUCER SUPPORT ESTIMATE 2003

(as a percentage of total support)

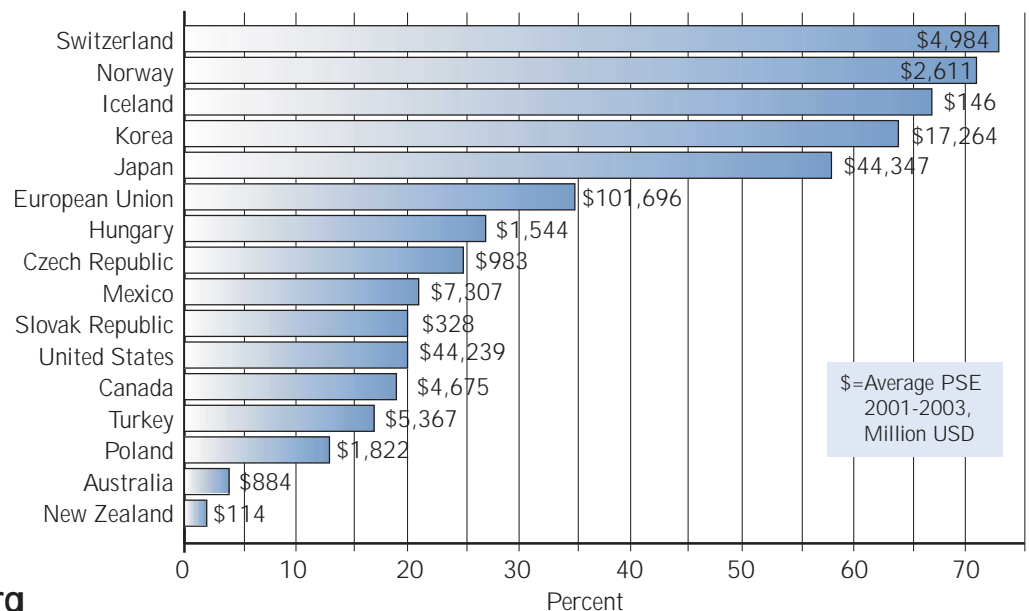
- Payments based on input constraints, income, etc.
- Payments based on historical entitlements
- Payments based on area planted, animal numbers
- Market price support; payments based on output and input use

*Many governments support farmers by propping up domestic prices, using protective tariff barriers and, in some cases, various forms of export subsidies. The most production and trade distorting forms of support (market price support, payments based on output and input use) predominate, with much less reliance on more decoupled and targeted policies.*

*\*the remaining 6% are "counter cyclical payments"*

## ...how much support is provided to farmers?

### PERCENTAGE OF FARM REVENUE ACCOUNTED FOR BY SUPPORT



\$=Average PSE 2001-2003, Million USD

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