Sorghum

Grains & cereals

A drought-tolerant cereal eaten as a staple across the Sahel and India and fed to livestock elsewhere.

Key facts

World production, 2024
64.2 million tonnes

Top producer
United States, 14%

Top exporter, grain sorghum (HS 1007), 2024
United States, 58% of export value

Benchmark price, August 2020
$189.5/t
US No. 2, Gulf export; +28% over 12 months

HS code
1007 Grain sorghum

FAOSTAT item
83 Sorghum

Also called
milo, grain sorghum, jowar, great millet

Top producers, 2024

Country	Tonnes	Share
United States	8.7 million	14%
Nigeria	6.5 million	10%
India	5.4 million	8.4%

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Sudan	5.4 million	8.4%
Mexico	4.5 million	7%

FAOSTAT Crops and livestock products (QCL), 2024.

Top exporters, 2024

Country	Export value	Share
United States	1.6 billion USD	58%
Australia	611 million USD	23%
Argentina	261.2 million USD	9.6%
France	48.5 million USD	1.8%
Brazil	41 million USD	1.5%

CEPII BACI international trade database (HS22, V202601).

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