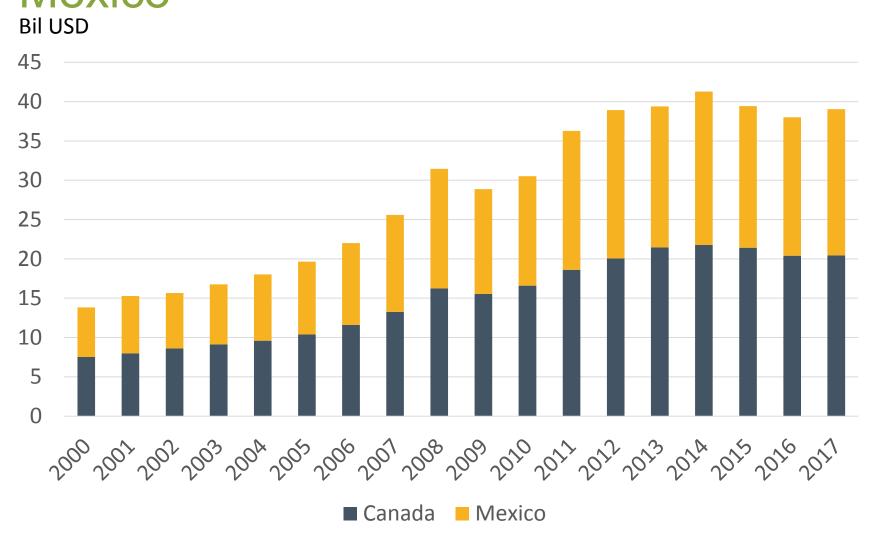


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US agricultural exports to Canada and Mexico



USMCA--Agriculture provisions

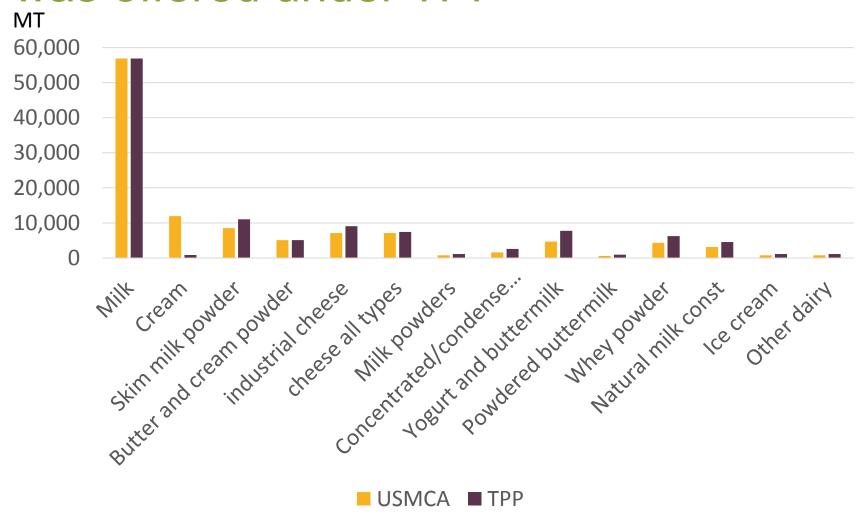
- Art 3.3 International cooperation
- Art 3.4 Export competition
- Art 3.5 Export restrictions
- Art 3.6 Domestic support
- Art 3.7 Committee on Agricultural Trade
- Art 3.8 Consultative Committees on Agriculture
- Art 3.9 Agricultural Special Safeguards
- Art 3.10 Transparency and Consultations
- Agricultural Biotechnology
- Phase out of Class 6,7

Market access under USMCA

- For agriculture, USMCA looks a lot like NAFTA
 - Most products faced zero tariffs under NAFTA; no change under USMCA
- Small increase in access for commodities protected under CUSTA
 - Dairy into US and Canada
 - Peanuts and sugar (and products) into US
 - Poultry and eggs into Canada
- No change in tariffs; access granted through TRQs
- No seasonal tariffs

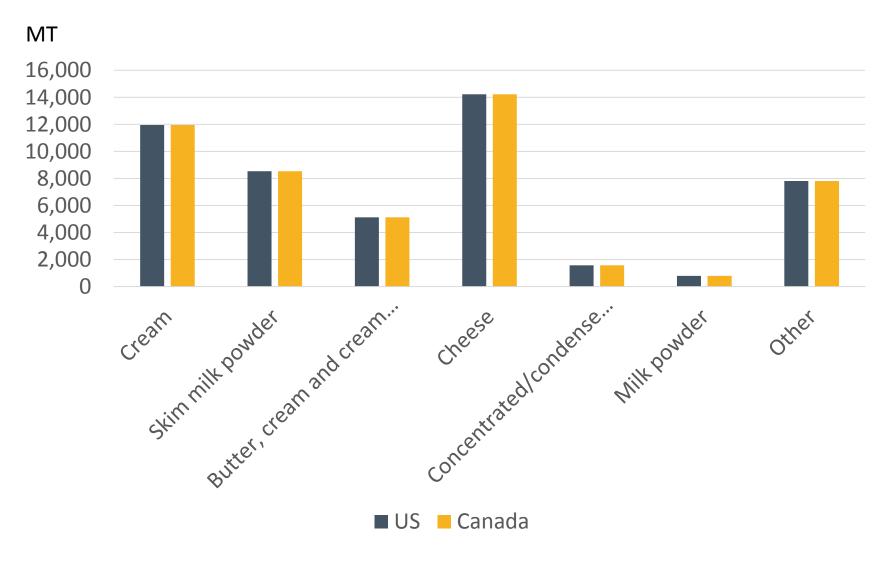


Canada dairy TRQs, similar to what was offered under TPP



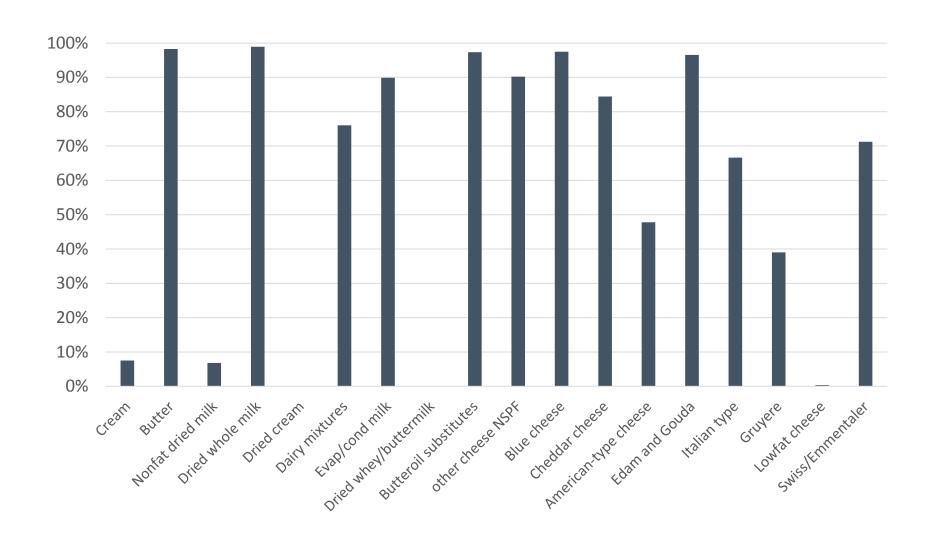


Dairy product TRQs under USMCA





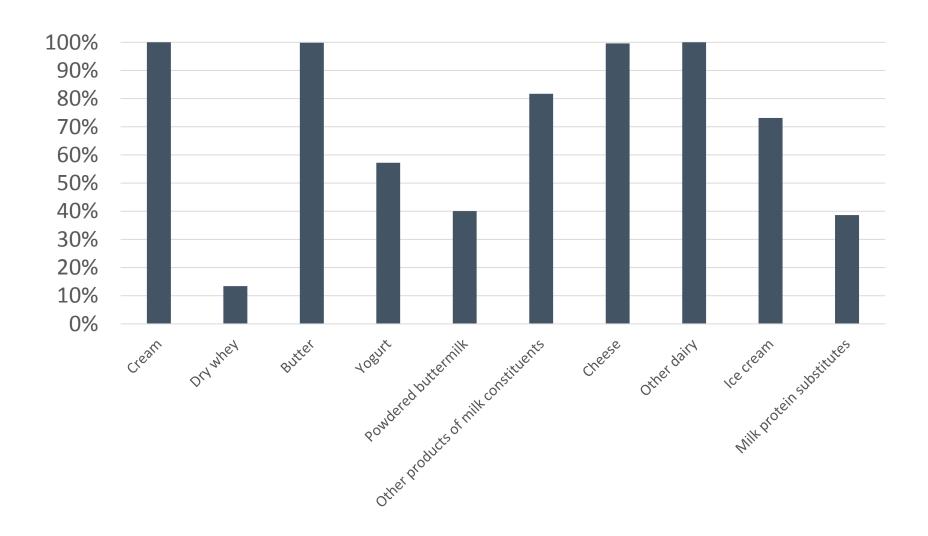
US TRQ fill rates for dairy—2015



Source: WTO



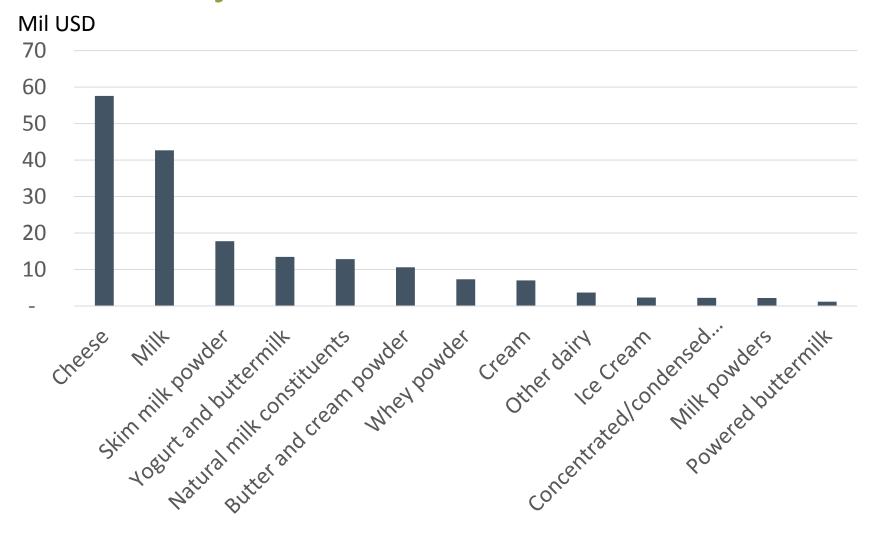
Canada TRQ fill rates—2016



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Value of potential dairy access into Canada, year 19



Dairy exports

Mil USD



Overall assessment: The Emperor's New NAFTA?

- USMCA is very similar to the old NAFTA—good news for agriculture
- Modest market access gains for dairy, poultry, eggs
 - Elimination of Class 6,7
 - Likely larger impact for Canada dairy
- Fortunately, some of the provisions advocated by US were rejected by Canada and Mexico
 - Seasonal tariffs on fruit and vegetables
 - Dispute settlement (Ch. 19)
 - Sunset after 6 years
- Modernization of NAFTA (new provisions borrowed from TPP)
- Like other consumers, ag will be adversely affected by increased costs due to domestic content provisions affecting automobiles, etc
- Sec 232 tariffs remain
 - Increased prices for steel and aluminum
 - Counter-retaliatory tariffs for pork and dairy ~\$1.8 billion





Thanks!

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