# Roles and targets of EUWEP / EEPTA - what we have achieved and tasks ahead

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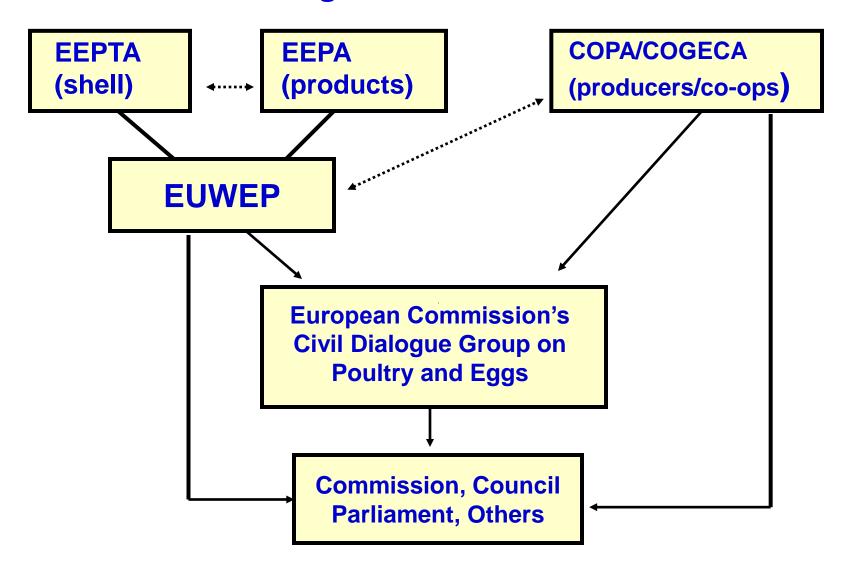
### Who are we?

EUWEP

EU Association of egg packers, traders and egg processors

- Made up of 3 organisations
  - European Egg Packers and Traders Association (shell eggs)
  - European Egg Processors Association (egg products)
  - European Poultry and Game Association
- Represents the EU egg sector

#### **The EU Organisations - Structure**



# EU Egg Sector

- Successful
- Unsupported
- · Efficient
- Innovative
- Reactive to consumer demand
  - Free Range, Barn, Organic, Enriched Cage
- Responsible
  - Food safety, traceability, assurance schemes, animal welfare, environmental protection

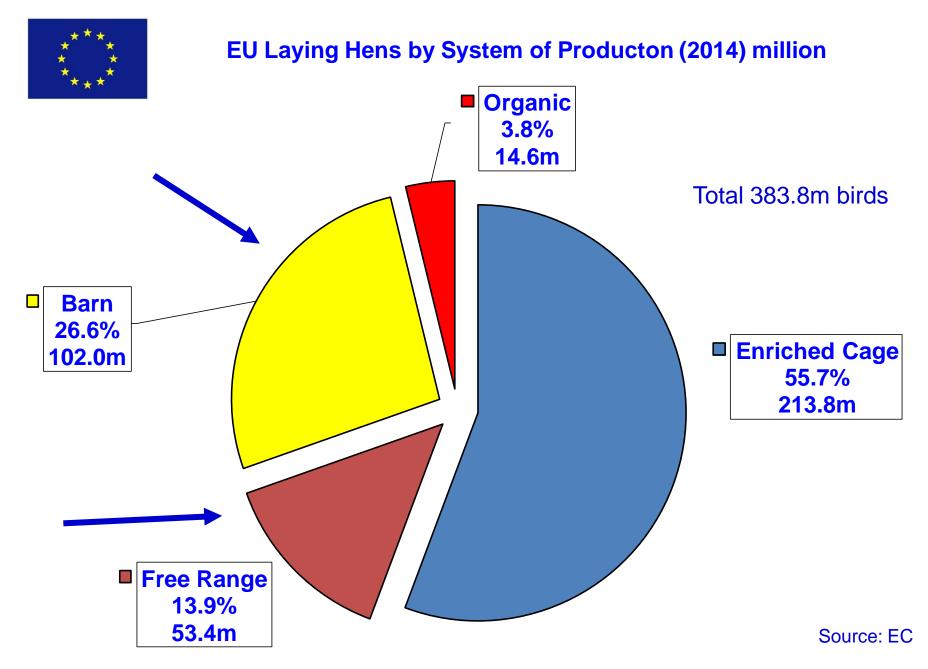


# EU laying Hens - 2014

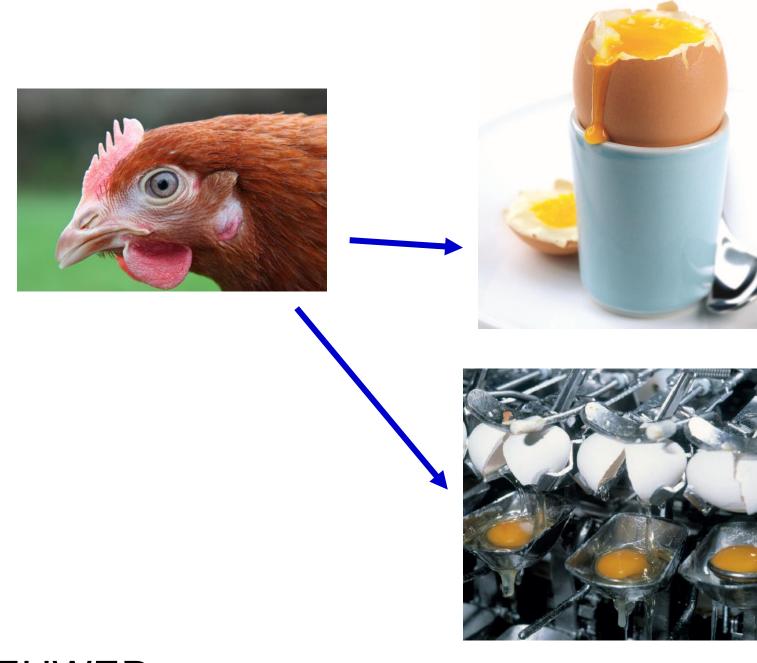
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Source: EC







# Conventional cage (banned in the EU in 2012)



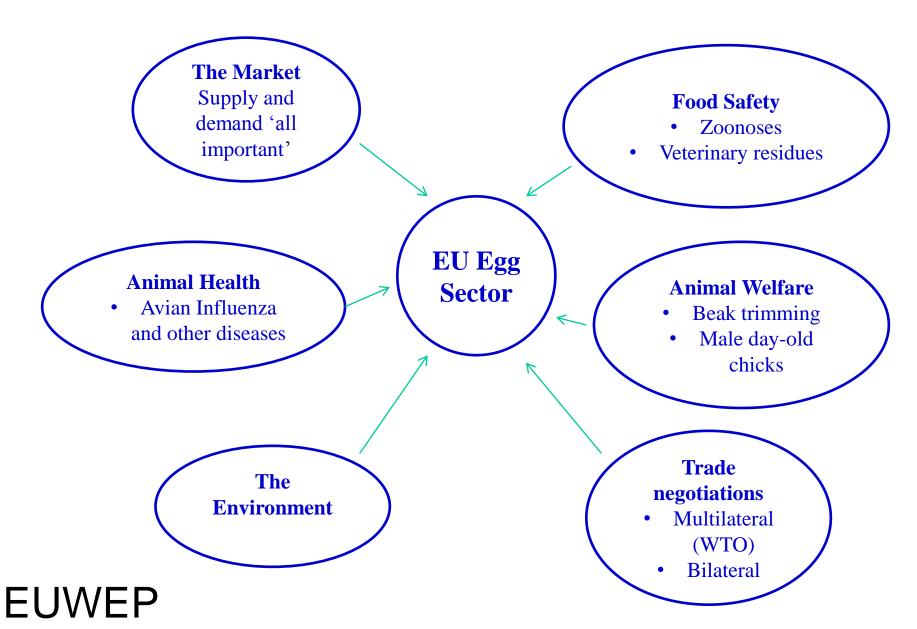
#### Enriched 'colony' cage



### Aviary / Barn system



# Influences on the EU egg sector



# Some current policy issues

- 'Opportunities' and 'challenges'
- International trade
- Avian Influenza
- Animal welfare
  - Beak trimming
  - Disposal of male day-old chicks
- Promotion
- Improving official statistics



International trade

#### EU Imports of Eggs:

# Trade Figures (Comext - tonnes egg equiv.) not incl. Hatching eggs

### When EU production is high, imports are low, and vice versa

	2011		2012		2013		2014		Jan-Jul 15		Compared
	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	to Jan-Jul 14
India	1.554	7,5%	3.658	9,7%	3.855	18,7%	5.606	42,3%	3.794	37,4%	+ 17,7%
Argentina	8.113	39,0%	10.159	26,9%	5.835	28,4%	1.433	10,8%	2.016	19,9%	+ 158%
USA	5.956	28,6%	15.179	40,2%	6.861	33,4%	3.930	29,7%	1.978	19,5%	- 31%
Ukraine	0	0,0%	0	0,0%	0	0,0%	163	1,2%	920	9,1%	+++
Norw ay	1.502	7,2%	1.474	3,9%	1.968	9,6%	1.280	9,7%	563	5,6%	- 36%
Sw itzerland	343	1,6%	333	0,9%	355	1,7%	610	4,6%	262	2,6%	- 32%
Others	3.335	0,2%	6.919	0,0%	1.687	0,0%	219	0,0%	604	6,0%	
EXTRA EU 28	20.801		37.722		20.563		13.240		10.136		_
% change			+ 81%		- 45%		- 36%		+ 22,9%		

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#### Competitiveness of the EU egg sector

International comparison base year 2013

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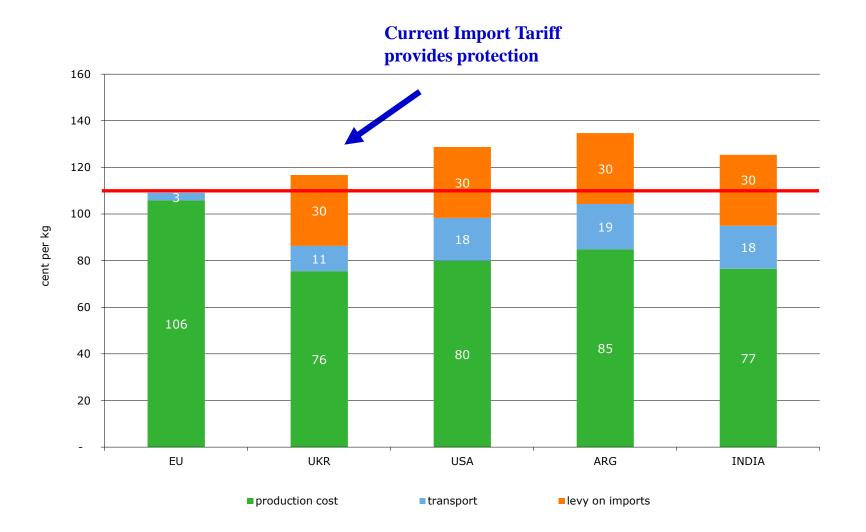


# Report commissioned by EUWEP

- Produced by
  Agricultural Economics
  Research Institute
  (LEI), The Netherlands

This report updates the reports published in 2003, 2005 and 2012

#### Offer price shell eggs in Germany 2013 (Eurocents/kg)





#### Offer price whole egg powder Germany 2013 (Eurocents/kg)





#### EU legislation

#### Environment

- Nitrate directive (max amount N on land)
- Ammonia emission (National Emission Ceiling)

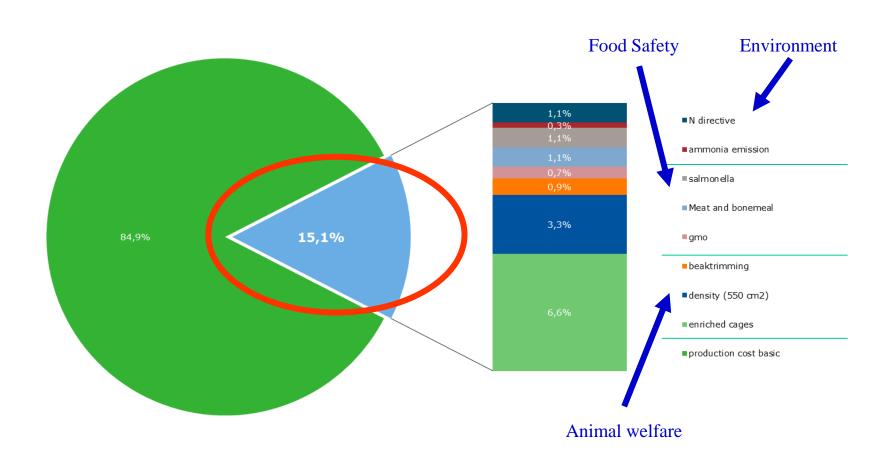
#### Food Safety

- Zoonoses Directive / Salmonella control
- Ban on Meat and Bone meal (MBM)
- Restriction on use of GM crops

#### · Animal welfare

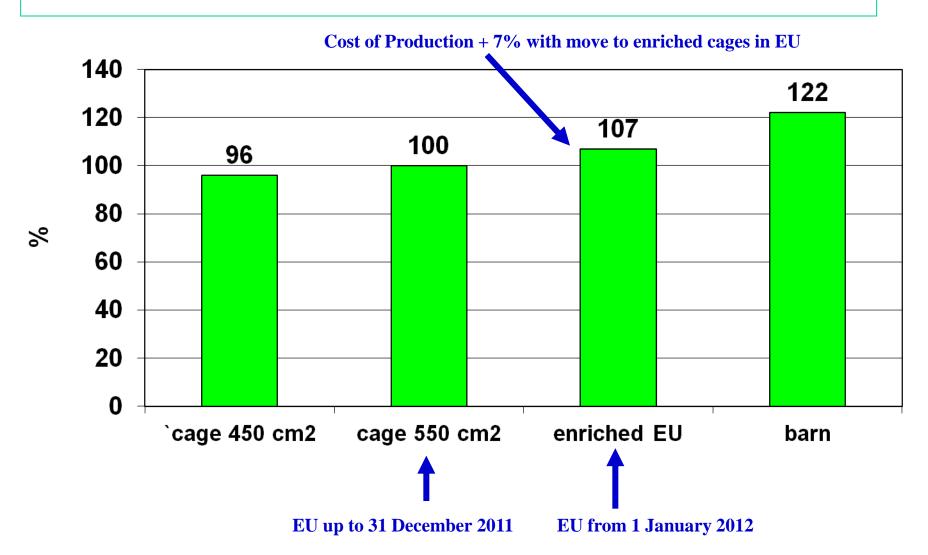
- Housing systems (Directive 98/58/EC)
- Stocking density in enriched cages is 750 cm<sup>2</sup> per hen (since 2012)
- Beak trimming legislation

#### EU legislation in 2012: production costs of eggs





#### EU legislation: 'housing systems'





#### Scenarios for the future

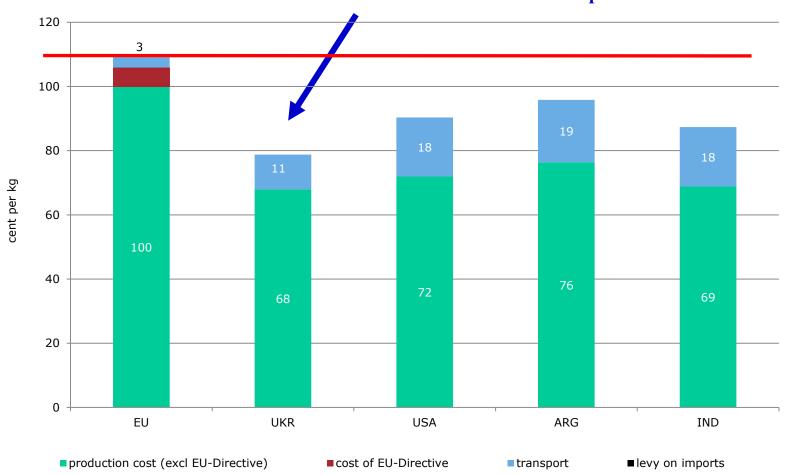
Import tariffs on eggs and egg products

Reduction as a result of:

- WTO multilateral agreement
  - Example 50% reduction in import tariffs
- Bilateral agreements
  - Removal of import tariff
- Exchange rates
  - large fluctuation
    - 10% change in exchange rate to Euro

# Offer price Shell eggs Germany 2013 (Eurocents/kg), scenario 4 (zero import tariff & -10% exchange rate)

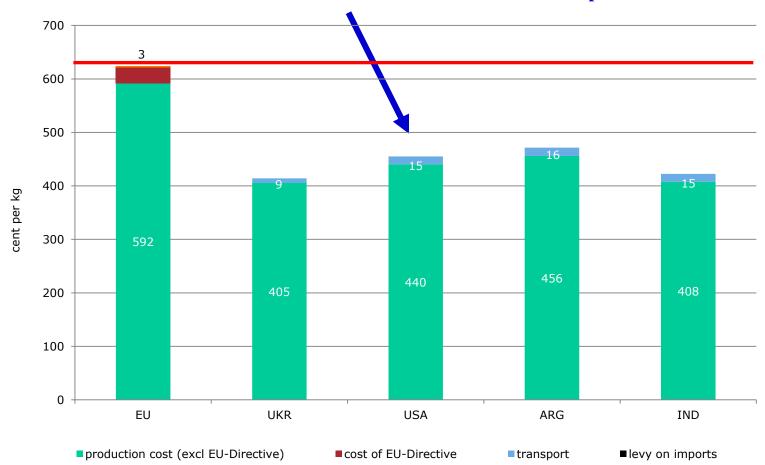
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# Offer price whole egg powder Germany 2013 (Eurocents/kg), scenario 4 (zero import tariff & -10% exchange rate)

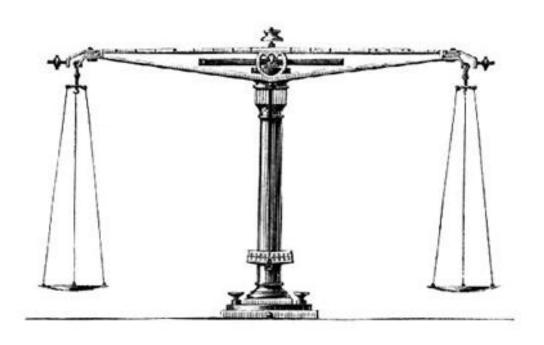
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#### Free trade

### Fair trade



Production cost in EU due to public concern

Import levies

#### What do we need?

- Egg Industry has legitimate concerns
  - EU citizens wanted conventional cages banned, as considered cruel, yet EU allows imports of eggs and egg products from this system
- Need for 'Sensitive Product' status to be afforded to the 'at risk' egg tariff lines
  - In particular, Dried egg and Liquid egg
- Need Animal Welfare standards to be included in all bilateral (and multilateral) trade negotiations
- Therefore, all imports to meet EU's high standards on;
  - Food safety
  - Environment
  - Animal Welfare
- This is 'fair trade'

#### EU Exports of Eggs:

# Trade Figures (Comext - tonnes egg equiv.) not incl. Hatching eggs

#### Japan is a very important market

	2011		2012		2013		2014		Jan-Jul 15		Compared
	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	tonnes	%	to Jan-Jul 14
Japan	66.354	31%	66.935	36%	64.522	30%	78.765	34%	41.346	30%	- 8,2%
Sw itzerland	42.163	19%	41.888	23%	41.991	20%	39.379	17%	24.137	17%	- 1%
U.A.Emirates	8.261	4%	1.676	1%	10.449	5%	8.118	4%	9.137	7%	+ 126%
USA	636	0%	180	0%	98	0%	3.020	1%	7.315	5%	+++
Angola	17.524	8%	17.110	9%	12.905	6%	16.077	7%	6.868	5%	- 6%
Israel	2.654	1%	1.060	1%	936	0%	3.491	2%	5.540	4%	+++
Taiw an	7.939	4%	4.624	2%	3.411	2%	3.445	2%	2.667	2%	+ 57%
Thailand	7.251	3%	6.406	3%	5.913	3%	4.939	2%	2.576	2%	- 14%
Hong Kong	5.354	2%	409	0%	314	0%	2.379	1%	2.472	2%	+ 139%
Sierra Leone	312	0%	0	0%	1.020	0%	1.673	1%	2.035	1%	+ 61%
Russia	4.947	2%	5.982	3%	10.538	5%	7.659	3%	1.302	1%	- 68%
Others	53.680	25%	39.502	21%	62.538	29%	59.518	26%	32.907	24%	
EXTRA EU 28	217.075		185.771		214.636		228.464		138.301		
% change			- 14%		+ 16%		+ 6%		+ 6,3%		



Source: EC

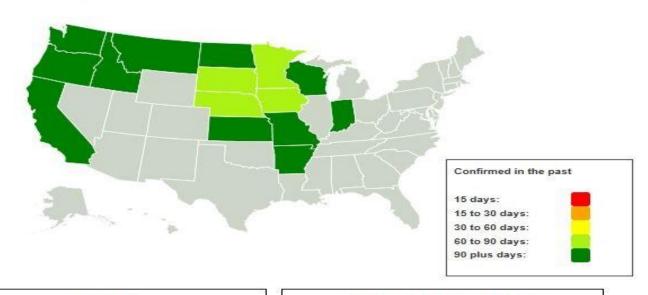
Avian Influenza



#### **ALL Findings**

Last update: 24 August 2015

#### Update on Avian Influenza Findings Poultry Findings Confirmed by USDA's National Veterinary Services Laboratories



223 Detections Reported

12/19/14 First Detection Reported 48,091,293 Birds Affected

6/17/15 Last Detection Reported

#### The '12 week rule'

Com Reg (EC) No. 589/2008

ANNEX II

Minimum requirements for systems of production for the various egg farming methods

 'Free-range eggs' must be produced in systems of production which satisfy at least the conditions specified in Article 4 of Council Directive 1999/74/EC.

In particular, the following conditions must be satisfied:

(a) hens must have continuous daytime access to open-air runs. However, this requirement does not prevent a producer from restricting access for a limited period of time in the morning hours in accordance with usual good farming practice, including good animal husbandry practice.

In case of other restrictions, including veterinary restrictions, adopted under Community law to protect public and animal health, having the effect of restricting access of hens to open-air runs, eggs may continue to be marketed as 'free-range eggs' for the duration of the restriction, but under no circumstances for more than 12 weeks;

- At present, if a producer chooses to house birds outside of PZ/SZ, he would lose free range marketing status
- Concern to producers in UK, DE, NL

Animal welfare

### Beak trimming - EU Member States

- Beak trimming not allowed in legislation in;
  - Sweden, Finland
  - But ... White birds (easier to manage untrimmed)
- Allowed under legislation, but not practiced in;
  - Denmark (industry ban) white birds
  - Austria (quality assurance scheme ban), Brown birds, But ...
     producer receives higher egg price
- Germany
  - Proposed voluntary ban from 1st January 2017
  - but, grant aid available to producers (1.70 euros/bird)
- The Netherlands
  - Proposed ban from September 2018
  - But, review in 2017
- Other member states utilise derogation in Directive 1999/74/EC



# Male day-old chick disposal

- Market demand for culled day-old chicks
  - zoos, birds of prey, snakes etc
- Germany concern at North Rhine-Westphalia move to ban
  - Hatcheries in Germany have to demonstrate there is a use for culled male DO chicks
- Unilever announcement in USA (September 2014)
- Development of 'dual breed'

Food safety

Prevalence of the two target serovars (S. Enteritidis and/or S. Typhimurium)-positive laying hen flocks of Gallus gallus during the production period, 2013



**EU: 1%** 

Opportunities

# Egg Marketing in the Member States

- EU consumers assume high standards of:
  - Food safety
  - Animal Welfare
- Consumers are increasingly interested in:
  - The Environment
  - Recycling
  - Fair trade
  - CSR



# Opportunities for the Egg Industry

- Egg image improving natures perfect product!
- Good news on Cholesterol
- Good news on Satiety
- Egg displays improving innovative packaging
- The 'welfare story' growth of non-cage at retail level
  - (but more difficult for egg products)
- Growth in certain egg product sectors
- Branding Further differentiation possible growth in speciality and enriched eggs e.g. Omega-3
- Reducing the 'Carbon footprint' local/regional sourcing



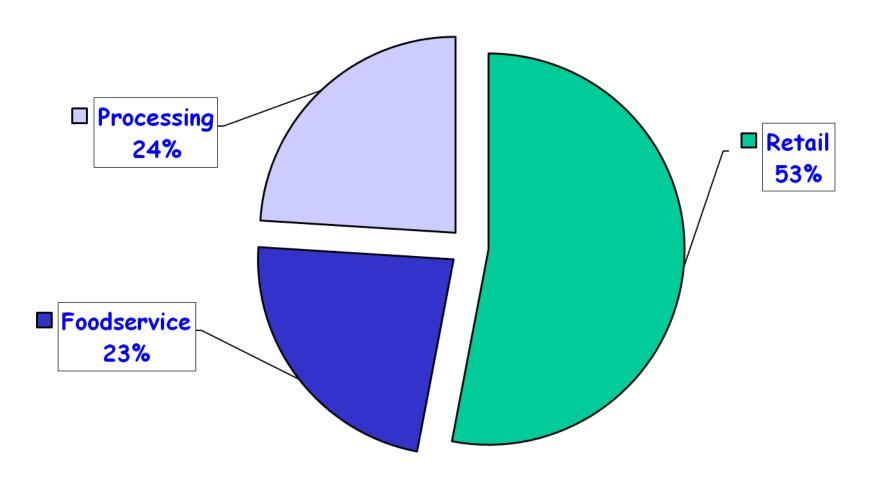
## Egg Nutrition

- 70% more Vitamin D
- · 100% more Selenium
- 20% less fat
- more than 20% less saturated fat
- around 13% fewer calories
- more than 10% less cholesterol





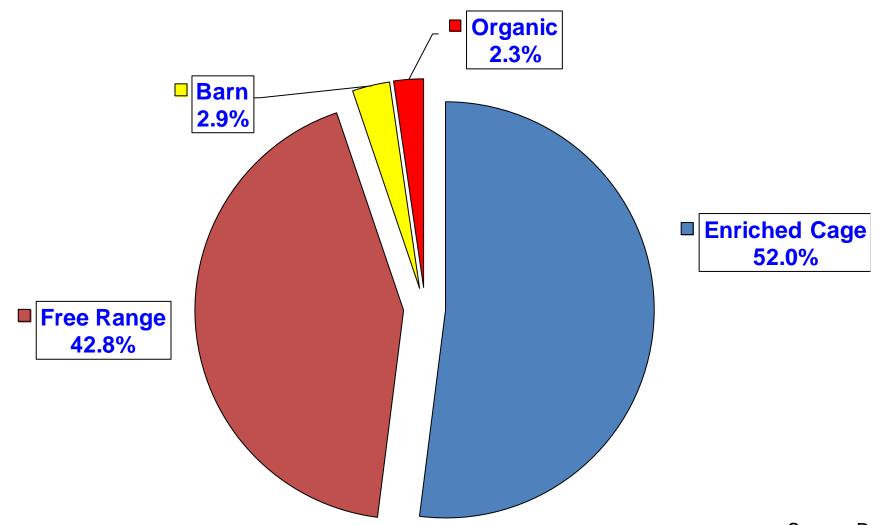
#### UK Egg Market make-up (2014p) (Est Volume)



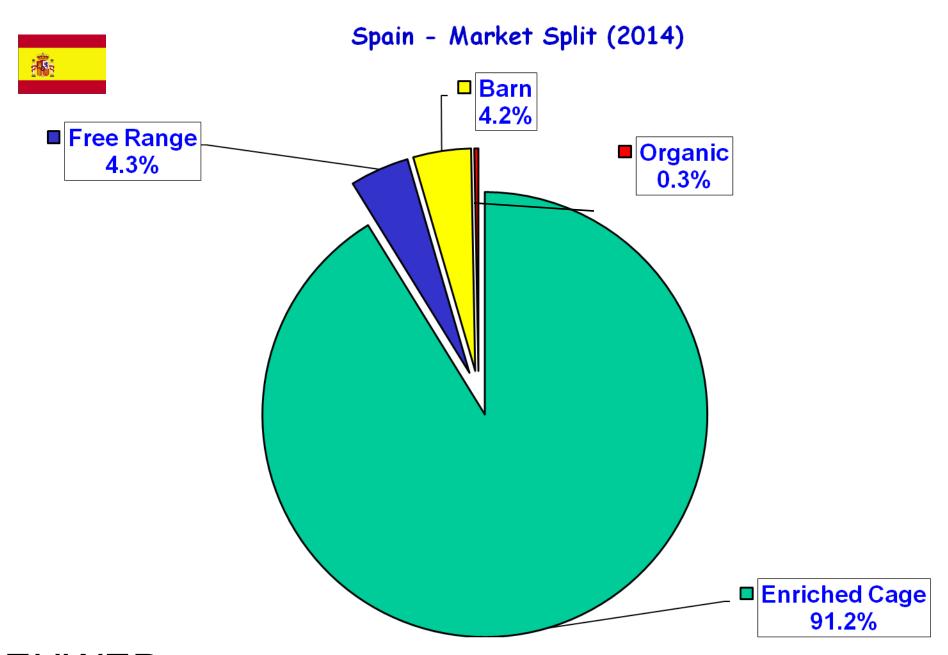




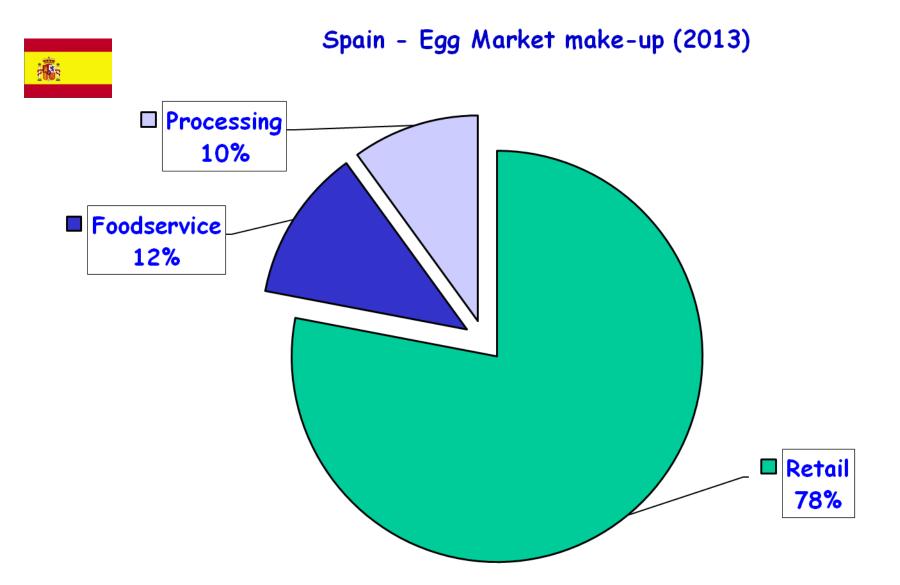
#### **UK Market Split - Volume 2014**



Source: Defra



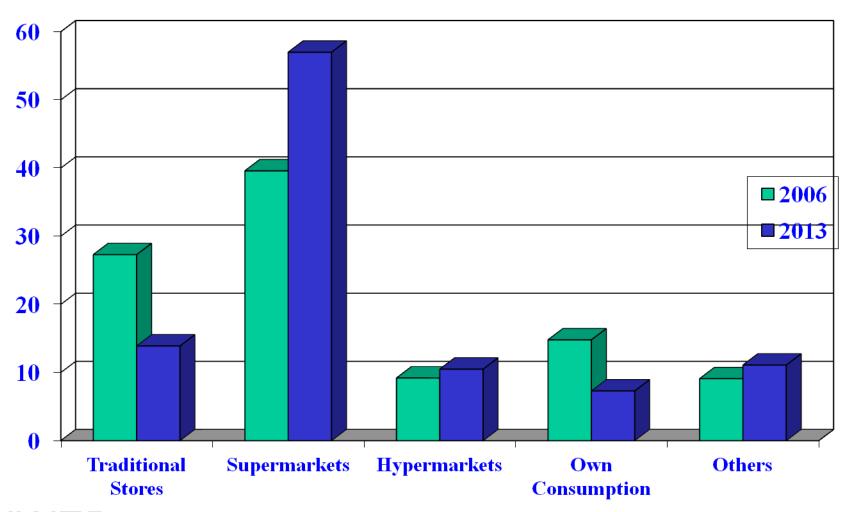
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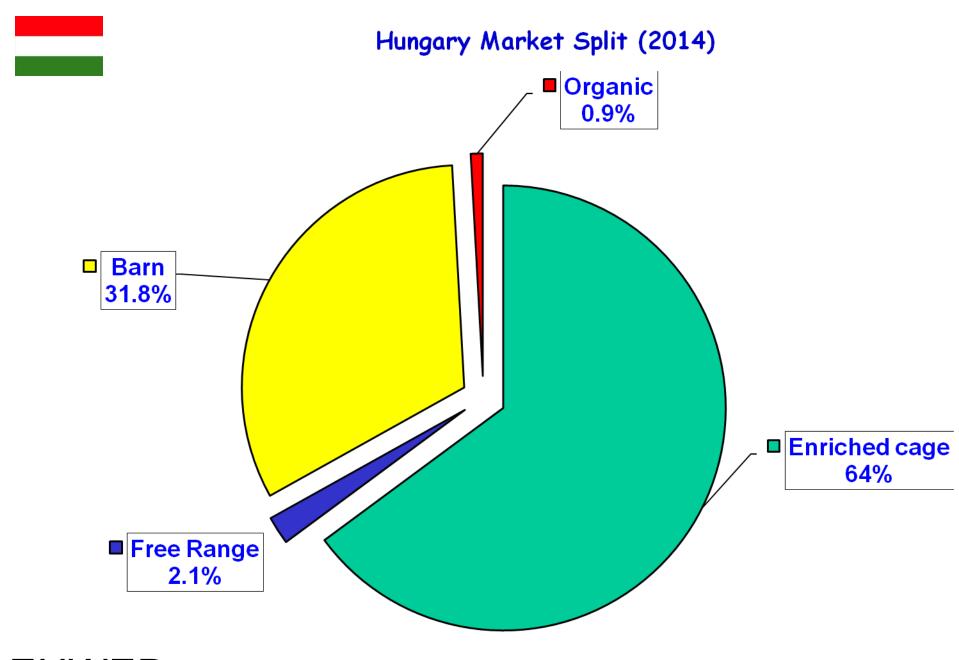
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### SPAIN - Distribution of Retail (shell) Egg Sales (2006 & 2013) (%)







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# Egg consumption and self-sufficiency (selected countries) (2014)

Country %	Consumption per capita	Self-sufficiency
Denmark	245	95
Finland	186	-
France	216	111
Germany	231	70
Hungary	214	94
Italy	218	95
Netherlands	195 (2013)	308
Poland	168	170
Portugal	140	-
Spain	205	123
Sweden	217	90
Switzerland	177	57
UK	184	87

Source: IEC

#### Promotion



Europa web-site

http://ec.europa.eu/a griculture/promotion /policy/index\_en.htm

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Source: EC

#### The Future?

- Must continue to produce what the market requires
- Consumer confidence is vitally important
- Food safety, animal welfare and environmental issues will continue to be important
- Must continue to differentiate product
- Must continue to address challenges and be alert for emerging issues



## Conclusions

- EU has the most modern industry in the world
- A huge achievement
  - should be proud of this
- Confidence restored in eggs

Thank you for your attention

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