



Spain, a global gastronomic powerhouse

Spain reflects, once again, its privileged position in food production and gastronomy.

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Spanish food production, in numbers



1st

Spain is the largest producer of olive oil in the world, taking on about 45% of global production (International Olive Council)

657 million

The value of iberian ham exports in 2023, in euros

28 million

Annual production of fresh fruit and vegetables in Spain, in tonnes

3rd

With a production of 35.8 hectolitres in 2023, Spain occupies the third position in world wine production

65%

Is the percentage of cava production, 240 million bottles per year, which is exported to other markets

2nd

Spain is the second largest producer of black truffles, with around 45 tonnes per year

28,335

Is the number of Spanish companies associated with food and beverage production (INE)

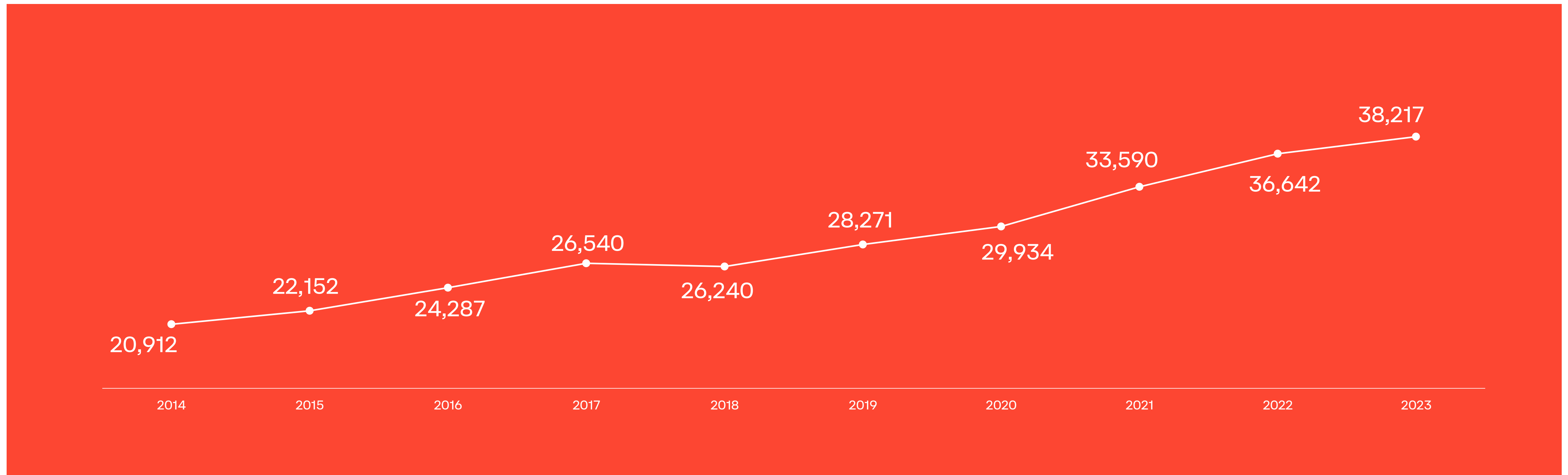
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Spain leads the exports of peppers from the European Union, with a production exceeding 1.4 million tons

Evolution of Food Industry Exports



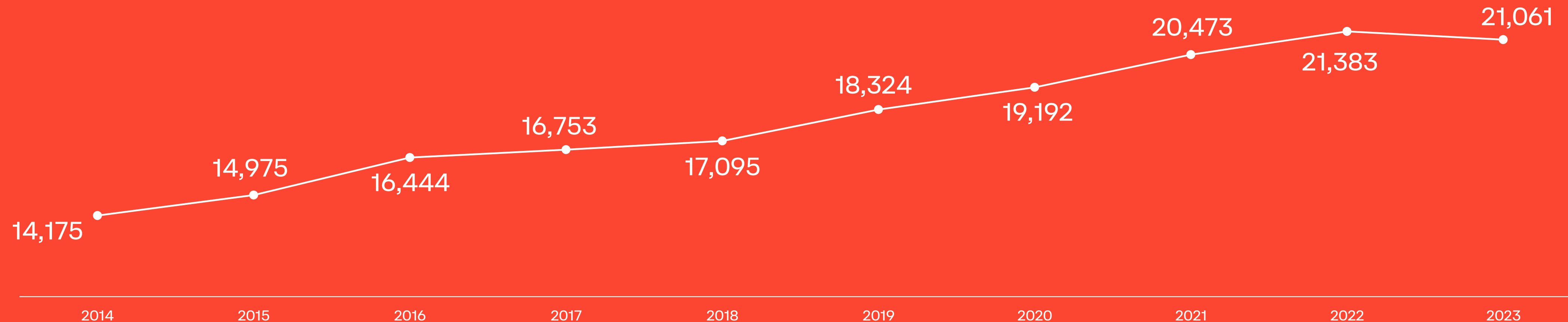
The Spanish food and beverage industry has achieved five consecutive years of growth in its exports



Evolution of exports in agriculture, livestock, forestry, and fishing in Spain.

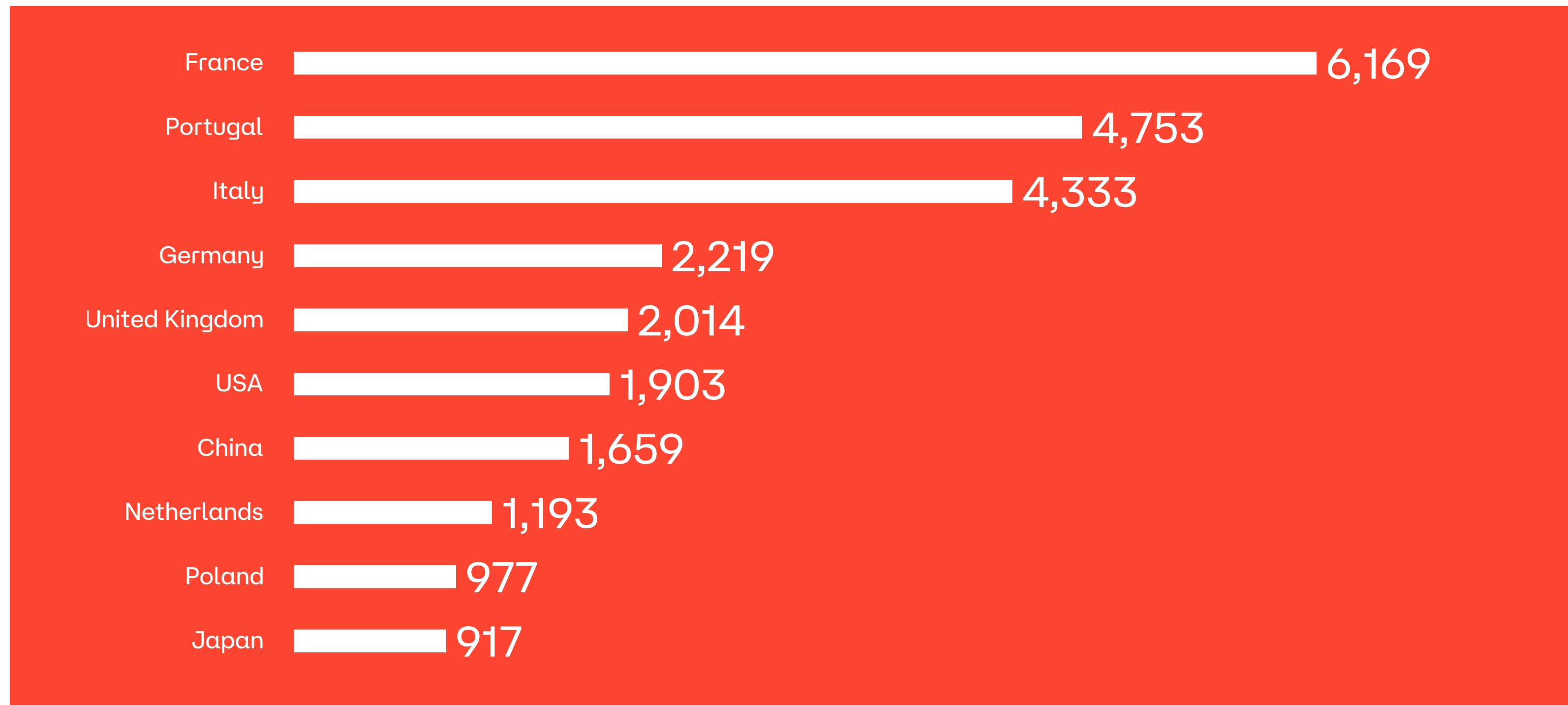


Exports of the primary food sector exceeded 21 billion euros in 2022 and 2023



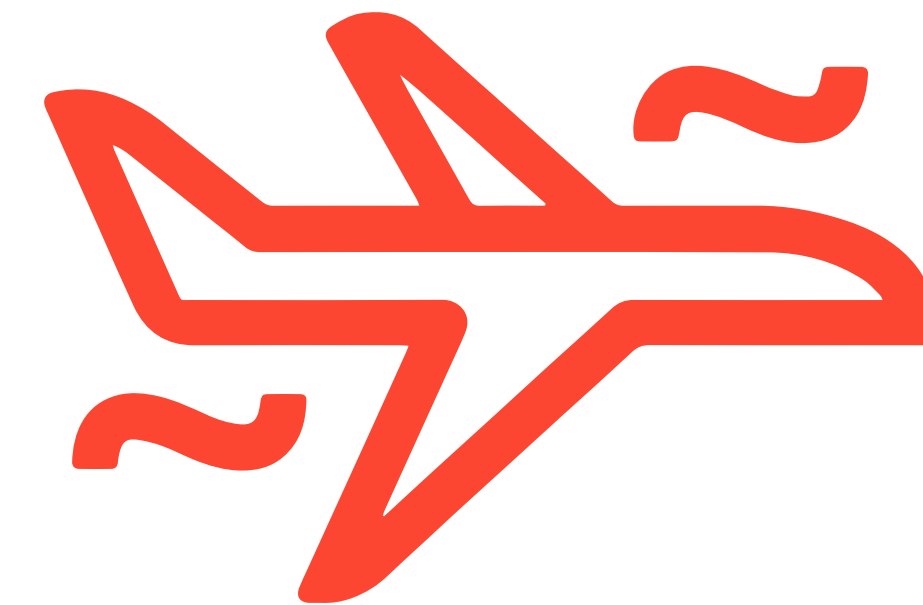
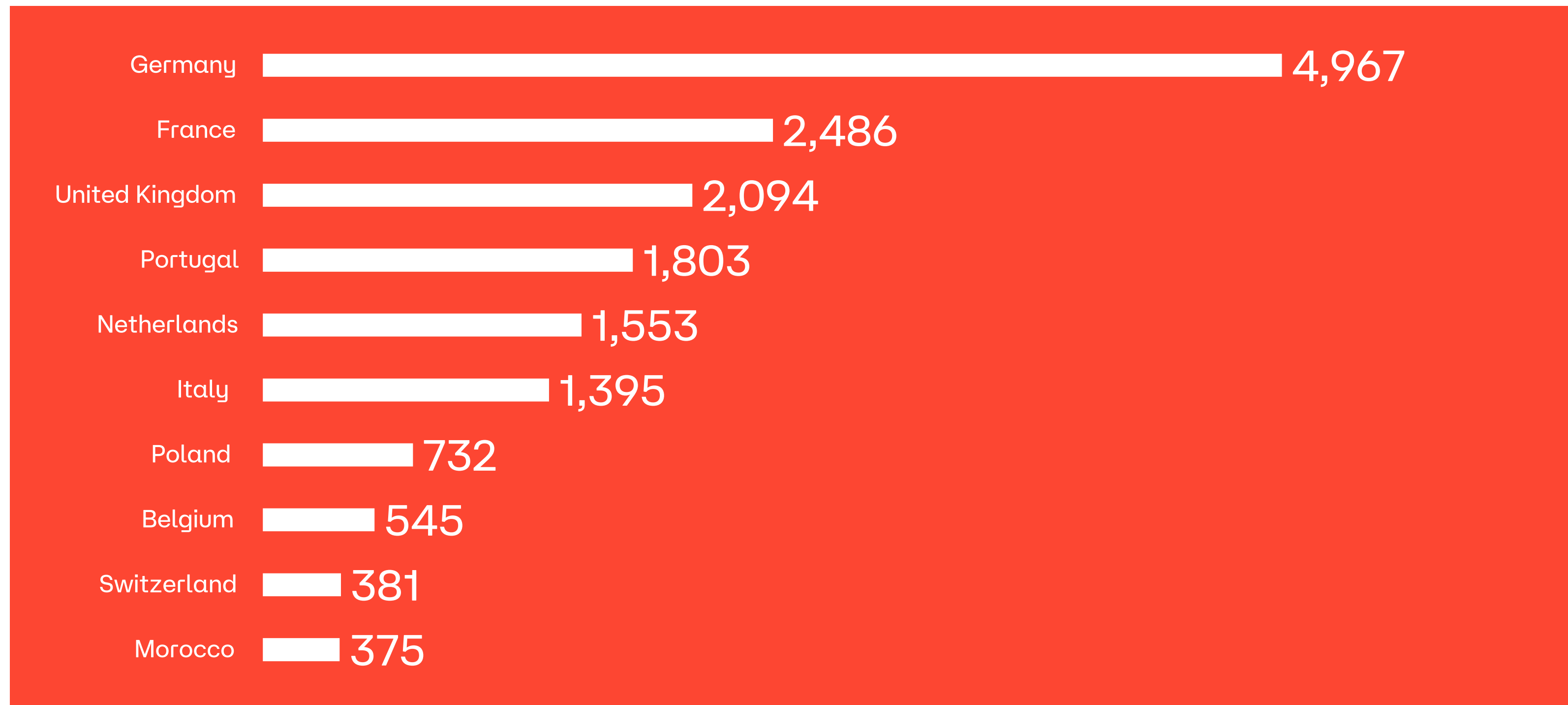
Main clients of the Spanish food industry

France, Portugal, and Italy lead the list of the main clients of the Spanish food industry in 2023. The United States, China, and Japan are the three largest importers of the sector outside of Europe.



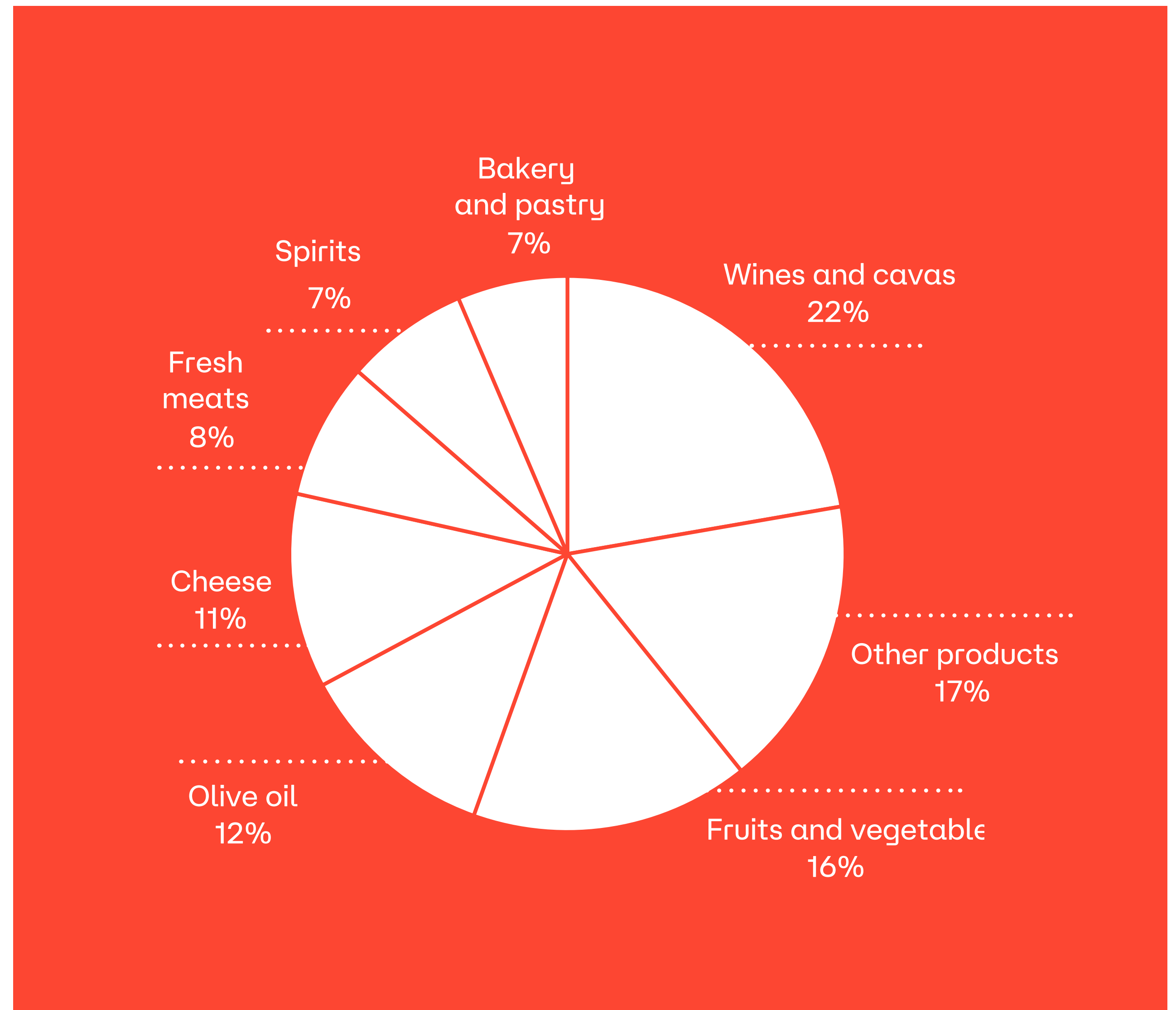
Main clients of the Spanish primary food sector

Germany, France, and the United Kingdom have solidified their positions as the top three importers of the Spanish primary food sector. Morocco is the leading client of Spanish agriculture, livestock, and fishing outside of Europe.



Protected designations of origin and geographical indications

The number of protected designations of origin and geographical indications related to food amounts to 265. The largest groups of products are wines and cavas, with 59, olive oil, with 31, and cheeses, with 30.



Rate of the total, in 2023, in percentage

Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

12,5%

Is the proportion of employment in Spain dedicated to the agri-food sector, which employs over 2.4 million people

22,700

Is the expenditure on gastronomic tourism in Spain in 2023, in millions of euros.

6th

Is the ranking of gastronomy among the activities that generate the most tourism expenditure in Spain

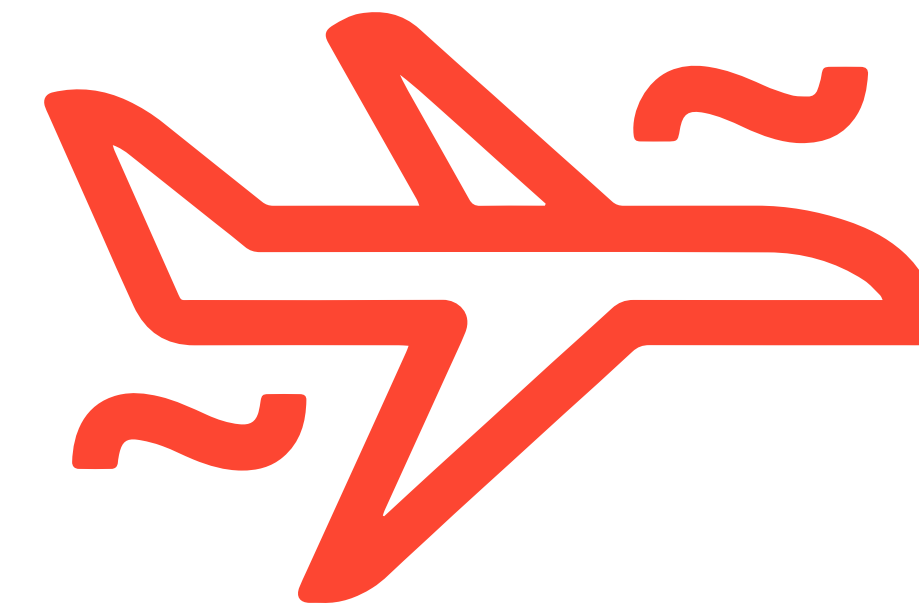
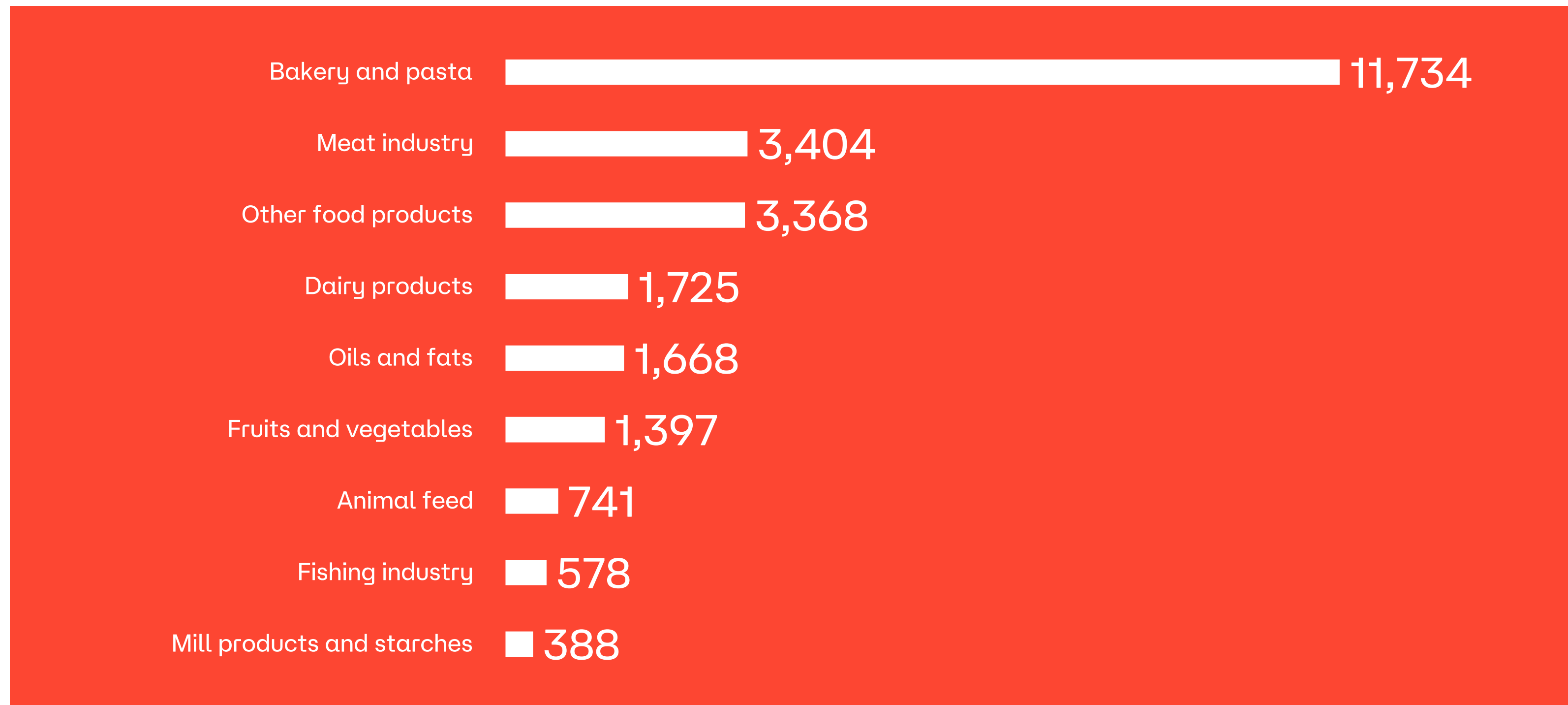
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Leading companies



Number of companies by subsector

Bakery and pasta production rank first based on the number of companies. The meat industry, other food products, dairy products, and oils and fats complete the top five.



Centenarian companies

Spain has a wide range of food companies founded more than a century ago, even with two or more centuries of history and knowledge.

Osborne	1772
Bodegas Barbadillo	1821
González Byass	1835
Aceites del Sur	1840
Grupo Ybarra	1842
Chocolates Lacasa	1852
Freixenet	1861
Conservas Antonio Alonso	1873





Fundador	1874
Vichy Catalan Corporation	1881
Bolton España	1887
Mahou - San Miguel	1890
Borges	1896
Aceitunas Torrent	1898
Corporación Hijos de Rivera	1906
Carmencita	1920

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The international excellence of Spanish gastronomy



Ranking of countries with the most Michelin stars

	France	662
	Japan	544
	Italy	372
	Germany	323

	Spain	226
	United States	215
	United Kingdom	174
	Belgium	138
	Netherlands	117
	Switzerland	111

Spanish presence in the International Academy of Gastronomy awards



Spain shows its strength as a global gastronomic destination with its presence in the Grand Prix of the International Academy of Gastronomy. The seven awards and nominations received by Spanish representatives highlight the positive state of the gastronomic sector.



José Polo

Grand Prix de l'Art de la Salle 2023



La Bullipedia

Grand Prix de la Culture Gastronomique 2023



Paco Morales

Prix Au Chef de l'Avenir 2023



Cenador de Amós

Prix au Sommelier 2023



Carácter

Prix Multimedia 2023



Lluc Crusellas

Prix au Chef Pâtissier

Spanish presence in 'The World's 50 Best'

From ultra-creative fusion cuisine to unique products. Five Spanish restaurants are ranked among the best in the world, according to The World's 50 Best ranking, compiled by the British magazine Restaurant.



Disfrutar
(Barcelona)



Asador Etxebarri
(Atxondo)



Diverxo
(Madrid)



Quique Dacosta
(Dénia)



Elkano
(Getaria)

Repsol Suns

Are a prestigious distinction recognizing culinary excellence in Spain. These awards honor restaurants and chefs for their creativity, quality, and service, highlighting the diversity and richness of Spanish cuisine and enhancing its international reputation.



1 Repsol Sun

552 cutting-edge Spanish restaurants with refined techniques that have earned their first Repsol Sun.



2 Repsol Suns

167 Spanish restaurants with a solid evolution and distinctive personality that enhance their reputation.



3 Repsol Suns

44 Spanish restaurants have received the highest distinction awarded by the Guide Repsol.



Spanish cuisine around the world

Currently, more than 279 restaurants in 41 countries hold the Certified Restaurants from Spain distinction. This certification was created to recognize establishments that guarantee an authentic offering of high-quality Spanish products and cuisine outside Spain. The certification is awarded annually and is based on principles of objectivity and transparency.

United
States

86 restaurants

United
Kingdom

51 restaurants

China

34 restaurants

The most admired wines in the world

Three Spanish wine brands are among the ten most admired in the world, according to the Drinks International academy.



Familia Torres
(Rías Baixas)



Vega Sicilia
(Ribera del Duero)



CVNE
(Rioja)

Liquid gold in global rankings

Olive oil is undoubtedly one of the most characteristic ingredients in Spanish cuisine. And that in Spain are made five of the ten best in the world, according to the guide Evooleum.



Campos de Biatia La Dama Íbera
Jaén (Spain)



Al Alma del Olivo Hojiblanca
Toledo (Spain)



Mas Montseny Premium Coratina
Tarragona (Spain)



Supremo Royal
Jaén (Spain)



Pagos de Toral Selección Gourmet
Jaén (Spain)

Spanish cheese, among the world's best

A total of 561 Spanish companies were selected in the last edition of the World Cheese Awards.



Super Gold
17 spanish companies



Gold
68 spanish companies



Silver
200 spanish companies



Bronze
276 spanish companies



Leading
Brands of Spain
Forum