# Food and drinks in Catalonia

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**Sector snapshot** 



### Food and drinks in Catalonia: Sector Snapshot

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# Food and drinks value chain





## The global food and drinks industry

**United States** 

- Global food and drinks production was valued at €6,464 billion in 2019.
- China is the first producer of the global food and drinks industry, with a production value higher than the next five countries' production value combined.
- The United States, Japan, Germany and Brazil complete the Top 5 of the major food and drinks producers in the world.
- The United States is the main exporter of food and drinks products in the world.
- Germany, the Netherlands, France and China are the following world's leading exporters of food and drinks products.

Main global food and drinks producers by production value in € billion (2018)

France



Source: Euromonitor 2019

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Japan



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## **Catalonia, top destination for food and drinks companies**

#### **PRINCIPAL SECTOR OF THE CATALAN INDUSTRY**

○ With an overall turnover of € 38,205 M and 164,372 employees.



O Robust public-private partnership supporting Catalan food and drinks ecosystem with **fourteen clusters & associations across the region**.

#### **WORLD-CLASS INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

- Catalonia counts on top research centres devoted to technological innovation in food processing, to the improvement of eating habits and to food security evaluation.
- More than 1,500 startups are located in Catalonia, making it the 1<sup>st</sup> startup hub in southern Europe (*Eu-Startups 2018*).
- O International companies such as Nestlé have their R&D centres in Catalonia.

#### SUPERIOR LOGISTICS INFRASTRUCTURE

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- A logistics network that serves 400 million consumers in Europe and the Mediterranean/ Africa in less than 48 hours.
- O Specific infrastructures and services, such as the Mercabarna wholesale market, Barcelona's Port and Airport, are working together to consolidate Barcelona as a key hub for fresh produce from Europe and the Mediterranean.
- The Port of Tarragona maintains an indisputable leadership in the movement of agri-food products, both in Spain and the Mediterranean.

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#### LEADING EXPORTING REGION IN SPAIN

O An international and open trade approach. In 2019, 21.3% of Spanish agri-food exports were Catalan and 12.4% of Catalan Exports came from the agri-food Industry.

Some of the most important regular exporters



#### **FOOD AND DRINKS LEADERS CHOOSE CATALONIA**

- O Catalonia is an attractive and leading location for inward food and drinks FDI in Western Europe, being the 8th region in number of projects.
- In Barcelona there's a welcoming international business climate, with the Catalan capital being the fifth best city in the world to work in. (Boston Consulting Group, 2019).
- The most avant-garde creativity is what has elevated Catalonia and its cuisine to the most prestigious international position.

#### Top food and drinks companies investing in Catalonia



### **Principal sector of the Catalan industry**

**TOTAL** € 38,205 M turnover





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Note: This is a partial illustrative representation of the main companies forming part of the ecosystem Source: Cluster Development



# **Catalonia stands out for the diversity of its products**





# An ecosystem supporting the food and drinks industry in Catalonia





## **Catalonia's dynamic university ecosystem**

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EAE Business

Universities offering food and drinks industry related degrees and masters

Source: EIC (DGI – ACCIÓ). Universities Secretary

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### **World-class innovation ecosystem**

Renown applied and basic research groups supporting technological transfer and a complete network of scientific and tech centres represent the base of Catalonia's research and innovation programme.

#### World-class scientific infrastructures



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### Technological applications in the food and drinks sector

Source: EIC (DGI – ACCIÓ)

# **Southern Europe's top startup hub**



95 foodtech & drinks startups identified



Note: This is a partial illustrative representation of the main companies Source: EIC (DGI - ACCIO) based on Barcelona&Catalonia Startup Hub, 2019



# **Integrated logistics hub**

Southern Europe's largest intermodal logistics hub.

Catalonia is home to two of the Mediterranean's main ports, a high-speed train station, an awarded international airport and highways seamlessly connected to the rest of the European road system.



Top international ports of Barcelona and Tarragona

- O 4M passengers and 95MT in goods traffic
- Connection with more than 825 ports around the world with 100 regular lines connecting directly with 200 overseas ports
- Short maritime transit times and high frequency of ships reduce stock costs.
- The Port of Barcelona is the **3rd** most productive in Europe.
- The Port of Tarragona has launched a 2019-2022 Investment Plan of over 160 million euros to expand its logistics activity area.



Barcelona-El Prat, world class airport

- 100 airlines flying to 200 different destinations in 57 countries around the world.
- The Air Freight Facility with 47.1 hectares is integrated in a unique logistics platform in Europe: an area covering a 7 kilometer radius and with 2,000 hectares dedicated to logistics.
- In 2016, Air Cargo in Barcelona achieved its highest traffic volume ever with 132,800 tonnes, an increase of 13% over 2015 due to implementation of new air routes.



An extensive rail network and road infrastructure

- Catalonia is the leading European region in terms of provision of road infrastructure of four or more lanes (48.7 km/1,000 km2)
- 1st Spanish region in both volume of intraregional and international road freight transport
- An extensive rail network with almost 1,800 km connecting the main cities in Catalonia with the rest of Spain and France, including 400 km of high speed rail.
- Only location with in Spain with standard gauge goods transport.

Source: CIMALSA, Flight Airline Business (2017), Port de Barcelona (2016)

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# **Catalonia is the leading exporting region in Spain**

**TOP EXPORTED PRODUCTS** € 10,677 M MEAT PRODUCTS Agri-food exports (2019) FINE FOOD-MULTIPRODUCT 21.3% Catalonia is the 2nd agri-food exporting region in Spain. FRUITS AND VEGETABLES VEGETABLE AND ANIMAL OILS 12.4% **Over total Catalan exports** ШĘ WINES AND CAVA SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT **REGULAR EXPORTERS** 2,760 Vall Compan TORRES Nestlé **Regular agri-food exporting** companies Càrniques de Juià, s.a. **G** Costa Brava Τ**Ď** (2019) SEUROPASTRY. NOEL FRISELVA S.A. 31.5% Baucells 🖉 INDCRESA ffaiges Over total agri-food exporting companies in Spain. DANONE Gallina Blanca COSTA Codorníu **UNEXPORC** BARRY CALLEBAUT

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546 subsidiaries abroad for Catalan companies in the agri-food sector



Source: EIC (DGI-ACCIÓ), Catalan agri-food exports summary 2019, PRODECA. Spanish exports, codes 01-Agriculture&Livestock, 03-Fishing, 10-Food, 11-Drinks, 2019, ICEX, Catalan agri-food commerce 2019, IDESCAT.



### Catalonia, a leading destination for food and drinks FDI

Jobs created

Between 2015 and 2019, Catalonia was the main food and drinks FDI destination in Spain

26 552 1.546 **FDI projects** Capex (M€) 24.1% 22.8% 24.4% of the FDI projects into of the capex into of the jobs created into Spain Spain Spain

Data for 2015-2019

- O Catalonia is the 8th region in Western Europe in number of projects, ranks the 13th in terms of job creation and 8th in capital investment in the food and drinks industry.
- FDI into Catalonia accounts for **2.7% of the projects**, **2.4% of the** capital investment, and 2.5% of the jobs created in Western Europe.

Companies investing in Catalonia during the period 2015-2019



Food	18 projects	€360.4 M	<b>1,241</b> jobs	
Beverages	8 projects	€191.6 M	<b>304</b> jobs	<b>Source</b> : fDi Markets, 2015 Sector: Food and beve





# **Pool of talent attraction and competitive costs**

### **Barcelona talent attraction**

One of the world's top spots to live and work in. A magnet for young professionals and researchers from all over Europe.

1<sup>st</sup> South European region for the Future in 2020-2021 FDI Int, 2020

2<sup>st</sup> in the European Digital City ranking

Bloom consulting, 2017

**3<sup>rd</sup> Barcelona is the 3rd best city in Europe** *Resonance Consulting*, 2018

4<sup>th</sup> tech city in the world

Nesta, 2017

5<sup>th</sup> preferred city in the world to work

Boston Consulting Group, 2019

6<sup>th</sup> world's city in terms of livability

Global Power City Index, 2019

#### **Competitive costs**

Barcelona has the **3th lowest operating costs** of all the 10 similar cities compared, at  $\in$ 10.38 M per annum, therefore being 20% lower than the study average of  $\in$ 13 M per annum.

Barcelona also has among the most competitive labour costs, with top-notch professionals from all over the world.

Annual operating costs of a food & drinks manufacturing plant by cities, in M €



#### **Catalonia is gastronomy**

The most avant-garde creativity is what has elevated **Catalonia and its cuisine to the most prestigious international position**, attracting visitors from the four corners of the globe just to sample the finest Catalan cuisine.

This universal acclaim has been achieved thanks to the imagination found all over Catalonia, led by **famed chefs awarded Michelin stars and other accolades by prestigious guides**, who are undoubtedly the foremost exponents of contemporary Catalan cuisine, renowned the world over.





Carme Ruscalleda

Ferran Adrià





Jordi Cruz

Sources: EIC (DGI - ACCIÓ) Catalan Tourist Board. Catalonia is gastronomy. FDI Benchmark 2020.



# COVID-19 impact and response initiatives from food and drinks Catalan sector

- During the health crisis, the food industry was one of the few sectors that operated at full capacity, and it was even necessary to undergo new staff recruitment. However, the lockdown led to instability in the agricultural market, which benefited large chains above small traders and extensive agriculture, since the consumer was forced to make purchases in one single establishment and restaurant closures decreased the consumption of many local products.
- Nevertheless, some small businesses were able to adapt by incorporating the online channel and home delivery.
- The economic situation concern has propitiated an increase of the price factor as a shopping driver (the private label consumption has grown +23% in Spain, according to AECOC).
- HORECA channel expenditure has been deviated to the Retail channel (+1,600 M€ for Retail in Spain, according to Nielsen). On the other side, the HORECA channel got involved into prepared food solidarity initiatives for the most vulnerable collectives.

### **HIGHLIGHTED INITIATIVES:**



Sources: EIC (DGI-ACCIÒ), La Vanguardia, AECOC, Público, Press releases.





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### **33 International opportunities for Catalan companies**



Source: Global trade mapping, 2019 by EIC (DGI - ACCIÓ).



### International opportunities related to COVID-19 for Catalan food and drinks companies





# **Technological and business opportunities in Catalonia**

### **INDUSTRIAL & MANUFACTURING**



Fresh food

Catalonia is one of the leading meat regions in Europe.



**Functional food & probiotics** The population is concerned about improving health through food gain importance.



**Ready to eat, groceries and delivery** The digital economy is transforming the food and drinks industry.





#### Ingredients, additives and food supplements

The quality and safety of ingredients and additives gain importance and Catalonia has a very dynamic ecosystem.



### Food waste management

262,000 tonnes of food thrown away each year in Catalonia.

### LOGISTICS

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**Unparalleled distribution capacity** 

Catalonia's excellent geostrategic position allows for efficient intercontinental connections and easy fast distribution.

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#### Catalonia, the ideal place for e-commerce activities Catalonia has a thriving logistics ecosystem, being the leading

Catalonia has a thriving logistics ecosystem, being the leading logistics hub in Southern Europe.

### **TECHNOLOGICAL OPPORTUNITIES**

### **3D Printing**

Catalonia counts on a dynamic ecosystem and research initiatives in 3D printing.

#### Internet of Things (IOT)



#### Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Leading AI companies have productive sites and research centres in Catalonia.

#### High pressure processing (HHP)

Catalonia counts with a facility to carry out tests, and a meeting space from where to develop R&D projects.

Source: EIC (DGI – ACCIÓ)

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importance in the sector.

Healthy and organic food choices are gaining

Future food



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