

Egypt Cold Chain Logistics - Market Share Analysis, Industry Trends & Statistics, Growth Forecasts (2025 - 2030)

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The Egypt Cold Chain Logistics Market size is estimated at USD 549.67 billion in 2025, and is expected to reach USD 896.57 billion by 2030, at a CAGR of greater than 10.28% during the forecast period (2025-2030).

Key Highlights

- Egypt's maritime shipping, the Suez Canal, and air freight sectors have all been hit hard by the COVID-19 outbreak because they relied on foreign trade flows. Egypt's 48 ports handle nearly 90% of the country's foreign trade. Reduced volumes of incoming cargo have had a major effect on demand for the country's inland transportation system. Over 94 percent of total inland cargo transport uses Egypt's road network.
- Because of its location at the crossroads of Europe, Asia, and Africa, Egypt is a major player in global trade, with the Nile River and the Suez Canal linking the three continents. The nation has 15 Mediterranean ports and 33 on the Red Sea. The transportation and storage sector contributes about 5% of the annual GDP.
- Egypt's agri-food sector is affected by logistics and transportation hurdles. Fragmented logistics and transport infrastructure and services are the main factors hindering the expansion of the agri-food sector in terms of both investment and exports.
- Long and fragmented supply chain, inadequate cold storage and warehousing facilities, poor handling practices, fragmented transport services, lack of modern logistics infrastructure such as logistics parks, integrated cold chain solutions, last-mile connectivity, customized transportation, technology adoption (barcoding, radio frequency identification) are key impediments to the correct functioning of Egypt's food system. The COVID-19 pandemic is an opportunity to identify the logistics and transportation bottlenecks and address them.

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Improving local food products

The Emergency Food Security and Resilience Support Project will finance the public procurement of imported wheat, equivalent to one month of supply for the Bread Subsidy Program, which supports around 70 million low-income Egyptians, including approximately 31 million people under the national poverty line. The project will also support national efforts to reduce waste and loss in the wheat supply chain through the upgrade and expansion of climate-resilient wheat silos, sustainably improve domestic cereal production, and strengthen Egypt's preparedness and resilience to future shocks. The project incorporates climate change efforts through a variety of interventions, including investments to modernize wheat silos to significantly reduce wheat waste and loss, as well as introducing farmer extension and training programs that promote climate-smart agricultural practices.

In July 2023, Egypt's Ministry of International Cooperation and the Canadian Embassy in Cairo signed a USD 7.57 million grant agreement for food security and climate change efforts in Aswan, Beheira, and Kafr El-Sheikh. The project will be implemented in collaboration with national entities, including the Ministries of Environment, Agriculture, Local Development, and the National Council for Women, as well as the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). The project aims to improve the lives of citizens in the most vulnerable rural areas of Egypt by reducing poverty rates and enhancing food security. It will assist them in developing and implementing practices that enable adaptation to climate change, ensuring that the project benefits all those whose work relies on agricultural products and food.

Increase of perishable goods in imports and exports

Egypt produces the most citrus in the world, with 1.8 million tonnes, followed by potatoes (550 thousand tonnes), onions (150 thousand tonnes), and strawberries (20 thousand tonnes), with the season of vegetables and fruits exports seeing a notable rise, despite strict measures on imports.

Egypt increased wheat imports by about 34% from the beginning of 2023 until July 18th, reaching 5.66 million tons, compared to 4.22 million tons in the same period last year, Asharq Business cited an official document.

Egypt imported grains worth USD 221.259 million from Russia in April, according to the Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics' (CAPMAS) Monthly Bulletin of Foreign Trade Data for June 2023.

Egypt's imports of semi-milled or wholly milled rice, whether polished or glazed, recorded 86.96% in 2022, according to the Trademap Index. FAO further forecasted that the volume of Egypt's weighted imports of rice in 2023 will decline to about 300,000 tons from the estimated 600,000 tons for 2022.

In June 2022, Egypt signed a USD 500 million loan agreement with the World Bank in order to help finance its grain imports. Moreover, Egypt is holding talks with the UAE to secure USD 500 million in funding to finance wheat imports, Bloomberg quoted Minister of Supply and Internal Trade Ali El-Moselhi.

Egypt's imports from China totaled USD 13.2 billion from January to November 2022, up from USD 13.1 billion in the same period in 2021, representing a 0.6 percent increase. According to the official data, trade between Egypt and China increase by 2.6 percent during the first 11 months of 2022, reaching USD 14.9 billion from USD 14.5 billion during the same period in 2021.

Egypt Cold Chain Logistics Industry Overview

The cold chain logistics market landscape of Egypt is fragmented in nature, with a mix of global and local players. Most of the imports and exports products need to be monitored in refrigerated transports. Companies are growing their market presence by

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developing new methods to manage cold chain logistics, owing to technology development. Some of the Logistica, Arab Company for Food Industries and Cooling (ACFIC), Custom Storage Company (CSC), Green Line Logistics, and Multifruit Egypt, amongst others. Egypt's agricultural products enjoy a good reputation and are exported to the markets of more than 150 countries as the country adopts all agricultural and animal health safety measures.

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