



Agriculture and COVID-19: Assessing the Footprint of the Pandemic on the Production and Consumption Patterns of Agricultural Products and Food

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The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has had a direct impact on several aspects of agricultural production and the consumption of primary products and foodstuff. Productivity levels have been changed around the globe, labour availability appears to be a major issue, the logistics of international trade are facing unprecedented challenges, and considerable changes in consumer behaviours and patterns have manifested. The externalities of the aforementioned deviations have had a direct and perhaps permanent impact on all critical points of agricultural value chains, transforming and reshaping production and trading contexts that had been dominant for decades. It is also worthwhile mentioning the significant impact of new technologies and the development of e-trade as a means for facing problems of reaching traditional food selling places that are related with curfews and barriers. Finally, the spatial dimension of production and consumption patterns is challenging food security, which is especially a high priority issue for developing countries.

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