Meat and Dairy: taxes & fair pricing of CO₂ The need for global reduction plans



Ir. Jeroom Remmers
Director TAPP Coalition
COP25 Madrid, 9th December 2019

Foundation TAPP Coalition

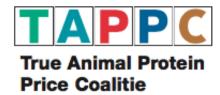


Do you twitter?

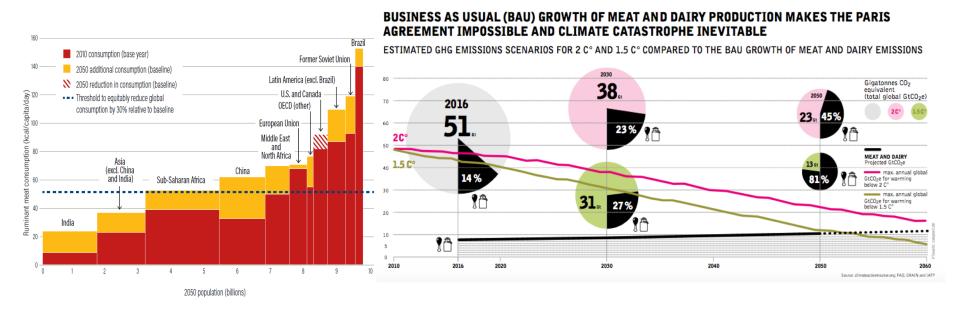
hashtags:

#co2pricingmeat #co2pricingdairy





Why pricing meat & dairy and global CO2 reduction plans for meat & dairy sectors?



Animal farming: 14,5% greenhouse gasses, 30-60% biodiversity loss, health (overconsumption)

Solution 1: global CO2eq reduction plans for meat and dairy sectors

CO2 eq emissions are growing annually 2% meat & dairy sector UN Food & Agri Agreement needed for reducing 7,5 Gton CO2 emission

Climate neutral growth 2021-2025 compared to emissions in 2018 (comparable with aviation sector, including reduction, trade, compensation)

| • _ | 20% | reduction | 2030 | -10% |
|-----|-----|-----------|------|------|
|-----|-----|-----------|------|------|

• - 60% reduction 2050 -30%





Solution 2: fair pricing food – meat and dairy including environmental costs - 50% for farmers





For farmers

Environment, climate, nature

Animal welfare

Health

Low income households



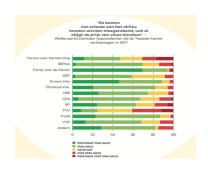
Solution 3: EU food policies

https://tappcoalition.eu/policy-proposals

- 1) EU Directive on the Promotion of the use of plant based proteins in food.
- 2) EU Directive Reduction food related greenhouse gasses ("Supermarket directive").
- 3) EU facilitation to introduce true pricing mechanisms for animal protein products
- 4) EU Directive on agriculture based greenhouse gasses within ETS Emission Trade
- 5) Reducing EU subsidies for food products with the 50% highest climate footprint.
- 6) A global system* for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from meat and dairy sectors

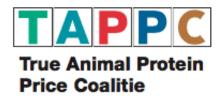
^{*} Define an emission cap, with climate neutral growth in 2021-2025 and 1-2% reduction per year of emissions in 2025-2050.

68% Dutch population prepared to pay extra for meat, including environmental and CO2-costs



lf...

- Vegetables and fruits prices go down
- Sustainable farmers get paid better
- Low income households compensated



Meat tax & lower VAT on vegetables & fruits:

support from > 40 Dutch professors, economists, CEO's

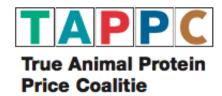
Artikelen van deze auteur(s)

milieukosten hard nodig, voor onze boeren en gezondheid

Eerlijke vleesprijs inclusief

industrie





Support by many ngo's including Greenpeace, Oxfam





Tariff fair meat prices 2021-2030 (in eurocent per 100 gram)

TAPP Coalition proposal – accepted by Dutch government for study new fiscal system

| Year | Chicken | Pork | Beef/veal | Increase (average) |
|----------------------------|---------|-------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 2021 | 9,5 | 21,3 | 26,9 | 16 |
| | | | | eurocent |
| 2025 | 13,9 | 30,9 | 38,9 | |
| 2030 | 20,4 | 45 | 57 | 34 |
| | | | | eurocent |
| Annual price increase in | 1,1 | 2,4 | 3 | |
| eurocent/100 gram after | | | | |
| 2021 | | | | |
| Supermarketprice in 2018 | 70 | 77,5 | 121,7 | |
| in eurocent/100 gram (CE, | | | | |
| 2018) | | | | |
| Price increase 2021 - 2018 | 13,6% | 27,5% | 22,1% | 19% |
| Price increase 2030 - 2018 | 29,1% | 58,1% | 46,8% | 41% |

Use of revenues meat tax (in mln € per year)

| | Sustainable agriculture subsidies | to 5% for vegetables, fruits, | Compensation low income households (health care premium: 120 euro per person/year) | Compensation for meat industry etc. | State revenues per year |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2021 | 600 | 280 | 270 | 26 | 1.176 |
| 2025 | 500 | 290 | 470 | 6 | 1.266 |
| 2030 | 450 | 300 | 600 | 6 | 1.356 |



600 mln euro / year subsidy sustainable agriculture

| | Subsidies 2021-2030 | % |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----|
| Animal welfare | 201,5 | 34 |
| Environment/climate | 306,6 | 51 |
| Nature | 92 | 15 |
| Total | 600 mln | 100 |

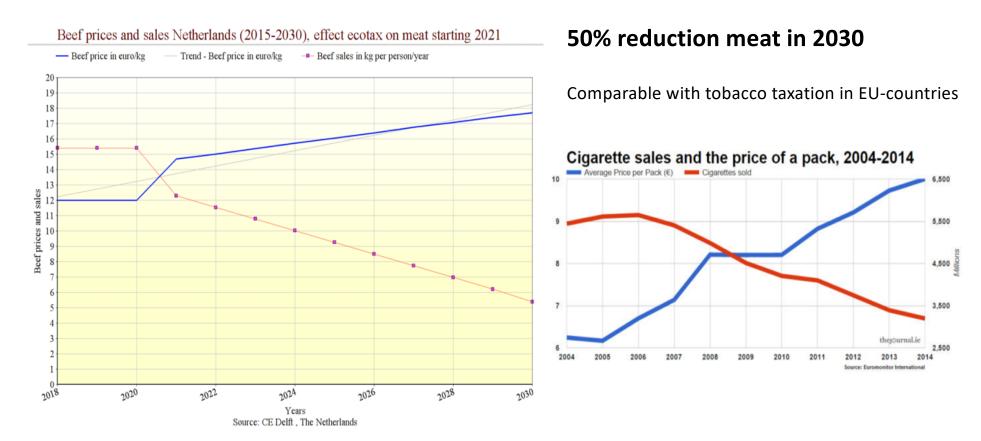


Average annual subsidy for sustainability at farms

| | Nr. of Dutch farms | Payment € per farm/ year (average) |
|---------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Pig farms | 3.500 | 29.428 |
| Poultry farms | 1.030 | 71.844 |
| Dairy farms | 17.000 | 18.941 |
| Arable farms | 10.844 | 7.285 |

Price Coalitie

Result fair meat price on consumption



Impact

- 4,2 Mton CO_{2 eq.} reduction 2030 (2,7 Mton in Netherlands)
- 2-3 Mton CO_{2 eq.} reduction agriculture subsidies
- More CO2 reduction compared to housing without fossil fuels
- 1 billion euro/year less healthcare costs
- 800 mln euro /year net welfare profit
- - 107 mln chicken and 4 mln pigs less slaughtered per year
- 4.000 km2 arable land saved (22% agricultural surface)

Impact EU meat taxes (40% price increase 2030)

47,7 eurocent per 100 gram beef/ veal 36,1 eurocent per 100 gram pork 17,3 eurocent per 100 gram chicken meat

- 119 Mton CO_{2 eq.} reduction in 2030
- More CO2 reduction compared to housing without fossil fuels
- Billions of euro/year less healthcare costs
- € 8,8 billion/year net welfare profit in 2030
- EU member states revenue € 32,2 billion per year in 2030

Questions?

Jeroom Remmers
Director TAPP Coalition
0031 622407712
Tappcoalition.eu
info@tappcoalitie.nl

"Towards fair pricing food together"

