

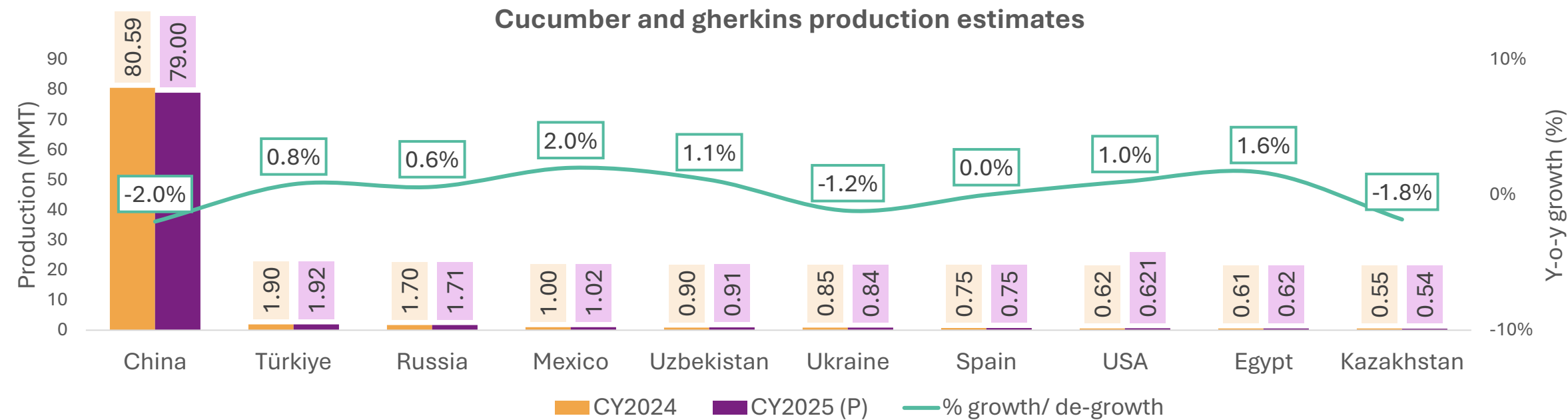
Monthly dashboard - Cucumber & Gherkins

Aug-2025

Acreage and production trends



Production estimate of major producing countries



P – Projected value; CY – Calendar year; MMT – Million MT

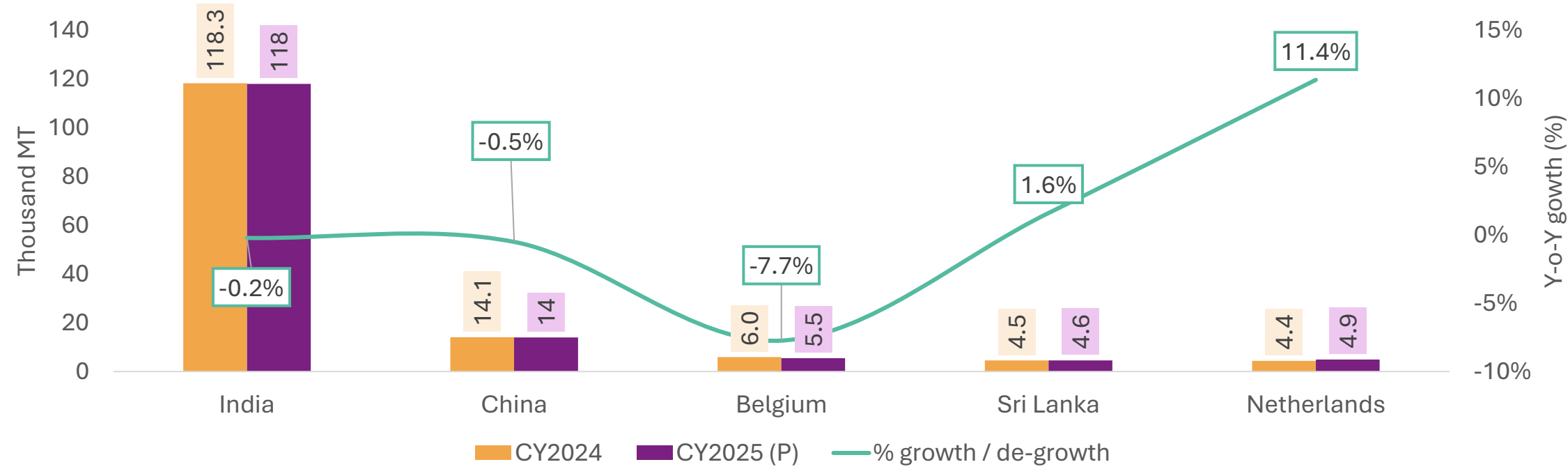
- Top 10 countries **account for ~92% of cucumber & gherkin output; China alone contributes ~83–84%.**
- China’s cultivation area is expected to reduce by 1-2% in CY2025.
- Türkiye, Russia, Mexico, Uzbekistan, U.S. and Egypt show modest CY25 growth from 0.6% to 1.6%. However, in early-mid August 2025, Mexico faced a severe drought condition in northern parts of Mexico that were impacting the production.
- **Global consumption rising steadily across North America, Europe, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America.**
- **Global market growth of pickling and ready-to-eat segments driving demand growth (CAGR 8–9%, CY2020–25).**



Export trends and price outlook

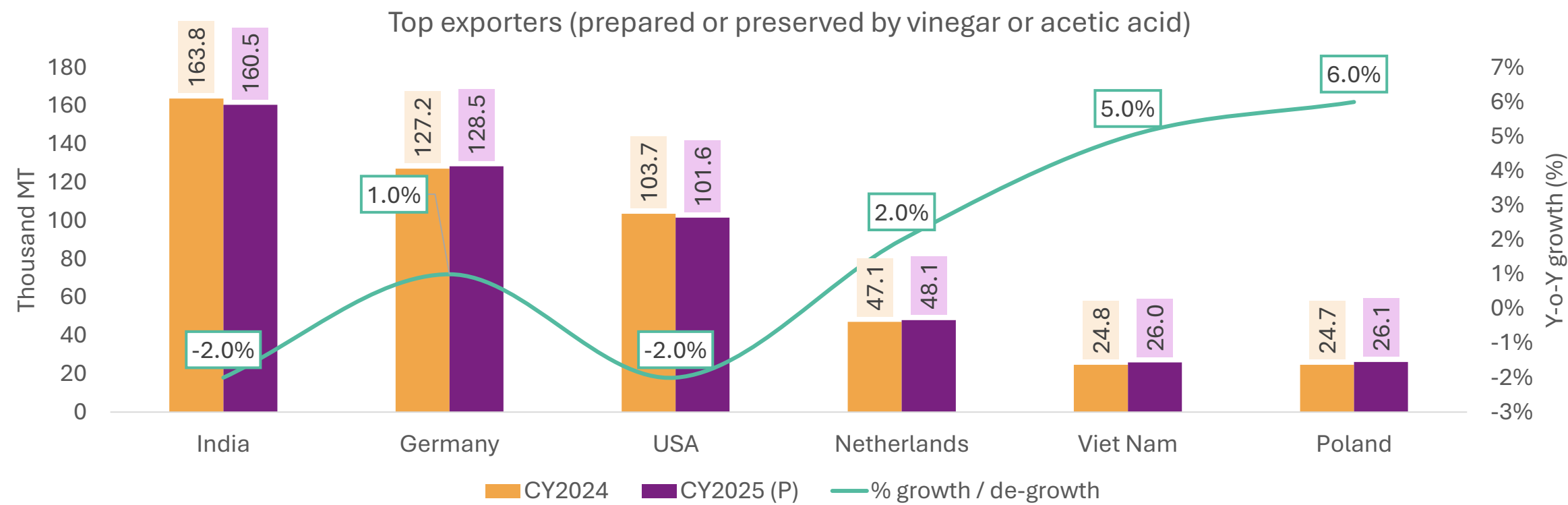
Major exporters of Cucumber and Gherkins

Top 5 Exporters (Provisionally preserved)



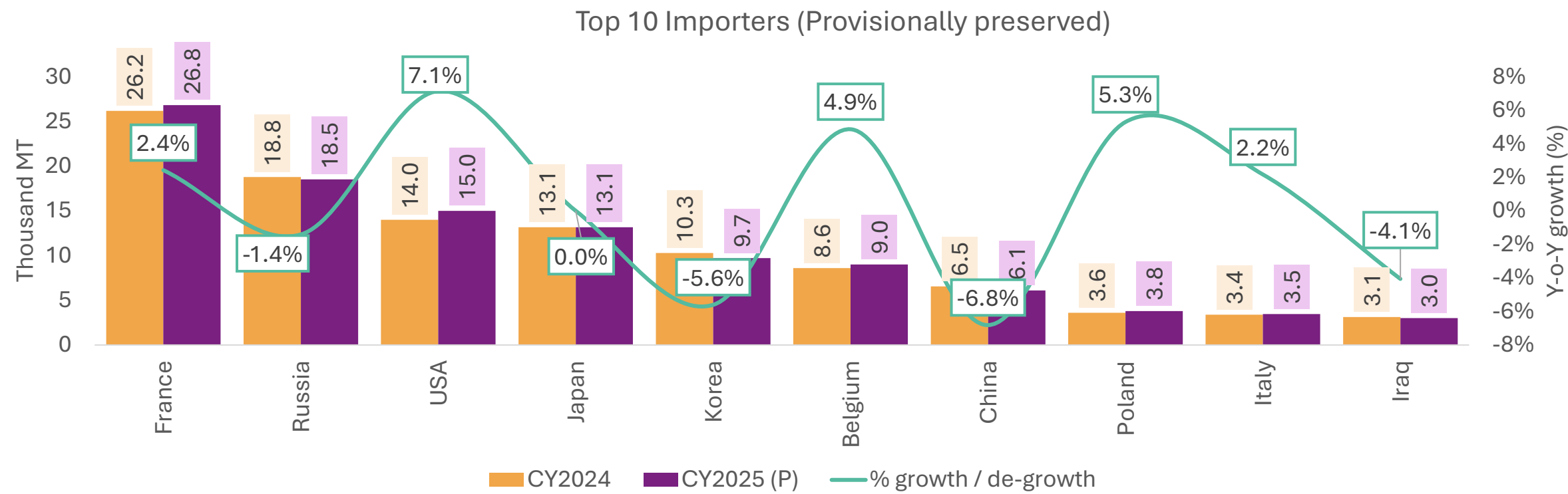
- The **top 5 countries contribute ~90% of global exports of provisionally preserved** cucumbers & gherkins.
- **India leads with ~72% share; however, exports may dip in CY2025 due to U.S. tariffs** (~13% of India’s exports goes to USA, 4th largest destination).
- However, till July 2025, India exports of provisionally preserved cucumbers and gherkins have increased by 4% compared to Jan-July 2024. This is majorly **due to increase in export to Russia, Poland, USA, Netherlands, Croatia and Germany**.
- **Among re-exporters, Netherlands expected to grow**, driven by rising demand from the UK and other EU markets, with H1 CY2025 exports growing by 43% over H1 CY2024.

Major exporters of Cucumber and Gherkins



- The countries shown **account for ~80% of global exports of cucumbers & gherkins preserved in vinegar.**
- **India leads with ~30% share.**
- India’s exports are expected to dip by about 1–2% in CY2025, largely due to steep U.S. tariffs (with the U.S. accounting for nearly 30% of India’s shipments, making it the largest destination). However, demand growth in the EU is likely to cushion part of this impact.
- Till July of CY2025, India’s export of cucumber and gherkins preserved by vinegar or acetic acid, has increased by 34% compared to Jan to July CY2024. The majorly attributed to increase in export to Germany, USA, Canada, Russia and Iraq.
- **U.S. exports are also projected to decline, with H1 CY2025 shipments already 14% lower than H1 CY2024.** The fall is driven by reduced exports to Canada—its largest market, accounting for 77% of U.S. exports in H1—where volumes dropped 17% in the same period.

Major importers of Cucumber and Gherkins



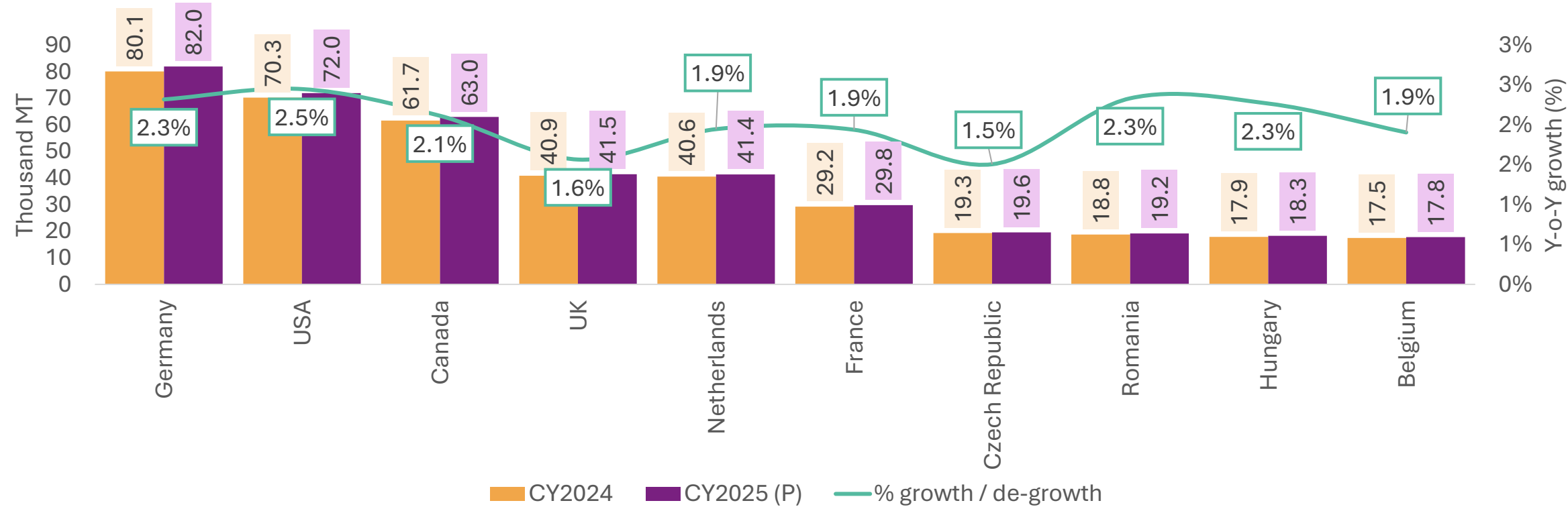
- The countries shown in the chart **collectively account for ~75% of global provisionally preserved cucumber and gherkins imports.**
- **EU accounts for >60% of total global imports** by value of provisionally preserved gherkins. Volume growth is expected to rise ~5-10% YoY in CY25 after a strong H1 (imports volume across EU hubs were already up 22% over H1 2024) due to increased demand.
- **South Korea and China’s import is expected to drop by 5-15% in CY2025** as their H1 imports are 23% and 65% lower, respectively, compared to H1 of CY2024. South Korea’s import has been declined due to 61% reduction in export from India.

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Source: ITC trade map

Major importers of Cucumber and Gherkins

Top 10 Importers (Prepared/ preserved by vinegar)



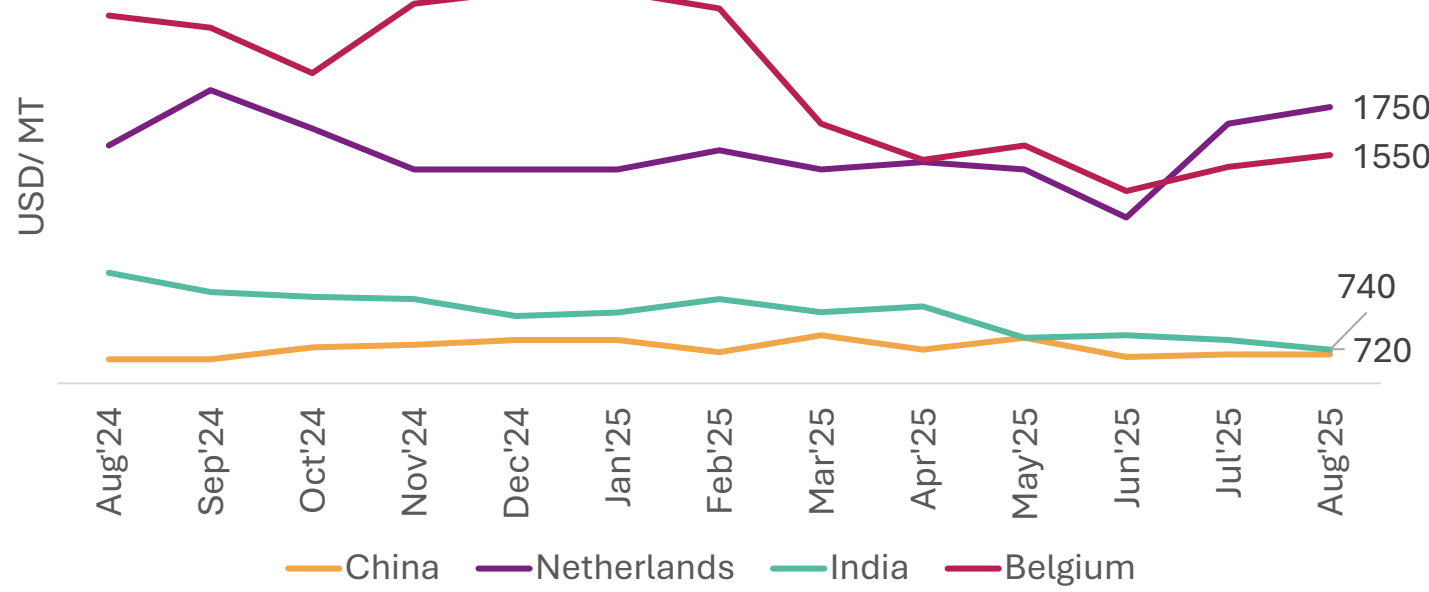
- The countries shown account for ~60% of global imports of cucumbers & gherkins preserved in vinegar.
- **Global import volumes expected to rise slightly in CY2025**; EU makes up 55–60% of global import value for RTE products.
- **USA imports in H1 CY2025 are up ~43% vs H1 CY2024.**
- EU demand also set to grow marginally, offering opportunities for Indian exporters.

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Source: ITC trade map

Export prices forecast – Fundamental analysis

Export price trend (Provisionally preserved)

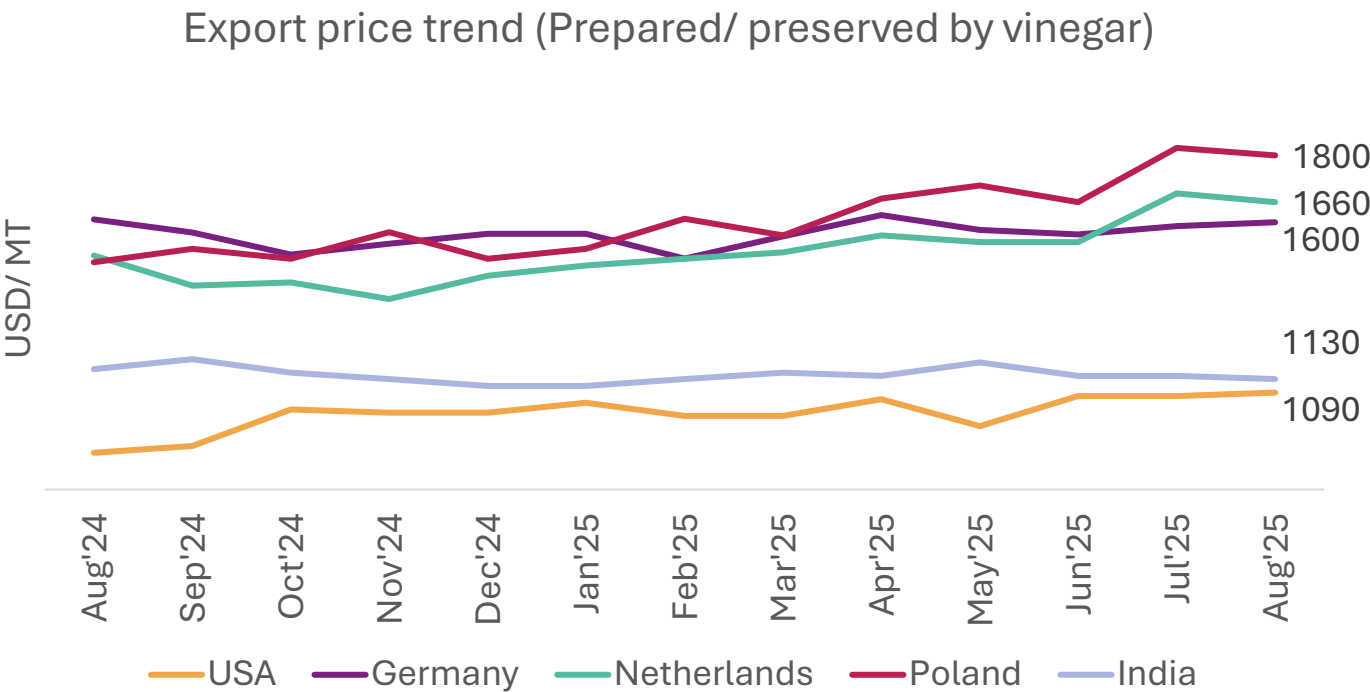


Price outlook for next three months (SON)*					
Countries	Aug'25	Aug'24	Change over year	Price direction	Forecasted Average price range for SON*
	Price	Price			(USD/MT)
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China	720	700	3%	Sideways	720-750
Netherlands	1750	1590	10%	Sideways	1700-1750
India	740	1060	-30%	Sideways	740-760
Belgium	1550	2130	-27%	Sideways	1540-1750

Note: Price forecasting is based on the fundamental analysis.
*SON stand for September, October and November

- **China’s production for MY25 is expected to decline marginally by 1-2%.** Prices likely to hover in the range of 720–750 USD/MT with marginal upward bias due to marginal decline in production and rising logistics costs and tighter quality norms.
- Indian prices steadied in H1 2025; exporters face higher freight and input costs – moderate increase in price is expected as demand in EU countries is likely to surge in next 3 months
- Overall global export prices are likely to remain steady to firm in the upcoming quarter.

Export prices forecast – Fundamental analysis



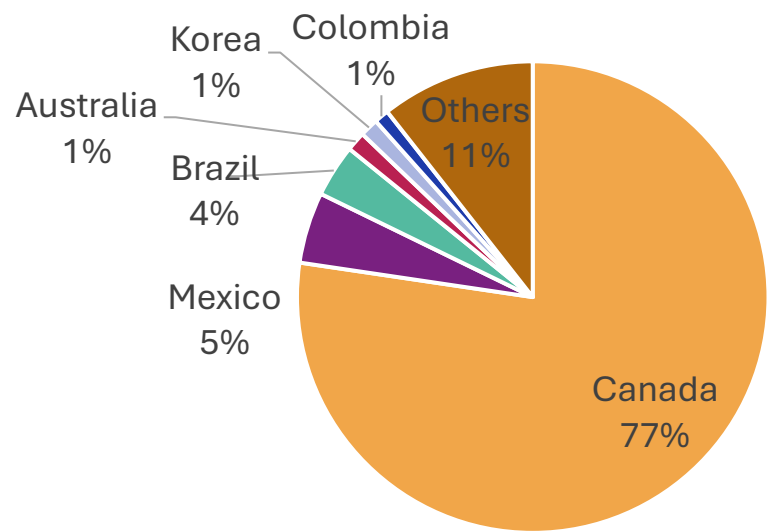
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USA	1090	910	20%	Bullish	1090-1100
Germany	1600	1608	0%	Bullish	1590-1650
Netherlands	1660	1500	11%	Bullish	1670-1720
Poland	1800	1480	22%	Bullish	1800-1820
India	1130	1160	-3%	Bullish	1140-1150

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- Germany’s market reflects premium positioning, with imports supplementing moderate domestic production. Demand for high-quality vinegar-preserved gherkins remains strong, sustaining premium pricing. Prices are likely to remain firm in the 1590-1650 USD/MT range, supported by premium demand and controlled supply.
- Indian export prices are expected to increase1140–1150 USD/MT range, due to USA tariff implementation.
- US domestic production is expected to increase marginally by 1-2% in MY25, demand from processed food and foodservice remains consistent and trade tensions with high tariffs keeping the market unpredictable and pries are likely to remain firm in the upcoming quarter around 1090-1100 USD/MT

USA’s Export Market Analysis - Prepared/Preserved by Vinegar (HS 200110)

USA’s Export Basket (CY2024) – Basis export volume



Source: ITC Trade Map

Canada’s Import analysis

Supplier	Share in import basket (%)	Unit Price (USD/MT)
United States of America	69%	1710
India	21%	1064
Hungary	3%	1511
Germany	2%	1424
France	1%	4179
Others	5%	

Source: ITC trade map

- While the USA dominates with **77% of its cucumber and gherkin exports going to Canada**, India has already established a strong presence with 13,015 MT in 2024.
- 21% of Canada’s total imports are already met by India at a competitive price of USD 1,064/MT, compared to the USA’s higher price of USD 1,710/MT.
- Opportunity for India:** By strategically strengthening supply chains and building long-term partnerships, India can further increase its share and establish itself as a leading supplier to the Canadian market.

Thank You

Methodology for price forecasting

Our methodology combines comprehensive secondary research, targeted stakeholder consultations, and rigorous analytical techniques to ensure accuracy and actionable insights. The methodology comprises three key stages: Data Collection, Data Analysis & Interpretation, and Price Forecasting.

Data Collection



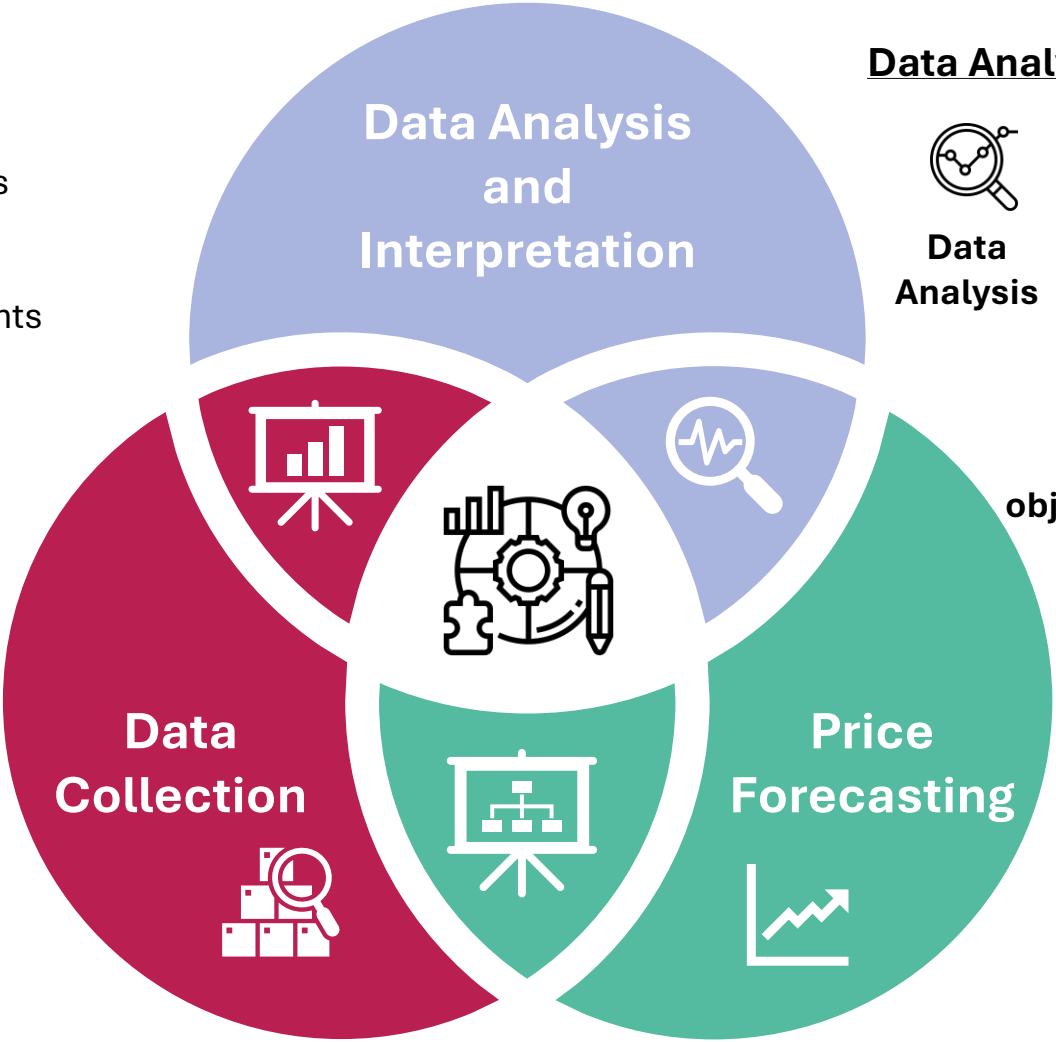
Sources

- Global agricultural databases (USDA, FAO, etc.)
- Country-wise statistics from official agriculture departments
- Industry publications and research reports



Policy Updates

- Detailed review of Production policies & trade barriers for each country
- Data from government websites & official publications



Data Analysis and Interpretation



Data Analysis

- Supply-demand assessment
- Policy impact analysis
- Stakeholder consultations



Key objectives

- Production trends
- Trade dynamics
- Policy implications

Price Forecasting

- Historical Trend & Seasonality
 - Macro-Economic & Trade Variables
- Integration of commodity fundamentals with and their analysis to forecast future price ranges.

Structured consultations with Indian exporters and industry associations, cross-verifying secondary data and validating price forecasts to refine production, trade, and policy assessments.