

ABOUT

Firsd Tea began as the U.S. subsidiary of parent company, Zhejiang Tea Group, Ltd. (ZJT), China's largest tea exporter and the world leader in green tea exports. Founded in 1950, ZJT has been the largest tea producer and exporter in China for 25 consecutive years.

Our shared portfolio of products include EU compliant conventional teas and organic teas (first organic tea producer in China since 1989), decaf teas (one of only two companies in China who have a CO2 decaf facility) and chemical solvent-free tea extractions, including instant teas, tea polyphenols, and EGCG.

With over 65 years' experience as a leader in the tea industry, ZJT exports more than 40,000 tons of tea annually including: green tea, black tea, white tea, oolong tea, pu-erh tea, scented tea, special gourmet tea, and intensive processed tea products. Through ZJT, Firsd Tea has resurrected the technologies of sencha and matcha production- these commercially valuable teas actually originated in China about 1,000 years ago.

Firsd Tea can strictly monitor each step from planning, harvesting and packaging, to ensure the quality and integrity of our products. Our clients find we provide superior products and optimal value. As a result, Firsd Tea can assist our valued customers in increasing their tea sales by improving selection, quality and price – yielding greater profits at an enhanced margin.



STANDARDS

Standards, Protocols, and Certifications























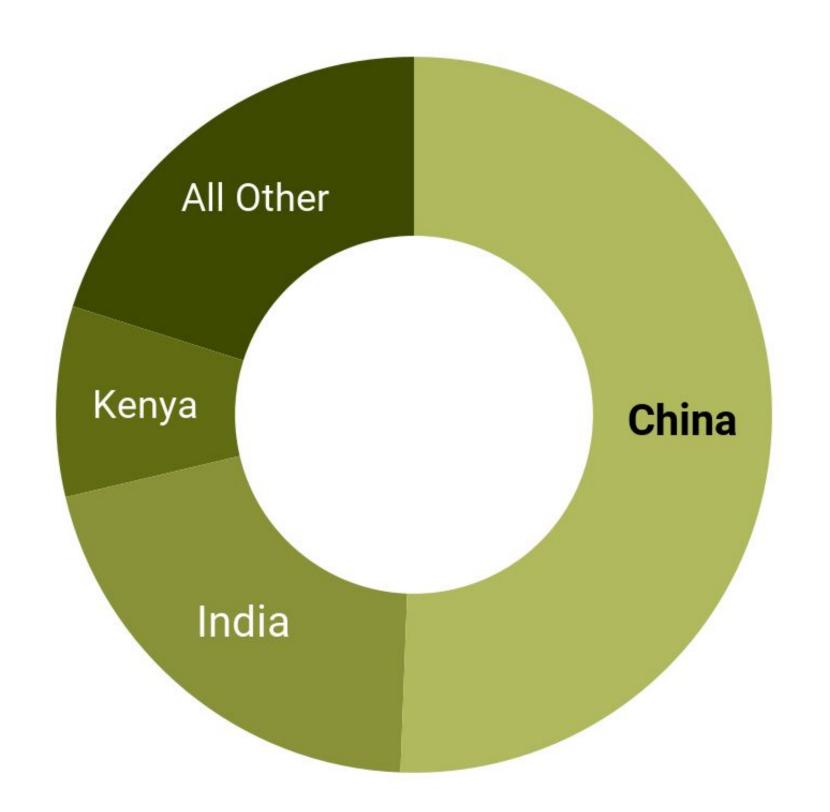
TIMELINE





2023 SHARE OF GLOBAL TEA PRODUCTION

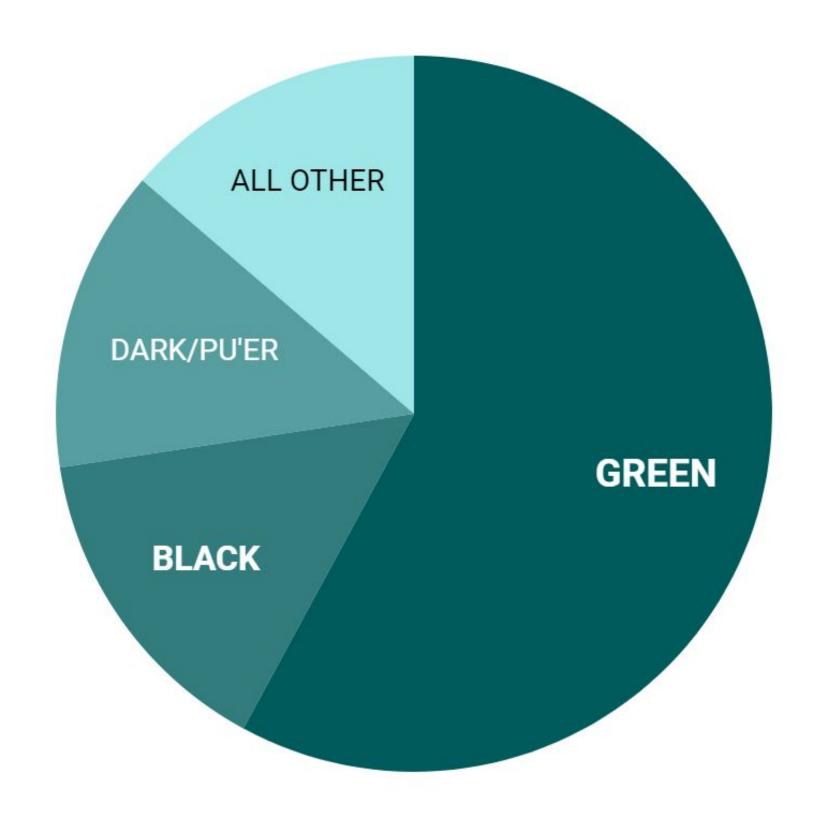
China produced **3.3**Million MT, or **50.6**% of the world's tea





2023 SHARE OF CHINA TEA PRODUCTION

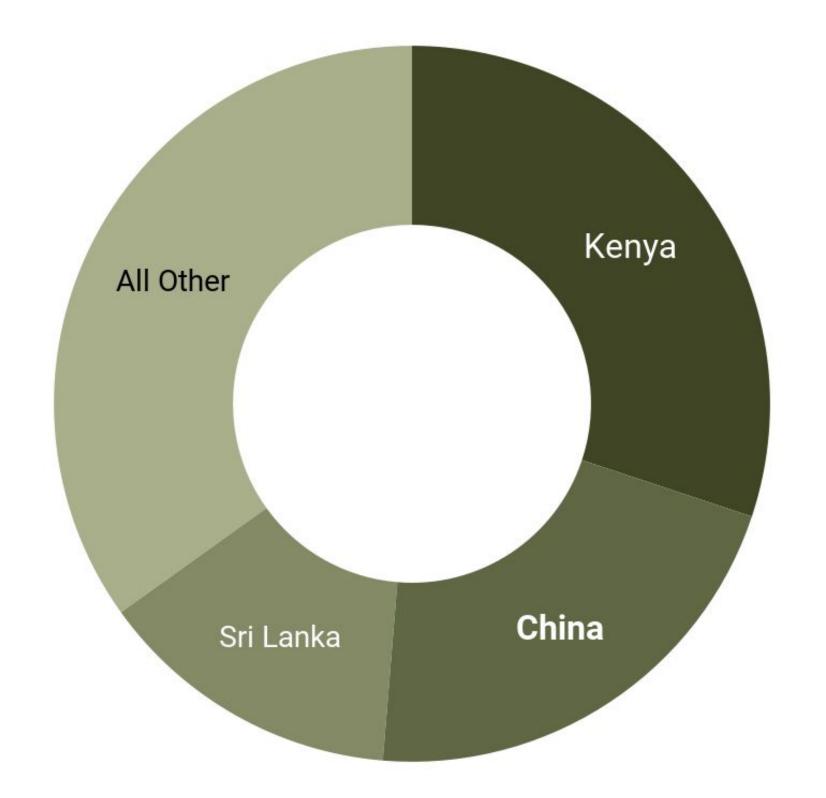
57.9% of China's teaproduced was green;14.7% was black





2023 SHARE OF GLOBAL TEA EXPORTS

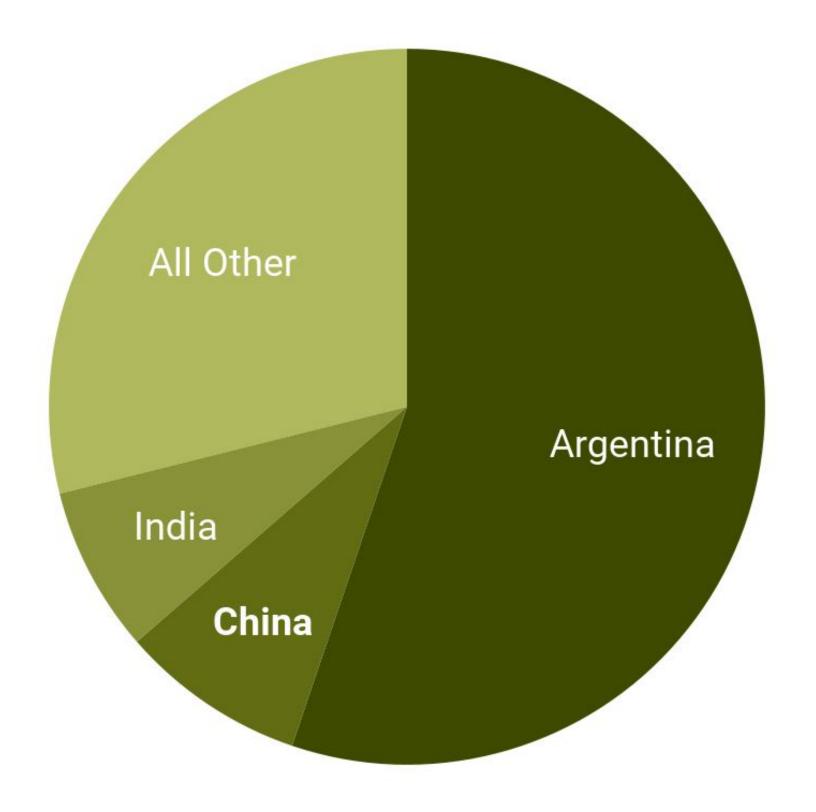
30.1% of global exports came from Kenya; 21.2%, or 0.37 Million MT, was from China





2023 SHARE OF U.S. TEA IMPORTS

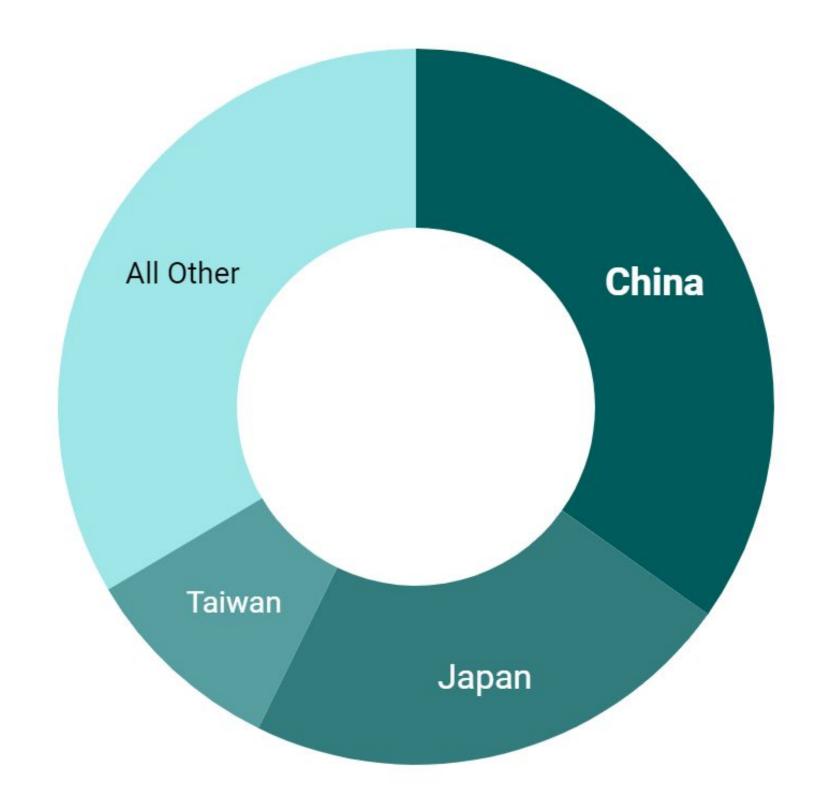
55.2% of U.S. bulk tea imports from producing countries was from Argentina; 8.4%, or approx 6,500 MT, was from China.





2023 SHARE OF U.S. GREEN TEA IMPORTS

34.8%, or approx 2,500 MT of U.S. bulk green tea imports from producing countries was from China; 22.4%, was from Japan.





CAPABILITIES

Matcha

Fully automated production line, with robot labor





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Supercritical CO2 Decaffeination

Extraction

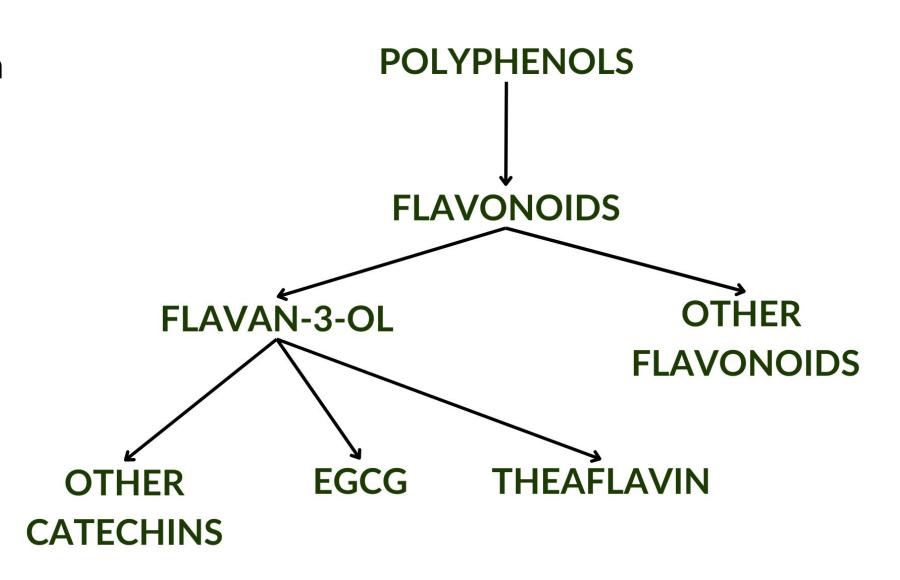




TEA AND HEALTH: FLAVAN-3-OLs

FDA set to finalize designation of "healthy" for tea

Tea is a major contributor of flavonoids, including flavan-3-ols, with 1 cup of tea providing amounts above what is found in 1 cup of commonly consumed fruits and vegetables. Studies on the flavonoids found in tea have been actively researched and shown to provide a beneficial effect on blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar management, and increase of insulin sensitivity.



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TEA AND HEALTH: HEADLINES

Matcha Green Tea Inhibits Growth of Cancer Stem Cells

Source: Article - "Study Suggests Matcha Encourages Cancer Cell Apoptosis" Date: Oct. 15, 2018

TEA COMPOUNDS AND THE GUT MICROBIOME: FINDINGS FROM TRIALS AND MECHANISTIC STUDIES

Source: PubMed
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Date: Oct. 3, 2019

Tea: A Polyphenol-Packed Antioxidant Beverage with a Diverse Chemical Composition

Source: Article - "BIOCHEMISTRY OF TEA LEAF. ALL ABOUT THE BENEFICIAL PROPERTIES OF TEA." Date: July 22 , 2019

DECODING FLAVANOL-3S: NEW DIETARY RECOMMENDATIONS EXPLORED BY FOOD SCIENTIST

Source: Forbes https://www.forbes.com/health/body/what-areflavanol-3s/
Date: Apr. 5, 2023



