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3	Global Supply Chain Drivers of Agricultural Antibiotic Emissions in
4	China
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Supplemental Methods

28 This study considers two sources of agricultural antibiotic emissions in mainland China: 29 animal husbandry (including the raising of bovine, swine, and poultry) and aquaculture. 30 For animal husbandry, the animal species considered are the most common livestock and poultry species in mainland China. Antibiotics are widely used in the feeding of 31 32 these animal species. For each type of animal, we first estimate the amount of feces. 33 Then, we calculate the antibiotics entering the environment after waste disposal, based 34 on typical waste treatment processes and antibiotic concentrations obtained from 35 previous studies. For aquaculture, different farming forms are considered for the estimations of antibiotic emissions. 36

37 Estimations of Feces from Livestock and Poultry

38 • Swine

The amounts of swine feces for 2014 in each province of mainland China are calculatedby equations (1).

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$$W_{sf} = M_s \times T_{nursery} \times F_{nursery} + M_s \times T_{fattern} \times F_{fattern}$$
 (1)

The notation W_{sf} indicates the total weight of swine feces in 2014; M_s represents the number of swine in each province of mainland China in 2014; $T_{nursery}$ is the nursery period (days); $F_{nursery}$ represents the feces producing coefficient for swine in nursery, namely the feces produced per day by per head of swine in nursery; $T_{fattern}$ is the fattening period (days); and $F_{fattern}$ represents the feces producing coefficient for swine in the fattening period.

The average culturing period is 179 days,¹ which is less than a year. Therefore, the number of swine in 2014 is considered as their marketing number.² The nursery period $T_{nursery}$ is usually 75 to 80 days³, and the fattening period $T_{fattern} = 179 - T_{nursery}$.

51 The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the 52 above equations for estimations. The values of parameters in equations (1) are shown in Data S3 and S4 in the Supporting Data. The data are from statistical yearbooks,
previous studies, and government documents.^{1, 3-5}

55 • Bovines

The calculation of bovine feces depends on the raising pattern. For captive raising, all 56 the feces produced are considered to contain antibiotics. For grazing, bovines are fed 57 artificially during the grass-withering period (lasting for six months), and the feces 58 59 contain antibiotics. During the other six months, bovines are grazed without intaking 60 feedstuff. The feces do not contain antibiotics. In this study, only the feces containing antibiotics are considered. The feces producing coefficients of bovine types are 61 62 different. Existing investigation provides feces producing coefficients of cows and beef 63 cattle.⁵ Considering the data availability, the bovine cattle are classified into three 64 categories, including cows, beef cattle, and other cattle. Here, other cattle refer to cattle for other uses. In China, the bovine cattle on hand are mainly beef cattle and cows, with 65 a small number of cattle for other uses. Therefore, we used the feces producing 66 67 coefficient of beef cattle to represent the coefficient of cattle for other uses. The feces weight of different bovine cattle based on captive raising and grazing are calculated, 68 respectively, based on equations (2) to (7). 69

70
$$W_{c-cow} = M_{c-cow} \times 365 \times F_{cow}$$
(2)

71
$$W_{c-cattle} = M_{c-cattle} \times 365 \times F_{cattle}$$
 (3)

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$$W_{g-cow} = M_{g-cow} \times 365 \times F_{cow} \times \frac{1}{2}$$
(4)

73
$$W_{g-cattle} = M_{g-cattle} \times 365 \times F_{cattle} \times \frac{1}{2}$$
 (5)

74
$$W_{b-cow} = W_{c-cow} + W_{g-cow}$$

75 (6)

76
$$W_{b-cattle} = W_{c-cattle} + W_{g-cattle}$$
(7)

The notation W_{c-cow} represents the feces weight of captive cows; M_{c-cow} indicates the number of captive cows on hand in 2014; F_{cow} is the feces producing coefficient of 79 cows, namely the feces produced per day by per head of cow; $W_{c-cattle}$ represents the 80 total feces weight of captive beef and other cattle; $M_{c-cattle}$ indicates the sum of captive 81 beef and other cattle on hand in 2014; F_{cattle} is the feces producing coefficient of beef 82 cattle; W_{g-cow} represents the feces weight of grazing cows; M_{g-cow} indicates the number 83 of grazing cows on hand in 2014; $W_{g-cattle}$ is the total feces weight of grazing beef and other cattle; $M_{g-cattle}$ is the sum of grazing beef and other cattle on hand in 2014; W_{b-cow} 84 represents the total feces weight of cows; and $W_{b-cattle}$ is the total feces weight of cattle. 85 86 The raising period of bovine cattle is generally more than one year. Thus, the number 87 of bovines in 2014 is considered as their stocks on hand, and the feeding days of a year is 365 days.² 88

The values of parameters in equations (2) to (5) are shown in Data S5 and S6 in the Supporting Data. The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equations for estimations. The data are from statistical yearbooks and government documents.⁴⁻⁶

93 • Poultry

The feces producing coefficients of meat poultry and laying poultry are different. 94 However, the statistical yearbooks provide only the total number of poultry slaughter 95 96 and poultry on hand.⁴ To calculate the poultry feces, we first estimate the numbers of 97 meat poultry and laying poultry separately in 2014. From the view of purposes, poultry 98 farms raise meat poultry for slaughter and raise laying poultry for producing eggs. 99 Generally, the raising period of meat poultry (mainly chicken, ducks, and gooses) is 50 to 70 days,⁷ while the raising period of laying poultry is approximate 500 days.⁸ 100 101 Therefore, we consider the number of meat poultry as the slaughter number. The number of laying poultry is the number of laying poultry on hand, which is estimated 102 based on slaughter number, the stock on hand, and slaughter frequency in 2014. There 103 104 is generally an empty period of 10 days between two slaughter batches. Thus, the 105 slaughter frequency is calculated using equation (8).

106 $SL = \frac{365}{(T_{mp} + 10)}$

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(8)

107 The notation *SL* represents the slaughter frequency of meat poultry, and T_{mp} indicates 108 the raising period of meat poultry.

109 The number of laying poultry on hand was calculated by equation (9).⁹

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$$M_{lp} = M_p - M_{mp}/SL$$
 (9)

111 The notation M_{lp} is the number of laying poultry on hand; M_p represents the total 112 poultry on hand at the end of 2014; and M_{mp} indicates the slaughter number of meat

113 poultry in 2014.

114 For laying poultry, the proportion of poultry in the laying period (PLP) is about 22/29.

115 The rest 7/29 of laying poultry is in incubation and growing period.¹⁰ We assume that

the proportion of PLP in laying poultry remains stable every day, then the amount ofpoultry feces is estimated by equations (10) to (12)

118
$$W_{mp} = M_{mp} \times T_{mp} \times F_{mp}$$

119 (1 0)

120
$$W_{lp} = M_{lp} \times \frac{22}{29} \times 365 \times F_l + M_{lp} \times \frac{7}{29} \times 365 \times F_g$$

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122
$$W_{pc} = W_{mp} + W_{lp}$$

123 (1 2)

124 The notation W_{mp} indicates the feces weight of meat poultry; F_{mp} is the feces

125 producing coefficients of meat poultry; W_{lp} represents the feces weight of laying

126 poultry; F_l is the feces producing coefficients of PLP; F_g indicates the feces producing

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127 coefficients of laying poultry in incubation and growing period; and W_{pc} represents

the total feces weight of poultry. The values of parameters in equations (10) and (11)

are shown in Data S7 and S8 in the Supporting Data. The data are from previous

130 studies, statistical yearbooks, and government documents.^{4, 5, 7}

131 The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the

above equations for estimations.

133 Antibiotic Emissions from Livestock and Poultry Raising

We focus on 15 kinds of antibiotics belonging to three antibiotic categories. The
antibiotic types are shown in Table S1. The antibiotic concentrations of animal feces
from different studies were collected and integrated. After data selection and
processing, we use the data to calculate antibiotic emissions from livestock and
poultry raising. Details for data selection and processing are described in section Data
Processing.

140 • Swine

It is estimated that 20% of livestock feces enter wastewater streams, and the rest of
80% will be collected and used as composts.¹¹The antibiotics contained in solid feces
enter the environment with composts. The estimation is based on equation (13). The
antibiotic emissions from effluents are estimated by equation (14).

145
$$p_{sf} = W_{sf} \times 80\% / (1 + r_{swine}) \times C_{sf} \times (1 - R_f)$$

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147
$$p_{se} = W_{sf} \times 20\% / (1 + r_{swine}) \times C_{sf} \times (1 - R_w)$$

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The notation p_{sf} and p_{se} indicate the antibiotic emissions from solid swine feces and effluents, respectively; W_{sf} represents the weight of swine feces; r_{swine} is the moisture content (dry basis, the percentage of water weight in dry weight of samples) of swine feces;¹² C_{sf} is the antibiotic concentration of swine feces (dry matter); R_f is the antibiotic removal rate of animal feces treatment;¹³ and R_w indicates the antibiotic removal rate of wastewater treatment.¹⁴

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155 Data for C_{sf} and r_{swine} are shown in Data S9 and S11 in the Supporting Data. Data for 156 R_f and R_w are shown in Data S12 in the supporting Data. The minimum, average, and

157 maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equations for

158 estimations.

159 • Bovines

160 In the condition of artificial management, 20% of the bovine feces enter wastewater and 80% of the feces remain solid.¹¹ For bovine cattle, the antibiotics contained in 161 solid feces enter the environment with composts. They are estimated by equations 162 (15) and (16). 163

$$164 \quad p_{bf-cow} = W_{b-cow} \times 80\% / (1 + r_{cow}) \times C_{bc} \times (1 - R_f)$$

$$165 \quad (1 \quad 5 \quad)$$

$$166 \quad p_{bf-cattle} = W_{b-cattle} \times 80\% / (1 + r_{cattle}) \times C_{bc} \times (1 - R_f)$$

$$167 \quad (1 \quad 6 \quad)$$

The notation p_{bf-cow} represents the antibiotic emissions from cow feces; W_{b-cow} is the 168 weight of cow feces; r_{cow} and r_{cattle} indicates the moisture content (dry basis) of cow 169 feces and cattle feces, respectively; $^{12} C_{bc}$ represents the antibiotic concentration of 170 171 bovine feces (dry matter); *p*_{bf-cattle} indicates the antibiotic emissions from feces of beef and other cattle; and $W_{b-cattle}$ is the weight of feces from beef and other cattle; and R_f 172 represents the antibiotic removal rate of animal feces treatment.¹³ 173

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The antibiotics emitted with bovine effluent are estimated by equations (17) and (18). 174

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 175 & p_{be-cow} = W_{b-cow} \times 20\% / (1 + r_{cow}) \times C_{bc} \times (1 - R_w) \\ 176 & (& 1 & 7 &) \\ 177 & p_{be-cattle} = W_{b-cattle} \times 20\% / (1 + r_{cattle}) \times C_{bc} \times (1 - R_w) \\ 178 & (& 1 & 8 &) \end{array}$$

The notation p_{be-cow} represents the antibiotic emissions from cow effluents; $p_{be-cattle}$ 179 represents the antibiotic emissions from beef and other cattle effluents; and R_w 180 indicates the removal rate of antibiotics after wastewater treatment.¹⁴ Data for C_{bc} are 181 shown in Data S9 in the Supporting Data. Data for r_{cow} , and r_{cattle} are shown in Data 182 183 S11 in the Supporting Data. The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equations for estimations. 184

185 **Poultry**

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The poultry farms barely produce wastewater, and all the feces are collected for
composting. The antibiotics contained in poultry feces enter the environment with
composts. The estimation is shown in equation (19).

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$$p_{pc} = W_{pc} / (1 + r_{poultry}) \times C_{pc} \times (1 - R_f)$$

190 (1 9)

The notation p_{pc} indicates the antibiotic emissions from poultry feces; W_{pc} represents the total feces weight of poultry; $r_{poultry}$ is the moisture content of poultry feces (dry basis);¹² C_{pc} indicates the antibiotic concentration of poultry feces (dry matter); and R_f represents the antibiotic removal rate of animal feces treatment.¹³ Data for C_{pc} are shown in Data S9 in the Supporting Data. Data for $r_{poultry}$ and R_f are shown in Data S11 and S12, respectively. The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equation for estimations.

198 Antibiotic Emissions from Aquaculture

The antibiotic concentration data for aquaculture water were collected from different
studies. The data were selected and integrated for calculation. The calculations are
based on different fishing patterns.

202 • Marine aquaculture

203 In mainland China, marine aquaculture patterns are divided into seven categories, 204 including pond culture, cage culture, deep-sea cage culture, hanging cage culture, industrialized culture, raft culture, and bottom sowing culture. The raft culture does 205 206 not involve water deep, and its area just occupies a small portion of the total marine aquaculture area in mainland China. Therefore, we excluded the raft culture in the 207 calculations. Moreover, there is no artificial feeding for the bottom sowing culture. 208 Thus, the bottom sowing culture does not discharge antibiotics and is not considered 209 210 in our calculations. Cage culture, deep-sea cage culture, hanging cage culture are 211 typical open-water culture. For China, the industrialized culture is currently in the initial stage, and the water cycling systems are not well-developed. Therefore, we 212

considered industrialized culture as an open-water culture. We assume that water is
renewed and recharged every day for open-water culture. For pond culture, water
renewal is based on water change frequency. The antibiotic emissions from openwater culture are calculated by equation (20).

217
$$p_{mo} = Q_{mo} \times H_{mo} \times C_{mo} \times 365$$

218 (2 0)

The notation p_{mo} indicates the antibiotic emissions from marine aquaculture farms (open-water); Q_{mo} is the area of marine aquaculture farms; H_{mo} is the depth of marine aquaculture zone; C_{mo} represents the antibiotic concentrations of water in marine aquaculture farms (open-water).

223 The antibiotic emissions from pond culture are calculated by equation (21).

224
$$p_{mp} = Q_{mp} \times H_{mp} \times C_{mp} \times \frac{365}{S_{mp}}$$
225 (2 1)

226 The notation p_{mp} indicates the antibiotic emissions from pond culture farms; Q_{mp} is the area of pond culture farms; H_{mp} is the depth of pond farms; C_{mp} represents the 227 antibiotic concentrations of water in pond farms; and S_{mp} is the water renewal 228 229 frequency of pond culture. The variable S_{mp} is generally 10 to 15 days. Data for Q_{mo} , Q_{mp} are based on statistical yearbook (Data S14, Supporting Data),¹⁵ H_{mo} , and H_{mp} are 230 based on the specification of aquaculture equipment (Data S15, Supporting Data). 231 Data for C_{mo} and C_{mp} are shown in Data S16 in the Supporting Data. The minimum, 232 233 average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equation for estimations. 234

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• Freshwater aquaculture

236 In mainland China, freshwater aquaculture patterns are divided into three categories,

237 including pen culture, cage culture, and industrialized culture. These three patterns are

all considered as open-water aquaculture in the estimations. The antibiotic emissions

from freshwater aquaculture are estimated by equation (22).

$$240 \qquad p_{fa} = Q_{fa} \times H_{fa} \times C_{fa} \times 365 \tag{22}$$

241 The notation p_{fa} indicates the antibiotic emissions from freshwater aquaculture farms (open-water); Q_{fa} is the area of freshwater aquaculture farms; H_{fa} is the depth of 242 243 freshwater aquaculture zone; and C_{fa} represents the antibiotic concentrations of water in freshwater aquaculture farms (open-water). Data for Q_{fa} and H_{fa} are based on 244 statistical yearbook⁴ and the specification of aquaculture equipment, respectively 245 (Data S14 and S15, Supporting Data). Data for C_{fa} are shown in Data S18 in the 246 247 Supporting Data. The minimum, average, and maximum values of each parameter are plugged into the above equation for estimations. 248

The Combined Multi-Regional Input-Output (MRIO) Framework 249

In this study, we combine China's MRIO table in 2014 with the Global Trade 250

251 Analysis Project (GTAP) data to investigate the connections between China's

provinces and foreign nations/regions. The MRIO framework is shown in Figure 252

SM1. The combined MRIO framework involves 31 provinces of mainland China (the 253

first 31 regions in the MRIO table) and 140 nations and regions outside mainland 254

China. The notation Z_{ij}^{kt} is an element in intermediate matrix **Z**, which indicates 255

intermediate input from sector *i* in province/nation *k* to sector *j* in province/nation *t*. 256

The notation f_i^{kt} represents province/nation t's final demand for products of sector i 257

in province/nation k; x_i^k is the total output of sector *i* in province/nation k; h_j^t is the 258

primary input of sector j in province/nation t; x_i^t is the total input of sector j in 259

province/nation t; the notation p_i^t represents antibiotic emissions of sector j in 260

province t. Detailed information on Z_{ij}^{kt} , f_i^{kt} , x_i^k , h_j^t , x_j^t , and p_j^t is shown in Figure 261 SM2, taking $Z_{ij}^{1,32}$, $f_i^{1,32}$, x_i^1 , h_j^2 , x_j^2 , and p_j^2 as examples. 262

263 Thus, the row vector
$$p = \begin{bmatrix} p_1^1 & p_2^1 & \cdots & p_i^{31} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
; the column vector $f =$

264 $\begin{bmatrix} f_1^{t} t \\ f_2^{t} t \\ \vdots \\ f_i^{171 t} \end{bmatrix}$, the final demand of province/nation *t* is plugged into column vector *f*; the row

265 vector $h = \begin{bmatrix} h_1^1 & h_2^1 & \cdots & h_j^{171} \end{bmatrix}$; the column vector $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^1 \\ x_2^1 \\ \vdots \\ x_i^{171} \end{bmatrix}$.

266 The direct input coefficient matrix A is calculated by equations (23) and (24)

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$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^{11} & \cdots & a_{1n}^{1171} \\ \vdots & a_{ij}^{kt} & \vdots \\ a_{n1}^{1711} & \cdots & a_{nn}^{171171} \end{bmatrix}$$
(23)

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$$a_{j\,i}^{k\,t} = Z_{j\,i}^{k\,t} / x_i^t$$
 $k, t = 1, 2 \cdots 171; i, j = 1, 2 \cdots n$ (24)

269 The direct output coefficient matric **B** is calculated by equations (25) and (26)

270
$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1\,1}^{1\,1} & \cdots & b_{1\,n}^{1\,171} \\ \vdots & b_{ij}^{k\,t} & \vdots \\ b_{n\,1}^{171\,1} & \cdots & b_{n\,n}^{171\,171} \end{bmatrix}$$
(25)

(26)

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$$b_{j\,i}^{k\,t} = Z_{j\,i}^{k\,t} / x_{j}^{k}$$
 k, $t = 1, 2 \cdots 171; i, j = 1, 2 \cdots n$

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Figure SM1. The combined MRIO framework. The "P1, P2, ..., P31" represent

274 "Province 1, Province 2, ..., and Province 31"; the "N32, ..., N171" represent

275 "Nation 32, ..., and Nation 171". Yellow shadow indicates the trade between

276 provinces in mainland China; green shadow indicates the trade between provinces of

277 mainland China and the rest of the world; blue shadow indicates the trade between

278 nations and regions outside mainland China; and light shadow (i.e., light yellow and

279 light blue) indicates the trade within the same region.

Z_{ij}^{132}		Intermediate use (Nation 32)				
		Sector 1	Sector 2	Sector 3		
t	Sector 1	Z_{11}^{132}	Z_{12}^{132}	Z_{13}^{132}	Z_{1j}^{132}	
ate inpu ıce 1)	Sector 2	Z_{21}^{132}	Z_{22}^{132}	Z_{23}^{132}	Z_{2j}^{132}	
Intermediate input (Province 1)	Sector 3	Z^{132}_{31}	Z^{132}_{32}	Z^{132}_{33}	Z_{3j}^{132}	
ц		Z_{i1}^{132}	Z_{i2}^{132}	Z_{i3}^{132}	Z_{ij}^{132}	

f_i^{132} and x_i^1		Final demand	Total	
J_i^{-1}	- and x_{i}	Nation 32	output	
	Sector 1	f_1^{132}	x_1^1	
ice 1	Sector 2	f_2^{132}	x_2^1	
Province	Sector 3	f_3^{132}	x_3^1	
		f_i^{132}	x_i^1	

12 2 1 2	Province 2				
h_j^2, x_j^2 , and p_j^2	Sector 1	Sector 2	Sector 3		
Primary input	h_1^2	h_2^2	h_{3}^{2}	h_j^2	
Total input	x ₁ ²	x_{2}^{2}	x_{3}^{2}	x_j^2	
Antibiotic emission	p_{1}^{2}	p_2^2	p_3^2	p_j^2	

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Figure SM2. Details for elements Z_{ij}^{kt} , f_i^{kt} , x_i^k , h_j^t , x_j^t , and p_j^t , taking Z_{ij}^{132} , f_i^{132} , x_i^1 , h_j^2 , x_j^2 , and p_j^2 as examples.

283 Income-based and Consumption-based Accounting Framework

This study considers global supply chain drivers of agricultural antibiotic emissions in
mainland China from both the supply and demand sides. First, the direct agricultural

antibiotic emissions (aka production-based agricultural antibiotic emissions) of

287 provinces in mainland China are estimated. Then the antibiotic emission footprints of

each province/nation sector are quantified from the supply side via income-based

- accounting and from the demand side via consumption-based accounting. For
- example, a supply chain starts from the *mining extraction* sector, passes through the
- 291 *chemical products, basic pharmaceutical products, bovine cattle, sheep and goats,*
- 292 houses, meat products sectors, and ends at accommodation, food, and service
- 293 activities sector (Figure SM3). The bovine cattle, sheep and goats, houses sector is the

- direct antibiotic emitter in the supply chain. The primary inputs are supplied to the
- 295 *mining extraction* sector, then mining products are provided for downstream users for
- further production. The final products of the *accommodation, food, and service*
- *activities* sector are purchased by consumers.
- From the supply side, the primary inputs (e.g., capital and labor) of the *mining*
- *extraction* sector enable downstream production, thereby indirectly enabling
- 300 downstream antibiotic emission p. It means the income-based antibiotic emissions of
- 301 the *mining extraction* sector is *p*. Namely, the contribution of the *mining extraction*
- 302 sector from the supply side is *p*. From the demand side, the final demand of products
- 303 from the *accommodation, food, and service activities* sector drives upstream
- 304 production, thereby indirectly leading to upstream antibiotic emission *p*. It indicates
- 305 that the consumption-based antibiotic emissions of the *accommodation, food, and*
- 306 *service activities* sector is *p*. Thus, the contribution of the *accommodation, food, and*
- 307 *service activities* sector from the demand side is *p*. In this example, the *mining*
- 308 *extraction* sector and the *accommodation, food, and service activities* sector are
- 309 critical supply-side driver and demand-side driver, respectively.

Primary inputs (capital, labor, etc.)	→ Chemical products sector	Acco	harmaceutical products sector mmodation, food and rice activities sector
	Production-based (production-side)	Income-based (supply-side)	Consumption-based (demand-side)
Mining extraction	0	р	0
Chemical products	0	0	0
Basic pharmaceutical products	0	0	0
Bovine cattle, sheep and goats, horses	р	0	0
Meat products	0	0	0
Accommodation, food and service activities	0	0	р

311 Figure SM3. An example showing the income-based accounting and consumption-

312 based accounting.

313 Agricultural Antibiotic Emission Inventory

314 According to the sectoral classification of the Global Trade Analysis Project (GTAP) database (version 10),¹⁶ the bovine cattle, sheep and goats, horses, animal products, 315 316 raw milk, and fishing sectors are directly related to agricultural antibiotic emissions. Based on sector definitions, the antibiotic emissions from beef and other cattle are 317 considered as the antibiotic emissions of the bovine cattle, sheep and goats, horses 318 sector; the antibiotic emissions from swine and poultry raising are considered as the 319 antibiotic emissions of the animal products sector; the antibiotic emissions from cows 320 321 are considered as the antibiotic emissions of the raw milk sector; the antibiotic emissions from aquaculture are considered as the antibiotic emissions of the *fishing* 322 sector. The research purpose is to analyze global supply chain drivers of agricultural 323

324 antibiotic emissions in mainland China. Therefore, the agricultural antibiotic emission

inventory includes only direct emissions of agricultural sectors in mainland China.

326 The direct antibiotic emissions in other nations and regions outside mainland China

are considered as zero (As shown in Figure SM1).

328 Data Processing

To determine the antibiotic concentrations of animal feces and aquaculture water in 329 330 each province, studies related to antibiotic detection of animal feces and aquaculture water are collected and reviewed. We selected the most suitable studies as data 331 sources based on the following criteria. First, the data in each study should match the 332 333 considered 15 antibiotics as closely as possible. Second, the studies should cover as 334 many provinces as possible. Third, the focus year of each study should be around 2014. Under the circumstance that several studies focus on the same province, we 335 336 calculated the average antibiotic concentrations of these studies as the data for this province. For provinces with no qualified data, we use the data of surrounding 337 338 provinces as substitutes. If data for surrounding provinces are also missing, we then use default values for these provinces. The default values are obtained by averaging 339 the data from the selected studies. 340

341 For livestock and poultry, the selected studies involve the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei

342 Region, Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Anhui, Jiangxi, Henan, Guangdong, Guangxi, Hainan,

343 Guizhou, Yunnan, and Xinjiang, etc.¹⁷⁻²⁷ For aquaculture, the selected studies involve

344 Shanghai, Jiangsu, Zhejiang, Anhui, Fujian, Jiangxi, Hubei, Guangdong, and

345 Guangxi, etc.²⁸⁻³⁸

346 Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis

The uncertainties in our study mainly come from the estimations of antibiotic emissions from China's agriculture. This study calculates agricultural antibiotic emission ranges with the ranges of parameters concerning animal feeding, livestock and poultry wastes, aquaculture scale, and antibiotic concentrations. For instance, the maximum value of animal waste is calculated using parameters that lead to the largest amount of animal 352 waste based on practical experience and rational inference. The maximum value of 353 antibiotic emissions is estimated according to the maximum value of animal wastes. 354 Based on the minimum and maximum parameter values, we estimated the range of 355 agricultural antibiotic emissions in China. Subsequently, we calculated the ranges of 356 agricultural antibiotic emissions driven by the final demand and primary inputs of 357 provinces and nations.

The matrix-based method is employed to analyze the sensitivity of the results in this 358 study.³⁹ We first calculate the sensitivity coefficients, which are the change in antibiotic 359 emissions caused by a marginal change in each parameter. The sensitivity coefficients 360 are namely the coefficients on the variance of independent parameters in the error-361 propagation method.^{40, 41} For antibiotic emissions driven by global final demand, the 362 363 sensitivity coefficients for antibiotic emission intensity of province/nation sector *i*, each element T_{ij} in the intermediate transaction matrix T of the MRIO table, and the final 364 demand of province/nation sector i are calculated using equations (27) to (29), 365 respectively. 366

$$367 \quad \frac{\partial c}{\partial e_i} = (\mathbf{L}f)_i \tag{27}$$

$$368 \qquad \frac{\partial c}{\partial T_{ij}} = \frac{(e\mathbf{L})_i (\mathbf{L}f)_j}{x_j} \tag{28}$$

$$369 \quad \frac{\partial c}{\partial f_i} = (e\mathbf{L})_i \tag{29}$$

The notation **L** indicates the *Leontief Inverse* matrix, and $\mathbf{L} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A})^{-1}$; $\frac{\partial c}{\partial e_i}$, $\frac{\partial c}{\partial T_{ij}}$, and $\frac{\partial c}{\partial f_i}$ denote the sensitivity coefficients for antibiotic emission intensity, intermediate transaction matrix of the MRIO table, and final demand, respectively.

The calculations of elasticities further eliminate the effect caused by the statistical units of the parameters. For the antibiotic emissions driven by global final demand, the elasticities are defined as the ratios between the changing rate of antibiotic emissions driven by the final demand and the changing rate of the parameters. The dimensionless elasticities for antibiotic emission intensity of province/nation sector *i*, each element T_{ij} in the intermediate transaction matrix **T** of the MRIO table, and final demand of province/nation sector *i* are calculated using equations (30) to (32).

$$380 \quad EL_{e_i}^c = (\mathbf{L}f)_i \times \frac{e_i}{c}$$
(30)

381
$$EL_{T_{ij}}^c = \frac{(e\mathbf{L})_i(\mathbf{L}f)_j}{x_j} \times \frac{T_{ij}}{c}$$
(31)

$$382 \qquad EL_{f_i}^c = (e\mathbf{L})_i \times \frac{f_i}{c} \tag{32}$$

383 The notations $EL_{e_i}^c$, $EL_{T_{ij}}^c$, and $EL_{f_i}^c$ represent the elasticities for antibiotic emission 384 intensity, intermediate transaction matrix of the MRIO table, and final demand, 385 respectively.

For antibiotic emissions enabled by primary inputs, the sensitivity coefficients for antibiotic emission intensity of province/nation sector *i*, each element T_{ij} in the intermediate transaction matrix **T** of the MRIO table, and primary inputs of province/nation sector *i* are calculated using equations (33) to (35).

$$390 \quad \frac{\partial s}{\partial e_i} = (h\mathbf{G})_i \tag{33}$$

$$391 \qquad \frac{\partial s}{\partial T_{ij}} = \frac{(h\mathbf{G})_i (\mathbf{G}e)_j}{x_i} \tag{34}$$

$$392 \quad \frac{\partial s}{\partial h_i} = (\mathbf{G}e)_i \tag{35}$$

The notation **G** indicates the *Gosh Inverse* matrix, and $\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B})^{-1}$; $\frac{\partial s}{\partial e_i}$, $\frac{\partial s}{\partial T_{ij}}$, and $\frac{\partial s}{\partial h_i}$ represent the sensitivity coefficients for antibiotic emission intensity, intermediate transaction matrix of the MRIO table, and primary inputs, respectively.

The elasticities for antibiotic emission intensity of province/nation sector *i*, each element T_{ij} in the intermediate transaction matrix **T** of the MRIO table, and primary inputs of province/nation sector *i* are calculated using equations (36) to (38).

$$399 \qquad EL_{e_i}^s = (h\mathbf{G})_i \times \frac{e_i}{s} \tag{36}$$

$$400 \qquad EL_{T_{ij}}^{s} = \frac{(h\mathbf{G})_{i}(\mathbf{G}e)_{j}}{x_{i}} \times \frac{T_{ij}}{s}$$
(37)

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$$EL_{h_i}^s = (\mathbf{G}e)_i \times \frac{h_i}{s}$$
(38)

402 The notations $EL_{e_i}^s$, $EL_{T_{ij}}^s$, and $EL_{h_i}^s$ denote the elasticities for antibiotic emission 403 intensity, intermediate transaction matrix of the MRIO table, and primary inputs, 404 respectively.

Supplemental Results

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406 Comparison with studies on other environmental pressures

Major inter-provincial relationships for agricultural antibiotic emissions are different 407 from those for other environmental pressures (e.g., CO₂ and mercury-related health 408 409 impacts). From the demand side, critical inter-provincial connections for CO₂ emissions and mercury-related health impacts are mainly between western areas and eastern areas 410 411 in China (Table S3).⁴²⁻⁴⁴ From the supply side, the critical inter-provincial connections for mercury-related health impacts are mainly between inland areas⁴⁴. In contrast, for 412 413 agricultural antibiotic emissions, critical inter-provincial relationships are mainly within Central China, North China, and East China, especially between Central China 414 and East China. This is related to dietary patterns that influence agricultural antibiotic 415 emissions and population distribution. Populations are dense in eastern provinces, 416 417 leading to heavy demand for foods. Moreover, people living in economically developed eastern provinces are likely to afford more animal and aquatic products, inducing large 418 419 amounts of agricultural antibiotic emissions.

420 The sectoral hotspots for agricultural antibiotic emissions are also different from those for other environmental emissions (e.g., CO₂, PM_{2.5}, and mercury, Table S4). For 421 422 example, the critical sectors driving greenhouse gas emissions from the demand side 423 mainly include sectors providing energy, metals, foods, agricultural products, and services.⁴⁵⁻⁴⁷ Critical primary suppliers are mainly sectors providing agricultural 424 products, energy, minerals, transportation services, and other services.^{46, 47} For air 425 426 pollution such as PM_{2.5}, the construction sector, machinery and equipment sectors, 427 transport sectors, metal sectors, food sectors, and energy sectors are critical sectors from the demand side.⁴⁸⁻⁵⁰ In terms of atmospheric mercury emissions, critical 428 demand-side sectors are primarily construction sectors, energy sectors, food sectors, 429 430 machinery, and equipment sectors; and critical primary suppliers mainly include the resource mining and energy sectors.^{51, 52} In contrast, critical demand-side sectors 431 driving agricultural antibiotic emissions are mostly food and textile sectors, such as 432

433 the fishing, manufacture of food and tobacco, manufacture of textile wearing apparel, 434 footwear, caps, leather, fur, feather and its products, and accommodation, food and 435 service activities sectors. In particular, the textile-related sectors are not crucial for CO₂, PM_{2.5}, and mercury emissions. However, they are important in driving 436 437 agricultural antibiotic emissions. Furthermore, the critical primary suppliers enabling agricultural antibiotic emissions include the food-related sectors and chemical-related 438 439 sectors, which are different from the critical primary suppliers for greenhouse gas, 440 PM_{2.5}, and mercury emissions. This indicates that the hotspots for trade-related policies in reducing agricultural antibiotic emissions are unique and not covered in the 441 findings of previous studies. Thus, the findings of this study provide specific hotspots 442 for reducing agricultural antibiotic emissions. 443

444 Sensitivity analysis

We evaluated the sensitivity of the results to all the parameters by calculating their 445 elasticities. Most of the parameters show small elasticities (Figures S9 and S10), 446 447 indicating low sensitivity for the results. For antibiotic emission intensity, the parameter of the *fishing* sector in Hubei has the highest elasticity (0.187). This means that, if the 448 antibiotic emission intensity of the *fishing* sector in Hubei changes by 10%, the 449 agricultural antibiotic emissions driven by the final demand or enabled by primary 450 451 inputs will change by 1.87%. For the final demand, the parameter of the *fishing* sector in Hubei has the largest elasticity (0.074). For the intermediate transaction matrix, the 452 direct input of the *fishing* sector in Hubei for unitary output of the *manufacture of food* 453 and tobacco sector in Hubei has the largest elasticity (0.037). For primary inputs, the 454 455 parameter of the *fishing* sector in Hubei has the largest elasticity (0.118). Full results of sensitivity analysis for all the parameters are shown in Data S20-27 in the Supporting 456 457 Data.

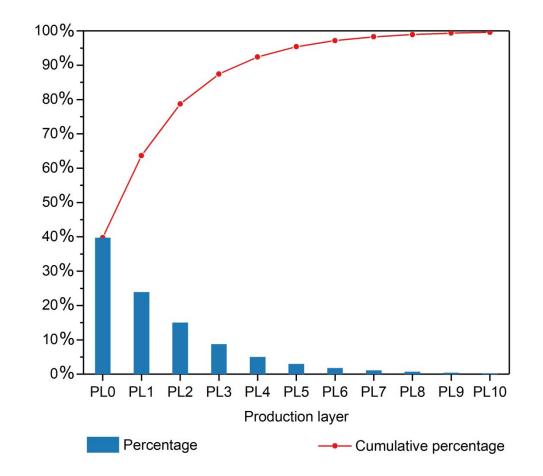


Figure S1. Contribution of top 10 production layers to agricultural antibiotic emissions. The line
shows cumulative contribution of top production layers, and the bar shows the contribution of
each production layer. The "PL" represents production layer.

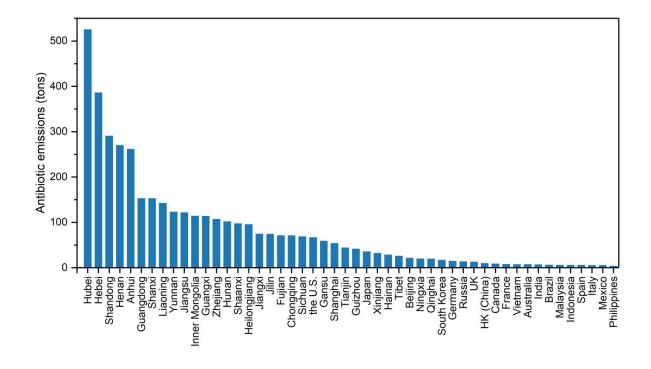


Figure S2. The top 50 provinces/nations driving China's agricultural antibiotic emissions

467 through final demand. The "HK (China)" represents Hong Kong (China).

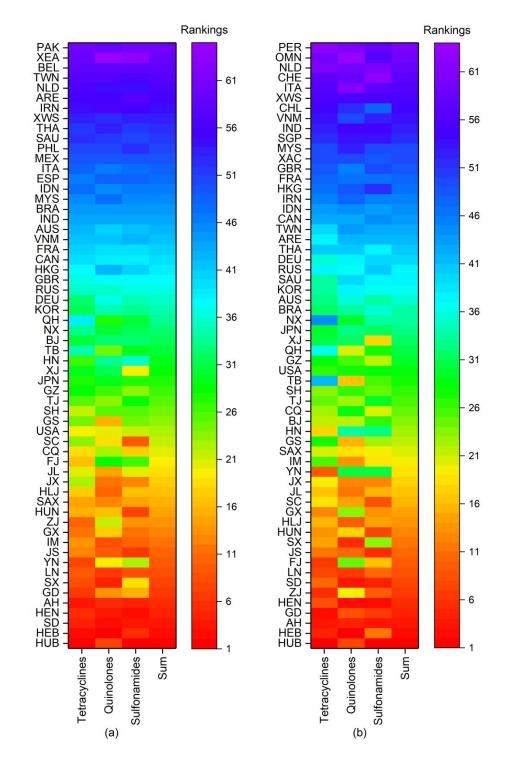
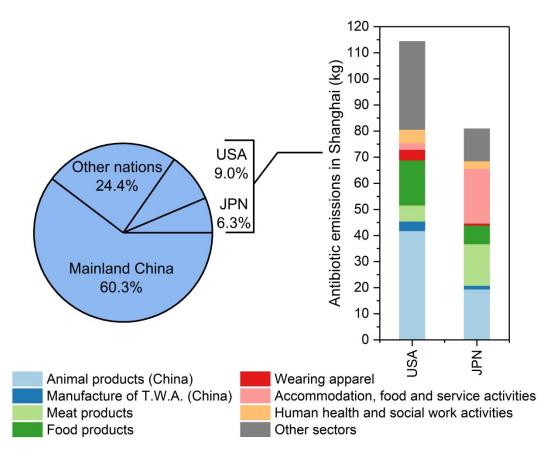


Figure S3. Rankings of provinces/nations by China's agricultural antibiotic emissions driven by
the final demand of each province/nation (a) and enabled by primary inputs of each province/nation
(b). Full names of province/nation codes are shown in Table S2.



475 Figure S4. Contributions of critical final consumers to agricultural antibiotic emissions in

476 Shanghai. The bar graph shows the amounts of agricultural antibiotic emissions driven by critical

477 final consumers. The colors of bars indicate sectors providing final products. USA represents the

478 U.S. and JPN represents Japan.

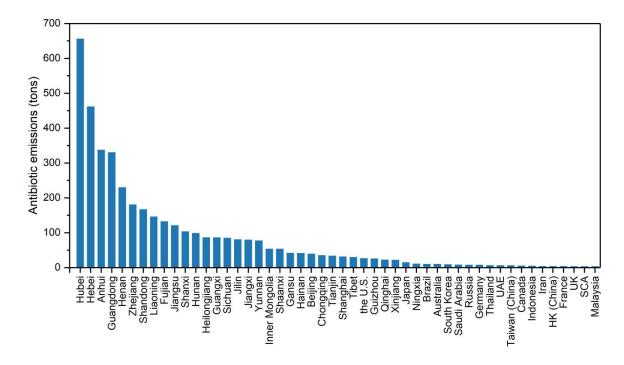
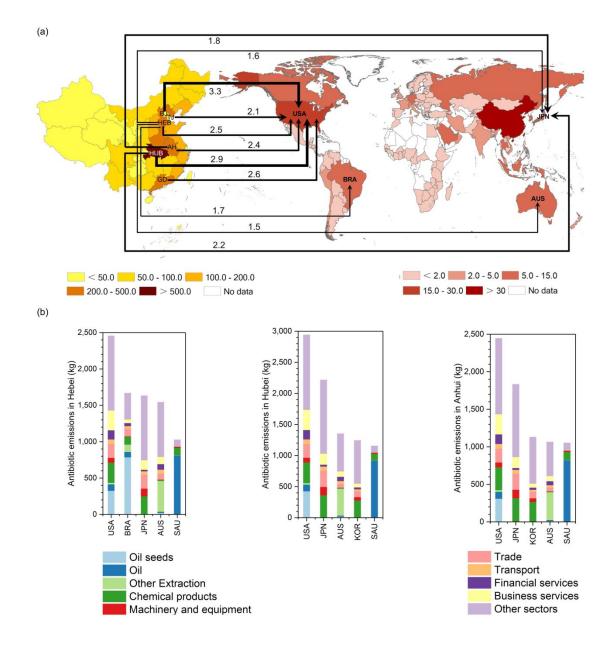


Figure S5. The top 50 provinces/nations enabling China's agricultural antibiotic emissions
through primary inputs. The "UAE" represents the United Arab Emirates; "HK (China)" represents
Hong Kong (China); and "SCA" represents South Central Africa.



486 Figure S6. Critical international primary suppliers enabling agricultural antibiotic emissions in 487 mainland China. Panel (a) shows major influences of critical primary suppliers on provinces in 488 China. The colors of provinces/nations in the map indicate agricultural antibiotic emissions in China (tons) enabled by the primary inputs of provinces/nations. The arrows start from direct 489 emitters of agricultural antibiotics and end at primary suppliers. The number and width of the 490 491 arrows indicate values of antibiotic emissions enabled by primary inputs (tons). Panel (b) shows the amounts of agricultural antibiotic emissions in Hebei, Hubei, and Anhui enabled by critical 492 international primary suppliers. BJ, TJ, HEB, AH, HUB, and GD represent Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei, 493

Anhui, Hubei, and Guangdong. respectively. USA, BRA, JPN, AUS, SAU, and KOR represent
the U.S., Brazil, Japan, Australia, Saudi Arabia, and South Korea, respectively.

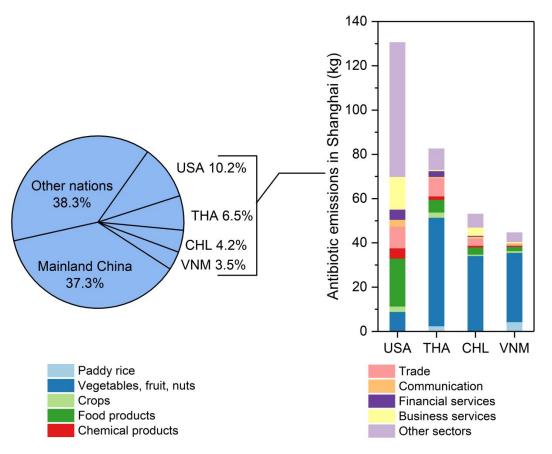
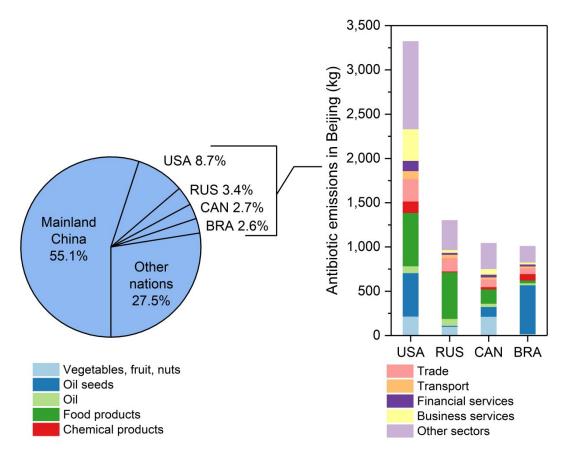
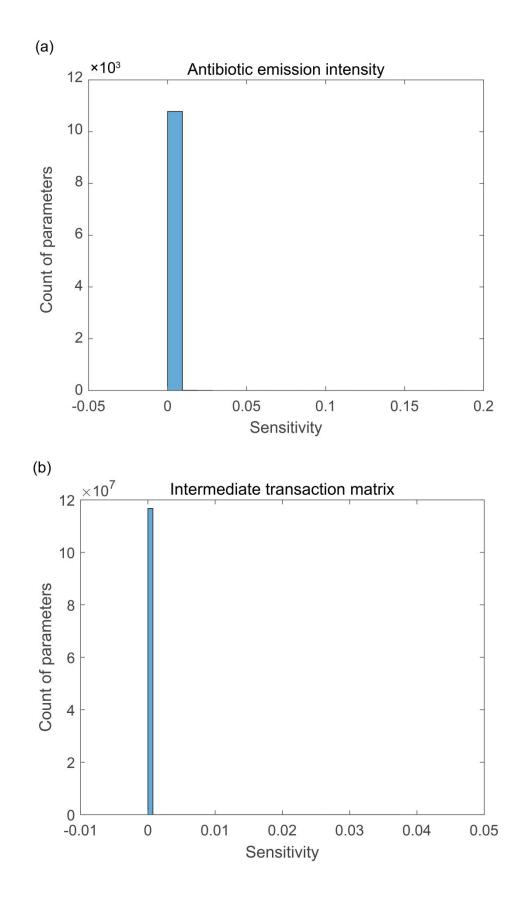


Figure S7. Contributions of critical primary suppliers to agricultural antibiotic emissions in
Shanghai. The bar graph shows the amount of agricultural antibiotic emissions enabled by primary
inputs of major nation sectors. USA, THA, CHL, and VNM represent the U.S., Thailand, Chile,
and Vietnam, respectively.



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Figure S8. Contributions of critical primary suppliers to agricultural antibiotic emissions in
Beijing. The bar graph shows the amount of agricultural antibiotic emissions enabled by primary
inputs of major nation sectors. USA, RUS, CAN, and BRA represent the U.S., Russia, Canada,
and Brazil, respectively.



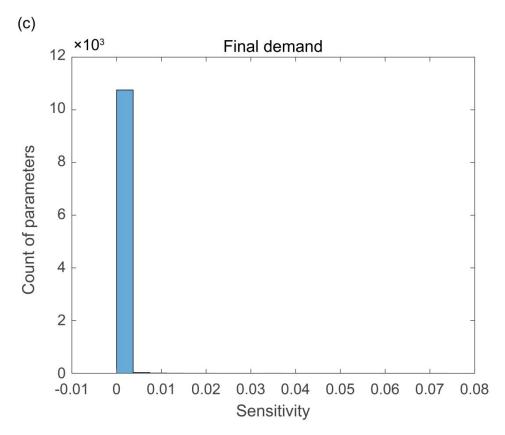
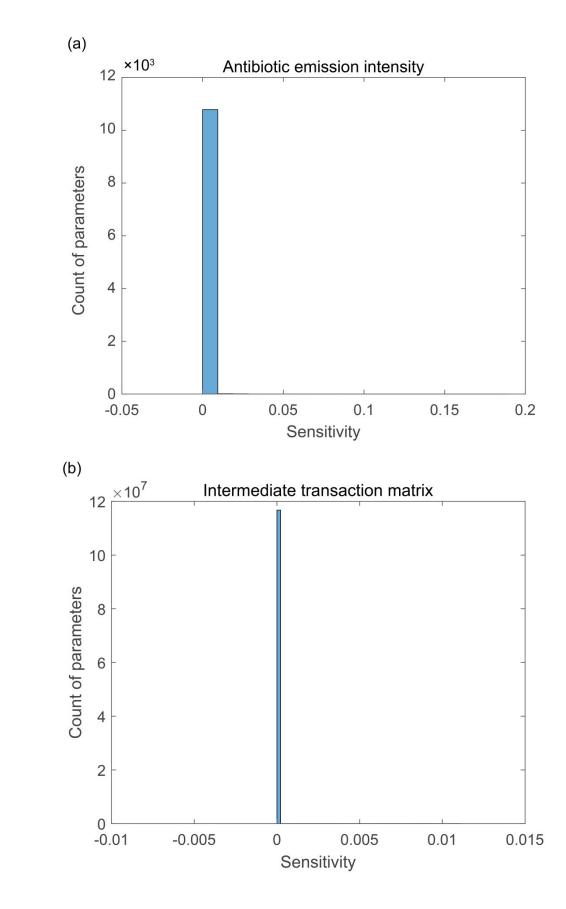




Figure S9. Distributions of the elasticities of agricultural antibiotic emissions driven by the final
demand to all the parameters. Panel (a) shows the elasticities of the parameters in antibiotic
emission intensity; panel (b) shows the elasticities of the parameters in the intermediate

515 transaction matrix; and panel (c) shows the elasticities of parameters in final demand. The X-axis

516 represents the elasticities, and the Y-axis represents the count of parameters.



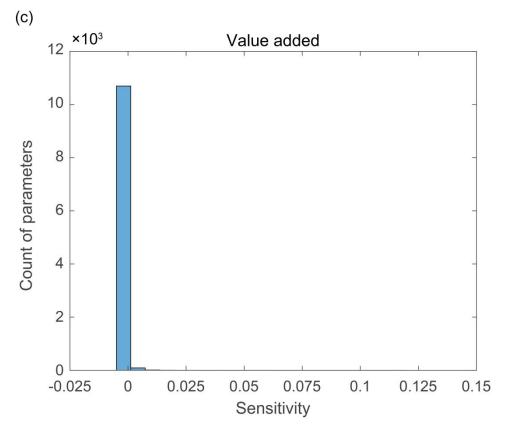




Figure S10. Distributions of the elasticities of agricultural antibiotic emissions enabled by
primary inputs to all the parameters. Panel (a) shows the elasticities of the parameters in
antibiotic emission intensity; panel (b) shows the elasticities of the parameters in the
intermediate transaction matrix; and panel (c) shows the elasticities of parameters in primary
inputs. The X-axis represents the elasticities, and the Y-axis represents the count of parameters.

Categories	Antibiotics	Abbreviations
	Sulfadiazine	SDZ
	Sulfamethoxazole	SMX
	Sulfadimidine	SM2
Sulfonamides	Sulfamonomethoxine	SMM
	Sulfathiazole	STZ
	Sulfadimethoxine	SDM
	Sulfamerazine	SMR
Tetracyclines	Tetracycline	ТС
	Oxytetracycline	OTC
	Chlortetracycline	CTC
	Doxycycline	DOC
	Norfloxacin	NFC
$O \cdot I$	Ofloxacin	OFC
Quinolones	Ciprofloxacin	CFC
	Enrofloxacin	EFC

Table S1. Antibiotics considered in this study.

Indexes	Codes	Full names
1	BJ	Beijing
2	TJ	Tianjin
3	HEB	Hebei
4	SX	Shanxi
5	IM	Inner Mongolia
6	LN	Liaoning
7	JL	Jilin
8	HLJ	Heilongjiang
9	SH	Shanghai
10	JS	Jiangsu
11	ZJ	Zhejiang
12	AH	Anhui
13	FJ	Fujian
14	JX	Jiangxi
15	SD	Shandong
16	HEN	Henan
17	HUB	Hubei
18	HUN	Hunan
19	GD	Guangdong
20	GX	Guangxi
21	HN	Hainan
22	CQ	Chongqing
23	SC	Sichuan
24	GZ	Guizhou
25	YN	Yunnan
26	TB	Tibet
27	SAX	Shaanxi
28	GS	Gansu
29	QH	Qinghai
30	NX	Ningxia
31	XJ	Xinjiang
32	AUS	Australia
33	NZL	New Zealand
34	XOC	Rest of Oceania
35	HKG	Hong Kong (China)
36	JPN	Japan
37	KOR	South Korea
38	MNG	Mongolia
39	TWN	Taiwan (China)
40	XEA	Rest of East Asia
41	BRN	Brunei Darussalam
42	KHM	Cambodia
43	IDN	Indonesia

Table S2. Codes and corresponding full names of China's provinces and nations/regions.

	T A O	
44	LAO	Lao People's Democratic Republic
45	MYS	Malaysia
46	PHL	Philippines
47	SGP	Singapore
48	THA	Thailand
49	VNM	Vietnam
50	XSE	Rest of Southeast Asia
51	BGD	Bangladesh
52	IND	India
53	NPL	Nepal
54	PAK	Pakistan
55	LKA	Sri Lanka
56	XSA	Rest of South Asia
57	CAN	Canada
58	USA	United States of America
59	MEX	Mexico
60	XNA	Rest of North America
61	ARG	Argentina
62	BOL	Bolivia
63	BRA	Brazil
64	CHL	Chile
65	COL	Colombia
66	ECU	Ecuador
67	PRY	Paraguay
68	PER	Peru
69	URY	Uruguay
70	VEN	Venezuela
71	XSM	Rest of South America
72	CRI	Costa Rica
73	GTM	Guatemala
74	HND	Honduras
75	NIC	Nicaragua
76	PAN	Panama
77	SLV	El Salvador
78	XCA	Rest of Central America
79	DOM	Dominican Republic
80	JAM	Jamaica
81	PRI	Puerto Rico
82	TTO	Trinidad and Tobago
83	XCB	Rest of Caribbean
84	AUT	Austria
85	BEL	Belgium
86	BGR	Bulgaria
87	HRV	Croatia
88	CYP	Cyprus
89	CZE	Czech Republic
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90	DNK	Denmark
91	EST	Estonia
92	FIN	Finland
93	FRA	France
94	DEU	Germany
95	GRC	Greece
96	HUN	Hungary
97	IRL	Ireland
98	ITA	Italy
99	LVA	Latvia
100	LTU	Lithuania
101	LUX	Luxembourg
102	MLT	Malta
103	NLD	Netherlands
104	POL	Poland
105	PRT	Portugal
106	ROU	Romania
107	SVK	Slovakia
108	SVN	Slovenia
109	ESP	Spain
110	SWE	Sweden
111	GBR	United Kingdom
112	CHE	Switzerland
113	NOR	Norway
114	XEF	Rest of European Free Trade Association
115	ALB	Albania
116	BLR	Belarus
117	RUS	Russia
118	UKR	Ukraine
119	XEE	Rest of Eastern Europe
120	XER	Rest of Europe
120	KAZ	Kazakhstan
121	KGZ	Kyrgyzstan
122	TJK	Tajikistan
123	XSU	Rest of Former Soviet Union
124	ARM	Armenia
125	AZE	Azerbaijan
120	GEO	Georgia
		Bahrain
128	BHR	
129	IRN	Islamic Republic of Iran
130	ISR	Israel
131	JOR	Jordan Kumait
132	KWT	Kuwait
133	OMN	Oman
134	QAT	Qatar
135	SAU	Saudi Arabia

136	TUR	Turkey
137	ARE	United Arab Emirates
138	XWS	Rest of Western Asia
139	EGY	Egypt
140	MAR	Morocco
141	TUN	Tunisia
142	XNF	Rest of North Africa
143	BEN	Benin
144	BFA	Burkina Faso
145	CMR	Cameroon
146	CIV	Cote d'Ivoire
147	GHA	Ghana
148	GIN	Guinea
149	NGA	Nigeria
150	SEN	Senegal
151	TGO	Togo
152	XWF	Rest of Western Africa
153	XCF	Central Africa
154	XAC	South Central Africa
155	ETH	Ethiopia
156	KEN	Kenya
157	MDG	Madagascar
158	MWI	Malawi
159	MUS	Mauritius
160	MOZ	Mozambique
161	RWA	Rwanda
162	TZA	United Republic of Tanzania
163	UGA	Uganda
164	ZMB	Zambia
165	ZWE	Zimbabwe
166	XEC	Rest of Eastern Africa
167	BWA	Botswana
168	NAM	Namibia
169	ZAF	South Africa
170	XSC	Rest of South African Customs Union
171	XTW	Rest of the World

Environmental pressures	Studied Year	Interregional connections from the demand side	Interregional connections from the supply side	References
	2012	Yangtze River Delta, Pearl River Delta, Beijing, Tianjin, and Hebei in China \rightarrow The U.S., Hong Kong (China), and Japan	/	Yang et al., 2020 ⁴⁵
CO ₂	2007, 2010, 2012	Northwest China \rightarrow Central China and Central Coast of China (2012) Central China \rightarrow Central Coast of China (2012) North China \rightarrow Central China (2012) China \rightarrow North America and Western Europe (2007) China \rightarrow Latin America and the Caribbean (2012)	/	Mi et al., 2017 ⁴²
	2007	Central and Northwest China \rightarrow Beijing, Tianjin, Central Coast and South Coast of China	/	Feng et al., 2013 ⁴³
Mercury related health impacts	2010	Shanghai, Southern Jiangsu, and Northern Zhejiang \rightarrow the U.S., Western Germany, the United Kingdom Sichuan and Chongqing \rightarrow Yellow River, Weihe River catchment and Xinjiang Yangtze River Delta \rightarrow Central China	Southwest China (including Chengdu, Chongqing, the border of Yunnan and Guizhou, and Eastern Guangxi) \rightarrow Japan, Indonesia, India, Australia, Latin America, and Northwest Iran Sichuan and Chongqing \rightarrow Yellow River catchment, Southern Lanzhou, Qinghai, and Xinjiang	Li et al., 2020 ⁴⁴

	533	Table S3.	Critical interregional	connections for	China's envi	ironmental pre	essures in j	previous studies
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534 Note: The arrows indicate driven relationships between regions. Regions on the left-hand side of the arrows represent where the

environmental pressures are directly generated; and the corresponding regions driving environmental pressures are on the right-hand

536 side of the arrows.

Environmental pressures	Studied Year	Studied Area	Critical sectors from the demand side	Critical sectors from the supply side	References
CO ₂	2012	China	Production and supply of electricity, steam, gas, and water sector; smelting and processing of metals sector; nonmetallic mineral products sector; petroleum refining, coking, and processing of nuclear fuel sector; chemical products sector	/	Yang et al., 2020 ⁴
Greenhouse gas	1995- 2009	The U.S.	Electricity, gas and water supply sector; food, beverages and tobacco sector; health and social work sector; public administration and defense & compulsory social security sector	Electricity, gas and water supply sector; agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing sector; mining and quarrying sector; inland transport sector; renting of machinery & equipment and other business activities sector	Liang et al., 2016
	1995- 2009	The world	Electricity sector in the U.S.; agriculture sector in China; agriculture sector of India	Electricity sector in the U.S.; electricity sector in China; agriculture sector in China; mining sector in China; agriculture sector in India; renting and other business sector in the U.S.; mining sector in the U.S.	Liang et al., 2017
PM _{2.5}	2007	The world	Construction sector; service sector; machinery and equipment sector	/	Meng et al., 2016
BC, OC, primary PM _{2.5} , SO ₂ , NO _x ,	2004- 2011	The world	Construction sector, machinery and equipment	/	Meng et al., 2019

537 **Table S4**. Sectoral hotspots for environmental pressures in previous studies

NH ₃ , and NMVOCs			sector, and transport sector in East Asia; metal sector, food products sector, and energy sector in South Asia		
SO ₂ , NO _x , PM _{2.5} , and VOC	2010	China	Construction sector; equipment, machinery, and devices manufacturing sectors; food and tobacco sector; chemical sector; public administration, education, culture, and associated sectors	/	Huo et al., 2014 ⁵⁰
Mercury	2015	The world	remediation service sector in China, India, and rest of the world; other mineral in rest of the world; wholesale and	Columbia, Peru, and rest of the world; electricity, gas, water supply, sewerage,	Qi et al., 2019 ⁵¹
	2007	China	Construction sector; electrical equipment sector; general and special equipment sector; food and tobacco sector; transport equipment sector	/	Liang et al., 2014 ⁵

538 Notes: PM_{2.5} represents fine particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5 μm or less; SO₂ represents sulfur dioxide; NO_x

539 represents nitrogen oxides; NH₃ represents ammonia; BC represents black carbon; OC represents organic carbon; NMVOCs represents

540 non-methane volatile organic compounds; and VOC represents volatile organic compounds.

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