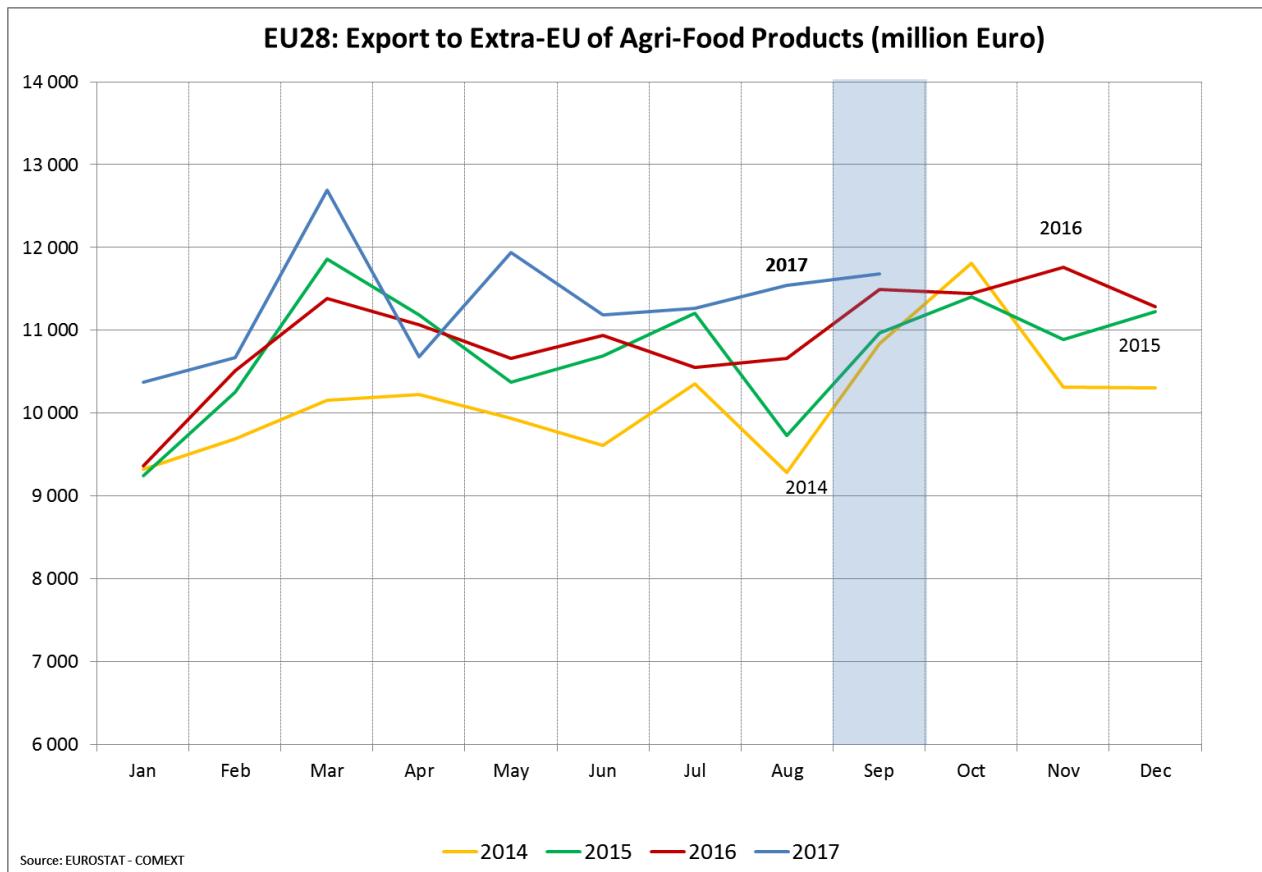


Monitoring EU Agri-Food Trade: Development until September 2017



September 2017: Agri-food trade balance with increasing surplus

The value of EU agri-food exports in September 2017 kept its very high level, now at **EUR 11.7 billion**. With agri-food imports to the EU going down to a monthly value of EUR 8.8 billion, the trade balance further improved to a **surplus of EUR 2.8 billion** in September 2017.

Highest increases in monthly export values (Sept 2017 compared to Sept 2016, EUR million) were recorded for the **China** (+146), **Turkey** (+45), Nigeria (+42) and Russia (+40). Monthly exports fell to the **United Arab Emirates** (-73), Vietnam (-65), Egypt (-44) and India (-41).

By sector, the highest export growth (EUR million) was achieved in **raw hides, skins and furskins** (+70), **milk powders** (+68) and cereals other than wheat and rice (+61).

Vegetables exports dropped (EUR -54 million); so did exports of sugar (-49) and wheat (-42).

The value of Sept 2017 agri-food imports compared to Sept 2016 increased most for EU imports from **Ukraine** and **India**, and to a lesser extent, Indonesia. The value of imports from the **USA**, Brazil, Ivory Coast and Ghana went down most. Major increases were seen in **fatty acids and waxed**, cereals (wheat and others) and vegetable oils. Imports of **soya beans**, cocoa beans and sugar are the ones decreasing most in value terms.

USA, Russia and Asian market top increases in EU agri-food exports

For the 12-months period September 2016 to September 2017, EU agri-food exports reached a value of EUR 136.5 billion, corresponding to a sustained increase by almost 5 % in value terms compared to the same period one year ago.

Major gains in annual values have been achieved in agri-food exports to the **USA** (EUR +1.3 billion; +6%), **Russia** (EUR +0.8 billion; +15%) and several **Asian markets**: China (EUR +0.7 billion; +6%), Japan (EUR +0.7 billion; +12%) and Korea (EUR +0.6 billion; +26%). Further annual increases were recorded in agri-food exports to Switzerland (EUR +0.3 billion; +4 %) while increases of more than EUR 0.2 billion also took place in exports to the Philippines, Hong Kong, Australia and Ukraine in the last twelve-month period.

Annual export values remain down for **North African** and **Middle East** destinations, in particular Saudi Arabia (EUR -0.6 billion; -12%), Egypt (EUR -0.4 billion; -22 %), Morocco (EUR -0.2 billion; -12 %) and Algeria (EUR -0.2 billion; -8 %). Agri-food exports to the United Arab Emirates, Jordan and Tunisia as well as to Vietnam also went down over the last twelve-month period.

Wine (EUR +1.1 billion; +11 %) and **milk powders** (EUR +822 million; +23%) and **infant food** (EUR +802 million; +12 %) exports have been performing very well over the last twelve months. Export performance on a yearly basis also increased significantly by about EUR 500 million for pet food as well as for spirits and liqueurs.

On the other hand, **wheat and other cereals** exports experienced the biggest drop in value terms on an annual basis (respectively EUR -1.8 billion; -30 % and EUR -0.5 billion; -22 %,). Only three other categories recorded notable losses (around EUR 0.1 billion) in export values over the last 12 months: fresh, chilled and dried vegetables; oilseeds other than soya beans; and malt.

EU agri-food imports increasing, but at a slower pace than exports

Agri-food imports from third countries in the 12-months period September 2016 to September 2017 accounted for over EUR 117 billion, i.e. an increase by 4 % compared to the same period one year ago. Nevertheless, driven by the stronger export performance, **the export surplus** for the 12-months period further consolidated to **EUR 19.4 billion (+11 %)**.

Main origins for EU agri-food imports over the past 12 months remained **Brazil** (EUR 11.5 billion), the **USA** (EUR 11.2 billion), **Argentina** (EUR 5.7 billion) and China (EUR 5.3 billion), followed by Ukraine, Indonesia, Switzerland and Turkey, each accounting for between EUR 5.2 billion and EUR 4.5 billion.

On the year-on-year basis, the value of agri-food imports from the top three import origins went down. Imports from **Brazil** (EUR -859 million or -7 %) decreased most, while Argentina and the United States (-2 %) limited the losses to about EUR -250 million. Some other key partners also experienced reductions both in absolute and relative terms, most notably Turkey (EUR -233 million; -5 %), Uruguay and Ghana.

On the contrary, imports from **Indonesia** increased most significantly (EUR +1.1 billion; +27%). Over the 12 months period, EU import values for agri-food products also went up for Ukraine Australia India, Vietnam Colombia, Morocco, and China.

Looking at product category, the highest increases in import values over the last twelve months were recorded for **palm oil** (EUR +1.2 billion; +22%), **unroasted coffee and tea** (EUR +864 million; +12 %), fatty acids (EUR +734 million; +47 %) and oilseeds other than soybean (EUR +666 million; +20 %).

On the other hand, import values decreased in particular for **soya beans** (EUR -361 million; -7 %), wheat (EUR -240 million; -17 %), and cocoa beans (EUR -238 million; -5 %).

This monthly newsletter has included a new table in the annex, presenting the **trade balance** and its development by product category. The largest gains in net exports were achieved in **wine**, while the net exports reduced most for **wheat** and net imports increased most for **palm oil** over the last 12 months.

Table 1: EU28 agri-food exports – top 20 destinations

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2016/17	Oct15- Sep16	Oct16- Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16		Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16	
				mio €	%			mio €	%
Extra-EU28		130 105	136 507	6 402	4,9	11 488	11 682	194	1,7
United States of America	1	20 510	21 825	1 315	6,4	1 971	1 957	-14	-0,7
China	2	11 090	11 781	692	6,2	907	1 053	146	16,1
Switzerland	3	7 805	8 134	329	4,2	650	659	9	1,4
Russia	4	5 535	6 339	803	14,5	490	530	40	8,2
Japan	5	5 592	6 280	688	12,3	566	586	20	3,6
Norway	6	4 282	4 387	104	2,4	382	385	4	0,9
Saudi Arabia	7	4 755	4 203	-552	-11,6	343	334	-10	-2,9
Hong Kong	8	3 715	3 983	267	7,2	374	398	24	6,4
Canada	9	3 443	3 499	56	1,6	348	344	-4	-1,1
Turkey	10	3 273	3 471	197	6,0	227	271	45	19,7
Australia	11	2 934	3 184	250	8,5	291	311	20	6,8
United Arab Emirates	12	3 133	3 073	-59	-1,9	302	229	-73	-24,2
Korea (Republic of)	13	2 414	3 045	631	26,1	225	197	-28	-12,6
Algeria	14	2 722	2 513	-209	-7,7	197	167	-29	-15,0
Singapore	15	1 990	2 146	156	7,8	182	187	5	2,5
South Africa	16	1 648	1 829	181	11,0	164	171	7	4,2
Israel	17	1 661	1 813	151	9,1	141	140	-1	-0,4
Ukraine	18	1 491	1 710	218	14,6	116	142	26	22,4
Brazil	19	1 504	1 623	119	7,9	153	151	-2	-1,3
Morocco	20	1 677	1 468	-209	-12,5	102	97	-5	-5,3
<i>other countries</i>		38 929	40 203	1 274	3,3	3 355	3 372	16	0,5

Table 2: EU28 agri-food exports – most important changes in September 2017

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2016/17	Oct15- Sep16	Oct16- Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16		Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16	
				mio €	%			mio €	%
Extra-EU28		130 105	136 507	6 402	4,9	11 488	11 682	194	1,7
China	2	11 090	11 781	692	6,2	907	1 053	146	16,1
Turkey	10	3 273	3 471	197	6,0	227	271	45	19,7
Nigeria	31	871	983	113	13,0	61	103	42	69,0
Russia	4	5 535	6 339	803	14,5	490	530	40	8,2
Philippines	25	986	1 252	267	27,1	86	120	34	39,5
Ukraine	18	1 491	1 710	218	14,6	116	142	26	22,4
Hong Kong	8	3 715	3 983	267	7,2	374	398	24	6,4
Serbia	30	935	1 023	88	9,4	73	96	23	31,7
Japan	5	5 592	6 280	688	12,3	566	586	20	3,6
Australia	11	2 934	3 184	250	8,5	291	311	20	6,8
Pakistan	55	319	345	26	8,2	49	29	-20	-40,1
Angola	35	655	824	169	25,8	78	58	-20	-25,1
Jordan	38	812	764	-48	-5,9	71	50	-21	-29,8
Tunisia	42	593	576	-17	-2,9	53	26	-27	-51,0
Korea (Republic of)	13	2 414	3 045	631	26,1	225	197	-28	-12,6
Algeria	14	2 722	2 513	-209	-7,7	197	167	-29	-15,0
India	34	856	860	4	0,4	112	71	-41	-36,5
Egypt	23	1 857	1 451	-406	-21,9	121	77	-44	-36,2
Vietnam	24	1 345	1 295	-50	-3,7	158	93	-65	-41,0
United Arab Emirates	12	3 133	3 073	-59	-1,9	302	229	-73	-24,2
<i>other countries</i>		78 977	81 756	2 778	3,5	6 931	7 074	142	2,1

Table 3: EU28 agri-food exports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 EXPORT							
	Oct15-Sep16	Oct16-Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16	Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16		
						mio €	%	
All agri-food products	130 105	136 507	6 402	4,9	11 488	11 682	194	1,7
Commodities	24 172	23 265	-907	-3,8	1 842	1 804	-38	-2,1
Other primary	22 924	24 021	1 097	4,8	1 928	1 899	-29	-1,5
Processed	23 993	26 243	2 250	9,4	2 275	2 299	23	1,0
Food preparations	27 307	29 635	2 328	8,5	2 558	2 697	138	5,4
Beverages	17 256	18 079	824	4,8	1 633	1 679	45	2,8
Non-edible	14 453	15 264	811	5,6	1 251	1 305	54	4,3
Wheat	5 888	4 128	-1 760	-29,9	391	349	-42	-10,8
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	2 105	1 646	-458	-21,8	76	137	61	79,7
Rice	200	221	21	10,5	13	14	1	4,6
Flours and other products of the milling industry	783	801	18	2,3	73	64	-10	-13,4
Malt	1 081	994	-86	-8,0	80	82	2	3,0
Starches, inulin & gluten	904	1 050	146	16,1	85	94	9	10,1
Soyabeans	56	88	32	57,5	2	9	7	409,1
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	812	714	-98	-12,1	47	29	-18	-38,3
Palm & palm kernel oil	135	186	52	38,5	16	17	1	6,0
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2 216	2 428	213	9,6	205	170	-35	-17,1
Oilcakes	281	288	7	2,4	26	18	-8	-30,6
Other feed and feed ingredients	1 112	1 099	-13	-1,2	108	83	-24	-22,6
Beet and cane sugar	621	669	48	7,7	100	51	-49	-48,9
Sugar, other than beet & cane	527	516	-11	-2,1	49	44	-5	-10,4
Milk powders and whey	3 572	4 394	822	23,0	265	333	68	25,7
Butter	855	890	36	4,2	65	69	4	6,9
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1 144	1 204	60	5,2	95	86	-10	-10,3
Uroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	510	521	11	2,2	44	47	3	7,1
Cocoa beans	21	13	-8	-38,4	2	1	-1	-65,7
Cocoa paste and powder	1 295	1 349	53	4,1	95	103	8	8,6
Agricultural commodities, not specified	54	64	10	18,3	5	5	1	11,5
Live animals	2 542	2 834	292	11,5	218	249	31	14,2
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	682	811	128	18,8	59	69	10	16,4
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5 015	5 186	171	3,4	416	387	-29	-6,9
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1 455	1 480	25	1,7	130	143	12	9,4
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	82	130	48	58,9	7	12	5	66,8
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	2 755	3 016	260	9,5	280	276	-5	-1,6
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1 099	1 214	116	10,5	91	107	17	18,5
Eggs and honey	714	660	-54	-7,5	53	57	4	8,2
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3 213	3 094	-119	-3,7	274	221	-54	-19,6
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2 411	2 417	6	0,2	201	182	-20	-9,7
Citrus fruit	502	507	5	0,9	14	13	-1	-6,9
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	981	1 044	63	6,5	90	82	-8	-9,1
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1 473	1 627	154	10,5	95	103	8	8,7
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	1	1	0,0	0	0	0	0
Meat preparations	1 227	1 301	74	6,0	109	117	7	6,7
Cheese	3 577	3 939	362	10,1	333	337	4	1,2
Olive oil	2 600	2 777	176	6,8	250	253	3	1,3
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4 256	4 570	314	7,4	396	382	-13	-3,4
Fruit juices	776	875	99	12,8	71	70	-1	-1,5
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	10 500	11 619	1 119	10,7	1 025	1 040	15	1,4
Roasted coffee and tea	1 056	1 162	106	10,0	92	101	9	9,3
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	5 179	5 392	213	4,1	565	556	-9	-1,7
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6 454	7 256	802	12,4	556	599	43	7,7
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	4 648	4 940	292	6,3	486	498	11	2,3
Soups and sauces	1 181	1 274	93	7,8	99	104	5	4,7
Coffee and tea extracts	777	790	13	1,6	68	64	-4	-6,4
Food preparations, not specified	5 535	5 927	392	7,1	465	508	43	9,3
Pet food	3 533	4 056	523	14,8	318	369	50	15,9
Waters and soft drinks	3 435	3 651	216	6,3	296	313	17	5,7
Beer	3 392	3 490	99	2,9	289	284	-5	-1,7
Spirits and liqueurs	10 175	10 687	512	5,0	1 027	1 060	34	3,3
Odoriferous substances	254	251	-3	-1,2	22	21	0	-2,2
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1 755	1 874	119	6,8	150	220	70	46,3
Non edible animal products	416	477	61	14,6	36	37	2	5,3
Wool and silk	154	134	-20	-13,0	13	11	-2	-13,9
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	800	823	23	2,9	30	25	-5	-16,8
Cut flowers and plants	679	718	40	5,8	47	50	3	6,3
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1 610	1 734	124	7,7	164	173	9	5,7
Raw tobacco	966	962	-3	-0,3	80	78	-2	-2,1
Cigars and cigarettes	3 326	3 511	185	5,6	313	300	-13	-4,1
Fatty acids and waxes	517	671	155	29,9	39	46	8	20,0
Sugar alcohols	118	130	11	9,5	10	11	1	11,8
Essential oils	602	702	101	16,7	56	69	13	23,0
Ethanol	145	169	24	16,7	11	14	3	26,8
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1 913	1 978	65	3,4	178	157	-21	-11,8
Non-edible, not specified	1 294	1 219	-75	-5,8	113	99	-14	-12,5
Products non-attributable	158	159	1	0,5	12	14	2	14,0

Table 4: EU28 agri-food imports – top 20 origins

EU28 agri-food imports from		cumulative data: 12 month period				monthly data			
PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2016/17	Oct15- Sep16	Oct16- Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16	Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16		
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Brazil	1	12 333	11 474	-859 -7,0	1 017	844	-173 -17,0		
United States of America	2	11 478	11 229	-250 -2,2	997	788	-210 -21,0		
Argentina	3	5 970	5 732	-237 -4,0	497	464	-33 -6,6		
China	4	5 126	5 330	204 4,0	429	451	22 5,2		
Ukraine	5	4 368	5 190	822 18,8	264	386	122 46,3		
Indonesia	6	4 063	5 175	1 112 27,4	367	416	49 13,4		
Switzerland	7	4 664	4 677	13 0,3	408	407	0 -0,1		
Turkey	8	4 745	4 511	-233 -4,9	345	340	-5 -1,5		
Ivory Coast	9	3 614	3 652	39 1,1	320	267	-53 -16,6		
India	10	2 821	3 219	398 14,1	220	293	73 33,4		
Vietnam	11	2 321	2 659	339 14,6	221	216	-5 -2,5		
South Africa	12	2 507	2 594	87 3,5	249	271	22 8,8		
Australia	13	2 065	2 499	434 21,0	115	123	8 7,0		
Colombia	14	2 112	2 391	280 13,3	187	211	24 12,9		
Chile	15	2 365	2 342	-23 -1,0	178	175	-3 -1,7		
New Zealand	16	2 401	2 331	-70 -2,9	174	194	21 12,1		
Thailand	17	2 427	2 321	-106 -4,4	180	167	-13 -7,2		
Canada	18	2 265	2 265	0 0,0	136	128	-7 -5,5		
Peru	19	2 083	2 241	157 7,6	199	169	-30 -15,0		
Morocco	20	1 921	2 181	260 13,5	45	55	10 22,1		
other countries		31 061	33 139	2 078 6,7	2 580	2 479	-100 -3,9		

Table 5: EU28 agri-food imports – most important changes in September 2017

EU28 agri-food imports from		cumulative data: 12 month period				monthly data			
PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2016/17	Oct15- Sep16	Oct16- Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16	Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16		
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China	4	5 126	5 330	204 4,0	429	451	22 5,2		
South Africa	12	2 507	2 594	87 3,5	249	271	22 8,8		
New Zealand	16	2 401	2 331	-70 -2,9	174	194	21 12,1		
Panama	54	169	247	77 45,8	14	27	13 97,3		
Kazakhstan	63	137	183	46 33,4	5	16	11 213,1		
Papua New Guinea	37	484	622	137 28,3	36	47	11 30,2		
Thailand	17	2 427	2 321	-106 -4,4	180	167	-13 -7,2		
Cameroon	34	687	766	79 11,5	72	53	-19 -26,1		
Uruguay	38	802	610	-192 -24,0	66	42	-24 -36,7		
Malaysia	21	2 030	2 130	100 4,9	199	172	-26 -13,3		
Peru	19	2 083	2 241	157 7,6	199	169	-30 -15,0		
Argentina	3	5 970	5 732	-237 -4,0	497	464	-33 -6,6		
Ghana	24	1 604	1 434	-170 -10,6	158	111	-47 -29,7		
Ivory Coast	9	3 614	3 652	39 1,1	320	267	-53 -16,6		
Brazil	1	12 333	11 474	-859 -7,0	1 017	844	-173 -17,0		
United States of America	2	11 478	11 229	-250 -2,2	997	788	-210 -21,0		
other countries		45 492	48 283	2 792 6,1	3 477	3 455	-23 -0,7		

Table 6: EU28 agri-food imports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 IMPORT						
	Oct15-Sep16	Oct16-Sep17	Difference Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16	Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference Sep 17 to Sep 16	
						mio €	%
All agri-food products	112 709	117 153	4 445	3,9	9 127	8 846	-281
Commodities	47 021	49 524	2 503	5,3	3 940	3 595	-345
Other primary	31 442	32 188	746	2,4	2 317	2 297	-20
Processed	13 215	12 863	-352	-2,7	1 125	1 038	-87
Food preparations	6 870	7 322	452	6,6	593	614	21
Beverages	2 906	3 013	107	3,7	263	290	27
Non-edible	11 255	12 242	987	8,8	889	1 011	123
Wheat	1 388	1 148	-240	-17,3	95	140	45
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	2 646	2 913	266	10,1	125	157	32
Rice	1 054	1 103	49	4,7	76	94	17
Flours and other products of the milling industry	172	170	-2	-1,3	12	13	1
Malt	5	6	1	0,0	0	0	0
Starches, inulin & gluten	52	59	7	13,0	4	5	2
Soyabeans	5 351	4 990	-361	-6,7	434	237	-197
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	3 347	4 014	666	19,9	291	307	15
Palm & palm kernel oil	5 362	6 529	1 168	21,8	524	492	-31
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2 318	2 661	343	14,8	154	194	40
Oilcakes	7 608	7 462	-146	-1,9	554	514	-40
Other feed and feed ingredients	880	935	56	6,3	79	67	-12
Beet and cane sugar	1 409	1 415	7	0,5	221	147	-74
Sugar, other than beet & cane	433	465	32	7,4	31	37	7
Milk powders and whey	49	46	-3	-6,5	4	3	-1
Butter	56	71	15	26,9	4	15	11
Gums, resins and plant extracts	927	949	21	2,3	68	75	8
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	7 206	8 071	864	12,0	666	617	-48
Cocoa beans	4 724	4 485	-238	-5,0	411	307	-104
Cocoa paste and powder	1 999	2 032	32	1,6	188	174	-15
Agricultural commodities, not specified	34	1	-34	-98,4	0	0	161,1
Live animals	261	265	4	1,5	28	16	-12
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1 763	1 689	-74	-4,2	125	105	-20
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	33	29	-4	-11,1	3	3	0
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	322	282	-40	-12,5	25	22	-2
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	997	952	-45	-4,5	45	53	9
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1 060	1 118	58	5,5	83	93	10
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	30	25	-5	-16,5	2	2	0
Eggs and honey	502	505	3	0,6	40	44	4
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	4 571	4 856	285	6,2	259	248	-11
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	5 988	6 218	230	3,8	312	330	18
Citrus fruit	2 084	1 923	-161	-7,7	283	259	-24
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	13 109	13 573	463	3,5	1 069	1 067	-2
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	719	750	31	4,3	45	55	10
Agricultural primary products, not specified	1	3	1	0	0	0	22,1
Meat preparations	2 128	1 953	-176	-8,2	162	121	-41
Cheese	442	429	-13	-3,0	37	38	1
Olive oil	337	348	11	3,2	25	35	9
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	3 557	3 547	-10	-0,3	297	276	-22
Fruit juices	2 291	2 225	-66	-2,9	195	168	-27
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	2 798	2 684	-113	-4,1	267	257	-10
Roasted coffee and tea	1 662	1 678	16	1,0	142	145	3
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	1 195	1 213	18	1,5	119	114	-5
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	391	462	71	18,2	32	36	4
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1 229	1 320	90	7,4	101	106	5
Soups and sauces	688	708	20	2,9	56	58	1
Coffee and tea extracts	511	522	11	2,1	41	42	1
Food preparations, not specified	1 782	1 869	88	4,9	146	157	10
Pet food	1 074	1 228	155	14,4	97	102	5
Waters and soft drinks	993	1 032	40	4,0	80	86	5
Beer	343	378	35	10,1	34	30	-5
Spirits and liqueurs	1 550	1 593	43	2,8	148	174	26
Odoriferous substances	21	10	-10	-50,4	1	1	0
Raw hides, skins and furskins	657	674	17	2,6	49	39	-10
Non edible animal products	357	387	30	8,4	29	32	3
Wool and silk	869	903	33	3,9	76	83	6
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	542	571	29	5,4	39	46	7
Cut flowers and plants	1 313	1 337	24	1,8	98	104	5
Bulbs, roots and live plants	848	900	52	6,1	69	65	-4
Raw tobacco	2 460	2 437	-23	-1,0	182	196	14
Cigars and cigarettes	326	274	-52	-15,9	23	27	4
Fatty acids and waxes	1 556	2 291	734	47,2	142	223	81
Sugar alcohols	24	34	11	44,6	2	5	4
Essential oils	922	1 004	82	8,8	80	90	10
Ethanol	361	318	-43	-12,0	19	29	11
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	691	685	-6	-0,9	63	57	-6
Non-edible, not specified	1	8	6	0,9	0	2	2
Products non-attributable	328	422	94	28,6	18	14	-4

Table 7: EU28 agri-food trade balance (exports – imports) by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU28 TRADE BALANCE							
	Oct15-Sep16	Oct16-Sep17	Difference	Sep-16	Sep-17	Difference		
			Oct16-Sep17 to Oct15-Sep16			Sep 17 to Sep 16		
	mio €		%	mio €		%		
All agri-food products	17 397	19 354	1 958	11,3	2 361	2 836	475	20,1
Commodities	-22 848	-26 259	-3 411	14,9	-2 098	-1 791	307	-14,6
Other primary	-8 518	-8 168	350	-4,1	-389	-398	-8	2,2
Processed	10 778	13 380	2 602	24,1	1 150	1 260	110	9,6
Food preparations	20 437	22 313	1 876	9,2	1 965	2 082	117	6,0
Beverages	14 349	15 066	717	5,0	1 370	1 388	18	1,3
Non-edible	3 198	3 021	-177	-5,5	362	294	-69	-19,0
Wheat	4 500	2 980	-1 520	-33,8	296	209	-88	-29,6
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	-542	-1 267	-725	133,8	-49	-20	29	-59,2
Rice	-855	-883	-28	3,3	-63	-80	-17	26,4
Flours and other products of the milling industry	611	632	20	3,3	62	51	-11	-17,9
Malt	1 076	988	-88	-8,2	80	82	2	3,1
Starches, inulin & gluten	852	991	139	16,3	81	88	7	8,3
Soyabean	-5 295	-4 902	393	-7,4	-432	-228	204	-47,2
Oilseeds, other than soyabean	-2 536	-3 300	-765	30,2	-244	-278	-33	13,7
Palm & palm kernel oil	-5 227	-6 343	-1 116	21,3	-507	-475	32	-6,3
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	-103	-233	-130	127,0	51	-24	-75	-145,9
Oilcakes	-7 327	-7 174	153	-2,1	-528	-496	32	-6,1
Other feed and feed ingredients	233	163	-69	-29,7	29	17	-12	-42,8
Beet and cane sugar	-787	-746	41	-5,2	-122	-96	25	-20,8
Sugar, other than beet & cane	95	52	-43	-45,2	18	7	-12	-63,9
Milk powders and whey	3 523	4 348	825	23,4	261	330	69	26,5
Butter	799	820	21	2,6	61	54	-7	-10,8
Gums, resins and plant extracts	217	255	38	17,7	28	10	-18	-63,1
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	-6 696	-7 550	-853	12,7	-622	-570	52	-8,3
Cocoa beans	-4 703	-4 472	230	-4,9	-409	-307	103	-25,1
Cocoa paste and powder	-704	-683	21	-3,0	-93	-70	23	-24,7
Agricultural commodities, not specified	20	64	44	220,1	5	5	1	11,4
Live animals	2 281	2 569	288	12,6	190	233	43	22,7
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-1 080	-878	202	-18,7	-66	-36	30	-45,0
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	4 982	5 156	175	3,5	413	385	-29	-7,0
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1 132	1 198	66	5,8	106	120	15	13,8
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-915	-822	94	-10,2	-38	-42	-4	10,3
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1 695	1 897	202	11,9	198	183	-15	-7,5
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1 069	1 189	121	11,3	89	105	17	18,7
Eggs and honey	212	155	-56	-26,6	13	14	1	3,9
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	-1 358	-1 762	-404	29,7	15	-28	-43	-281,0
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	-3 577	-3 801	-224	6,3	-111	-149	-38	34,3
Citrus fruit	-1 582	-1 416	165	-10,5	-269	-246	23	-8,6
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	-12 129	-12 528	-400	3,3	-979	-985	-6	0,6
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	754	877	123	16,3	49	47	-2	-3,6
Agricultural primary products, not specified	-1	-2	-1		0	0	0	
Meat preparations	-901	-652	249	-27,7	-53	-4	49	-92,4
Cheese	3 135	3 510	375	12,0	296	299	3	1,1
Olive oil	2 263	2 429	166	7,3	224	218	-6	-2,7
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	700	1 024	324	46,3	99	107	8	8,3
Fruit juices	-1 515	-1 349	165	-10,9	-124	-98	26	-21,0
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	7 702	8 935	1 233	16,0	758	783	24	3,2
Roasted coffee and tea	-606	-516	90	-14,8	-50	-44	6	-11,0
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	3 984	4 180	195	4,9	446	442	-4	-0,9
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6 063	6 794	731	12,1	524	562	39	7,4
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	3 418	3 620	202	5,9	385	391	6	1,7
Soups and sauces	493	566	73	14,7	43	46	3	7,5
Coffee and tea extracts	266	268	2	0,7	27	22	-5	-19,9
Food preparations, not specified	3 753	4 057	304	8,1	319	352	33	10,3
Pet food	2 459	2 828	369	15,0	221	267	46	20,6
Waters and soft drinks	2 442	2 619	176	7,2	216	228	11	5,3
Beer	3 049	3 113	64	2,1	254	254	0	-0,1
Spirits and liqueurs	8 625	9 094	469	5,4	879	886	7	0,8
Odoriferous substances	233	240	7	3,1	21	20	0	-1,0
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1 098	1 200	102	9,3	101	181	79	78,6
Non edible animal products	59	90	31	52,0	7	5	-2	-21,8
Wool and silk	-715	-768	-54	7,5	-64	-72	-8	12,8
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	258	252	-6	-2,3	-8	-20	-12	140,3
Cut flowers and plants	-634	-618	16	-2,5	-51	-53	-2	4,4
Bulbs, roots and live plants	762	835	72	9,5	95	108	13	14,1
Raw tobacco	-1 495	-1 474	20	-1,4	-102	-118	-16	15,4
Cigars and cigarettes	3 000	3 237	237	7,9	290	273	-17	-5,8
Fatty acids and waxes	-1 040	-1 619	-580	55,8	-104	-177	-73	70,9
Sugar alcohols	95	96	1	0,8	8	6	-3	-30,7
Essential oils	-320	-302	19	-5,9	-24	-21	3	-14,1
Ethanol	-217	-149	68	-31,2	-8	-16	-8	95,8
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1 222	1 293	71	5,8	115	100	-15	-12,7
Non-edible, not specified	1 293	1 212	-81	-6,3	113	97	-16	-14,3
Products non-attributable	-169	-262	-93	54,9	-6	0	6	-99,1