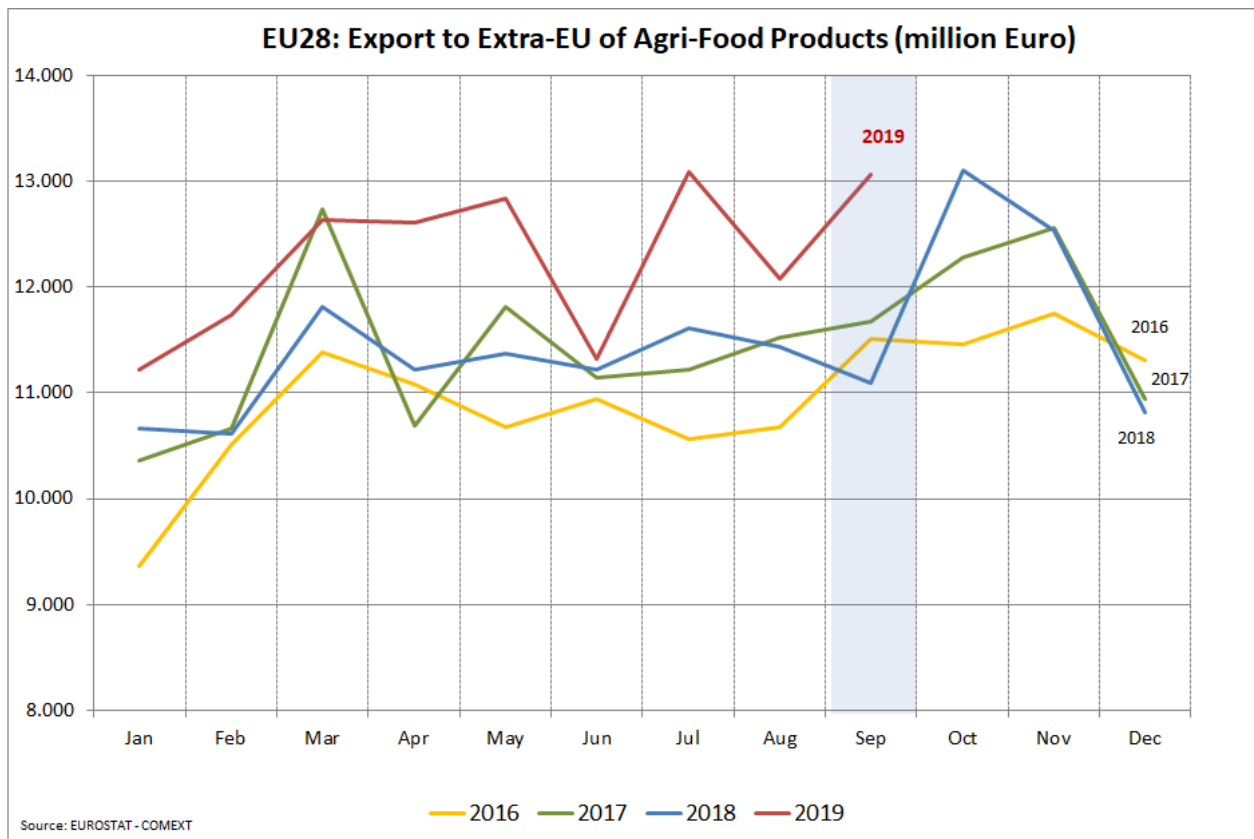


Monitoring EU Agri-Food Trade: Development until September 2019



September 2019

Despite an impressive level of EU agri-food exports so far in 2019, the growth increased even further in September 2019 to a record +18% over the same month last year and reached EUR 13.06 billion. Imports also increased to EUR 9.32 billion - 6% above the level of September 2018. As a result, the monthly agri-food trade surplus increased to EUR 3.7 billion – the biggest monthly EU agri-food trade surplus ever recorded.

The highest increases in monthly export values (September 2019 compared to September 2018, EUR million) were recorded for China (+509, +55.4%), the USA (+305, +15.6%) and Japan (+162, +30.6%), while exports decreased most to Hong Kong (-37, -12.1%), Algeria (-19, -9.6%) and Egypt (-14, -9.9%).

Looking at product categories, the increase in exports was driven in particular by pork meat (+269, +72%),

spirits and liqueurs (+260, +25%), wheat (+149, +51%) and wine (+149, +15%). On the other hand, exports of non-edible (n.e.s) (-43, -28%), sugar (-30, -48%), fatty acids and waxes (-18, -34%) and vegetable oils (excluding palm and olive oils) (-16, -9%) decreased the most in value terms.

The value of September 2019 EU agri-food imports compared to September 2018 increased most from Ukraine (+108, +27%), South Africa (+72, +25%) and Chile (+48, +29%). The value of imports went down most from the USA (-106, -12%), Russian Federation (-17, 13%) and Ghana (-15, -11%).

Increases were recorded in import values of tropical fruit (+128, +13%), oilseeds (+109, +35%) and vegetables (+54, +21%), while imports of cereals other than wheat and rice (-55, -16%), wheat (-46, -38%) and raw tobacco (-30, -17%) fell the most in value terms.

EU agri-food exports grew the most to the USA and China

For the 12-month period from October 2018 to September 2019, EU agri-food exports reached EUR 147.1 billion, i.e. a new record and a significant increase of +7.5% compared to the same period one year ago.

The main export destinations in that period (in EUR billion) were the USA (24.3), China (13.3), Switzerland (8.5), Japan (7.6) and Russia (7.0).

Major gains in annual values (in EUR billion, % change from 2017-18) have been achieved in agri-food exports to the USA (+2.4, +11%), China (+2.2, +19%), Japan (+1.0, +15%), Egypt (+0.41, +28%), Russia (+0.39, +6%), Ukraine (+0.32, +16%), Mexico (+0.25, +17%), Switzerland (+0.24, +3%) and Canada (+0.23, +6%).

Spirits, pork meat, milk powders and whey reported the biggest growth in exports

Exports in the last 12 months fell most significantly (in EUR billion, % change from 2017-18) for Hong Kong (-0.45, -12%), Turkey (-0.36, -10%) and Angola (-0.15, -21%).

In products, spirits and liqueurs (+1.4, +13%), wheat (+1.0, +29%) and pork meat (+1.0, +21%) have reported important increases (in EUR billion and % change from 2017-18). Export performance on a yearly basis also rose notably for milk powders and whey (+0.65, +17%), wine and vermouth (+0.53, +4%), pasta and pastry (+0.48, +9%), food preparations (not specified) (+0.47, +8%), water and soft drinks (+0.45, +12%), cereals (other than wheat or rice) (+0.42, +25%) and cotton, flax and hemp (+0.41, +46%).

On the other hand, annual exports of beet and cane sugar have almost halved (-0.59, -48%). Other categories with notable losses in export values over the last 12 months were vegetable oils (other than palm & olive oil) (-0.15, -7%), raw hides and skins (-0.15, -10%), live animals (-0.13, -4%), fatty acids and waxes (-0.11, -18%) and olive oil (-0.10, -4%).

USA and Ukraine account for most of EU agri-food import growth

For the year 12-month period from October 2018 to September 2019, agri-food imports from third countries accounted for EUR 119.2 billion, i.e. an increase of 3.6% compared to October 2017 – September 2018.

The most important origins for EU agri-food imports over the past 12 months (EUR billion) were the USA (12.3), Brazil (11.8), followed by Ukraine (7.1) and China (6.1). Other significant origins were Argentina (5.1), Switzerland (4.7), Turkey (4.5) and Indonesia (4.1).

On a year-on-year basis, the value of agri-food imports (in EUR billion, % change) continued to grow impressively from Ukraine (+2.0, +39%), which accounted for almost half of total import increase. Other significant import increases were recorded from the USA (+0.95, +8%), China (+0.59, +11%), Peru (+0.38, +18%) and Serbia (+0.29, +27%). By contrast, significantly fewer imports in value terms have been received in the same period from Indonesia (-0.44, -10%), Australia (-0.24, -11%), Brazil (-0.23, -2%), Philippines (-0.17, -18%) and Iran (-0.17, -39%).

Imports into the EU of coarse grains on rise while palm oil falls the most

Looking at product categories, the highest increase in import value over the last 12 months (in EUR billion, % change) was observed for coarse grains (+1.4, +42%). Imports also increased for cocoa beans (+0.46, +12%), oilseeds (other than soybeans) (+0.43, +12%), vegetables oils (other than olive oil and palm oil) (+0.41, +18%) and vegetables (+0.41, +9%). Nevertheless, some import values decreased, most notably for palm oil (-0.62, -11%), but also for unroasted coffee and tea (-0.28, -4%), citrus fruit (-0.24, -11%), olive oil (-0.23, -37%) and sheep meat (-0.22, -21%).

Trade surplus increases further as EU agri-food export growth outpaces import rise

With the strong export performance in 2019 and somewhat weaker growth in imports, the trade surplus for the 12-month period from October 2018 to September 2019 was EUR 6.1 billion higher than in October 2017 - September 2018 and has reached a record level of EUR 27.8 billion.

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2018/19	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Oct-18 - Sep-19 to Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		136.816	147.054	10.238	7,5	11.092	13.063	1.971	17,8
United States	1	21.888	24.294	2.406	11,0	1.959	2.264	305	15,6
China	2	11.161	13.319	2.159	19,3	918	1.427	509	55,4
Switzerland	3	8.224	8.463	239	2,9	639	691	52	8,2
Japan	4	6.586	7.571	984	14,9	531	694	162	30,6
Russian Federation	5	6.607	7.000	393	6,0	506	587	81	16,0
Norway	6	4.494	4.652	158	3,5	372	399	27	7,3
Canada	7	3.656	3.885	229	6,3	336	369	32	9,5
Saudi Arabia	8	3.692	3.783	91	2,5	264	344	80	30,4
Australia	9	3.339	3.501	163	4,9	303	323	20	6,7
Hong Kong	10	3.856	3.405	-451	-11,7	304	268	-37	-12,1
Turkey	11	3.547	3.183	-364	-10,3	178	280	102	57,0
Korea, Republic of	12	2.960	3.136	176	6,0	227	256	29	12,6
United Arab Emirates	13	2.620	2.691	70	2,7	207	262	55	26,6
Algeria	14	2.485	2.626	141	5,7	201	182	-19	-9,6
Singapore	15	2.407	2.435	28	1,2	209	215	5	2,6
Ukraine	16	2.001	2.317	316	15,8	159	198	39	24,6
Israel	17	1.870	2.071	201	10,8	130	162	32	25,0
South Africa	18	1.730	1.943	213	12,3	146	188	42	29,0
Egypt	19	1.456	1.869	412	28,3	138	125	-14	-9,9
Brazil	20	1.815	1.843	28	1,5	150	166	16	10,8
<i>other countries</i>		<i>40.423</i>	<i>43.066</i>	<i>2.644</i>	<i>6,5</i>	<i>3.214</i>	<i>3.665</i>	<i>451</i>	<i>14,0</i>

Table 2: EU28 agri-food exports – most important changes in September 2019

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2018/19	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Oct-18 - Sep-19 to Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		136.816	147.054	10.238	7,5	11.092	13.063	1.971	17,8
China	2	11.161	13.319	2.159	19,3	918	1.427	509	55,4
United States	1	21.888	24.294	2.406	11,0	1.959	2.264	305	15,6
Japan	4	6.586	7.571	984	14,9	531	694	162	30,6
Turkey	11	3.547	3.183	-364	-10,3	178	280	102	57,0
Russian Federation	5	6.607	7.000	393	6,0	506	587	81	16,0
Saudi Arabia	8	3.692	3.783	91	2,5	264	344	80	30,4
United Arab Emirates	13	2.620	2.691	70	2,7	207	262	55	26,6
Switzerland	3	8.224	8.463	239	2,9	639	691	52	8,2
Thailand	25	1.078	1.267	189	17,5	96	142	46	47,5
South Africa	18	1.730	1.943	213	12,3	146	188	42	29,0
Argentina	71	292	223	-69	-23,6	18	16	-2	-13,7
Mauritius	78	200	205	5	2,6	19	17	-3	-14,0
Ethiopia	79	194	185	-9	-4,6	20	14	-6	-28,4
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	124	65	55	-9	-14,3	10	4	-6	-59,8
Viet Nam	27	1.117	1.188	71	6,4	111	104	-7	-6,0
Benin	88	156	160	4	2,7	13	5	-8	-60,6
Angola	43	709	559	-150	-21,1	53	43	-10	-18,2
Egypt	19	1.456	1.869	412	28,3	138	125	-14	-9,9
Algeria	14	2.485	2.626	141	5,7	201	182	-19	-9,6
Hong Kong	10	3.856	3.405	-451	-11,7	304	268	-37	-12,1
<i>other countries</i>		<i>59.153</i>	<i>63.064</i>	<i>3.911</i>	<i>6,6</i>	<i>4.759</i>	<i>5.407</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>13,6</i>

Table 3: EU28 agri-food exports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 EXPORT							
	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Difference Oct-18 - Sep-19 Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	136.816	147.054	10.238	7,5	11.092	13.063	1.971	17,8
Commodities	22.899	24.869	1.970	8,6	1.662	2.086	424	25,5
Other primary	23.145	25.295	2.150	9,3	1.724	2.263	539	31,2
Processed	26.981	28.440	1.459	5,4	2.237	2.512	275	12,3
Food preparations	30.507	32.422	1.914	6,3	2.591	2.890	299	11,5
Beverages	18.450	20.377	1.927	10,4	1.639	1.951	312	19,1
Non-edible	14.834	15.652	818	5,5	1.238	1.361	122	9,9
Wheat	3.661	4.703	1.042	28,5	292	440	149	50,9
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1.673	2.091	418	25,0	77	201	124	161,5
Rice	234	233	-1	-0,5	11	13	2	20,3
Flours and other products of the milling industry	725	729	4	0,6	54	61	7	12,3
Malt	991	1.066	75	7,5	77	82	5	6,8
Starches, inulin & gluten	987	966	-21	-2,1	80	79	-1	-1,4
Soyabeans	114	69	-45	-39,3	3	4	1	50,9
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	815	843	27	3,4	24	59	35	143,3
Palm & palm kernel oil	156	141	-15	-9,6	8	9	1	8,7
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.276	2.122	-154	-6,8	174	158	-16	-9,0
Oilcakes	340	339	-1	-0,4	19	33	14	75,3
Other feed and feed ingredients	1.189	1.348	159	13,4	106	124	17	16,2
Beet and cane sugar	1.231	642	-588	-47,8	63	33	-30	-47,5
Sugar, other than beet & cane	531	624	93	17,6	46	49	3	5,6
Milk powders and whey	3.897	4.544	647	16,6	313	379	65	20,8
Butter	916	1.049	133	14,5	68	98	30	44,2
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.299	1.404	105	8,1	98	100	2	1,7
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	498	474	-24	-4,8	38	44	6	14,5
Cocoa beans	20	43	23	111,7	1	4	3	250,2
Cocoa paste and powder	1.192	1.254	62	5,2	94	103	9	9,0
Agricultural commodities, not specified	154	186	31	20,3	14	13	-1	-5,3
Live animals	2.883	2.758	-126	-4,4	217	262	45	21,0
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	835	854	19	2,3	66	76	10	15,8
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	4.804	5.834	1.030	21,4	373	642	269	72,2
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.552	1.649	97	6,2	132	140	7	5,5
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	126	146	19	15,3	10	17	7	65,3
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	2.742	2.984	242	8,8	225	297	72	31,8
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.263	1.400	138	10,9	99	120	21	21,3
Eggs and honey	677	753	76	11,3	52	62	10	19,0
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	2.882	3.131	250	8,7	205	231	25	12,3
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2.089	2.316	227	10,9	161	198	37	23,1
Citrus fruit	535	560	25	4,7	13	15	2	18,7
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1.054	1.105	50	4,8	78	88	10	13,1
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1.702	1.804	102	6,0	92	114	22	23,3
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Meat preparations	1.368	1.459	91	6,6	115	129	14	12,1
Cheese	3.960	4.276	316	8,0	337	385	48	14,1
Olive oil	2.742	2.637	-105	-3,8	227	232	4	1,9
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4.709	5.098	388	8,2	401	439	38	9,5
Fruit juices	828	948	121	14,6	65	73	8	11,5
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	12.188	12.719	531	4,4	990	1.139	149	15,0
Roasted coffee and tea	1.187	1.303	116	9,8	100	115	15	15,2
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	5.564	5.932	368	6,6	548	610	61	11,2
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	7.425	7.822	397	5,3	579	643	64	11,1
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	5.200	5.681	481	9,2	503	571	68	13,4
Soups and sauces	1.314	1.420	106	8,1	111	119	7	6,5
Coffee and tea extracts	767	786	19	2,5	61	67	6	9,6
Food preparations, not specified	6.045	6.518	473	7,8	470	523	53	11,2
Pet food	4.192	4.262	71	1,7	318	358	40	12,5
Waters and soft drinks	3.859	4.313	454	11,8	328	347	19	5,7
Beer	3.334	3.381	46	1,4	252	288	36	14,3
Spirits and liqueurs	11.044	12.488	1.444	13,1	1.044	1.304	260	24,9
Odoriferous substances	212	195	-17	-8,0	15	12	-2	-16,2
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.473	1.322	-151	-10,3	144	183	38	26,5
Non edible animal products	503	521	17	3,4	38	36	-2	-4,4
Wool and silk	147	104	-42	-28,8	10	6	-4	-42,2
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	877	1.282	406	46,3	39	51	12	31,1
Cut flowers and plants	738	804	65	8,8	46	54	8	17,5
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1.830	1.863	34	1,8	171	164	-6	-3,8
Raw tobacco	876	895	18	2,1	77	73	-4	-5,7
Cigars and cigarettes	3.384	3.695	312	9,2	271	376	105	38,7
Fatty acids and waxes	613	502	-112	-18,2	51	33	-18	-34,4
Sugar alcohols	134	127	-8	-5,6	12	9	-2	-18,3
Essential oils	775	738	-37	-4,7	58	58	0	-0,2
Ethanol	185	204	19	10,1	12	16	4	32,0
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.804	2.051	247	13,7	143	177	34	23,9
Non-edible, not specified	1.328	1.388	60	4,5	153	110	-43	-28,0
Products non-attributable	166	156	-10	-6,1	13	13	0	2,3

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 2018/19	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Oct-18 - Sep-19 to Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			115.118	119.245	4.127	3,6	8.791	9.321	530	6,0
United States	1	11.325	12.273	948	8,4	889	783	-106	-11,9	
Brazil	2	12.052	11.819	-233	-1,9	1.021	1.048	27	2,6	
Ukraine	3	5.116	7.097	1.981	38,7	407	515	108	26,5	
China	4	5.531	6.121	589	10,7	436	459	23	5,3	
Argentina	5	5.207	5.061	-147	-2,8	457	458	1	0,2	
Switzerland	6	4.575	4.679	104	2,3	385	407	22	5,8	
Turkey	7	4.515	4.509	-6	-0,1	320	354	34	10,6	
Indonesia	8	4.575	4.131	-444	-9,7	377	389	12	3,3	
Côte d'Ivoire	9	3.306	3.521	214	6,5	276	288	12	4,3	
India	10	3.310	3.267	-42	-1,3	246	238	-7	-3,0	
South Africa	11	2.881	2.832	-48	-1,7	287	360	72	25,2	
Peru	12	2.169	2.549	380	17,5	203	240	36	17,9	
Thailand	13	2.345	2.520	175	7,4	183	184	1	0,6	
Chile	14	2.537	2.440	-98	-3,9	163	212	48	29,5	
Morocco	15	2.392	2.414	22	0,9	66	86	20	30,8	
Viet Nam	16	2.529	2.413	-115	-4,6	185	197	13	6,9	
New Zealand	17	2.393	2.306	-88	-3,7	177	169	-8	-4,6	
Colombia	18	2.236	2.247	11	0,5	163	179	16	9,8	
Canada	19	2.170	2.140	-31	-1,4	131	148	17	13,2	
Malaysia	20	1.933	1.875	-58	-3,0	132	122	-10	-7,5	
<i>other countries</i>			32.019	33.032	1.013	3,2	2.287	2.485	198	8,7

Table 5: EU28 agri-food imports – most important changes in September 2019

EU28 agri-food imports from	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data				
	PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2018/19	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Oct-18 - Sep-19 to Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
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Extra-EU28			115.118	119.245	4.127	3,6	8.791	9.321	530	6,0
Ukraine	3	5.116	7.097	1.981	38,7	407	515	108	26,5	
South Africa	11	2.881	2.832	-48	-1,7	287	360	72	25,2	
Chile	14	2.537	2.440	-98	-3,9	163	212	48	29,5	
Singapore	45	380	455	74	19,5	14	53	40	288,1	
Uruguay	38	519	566	47	9,0	28	66	38	136,7	
Peru	12	2.169	2.549	380	17,5	203	240	36	17,9	
Turkey	7	4.515	4.509	-6	-0,1	320	354	34	10,6	
Mexico	26	1.319	1.419	100	7,6	106	136	30	28,0	
Brazil	2	12.052	11.819	-233	-1,9	1.021	1.048	27	2,6	
Serbia	27	1.065	1.355	290	27,2	94	119	25	26,3	
Philippines	33	937	765	-173	-18,4	66	58	-8	-12,8	
Iran, Islamic Republic of	54	435	266	-168	-38,7	24	16	-9	-36,1	
Malaysia	20	1.933	1.875	-58	-3,0	132	122	-10	-7,5	
Ecuador	24	1.602	1.548	-54	-3,3	118	108	-10	-8,7	
Kenya	29	1.163	1.215	51	4,4	103	93	-10	-10,1	
Malawi	52	306	296	-10	-3,4	20	8	-12	-59,8	
Madagascar	46	539	449	-90	-16,8	27	15	-12	-45,4	
Ghana	25	1.325	1.488	164	12,4	139	124	-15	-10,7	
Russian Federation	23	1.441	1.666	225	15,6	135	118	-17	-12,9	
United States	1	11.325	12.273	948	8,4	889	783	-106	-11,9	
<i>other countries</i>			61.558	62.364	806	1,3	4.492	4.774	282	6,3

Table 6: EU28 agri-food imports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 IMPORT							
	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Difference Oct-18 - Sep-19 Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
	mio €				%			
	mio €				%			
All agri-food products	115.118	119.245	4.127	3,6	8.791	9.321	530	6,0
Commodities	45.765	48.805	3.040	6,6	3.676	3.793	118	3,2
Other primary	33.247	33.161	-86	-0,3	2.268	2.529	261	11,5
Processed	12.648	12.556	-92	-0,7	978	1.020	42	4,3
Food preparations	7.846	8.598	752	9,6	632	747	115	18,2
Beverages	3.242	3.288	46	1,4	257	248	-8	-3,3
Non-edible	12.369	12.837	468	3,8	981	985	3	0,3
Wheat	1.123	1.216	93	8	119	74	-46	-38
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	3.348	4.754	1.406	42	345	291	-55	-16
Rice	1.257	1.408	150	12	96	105	9	9
Flours and other products of the milling industry	153	172	19	12	12	13	1	7
Malt	7	4	-3	0	1	0	0	0
Starches, inulin & gluten	69	83	14	20	5	6	2	38
Soyabeans	5.026	4.943	-83	-2	279	306	27	10
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	3.594	4.022	429	12	315	425	109	35
Palm & palm kernel oil	5.766	5.144	-622	-11	411	432	21	5
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.237	2.649	413	18	165	195	30	18
Oilcakes	7.171	7.501	331	5	604	583	-21	-4
Other feed and feed ingredients	983	1.150	167	17	84	72	-12	-15
Beet and cane sugar	688	902	214	31	48	81	33	67
Sugar, other than beet & cane	439	499	60	14	41	38	-3	-8
Milk powders and whey	45	65	20	45	3	3	0	-8
Butter	81	91	10	13	13	5	-8	-61
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.035	1.112	77	7	84	87	3	4
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	7.150	6.866	-284	-4	542	552	10	2
Cocoa beans	3.694	4.150	456	12	336	328	-8	-2
Cocoa paste and powder	1.874	2.065	191	10	172	197	25	15
Agricultural commodities, not specified	26	7	-18	0	0	0	0	-57
Live animals	238	249	10	4	15	15	1	4
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.675	1.624	-52	-3	96	107	11	11
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	28	29	1	3	2	2	1	28
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	507	444	-62	-12	45	31	-14	-32
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.067	845	-222	-21	52	38	-14	-27
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.178	1.162	-15	-1	88	97	9	10
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	23	23	1	3	2	2	0	0
Eggs and honey	522	471	-51	-10	41	37	-4	-9
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	4.687	5.096	409	9	257	312	54	21
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	6.614	6.629	16	0	324	369	45	14
Citrus fruit	2.127	1.886	-240	-11	290	323	33	11
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	13.797	13.866	69	1	1.011	1.140	128	13
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	786	837	51	6	44	55	11	26
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0	26	0	0	0	0
Meat preparations	1.769	1.895	125	7	133	126	-7	-5
Cheese	425	442	17	4	35	39	4	12
Olive oil	640	406	-234	-37	22	20	-2	-7
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	3.281	3.366	86	3	250	286	37	15
Fruit juices	2.242	2.048	-194	-9	158	157	-2	-1
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	2.722	2.755	33	1	256	249	-7	-3
Roasted coffee and tea	1.569	1.644	75	5	124	143	19	15
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	1.286	1.393	108	8	116	133	18	15
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	665	750	86	13	37	74	38	103
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1.352	1.527	174	13	106	130	24	23
Soups and sauces	720	799	79	11	57	66	9	16
Coffee and tea extracts	470	487	17	4	35	43	8	22
Food preparations, not specified	1.980	2.123	144	7	168	176	8	5
Pet food	1.373	1.517	145	11	113	124	11	9
Waters and soft drinks	1.102	1.197	95	9	87	93	6	7
Beer	419	464	45	11	33	30	-4	-11
Spirits and liqueurs	1.710	1.613	-97	-6	135	124	-11	-8
Odoriferous substances	11	14	3	24	2	1	0	-16
Raw hides, skins and furskins	624	565	-60	-10	45	40	-6	-12
Non edible animal products	404	437	33	8	30	37	8	26
Wool and silk	1.003	1.059	56	6	94	77	-17	-18
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	578	595	18	3	42	48	6	15
Cut flowers and plants	1.343	1.391	48	4	111	114	3	3
Bulbs, roots and live plants	934	982	48	5	67	75	7	11
Raw tobacco	2.329	2.417	88	4	175	145	-30	-17
Cigars and cigarettes	335	358	23	7	26	27	1	3
Fatty acids and waxes	2.447	2.425	-21	-1	200	193	-7	-4
Sugar alcohols	43	35	-8	-19	4	2	-2	-45
Essential oils	1.073	1.015	-58	-5	101	87	-14	-14
Ethanol	287	551	263	92	22	64	42	191
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	662	782	120	18	55	66	12	21
Non-edible, not specified	9	5	-4	-48	1	1	0	33
Products non-attributable	298	222	-76	-25	8	7	-1	-13

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

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU28 TRADE BALANCE							
	Oct-17 - Sep-18	Oct-18 - Sep-19	Difference Oct-18 - Sep-19 Oct-17 - Sep-18		Sep-18	Sep-19	Difference Sep-19 to Sep-18	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	21.699	27.809	6.110	28,2%	2.301	3.742	1.441	62,7%
Commodities	-22.867	-23.936	-1.070	-4,7%	-2.014	-1.707	306	15,2%
Other primary	-10.102	-7.866	2.236	22,1%	-544	-266	278	51,1%
Processed	14.333	15.884	1.551	10,8%	1.259	1.492	233	18,5%
Food preparations	22.662	23.824	1.162	5,1%	1.959	2.144	184	9,4%
Beverages	15.208	17.089	1.881	12,4%	1.382	1.703	321	23,2%
Non-edible	2.464	2.814	350	14,2%	257	376	119	46,4%
Wheat	2.538	3.488	950	37,4%	172	367	194	112,7%
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	-1.675	-2.663	-988	-59,0%	-269	-90	179	66,5%
Rice	-1.023	-1.174	-151	-14,8%	-85	-92	-7	-7,9%
Flours and other products of the milling industry	572	558	-14	-2,5%	42	47	6	13,9%
Malt	984	1.061	78	7,9%	77	82	5	7,1%
Starches, inulin & gluten	917	882	-35	-3,8%	76	73	-3	-3,7%
Soyabean	-4.913	-4.874	38	0,8%	-276	-302	-26	-9,3%
Oilseeds, other than soyabean	-2.778	-3.180	-401	-14,5%	-291	-366	-75	-25,6%
Palm & palm kernel oil	-5.610	-5.003	607	10,8%	-403	-423	-21	-5,1%
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	39	-528	-567	-1452,4%	9	-36	-45	-508,6%
Oilcakes	-6.830	-7.162	-332	-4,9%	-586	-551	35	6,0%
Other feed and feed ingredients	206	198	-8	-4,0%	22	52	30	133,4%
Beet and cane sugar	543	-260	-803	-147,9%	15	-48	-63	-425,7%
Sugar, other than beet & cane	92	125	33	36,2%	5	11	6	126,0%
Milk powders and whey	3.853	4.479	627	16,3%	310	376	66	21,1%
Butter	835	958	123	14,7%	56	93	38	67,9%
Gums, resins and plant extracts	264	292	28	10,6%	15	13	-2	-11,5%
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	-6.652	-6.392	260	3,9%	-504	-508	-5	-1,0%
Cocoa beans	-3.673	-4.107	-434	-11,8%	-335	-324	11	3,3%
Cocoa paste and powder	-682	-811	-129	-18,9%	-77	-94	-17	-21,9%
Agricultural commodities, not specified	129	178	50	38,6%	14	13	-1	-4,9%
Live animals	2.645	2.509	-136	-5,1%	202	247	45	22,2%
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-840	-769	71	8,4%	-31	-31	-1	-1,9%
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	4.776	5.805	1.029	21,6%	371	640	269	72,4%
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.046	1.205	159	15,2%	87	109	22	25,1%
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-941	-699	241	25,7%	-41	-21	21	49,7%
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.565	1.822	258	16,5%	137	200	63	45,7%
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.240	1.377	137	11,1%	97	118	21	21,7%
Eggs and honey	155	283	128	82,3%	11	25	14	124,3%
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	-1.805	-1.965	-160	-8,8%	-52	-81	-29	-56,2%
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	-4.524	-4.313	211	4,7%	-163	-171	-8	-4,9%
Citrus fruit	-1.592	-1.327	265	16,7%	-277	-307	-30	-10,9%
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	-12.742	-12.761	-19	-0,1%	-933	-1.051	-118	-12,6%
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	917	967	51	5,5%	48	58	10	20,9%
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0	-25,6%	0	0	0	0
Meat preparations	-401	-436	-35	-8,6%	-17	4	21	121,4%
Cheese	3.535	3.834	299	8,5%	303	346	43	0,0%
Olive oil	2.101	2.231	130	6,2%	206	211	6	2,8%
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	1.429	1.732	303	21,2%	152	153	2	1,1%
Fruit juices	-1.414	-1.100	314	22,2%	-93	-84	9	9,7%
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	9.465	9.964	498	5,3%	734	890	156	21,3%
Roasted coffee and tea	-382	-341	41	10,8%	-25	-28	-3	-14,1%
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4.279	4.539	260	6,1%	433	476	44	10,1%
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.760	7.071	311	4,6%	542	569	27	4,9%
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	3.848	4.154	306	8,0%	397	441	44	11,0%
Soups and sauces	594	621	27	4,6%	55	53	-2	-3,1%
Coffee and tea extracts	297	299	2	0,7%	26	24	-2	-8,0%
Food preparations, not specified	4.065	4.395	329	8,1%	302	347	45	14,8%
Pet food	2.819	2.745	-74	-2,6%	205	234	29	14,2%
Waters and soft drinks	2.757	3.116	359	13,0%	241	254	12	5,1%
Beer	2.916	2.917	1	0,0%	219	259	40	18,1%
Spirits and liqueurs	9.334	10.876	1.541	16,5%	909	1.180	271	29,8%
Odoriferous substances	200	181	-20	-9,8%	13	11	-2	-16,3%
Raw hides, skins and furskins	849	757	-92	-10,8%	99	143	44	44,3%
Non edible animal products	100	84	-16	-15,8%	9	-1	-9	-109,0%
Wool and silk	-856	-954	-98	-11,5%	-84	-71	12	14,8%
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	299	687	388	129,8%	-3	3	6	190,6%
Cut flowers and plants	-604	-587	17	2,9%	-65	-60	5	7,8%
Bulbs, roots and live plants	896	882	-14	-1,6%	103	90	-14	-13,1%
Raw tobacco	-1.453	-1.522	-69	-4,8%	-98	-72	26	26,3%
Cigars and cigarettes	3.048	3.338	289	9,5%	245	350	104	42,5%
Fatty acids and waxes	-1.833	-1.924	-90	-4,9%	-149	-160	-10	-7,0%
Sugar alcohols	91	92	1	0,7%	8	7	0	-5,6%
Essential oils	-299	-277	22	7,3%	-43	-29	14	31,6%
Ethanol	-102	-347	-245	-240,0%	-10	-48	-38	-386,2%
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.142	1.269	127	11,1%	88	111	23	25,4%
Non-edible, not specified	1.319	1.383	64	4,9%	152	109	-43	-28,4%
Products non-attributable	-132	-67	66	49,7%	5	6	1	30,6%