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Highlights

This factsheet provides data on EU imports of organic agri-food products in 2023 and highlights key developments compared to 2022. Data on import volumes of organic products come from the Commission's online management tool TRACES (TRAdE Control and Expert System). The import data are summarised in terms of origin and destination, as well as in terms of product classes and categories.

Volumes of imported organic products down by 9.1% in 2023

- Total imports of organic agri-food products in the EU have decreased from 2.73 million t in 2022 to 2.48 million t in 2023 (-9.1%), or the lowest level since 2018. The decline reflects a reduction in demand due to the sharp increase in food prices over the last two years.
- Most of this decline can be attributed to the reduced imports of fruit and vegetables, sugar, olive and palm oils, sunflower seed, and pet food. Increases in imports of organic soybeans, oilcakes, citrus fruit, rice and honey did not compensate.

Primary products account for almost 90% of EU organic imports

- The EU is a major importer of *commodities* and *other primary products*¹. The combined share of these products in organic imports (89%) was higher than that in total (organic plus conventional) agricultural imports (83%).
- An increase (+67%) in imports of wheat was recorded in 2023, with most imports coming from Türkiye (62% share) and Ukraine (21%). Also, olive oil imports increased significantly (+25%), coming almost entirely from Tunisia.
- Overall imports of *Commodities* in terms of volume have decreased by 13.7% to 1.08 million t, mainly due to less imports of organic oilcakes from India, soybeans from Togo and sugar from Central and Latin America.
- Imports of *Other primary products* in terms of volume have decreased less significantly, by 4.6% to 1.12 million t. Most of this decrease was due to the 17% reduction of imports of non-tropical fruit to 98 thousand t. Imports of tropical fruit, of which banana share was 82%, have decreased by 2.4% to 790 thousand t.
- Imports of higher value organic products have also mainly decreased. A 25% reduction in fruit juice imports resulted in a 7.8% decrease to 181 thousand t for the *In Processed products* category. Imports of *Food preparations*, however,

¹ Product category "*Commodities*" includes, among others: cereals, vegetable oils and oilseeds, sugars, milk powders and butter, unroasted coffee and cocoa. "*Other primary*" includes meat products, F&V, milk yoghurt and honey. "*Processed*" includes cheese, meat preparations, wine and fruit juices. "*Food preparations*" includes infant food, confectionary and pasta. "*Beverages*" includes beers, spirits and soft drinks. "*Non-edible*" includes plants and essential oils. Moreover, in its scope, the organic regulation also covers products of other sectors, which are reported under "*Fish and other non-agri*".

remained stable with 63 thousand t. Imports of *non-edible* and *non-agri* organic products decreased by 19% to 31 thousand t, while *Beverages* fell to 2.4 thousand t (-9%).

More than a quarter of all imported olive oil is organic

- Out of 173 thousand t of olive oil imported into the EU in 2023, 46 thousand t or 26.6% was organic and coming almost exclusively from Tunisia. This share beats a previous record reached in 2021 (24.0%). Imports of organic olive oil increased by 25% compared to 2022, while imports of non-organic olive oil decreased by 5.5%.
- Among the other products with a significant organic share in imports in 2023 were miscellaneous seeds (10.3%), tropical fruit (9.9%), honey (7.2%) and bulbs, roots and live plants (5.8%), but all of them saw reductions in the share of total imports.

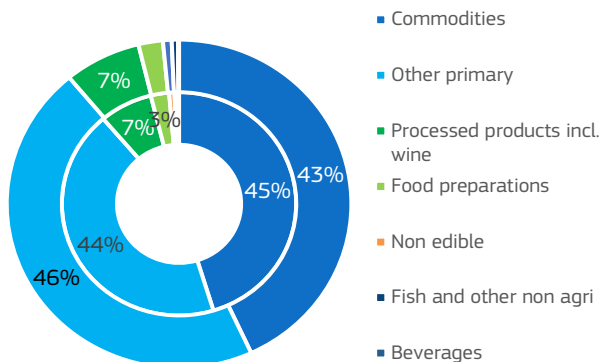
Ecuador increased the lead among the top origins of organic imports, Türkiye makes most gains

- Ecuador remains at the top of the exporters of organic products to the EU, with a further increase in volumes of exports of organic bananas (+5%). Dominican Republic, however, dropped to 3rd place after its exports of organic bananas decreased by 24%.
- Imports from China increased by 3% thanks to a 12% increase in oilcakes, which was enough to make it 2nd most important origin.
- Imports from Türkiye grew fastest among the top suppliers (+44%), mainly thanks to increase in vegetables, wheat, and other cereals. On the other hand, sharp declines in organic imports were registered from Ukraine (-21%, mainly in cereals), Togo (-17%, in soybeans) and especially India (-51%, in oilcakes).

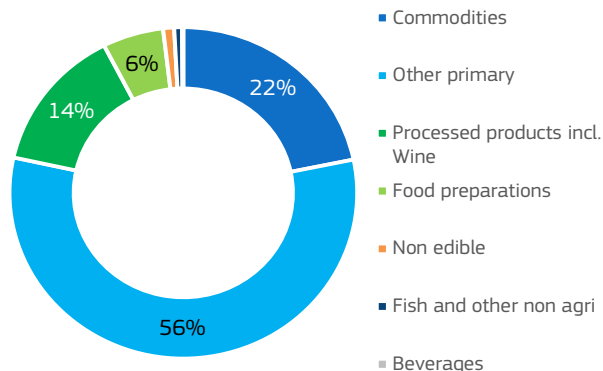
Netherlands remains the top destination in the EU, Italy passes France

- The Netherlands was again the top destination of organic imports in the EU but saw a significant decline in total volumes (-20%). Germany (-7%) and Belgium (+2%) remain 2nd and 3rd destination, while Italy (+40%) has leapfrogged France (-18%) for the 4th spot thanks to big increase in imports of wheat and tropical fruit.
- Among other main EU importers, Sweden reduced organic imports by 9%, Denmark and Austria increased by 9%, while Spain and Ireland imports were stable.
- Most of the New Member States (NMS) saw a decrease in imports, most notably Poland (-17%), Czechia (-51%) and Lithuania (-30%). Overall, the share of the NMS in the total EU imports of organic products EU has decreased from 4.4% in 2022 to 3.2% in 2023.

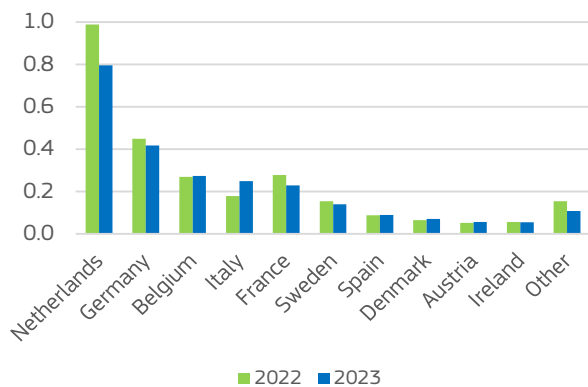
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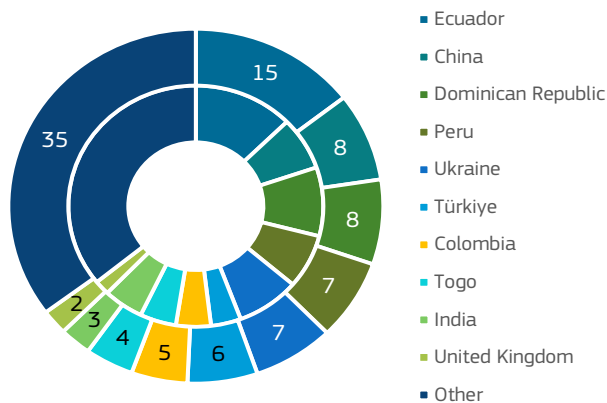
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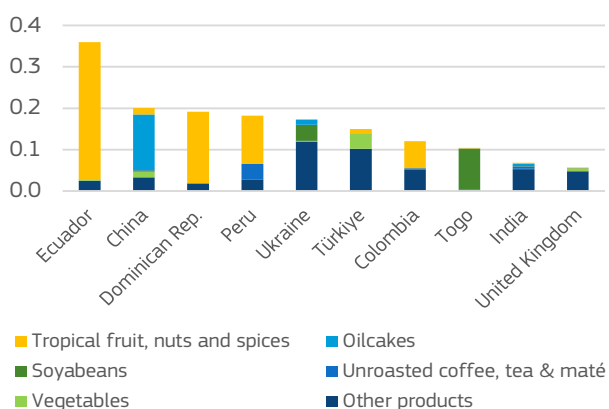
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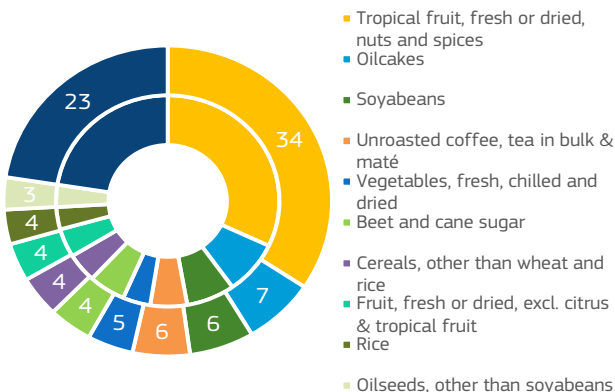
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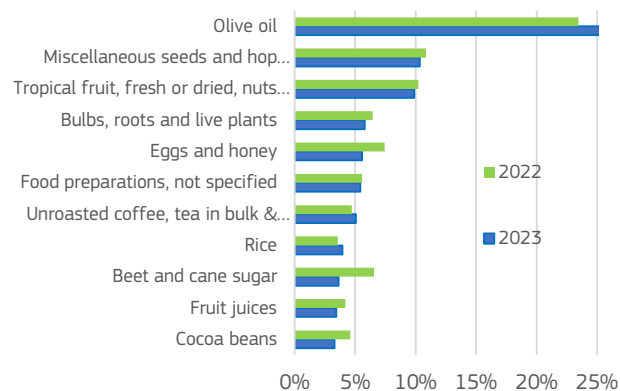
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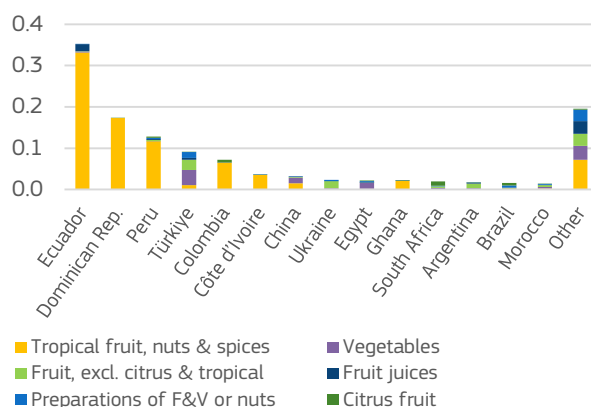
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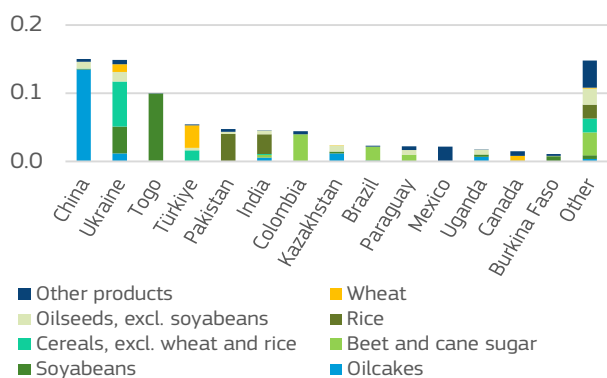
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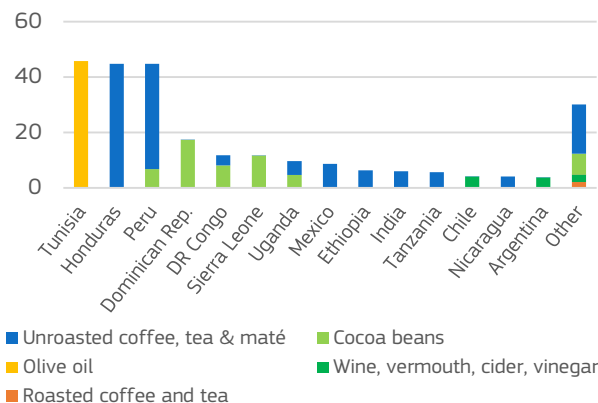
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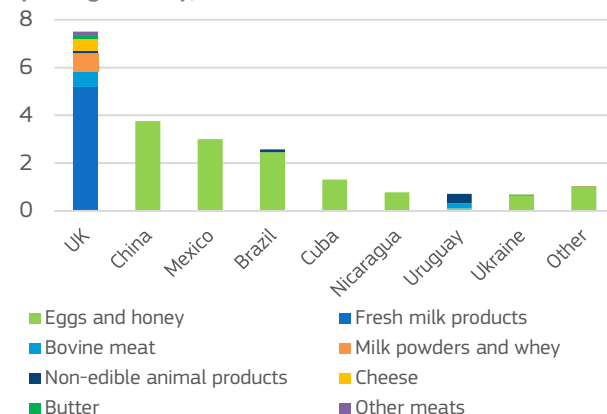


TABLE 1 – Organic agri-food import volumes by class, 2022 and 2023 (thousand t)

	2022	2023	change (%)
Other primary	1 176	1 122	-4.6
Commodities	1 251	1 080	-13.7
Processed products incl. Wine	197	181	-7.8
Food preparations	63	63	0.3
Non edible	22	18	-18.5
Fish and other non agri	16	13	-18.8
Beverages	2.6	2.4	-9.0
Total	2 727	2 479	-9.1

TABLE 2 - Organic fruit and vegetables import volumes by product category, 2022 and 2023 (thousand t)

	2022	2023	change (%)
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	872	851	-2.4
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	109	112	2.7
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	119	98	-17.4
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	61	62	0.8
Fruit juices	80	60	-25.1
Citrus fruit	43	33	-22.8
Total	1 285	1 217	-5.3

TABLE 3 – Organic arable crops import volumes by product category, 2022 and 2023 (thousand t)

	2022	2023	change (%)
Oilcakes	223	176	-21.1
Soyabeans	192	158	-17.6
Beet and cane sugar	146	107	-26.2
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	121	105	-13.3
Rice	93	89	-4.1
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	93	83	-10.3
Wheat	32	53	67.4
Sugar, other than beet & cane	45	44	-3.1
Palm & palm kernel oils	34	33	-2.6
Flours and other products of the milling industry	15	11	-25.8
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oils	17	11	-34.3
Starches, inulin & gluten	3.5	3.8	7.5
Total	1 014	875	-13.7

TABLE 4 – Organic permanent crops (excl. fruit) import volumes by product category, 2022 and 2023 (thousand t)

	2022	2023	change (%)
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	145	140	-3.7
Cocoa beans	73	56	-22.8
Olive oil	37	46	25.1
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	15	11	-29.5
Roasted coffee and tea	2.8	2.5	-10.1
Cocoa paste and powder	1.6	2.1	26.4
Total	274	257	-6.2

TABLE 5 – Organic animal products import volumes by product category, 2022 and 2023 (thousand t)

	2022	2023	change (%)
Eggs and honey	17.7	13.1	-25.9
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	4.5	5.2	16.0
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.1	0.86	-23.0
Milk powders and whey	3.2	0.77	-75.8
Non-edible animal products	1.1	0.60	-46.8
Cheese	0.57	0.50	-11.8
Butter	0.02	0.14	490.1
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	0.11	0.08	-23.1
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	0.15	0.06	-57.6
Meat preparations	0.01	0.03	181.7
Pigmeat, fresh, chilled and frozen	0.07	0.02	-75.3
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled and frozen	0	0.01	
Total	29	21	-25.0

Volume of organic agri-food imports in the EU by origin country

TABLE 6 - Organic import volumes by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

Rank	Exporting countries	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share in total (% 2023)	Cumulated share (% 2023)
1	Ecuador	345 522	359 554	4.1	14.5	14.5
2	China	194 101	200 170	3.1	8.1	22.6
3	Dominican Republic	251 378	191 788	-23.7	7.7	30.3
4	Peru	197 297	182 270	-7.6	7.4	37.7
5	Ukraine	219 125	173 720	-20.7	7.0	44.7
6	Türkiye	104 041	150 012	44.2	6.1	50.7
7	Colombia	120 875	120 189	-0.6	4.8	55.6
8	Togo	125 619	104 068	-17.2	4.2	59.8
9	India	139 243	68 109	-51.1	2.7	62.5
10	United Kingdom	52 917	56 471	6.7	2.3	64.8
11	Tunisia	46 453	54 225	16.7	2.2	67.0
12	Pakistan	50 848	49 959	-1.7	2.0	69.0
13	Mexico	57 803	48 728	-15.7	2.0	71.0
14	Honduras	38 272	45 205	18.1	1.8	72.8
15	Brazil	65 977	44 793	-32.1	1.8	74.6
16	Côte d'Ivoire	35 134	38 170	8.6	1.5	76.1
17	Sri Lanka	37 298	37 142	-0.4	1.5	77.6
18	Egypt	41 296	35 531	-14.0	1.4	79.1
19	Argentina	46 624	27 183	-41.7	1.1	80.2
20	Uganda	20 990	26 951	28.4	1.1	81.2
21	Kazakhstan	29 896	24 989	-16.4	1.0	82.2
22	Paraguay	31 253	23 026	-26.3	0.9	83.2
23	Ghana	20 361	22 779	11.9	0.9	84.1
24	Canada	21 172	22 471	6.1	0.9	85.0
25	South Africa	34 526	21 791	-36.9	0.9	85.9
26	Costa Rica	16 122	19 420	20.5	0.8	86.7
27	Burkina Faso	20 311	18 076	-11.0	0.7	87.4
28	Morocco	20 428	16 965	-17.0	0.7	88.1
29	Serbia	14 324	16 959	18.4	0.7	88.8
30	Philippines	17 873	16 403	-8.2	0.7	89.4
31	Kenya	11 890	15 202	27.9	0.6	90.0

Rank	Exporting countries	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share in total (% 2023)	Cumulated share (% 2023)
32	Chile	20 878	14 876	-28.7	0.6	90.6
33	Sierra Leone	16 586	14 816	-10.7	0.6	91.2
34	Russia	9 484	13 955	47.1	0.6	91.8
35	Thailand	15 734	13 097	-16.8	0.5	92.3
36	Vietnam	12 979	12 471	-3.9	0.5	92.8
37	Israel	18 045	12 223	-32.3	0.5	93.3
38	Moldova	12 211	12 191	-0.2	0.5	93.8
39	United States	8 903	12 104	35.9	0.5	94.3
40	Congo, Democratic Republic Of	13 765	11 866	-13.8	0.5	94.8
41	Laos	3 712	11 028	197.1	0.4	95.2
42	Bolivia	10 702	9 860	-7.9	0.4	95.6
43	Cambodia	12 162	9 204	-24.3	0.4	96.0
44	Tanzania	5 685	8 102	42.5	0.3	96.3
45	Indonesia	9 494	7 798	-17.9	0.3	96.6
46	Bosnia and Herzegovina	10 490	6 935	-33.9	0.3	96.9
47	New Zealand	14 670	6 724	-54.2	0.3	97.2
48	Ethiopia	13 845	6 447	-53.4	0.3	97.4
49	Mozambique	7 733	6 315	-18.3	0.3	97.7
50	São Tomé and Príncipe	4 261	6 082	42.7	0.2	97.9
51	Madagascar	7 856	5 855	-25.5	0.2	98.2
52	Nicaragua	4 473	5 050	12.9	0.2	98.4
53	Mali	3 774	3 827	1.4	0.2	98.5
54	Sudan	8 447	3 429	-59.4	0.1	98.7
55	Japan	3 851	3 342	-13.2	0.1	98.8
56	Guatemala	3 441	2 331	-32.3	0.1	98.9
57	Cuba	3 695	2 236	-39.5	0.1	99.0
58	Benin	14 740	2 131	-85.5	0.1	99.1
59	Senegal	1 895	2 035	7.4	0.1	99.2
60	Algeria	1 379	1 910	38.6	0.1	99.2
61	Azerbaijan	1 227	1 462	19.1	0.1	99.3
62	Iran	2 040	1 436	-29.6	0.1	99.4
63	Papua New Guinea	1 501	1 295	-13.7	0.1	99.4
64	Albania	1 440	1 263	-12.3	0.1	99.5
65	Kyrgyzstan	865	929	7.4	0.0	99.5
66	Australia	1 301	929	-28.6	0.0	99.5
67	Uruguay	1 234	710	-42.4	0.0	99.6
68	Lesotho	678	705	4.1	0.0	99.6
69	Rwanda	838	694	-17.2	0.0	99.6
70	Georgia	738	677	-8.2	0.0	99.7
71	Palestinian Territory, Occupied	640	623	-2.7	0.0	99.7
72	United Arab Emirates	515	590	14.8	0.0	99.7
73	Guinea-Bissau	604	584	-3.2	0.0	99.7
74	Uzbekistan	657	547	-16.7	0.0	99.7
75	Nigeria	646	472	-26.9	0.0	99.8
76	Guyana	356	430	21.0	0.0	99.8
77	Chad	2 274	416	-81.7	0.0	99.8
78	Kosovo	370	408	10.3	0.0	99.8
79	Niger	720	400	-44.4	0.0	99.8
80	Nepal	337	303	-10.0	0.0	99.8
81	Haiti	275	300	9.2	0.0	99.9
82	Saudi Arabia	266	286	7.8	0.0	99.9
83	El Salvador	213	277	30.3	0.0	99.9
84	Panama	193	273	42.1	0.0	99.9
85	Cameroon	295	266	-9.8	0.0	99.9
86	Hong Kong	96	261	172.7	0.0	99.9

Rank	Exporting countries	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share in total (% 2023)	Cumulated share (% 2023)
87	North Macedonia	447	258	-42.4	0.0	99.9
88	Zimbabwe	293	253	-13.6	0.0	99.9
89	Maldives	577	223	-61.4	0.0	99.9
90	Belarus	271	167	-38.4	0.0	99.9
91	Syria	33	133	300.4	0.0	100.0
92	South Korea	215	117	-45.5	0.0	100.0
93	Namibia	75	114	50.4	0.0	100.0
94	Taiwan	106	112	5.8	0.0	100.0
95	Jordan	70	107	53.8	0.0	100.0
96	Armenia	71	82	16.2	0.0	100.0
97	Samoa	100	82	-17.9	0.0	100.0
98	French Polynesia	68	65	-4.9	0.0	100.0
99	Fiji	24	64	168.7	0.0	100.0
100	Burundi	69	58	-16.6	0.0	100.0
101	Belize	59	44	-25.5	0.0	100.0
102	Suriname	62	43	-31.2	0.0	100.0
103	Zambia	86	35	-59.1	0.0	100.0
104	Guinea	0	27	n/a	0.0	100.0
105	Myanmar	24	27	11.8	0.0	100.0
106	Malaysia	15	27	74.4	0.0	100.0
107	Venezuela	0	25	n/a	0.0	100.0
108	Liberia	104	25	-75.9	0.0	100.0
109	Montenegro	24	25	3.7	0.0	100.0
110	Somalia	33	19	-44.0	0.0	100.0
111	Timor-Leste	21	18	-12.0	0.0	100.0
112	Dominica	0	17	n/a	0.0	100.0
113	Lebanon	23	13	-41.0	0.0	100.0
114	Comoros	24	13	-45.3	0.0	100.0
115	Singapore	20	10	-49.6	0.0	100.0
116	Seychelles	19	10	-46.2	0.0	100.0
117	Grenada	9	8	-5.3	0.0	100.0
118	Mauritius	1	1	14.2	0.0	100.0
119	Oman	0	0	n/a	0.0	100.0
120	New Caledonia	0	0	-29.6	0.0	100.0
121	Angola	4	0	-98.1	0.0	100.0
122	Afghanistan	0	0	n/a	0.0	100.0
123	Solomon Islands	17	0	-100.0	0.0	100.0
124	Switzerland	12	0	-100.0	0.0	100.0
125	Bangladesh	55	0	-100.0	0.0	100.0
	Grand total	2 727 206	2 479 319	-9.1		

Volume of organic agri-food imports in the EU by product category

TABLE 7 - Organic import volumes by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

Rank	Product categories	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share in total (% 2023)	Cumulated share (% 2023)	Estimated share organic/total imports (% 2023 imports)
1	Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	872 234	851 498	-2.4	34.3	34.3	9.9%
2	Oilcakes	223 028	175 880	-21.1	7.1	41.4	0.8%
3	Soyabeans	191 898	158 105	-17.6	6.4	47.8	1.2%
4	Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	145 263	139 856	-3.7	5.6	53.5	5.1%
5	Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	109 298	112 274	2.7	4.5	58.0	1.8%
6	Beet and cane sugar	145 651	107 479	-26.2	4.3	62.3	3.6%
7	Cereals, other than wheat and rice	120 743	104 657	-13.3	4.2	66.5	0.5%
8	Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	118 967	98 311	-17.4	4.0	70.5	2.8%
9	Rice	93 055	89 240	-4.1	3.6	74.1	3.9%
10	Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	92 700	83 186	-10.3	3.4	77.5	1.0%
11	Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	61 136	61 610	0.8	2.5	79.9	2.6%
12	Fruit juices	80 284	60 099	-25.1	2.4	82.4	3.4%
13	Cocoa beans	72 694	56 116	-22.8	2.2	84.5	3.3%
14	Wheat	31 838	53 308	67.4	2.3	86.8	0.4%
15	Olive oil	36 757	45 979	25.1	1.8	88.5	26.6%
16	Sugar, other than beet & cane	45 046	43 658	-3.1	1.3	89.9	3.1%
17	Palm & palm kernel oils	34 307	33 427	-2.6	1.9	91.7	0.6%
18	Citrus fruit	42 740	33 003	-22.8	0.7	92.5	1.4%
19	Food preparations, not specified	31 926	28 427	-11.0	1.1	93.6	5.4%
20	Pet food	13 123	17 457	33.0	0.6	94.2	0.9%
21	Bulbs, roots and live plants	17 289	14 241	-17.6	1.3	95.5	5.8%
22	Eggs and honey	17 656	13 091	-25.9	0.5	96.0	5.6%
23	Fish	14 264	11 424	-19.9	0.4	96.4	n/a
24	Flours and other products of the milling industry	15 227	11 294	-25.8	0.5	96.9	2.0%
25	Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oils	16 648	10 936	-34.3	0.5	97.4	0.3%
26	Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	15 133	10 674	-29.5	0.4	97.8	1.6%
27	Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	9 214	7 601	-17.5	0.3	98.1	10.3%
28	Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk preparations	6 394	5 633	-11.9	0.2	98.4	1.4%
29	Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	4 486	5 205	16.0	0.2	98.6	0.7%
30	Soups and sauces	5 206	5 107	-1.9	0.2	98.8	1.2%
31	Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	4 685	4 672	-0.3	0.2	98.9	0.4%
32	Gums, resins and plant extracts	12 539	4 668	-62.8	0.2	99.1	1.6%
33	Starches, inulin & gluten	3 537	3 803	7.5	0.2	99.3	2.4%

Rank	Product categories	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share in total (% 2023)	Cumulated share (% 2023)	Estimated share organic/total imports (% 2023 imports)
34	Roasted coffee and tea	2 775	2 496	-10.1	0.1	99.4	2.4%
35	Cocoa paste and powder	1 640	2 072	26.4	0.1	99.5	0.3%
36	Waters and soft drinks	2 081	1 982	-4.8	0.1	99.5	0.1%
37	Other non agri	1 782	1 609	-9.7	0.0	99.6	n/a
38	Essential oils	1 439	1 076	-25.2	0.0	99.6	2.3%
39	Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	828	1 051	26.9	0.1	99.7	0.2%
40	Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	659	1 050	59.2	0.0	99.8	0.4%
41	Other feed and feed ingredients	1 878	942	-49.8	0.0	99.8	0.0%
42	Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1 121	863	-23.0	0.0	99.8	0.3%
43	Milk powders and whey	3 190	772	-75.8	0.0	99.8	0.5%
44	Ethanol	798	664	-16.8	0.0	99.9	0.0%
45	Non-edible animal products	1 130	601	-46.8	0.0	99.9	0.1%
46	Cheese	567	500	-11.8	0.0	99.9	0.3%
47	Sugar alcohols	892	483	-45.8	0.0	99.9	0.5%
48	Coffee and tea extracts	408	400	-2.0	0.0	100.0	0.4%
49	Spirits and liqueurs	412	269	-34.6	0.0	100.0	0.0%
50	Butter	23	136	490.1	0.0	100.0	0.3%
51	Beer	105	134	28.6	0.0	100.0	0.0%
52	Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	108	83	-23.1	0.0	100.0	0.0%
53	Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	147	62	-57.6	0.0	100.0	0.0%
54	Fatty acids and waxes	84	54	-35.7	0.0	100.0	0.0%
55	Malt	60	44	-27.4	0.0	100.0	0.1%
56	Meat preparations	10	27	181.7	0.0	100.0	0.0%
57	Pigmeat, fresh, chilled and frozen	68	17	-75.3	0.0	100.0	0.0%
58	Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled and frozen	0	10	n/a	0.0	100.0	0.0%
59	Cut flowers and plants	6	3	-49.3	0.0	100.0	0.0%
60	Odoriferous substances	26	1	-95.3	0.0	100.0	0.0%
	Grand Total	2 727 206	2 479 319	-9.1	0.0	100.0	1.6%

Volume of organic agri-food imports in the EU by origin country for top ten product categories

TABLE 8 - Organic import volumes of tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Ecuador	317 509	331 979	4.6	39.0
Dominican Republic	226 590	173 008	-23.6	20.3
Peru	114 821	116 726	1.7	13.7
Colombia	48 857	65 092	33.2	7.6
Côte d'Ivoire	31 901	35 670	11.8	4.2
Ghana	16 773	21 091	25.7	2.5
China	19 461	14 986	-23.0	1.8
Kenya	10 017	13 524	35.0	1.6
Türkiye	10 858	10 896	0.3	1.3
Vietnam	7 146	7 436	4.1	0.9
Total	872 234	851 498	-2.4	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	92	93		

Source: Traces

TABLE 9 - Organic import volumes of oilcakes by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
China	120 151	134 690	12.1	76.6
Kazakhstan	6 200	11 731	89.2	6.7
Ukraine	13 732	11 697	-14.8	6.7
Uganda	1 513	6 532	331.8	3.7
India	69 387	5 452	-92.1	3.1
Moldova	46	2 157	4 630.7	1.2
Brazil	5 127	1 179	-77.0	0.7
Russia	1 366	771	-43.5	0.4
Togo	305	671	120.3	0.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	108	409	278.0	0.2
Total	223 028	175 880	-21.1	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	98	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 10 - Organic import volumes of soyabeans by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Togo	120 094	98 747	-17.8	62.5
Ukraine	30 673	39 119	27.5	24.7
Burkina Faso	8 044	7 530	-6.4	4.8
Uganda	768	3 168	312.6	2.0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2 013	3 008	49.5	1.9
Kazakhstan	11 531	2 500	-78.3	1.6
Benin	14 047	1 140	-91.9	0.7
Serbia	0	812	n/a	0.5
China	888	778	-12.4	0.5
Canada	682	659	-3.4	0.4
Total	191 898	158 105	-17.6	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	98	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 11 - Organic import volumes of unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Honduras	37 671	44 805	18.9	32.0
Peru	48 999	37 984	-22.5	27.2
Mexico	9 650	8 617	-10.7	6.2
Ethiopia	8 270	6 351	-23.2	4.5
India	5 741	5 882	2.5	4.2
Tanzania	2 688	5 581	107.6	4.0
Uganda	4 456	4 949	11.1	3.5
Nicaragua	3 249	3 907	20.2	2.8
DR Congo	2 893	3 759	29.9	2.7
Colombia	3 630	3 363	-7.4	2.4
Total	145 263	139 856	-3.7	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	88	90		

Source: Traces

TABLE 12 - Organic import volumes of vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Türkiye	26 064	36 806	41.2	32.8
Egypt	20 270	15 567	-23.2	13.9
China	10 002	13 361	33.6	11.9
Russia	2 978	9 688	225.3	8.6
United Kingdom	6 325	7 190	13.7	6.4
Israel	12 572	6 659	-47.0	5.9
South Africa	7 404	3 563	-51.9	3.2
Morocco	3 609	3 393	-6.0	3.0
Argentina	3 996	3 236	-19.0	2.9
United States	1 108	2 107	90.1	1.9
Total	109 298	112 274	2.7	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	86	90		

Source: Traces

TABLE 13 - Organic import volumes of beet and cane sugar by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Colombia	52 713	39 696	-24.7	36.9
Brazil	34 529	20 280	-41.3	18.9
Paraguay	14 173	9 935	-29.9	9.2
Costa Rica	3 920	9 251	136.0	8.6
Laos	2 825	9 010	219.0	8.4
Mozambique	6 914	5 652	-18.2	5.3
Peru	3 754	4 267	13.7	4.0
India	8 349	3 718	-55.5	3.5
Thailand	2 999	1 585	-47.1	1.5
Ecuador	1 108	993	-10.4	0.9
Total	145 651	107 479	-26.2	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	90	97		

Source: Traces

TABLE 14 - Organic import volumes of cereals, other than wheat and rice, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Ukraine	93 125	66 312	-28.8	63.4
Türkiye	646	16 102	2394.1	15.4
United Kingdom	5 433	6 523	20.1	6.2
Bolivia	5 262	5 934	12.8	5.7
Moldova	2 724	2 318	-14.9	2.2
Peru	5 958	1 877	-68.5	1.8
United States	96	1 678	1647.9	1.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	4 244	1 417	-66.6	1.4
India	1 034	1 219	17.9	1.2
China	525	602	14.7	0.6
Total	120 743	104 657	-13.3	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	99	99		

Source: Traces

TABLE 15 - Organic import volumes of fruit, fresh or dried, excluding citrus & tropical fruit, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Türkiye	27 948	24 141	-13.6	24.6
Ukraine	16 246	17 165	5.7	17.5
Argentina	15 202	10 804	-28.9	11.0
Serbia	8 861	9 254	4.4	9.4
Chile	10 606	6 680	-37.0	6.8
New Zealand	11 788	6 131	-48.0	6.2
Morocco	6 386	5 195	-18.6	5.3
South Africa	4 445	4 249	-4.4	4.3
Peru	6 239	3 057	-51.0	3.1
China	2 095	2 060	-1.7	2.1
Total	118 967	98 311	-17.4	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	92	90		

Source: Traces

TABLE 16 - Organic import volumes of rice by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Pakistan	41 666	40 107	-3.7	44.9
India	27 385	28 815	5.2	32.3
Cambodia	11 834	9 059	-23.5	10.2
Thailand	7 314	6 324	-13.5	7.1
Argentina	4 294	4 868	-	5.5
Vietnam	38	45	-	0.1
Total	93 055	89 240	-4.1	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	99	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 17 - Organic import volumes of oilseeds, other than soyabeans, by exporting country, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Ukraine	20 416	14 133	-30.8	17.0
China	10 499	10 123	-3.6	12.2
Kazakhstan	9 367	9 065	-3.2	10.9
Egypt	9 216	8 362	-9.3	10.1
Uganda	7 161	6 821	-4.7	8.2
Paraguay	7 120	6 451	-9.4	7.8
India	5 453	5 854	7.4	7.0
Moldova	4 121	4 065	-1.4	4.9
Serbia	1 350	3 786	180.3	4.6
Türkiye	6 624	3 411	-48.5	4.1
Total	92 700	83 186	-10.3	100.0
<i>Share of selected countries in Total (%)</i>	88	87		

Volume of organic agri-food imports in the EU by product category for top ten origin countries

TABLE 18 - Organic import volumes from Ecuador, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	317 509	331 979	4.6	92.3
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	15 870	16 976	7.0	4.7
Palm & palm kernel oils	3 167	2 792	-11.9	0.8
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	1 971	1 946	-1.3	0.5
Cocoa beans	2 337	1 876	-19.8	0.5
Fish	2 412	1 478	-38.7	0.4
Beet and cane sugar	1 108	993	-10.4	0.3
Total	345 522	359 554	4.1	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	100	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 19 - Organic import volumes from China, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Oilcakes	120 151	134 690	12.1	67.3
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	19 461	14 986	-23.0	7.5
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	10 002	13 361	33.6	6.7
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	10 499	10 123	-3.6	5.1
Eggs and honey	4 675	3 762	-19.5	1.9
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	4 370	3 208	-26.6	1.6
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	4 622	2 931	-36.6	1.5
Flours and other products of the milling industry	5 662	2 738	-51.6	1.4
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2 095	2 060	-1.7	1.0
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1 761	1 637	-7.0	0.8
Total	194 101	200 170	3.1	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	94	95		

Source: Traces

TABLE 20 - Organic import volumes from Dominican Republic, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	226 590	173 008	-23.6	90.2
Cocoa beans	23 684	17 356	-26.7	9.0
Citrus fruit	760	1 046	37.6	0.5
Cocoa paste and powder	301	331	9.8	0.2
Total	251 378	191 788	-23.7	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	100	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 21 - Organic import volumes from Peru, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	114 821	116 726	1.7	64.0
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	48 999	37 984	-22.5	20.8
Cocoa beans	7 716	6 673	-13.5	3.7
Beet and cane sugar	3 754	4 267	13.7	2.3
Citrus fruit	4 716	3 279	-30.5	1.8
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	6 239	3 057	-51.0	1.7
Fruit juices	1 168	2 812	140.7	1.5
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	950	2 572	170.8	1.4
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	5 958	1 877	-68.5	1.0
Palm & palm kernel oils	43	810	1791.4	0.4
Total	197 297	182 270	-7.6	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	98	98		

Source: Traces

TABLE 22 - Organic import volumes from Ukraine, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	93 125	66 312	-28.8	38.2
Soyabeans	30 673	39 119	27.5	22.5
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	16 246	17 165	5.7	9.9
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	20 416	14 133	-30.8	8.1
Oilcakes	13 732	11 697	-14.8	6.7
Wheat	20 797	11 007	-47.1	6.3
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oils	8 220	3 960	-51.8	2.3
Fruit juices	4 980	2 998	-39.8	1.7
Flours and other products of the milling industry	3 016	2 676	-11.3	1.5
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	2 914	2 069	-29.0	1.2
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	2 739	1 211	-55.8	0.7
Eggs and honey	680	640	-5.8	0.4
Total	219 125	173 720	-20.7	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	99	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 23 - Organic import volumes from Türkiye, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	26 064	36 806	41.2	24.5
Wheat	110	33 317	30188.0	22.2
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	27 948	24 141	-13.6	16.1
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	646	16 102	2394.1	10.7
Fruit juices	20 723	14 372	-30.6	9.6
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	10 858	10 896	0.3	7.3
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	5 330	4 804	-9.9	3.2
Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk preparations	3 359	3 556	5.9	2.4
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	6 624	3 411	-48.5	2.3
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1 306	1 151	-11.9	0.8
Flours and other products of the milling industry	460	603	31.0	0.4
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oils	133	511	284.3	0.3
Total	104 041	150 012	44.2	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	100	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 24 - Organic import volumes from Colombia, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	48 857	65 092	33.2	54.2
Beet and cane sugar	52 713	39 696	-24.7	33.0
Citrus fruit	7 524	6 265	-16.7	5.2
Palm & palm kernel oils	5 741	4 364	-24.0	3.6
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	3 630	3 363	-7.4	2.8
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	888	401	-54.9	0.3
Ethanol	658	389	-40.9	0.3
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	213	265	24.4	0.2
Gums, resins and plant extracts	194	97	-50.0	0.1
Total	120 875	120 189	-0.6	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	100	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 25 - Organic import volumes from Togo, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Soyabeans	120 094	98 747	-17.8	94.9
Fruit juices	3 664	3 238	-11.6	3.1
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1 413	1 009	-28.6	1.0
Oilcakes	305	671	120.3	0.6
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oils	20	299	1396.3	0.3
Cocoa beans	90	81	-9.9	0.1
Total	125 619	104 068	-17.2	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	100	100		

Source: Traces

TABLE 26 - Organic import volumes from India, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Rice	27 385	28 815	5.2	42.3
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	10 186	8 680	-14.8	12.7
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & maté	5 741	5 882	2.5	8.6
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	5 453	5 854	7.4	8.6
Oilcakes	69 387	5 452	-92.1	8.0
Beet and cane sugar	8 349	3 718	-55.5	5.5
Bulbs, roots and live plants	2 789	2 695	-3.4	4.0
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	3 347	2 667	-20.3	3.9
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1 034	1 219	17.9	1.8
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	649	711	9.7	1.0
Total	139 243	68 109	-51.1	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	96	96		

Source: Traces

TABLE 27 - Organic import volumes from United Kingdom, by product category, 2022 and 2023 (t)

	2022 imports	2023 imports	Change (%)	Share (% , 2023)
Pet food	12 381	16 119	30.2	28.5
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	6 325	7 190	13.7	12.7
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	5 433	6 523	20.1	11.6
Fish	6 477	6 180	-4.6	10.9
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	4 484	5 181	15.6	9.2
Food preparations, not specified	1 910	1 964	2.8	3.5
Flours and other products of the milling industry	2 067	1 819	-12.0	3.2
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	1 411	1 702	20.6	3.0
Waters and soft drinks	1 313	1 620	23.3	2.9
Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk preparations	1 898	1 209	-36.3	2.1
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	766	1 162	51.8	2.1
Roasted coffee and tea	867	828	-4.6	1.5
Milk powders and whey	2 985	772	-74.1	1.4
Total	52 917	56 471	6.7	100.0
<i>Share of selected products in Total (%)</i>	91	93		

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