

AGRI-FOOD TRADE STATISTICAL FACTSHEET

European Union - United Arab Emirates

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"**Agri-food products**" refers to the WTO definition of agricultural products and includes the chapters 1-24 (excluding fish and fish products) of the Harmonised System, and a number of headings in chapters 29, 33, 35, 38, 41, 43 and 50-53. The aggregate of EU Agri-food trade does not contain tariff codes CN 3302.10.40 and CN 3302.10.90 (some odoriferous substances which are regarded as industrial products).

The details of the **product categories** referred to in this factsheet are available on: [Agri-food trade presentation \(europa.eu\)](https://ec.europa.eu/agri-food/trade-presentation)

More trade statistics including main economic indicators, GDP by sector, trade in goods and trade in commercial services are provided by the EU Commission Directorate-General for Trade on their website: https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/data-and-analysis/markets/trade-data/trade-countryregion/trade-value_en

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EU Agri-Food trade with: United Arab Emirates

1. Selection of indicators

Agricultural indicators

	Unit	Period	World	Partner
1 Agriculture, value added	(% of GDP)	2023	4.1	0.7
2 Employment in agriculture	(% of total employment)	2023	26.1	1.3
3 Arable land	(ha)	2021	n.a.	50 300
4 Crop production index	(2004 2006 = 100)	2020	100.0	108.2
5 Livestock production index	(2004 2006 = 100)	2020	100.0	138.0
6 Food production index	(2004 2006 = 100)	2020	100.0	124.5
7 Rural population	(% of total population)	2023	42.7	12.2

Source: World Bank

Trade indicators

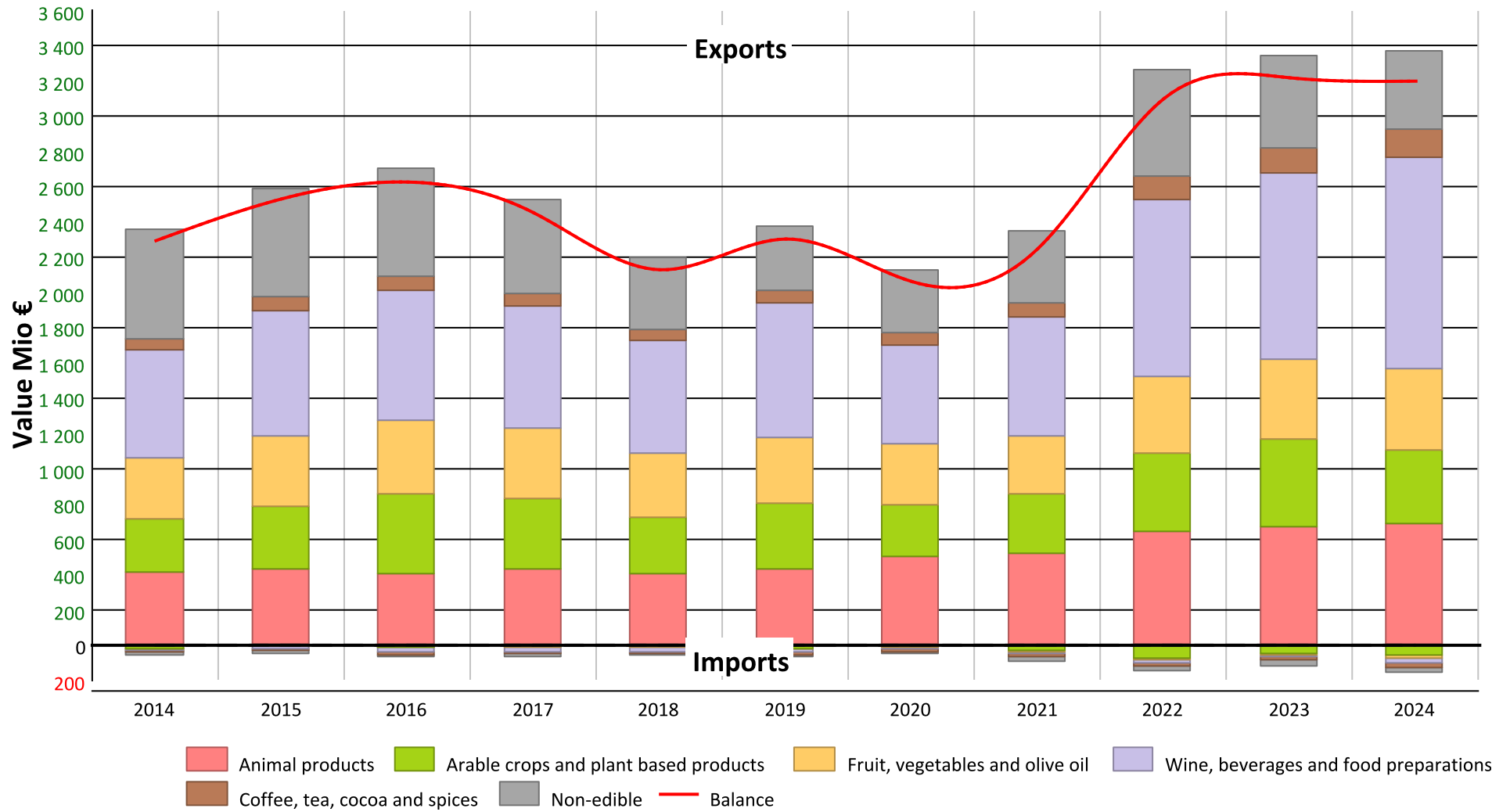
	Unit	Exports	Imports	Balance
EU27 Agri-food trade with United Arab Emirates				
Agri-food trade value	Mio €	3 361	161	3 200
- as share of EU27 total Agri-food trade	(%)	1.4	0.1	
- as share of EU27 total trade with United Arab Emirates	(%)	7.6	1.4	
% change 2023 - 2024		0.6	36.4	
Annual rate of change from 2014 - 2024	(%)	3.6	11.0	
EU27 total trade with United Arab Emirates				
Total trade value	Mio €	44 398	11 218	33 181
- as share of EU27 total trade	(%)	1.7	0.5	
EU27 world trade				
Total trade value	Mio €	2 583 950	2 437 593	146 357
Total Agri-food trade	Mio €	235 409	171 887	63 522
- as share of EU27 total trade	(%)	9.1	7.1	43.4

Ranking of EU main Agri-food trade partners and United Arab Emirates

Top Destinations: 2024				Top Origins: 2024			
		Value Mio €	% Share Extra-EU			Value Mio €	% Share Extra-EU
1	United Kingdom	53 944	22.9	1	Brazil	17 426	10.1
2	United States	30 534	13.0	2	United Kingdom	15 391	9.0
3	China	13 242	5.6	3	Ukraine	13 094	7.6
4	Switzerland	12 272	5.2	4	United States	11 947	7.0
5	Japan	8 334	3.5	5	China	9 154	5.3
6	Norway	6 037	2.6	6	Türkiye	7 314	4.3
7	Russia	6 010	2.6	7	Ivory Coast	6 760	3.9
8	Türkiye	5 166	2.2	8	Argentina	5 558	3.2
9	Canada	4 809	2.0	9	Indonesia	5 266	3.1
10	Saudi Arabia	4 622	2.0	10	Switzerland	5 048	2.9
11	South Korea	4 271	1.8	11	India	3 974	2.3
12	Australia	4 170	1.8	12	Vietnam	3 836	2.2
13	Ukraine	3 634	1.5	13	Peru	3 766	2.2
14	Morocco	3 605	1.5	14	Morocco	3 447	2.0
15	United Arab Emirates	3 361	1.4	15	Malaysia	3 279	1.9
16	Israel	2 903	1.2	16	South Africa	2 791	1.6
17	Algeria	2 824	1.2	17	Ecuador	2 764	1.6
18	Brazil	2 812	1.2	18	Canada	2 539	1.5
19	Serbia	2 698	1.1	19	Colombia	2 527	1.5
20	Mexico	2 668	1.1	20	Serbia	2 312	1.3
				71	United Arab Emirates	161	0.1
	Rest of the World	57 491	24.0		Rest of the World	43 692	25.1

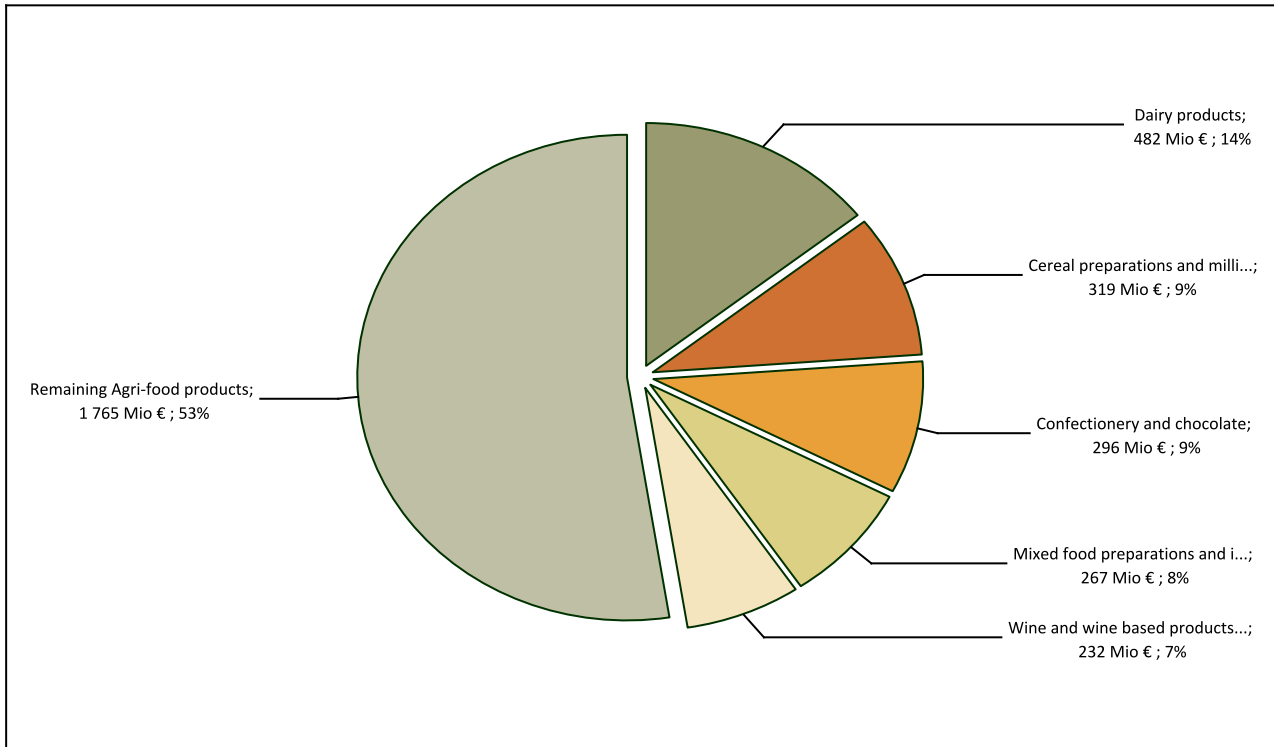
EU Agri-Food trade with: United Arab Emirates

2. Structure of EU Agri-food trade with United Arab Emirates, 2014 - 2024



3. EU Agri-food EXPORTS to United Arab Emirates by product category

Top EU Agri-food exports to United Arab Emirates in 2024



Evolution of 15 top EU Agri-food exports to United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

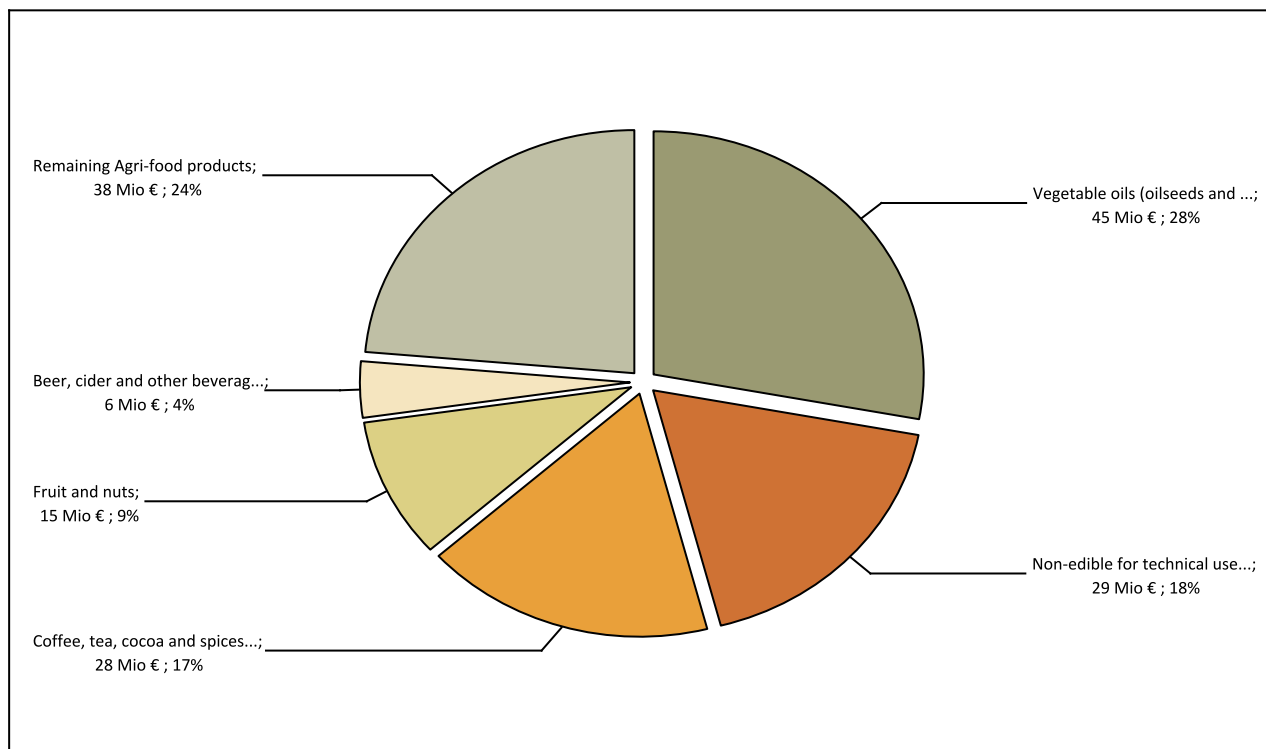
		Exports						
		Value Mio €					%	
		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
	Agri-food	2 120	2 345	3 255	3 340	3 361	100.0	0.6
1	Dairy products	362	372	478	486	482	14.3	-0.9
2	Cereal preparations and milling products	243	229	305	341	319	9.5	-6.6
3	Confectionery and chocolate	135	161	232	244	296	8.8	21.2
4	Mixed food preparations and ingredients	140	159	224	248	267	7.9	7.6
5	Wine and wine based products	61	96	180	188	232	6.9	23.3
6	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	97	100	147	195	222	6.6	14.0
7	Preparations of fruit, nuts and vegetables	109	117	170	206	212	6.3	3.2
8	Beer, cider and other beverages	141	151	178	208	210	6.2	1.0
9	Spirits and liqueurs	86	107	188	164	190	5.7	16.4
10	Coffee, tea, cocoa and spices	72	81	126	144	160	4.8	10.8
11	Pet food and forage crops	196	236	370	241	136	4.1	-43.5
12	Vegetables	108	102	107	106	107	3.2	1.0
13	Other animal products	59	67	71	103	96	2.9	-6.3
14	Fruit and nuts	88	79	104	93	84	2.5	-9.8
15	Olives and olive oil	41	35	56	45	59	1.8	30.5
	Remaining Agri-food products	181	253	320	328	288	8.6	-12.1

Evolution of EU Agri-food exports to United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

	Exports						
	Value Mio €					%	
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
Agri-food	2 120	2 345	3 255	3 340	3 361	100.0	0.6
Animal products	495	519	637	672	683	20.3	1.5
Beef and veal	11	19	18	18	32	0.9	72.1
Pigmeat	18	22	22	21	21	0.6	1.6
Poultry and eggs	35	30	38	40	49	1.4	21.7
Sheep and goat	10	9	9	4	3	0.1	-33.6
Dairy products	362	372	478	486	482	14.3	-0.9
Other animal products	59	67	71	103	96	2.9	-6.3
Arable crops and plant based products	294	334	449	497	420	12.5	-15.5
Cereals	19	62	96	97	39	1.2	-59.9
Cereal preparations and milling products	243	229	305	341	319	9.5	-6.6
Oilseeds and protein crops	1	1	2	4	1	0.0	-65.3
Vegetable oils (oilseeds and palm)	3	9	8	11	4	0.1	-64.9
Margarine and other oils and fats (vegetable)	19	22	27	30	36	1.1	20.5
Sugar and isoglucose	8	11	11	15	22	0.6	48.4
Fruit, vegetables and olive oil	347	333	437	450	463	13.8	2.7
Vegetables	108	102	107	106	107	3.2	1.0
Fruit and nuts	88	79	104	93	84	2.5	-9.8
Preparations of fruit, nuts and vegetables	109	117	170	206	212	6.3	3.2
Olives and olive oil	41	35	56	45	59	1.8	30.5
Wine, beverages and food preparations	564	674	1 002	1 052	1 196	35.6	13.7
Wine and wine based products	61	96	180	188	232	6.9	23.3
Spirits and liqueurs	86	107	188	164	190	5.7	16.4
Beer, cider and other beverages	141	151	178	208	210	6.2	1.0
Confectionery and chocolate	135	161	232	244	296	8.8	21.2
Mixed food preparations and ingredients	140	159	224	248	267	7.9	7.6
Coffee, tea, cocoa and spices	72	81	126	144	160	4.8	10.8
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Non-edible	349	404	604	524	440	13.1	-15.9
Pet food and forage crops	196	236	370	241	136	4.1	-43.5
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	97	100	147	195	222	6.6	14.0
Horticulture	39	46	60	55	53	1.6	-4.5
Non-edible for technical use	11	18	27	29	25	0.8	-13.4
Unspecified	5	4	1	3	4	0.1	13.2

4. EU Agri-food IMPORTS from United Arab Emirates by product category

Top EU Agri-food imports from United Arab Emirates in 2024



Evolution of 15 top EU Agri-food imports from United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

		Imports						
		Value Mio €					%	
		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
	Agri-food	55	92	151	118	161	100.0	36.4
1	Vegetable oils (oilseeds and palm)	2	16	59	22	45	27.7	107.2
2	Non-edible for technical use	10	23	25	26	29	17.9	9.9
3	Coffee, tea, cocoa and spices	17	15	23	19	28	17.5	47.2
4	Fruit and nuts	5	6	6	7	15	9.5	104.9
5	Beer, cider and other beverages	5	5	5	5	6	3.8	15.7
6	Mixed food preparations and ingredients	2	4	6	4	6	3.7	44.3
7	Confectionery and chocolate	1	1	1	2	4	2.8	180.8
8	Wine and wine based products	1	0	0	1	4	2.7	301.8
9	Cereal preparations and milling products	1	2	3	3	4	2.6	34.5
10	Margarine and other oils and fats (vegetable)	1	2	0	3	4	2.2	7.3
11	Oilseeds and protein crops	2	8	4	4	3	1.7	-24.8
12	Preparations of fruit, nuts and vegetables	1	1	2	2	2	1.5	45.3
13	Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	1	0	1	2	2	1.5	-1.1
14	Other animal products	1	2	1	2	2	1.2	20.2
15	Cereals	0	0	0	4	2	1.2	-49.4
	Remaining Agri-food products	4	5	14	12	4	2.7	-64.7

Evolution of EU Agri-food imports from United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

	Imports						
	Value Mio €					%	
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
Agri-food	55	92	151	118	161	100.0	36.4
Animal products	2	3	2	2	2	1.4	11.9
Beef and veal				0	0	0.0	12.5
Pigmeat	0	0		0	0	0.0	468.4
Poultry and eggs		0	0	0	0	0.0	-99.9
Sheep and goat							
Dairy products	0	0	1	0	0	0.2	-19.8
Other animal products	1	2	1	2	2	1.2	20.2
Arable crops and plant based products	7	31	79	45	59	36.3	30.3
Cereals	0	0	0	4	2	1.2	-49.4
Cereal preparations and milling products	1	2	3	3	4	2.6	34.5
Oilseeds and protein crops	2	8	4	4	3	1.7	-24.8
Vegetable oils (oilseeds and palm)	2	16	59	22	45	27.7	107.2
Margarine and other oils and fats (vegetable)	1	2	0	3	4	2.2	7.3
Sugar and isoglucose	0	3	12	10	2	1.0	-83.7
Fruit, vegetables and olive oil	6	8	8	9	18	11.4	95.6
Vegetables	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	-49.0
Fruit and nuts	5	6	6	7	15	9.5	104.9
Preparations of fruit, nuts and vegetables	1	1	2	2	2	1.5	45.3
Olives and olive oil	0	0	0	0	1	0.4	1383.4
Wine, beverages and food preparations	12	12	14	14	22	13.9	62.9
Wine and wine based products	1	0	0	1	4	2.7	301.8
Spirits and liqueurs	3	1	1	2	2	1.0	-7.6
Beer, cider and other beverages	5	5	5	5	6	3.8	15.7
Confectionery and chocolate	1	1	1	2	4	2.8	180.8
Mixed food preparations and ingredients	2	4	6	4	6	3.7	44.3
Coffee, tea, cocoa and spices	17	15	23	19	28	17.5	47.2
Coffee, tea, cocoa and spices	17	15	23	19	28	17.5	47.2
Non-edible	11	23	26	29	31	19.4	8.2
Pet food and forage crops	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	-35.2
Tobacco, cigars and cigarettes	1	0	1	2	2	1.5	-1.1
Horticulture	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	-96.9
Non-edible for technical use	10	23	25	26	29	17.9	9.9
Unspecified			0	0	0	0.0	-57.6

EU Agri-Food trade with: United Arab Emirates

5. EU Agri-food trade with United Arab Emirates by HS chapters

Evolution of EU Agri-food exports to United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

		Exports						
		Value Mio €					%	
		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
	Agri-food	2 120	2 345	3 255	3 340	3 361	100.0	0.6
01	Live Animals	27	40	37	61	62	1.8	0.3
02	Meat and edible meat offal	40	47	53	46	61	1.8	31.9
04	Dairy produce	316	332	384	417	436	13.0	4.6
05	Products of animal origin	2	1	2	2	2	0.1	8.0
06	Live trees and other plants	38	46	60	55	52	1.5	-5.0
07	Edible vegetables, roots & tubers	102	95	100	99	98	2.9	-0.8
08	Edible fruits & nuts	88	79	103	92	83	2.5	-10.0
09	Coffee, tea, mate & spices	40	51	76	87	79	2.4	-8.7
10	Cereals	15	57	88	86	28	0.8	-67.6
11	Products of the milling industry	11	11	15	18	20	0.6	12.3
12	Oil seeds & oleaginous fruits	173	202	325	192	75	2.2	-60.9
13	Lacs, gums, resins & other veg. saps	6	6	8	5	8	0.2	50.7
14	Vegetable products n.e.s.	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	233.3
15	Animal or vegetable fats & oils	53	57	80	74	79	2.4	7.3
16	Preparations of meat	18	19	23	26	26	0.8	-1.7
17	Sugars & sugar confectionery	33	36	48	57	64	1.9	13.2
18	Cocoa & cocoa preparations	134	152	215	233	307	9.1	31.7
19	Preps. of cereals, flour, starch, etc.	303	279	402	411	365	10.9	-11.1
20	Preps. of vegetables, fruits, nuts & plants	113	120	176	207	219	6.5	5.6
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	168	189	269	301	318	9.5	5.8
22	Beverages, spirits & vinegar	291	359	550	569	638	19.0	12.2
23	Residues and waste from food industry	38	47	65	69	83	2.5	20.8
24	Tobacco & tobacco products	97	100	147	195	222	6.6	14.0
	Other WTO products outside chapters 1-24	15	21	29	39	36	1.1	-7.6

Evolution of Agri-food imports from United Arab Emirates, 2020 - 2024

		Imports						
		Value Mio €					%	
		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Share in all Agri 2024	Change 2023-2024
	Agri-food	55	92	151	118	161	100.0	36.4
01	Live Animals	1	2	1	1	2	1.0	53.5
02	Meat and edible meat offal	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	12.9
04	Dairy produce	0	0	1	0	0	0.2	-33.4
05	Products of animal origin	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	-85.2
06	Live trees and other plants	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	-97.0
07	Edible vegetables, roots & tubers	2	8	4	3	3	1.7	-12.5
08	Edible fruits & nuts	5	6	6	7	15	9.5	104.9
09	Coffee, tea, mate & spices	16	14	22	19	27	16.8	44.3
10	Cereals	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	-56.4
11	Products of the milling industry	0	0	1	4	3	1.9	-27.4
12	Oil seeds & oleaginous fruits	0	1	2	1	0	0.3	-59.6
13	Lacs, gums, resins & other veg. saps	1	1	1	1	1	0.4	-50.6
14	Vegetable products n.e.s.	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	-6.3
15	Animal or vegetable fats & oils	10	37	80	48	72	44.7	51.6
16	Preparations of meat		0	0	0	0	0.0	443.1
17	Sugars & sugar confectionery	1	3	12	10	2	1.4	-78.5
18	Cocoa & cocoa preparations	1	1	1	1	4	2.3	280.1
19	Preps. of cereals, flour, starch, etc.	1	1	2	2	3	1.8	19.5
20	Preps. of vegetables, fruits, nuts & plants	1	1	2	2	2	1.4	38.2
21	Miscellaneous edible preparations	1	3	5	4	7	4.4	94.2
22	Beverages, spirits & vinegar	9	7	6	8	12	7.5	49.0
23	Residues and waste from food industry	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	-3.8
24	Tobacco & tobacco products	1	0	1	2	2	1.5	-1.1
	Other WTO products outside chapters 1-24	3	4	4	3	5	3.2	54.0