



MONITORING EU AGRI-FOOD TRADE: DEVELOPMENTS JANUARY-AUGUST 2020

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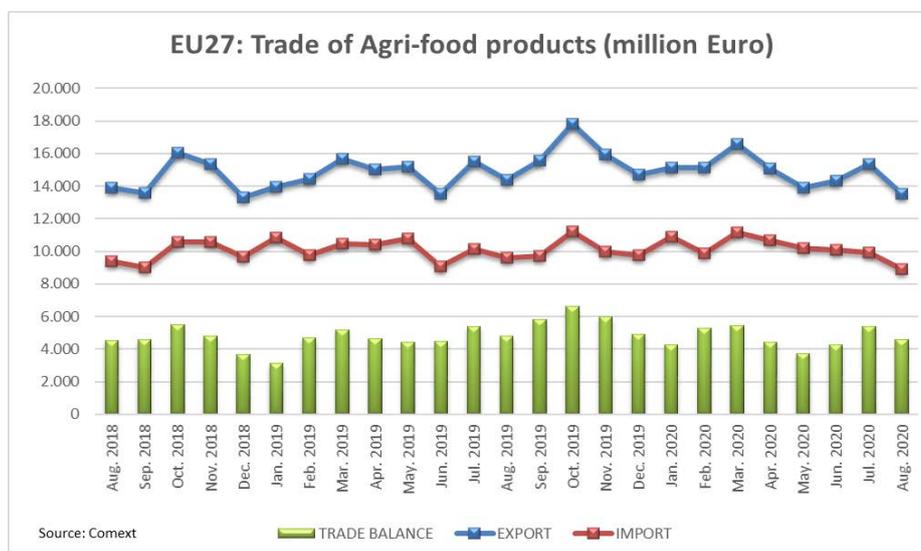
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JANUARY - AUGUST 2020: EU27 AGRI-FOOD TRADE GROWTH SLOWS DOWN

During the first eight months of 2020, EU27 agri-food trade (exports plus imports) reached a value of **EUR 200.7 billion**; i.e. 1% more than in January-August 2019. EU27 exports increased by 1.2% compared to the corresponding period in 2019, reaching **EUR 119 billion**. EU27 imports attained **EUR 81.6 billion**, nearly 1% higher than the same eight months period in 2019. In regard to the developments from the previous month, in August the monthly values of EU27 exports fell by 12% after being on the rise since May (+7% in July and +3% in June), whereas the monthly value of EU imports also reported a major decrease (-10%) following a downward trend since April (-2% in July and -1% in June).

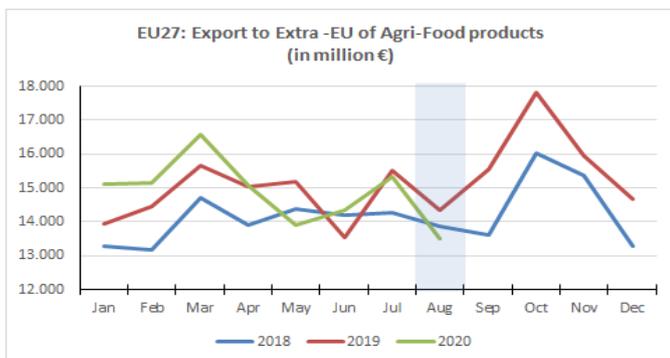
EU27 EXPORTS: FALLING EXPORTS TO THE UK AND THE US MITIGATED BY HIGHER SALES TO CHINA AND SOME NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNTRIES

On a year over year basis, the highest increases in export values (January-August 2020 compared to January-August 2019) continued to be recorded in trade with **China** (EUR +2 767 million, +33%). This has been driven by sustained triple increase in EU27 export value of pig meat (This report does not yet account for developments in September when a first case of African Swine Fever was detected in Germany and from when on signs of decreasing exports have been emerging). Other products with highest gains in export values continued to be wheat (+ EUR 334 million representing 23% of the EU27 overall increase of its exports), offal meat (+21%), infant food (+13%), and barley (+70%). On the other hand, important decreases affecting the EU overall exports of these products were reported in sales of wine (-35%), spirits (-33%), cotton (-44%), and raw hides and skins (-49%).

Saudi Arabia (+537, +24%) came second with EU exports going back to its high level in 2018, boosted by increased trade particularly in barley, certain dairy products, cigars and cigarettes, and live animals.

Other top destinations, for which the value of EU27 agri-food exports have increased most since January 2020 (EUR million), remained to be reported for **Morocco** (+383, +34%) and **Algeria** (+345, +21%) - in both cases driven by increased exports of cereals (principally wheat) and, to some extent, of some dairy products (Algeria –milk and cream, Morocco- cheese and curd, butter and other fats). EU27 exports continued to increase significantly as well to Switzerland (+416, +7% - wide range of agri-food products).

For the first eight months of 2020, EU27 continued to record major export gains to Ukraine (+299, +20%), Nigeria (+225, +38%- wheat) and Norway (+209, +7%).



On the other hand, for the period January-August 2020, the EU27 export values continued to fall most to the **United States** (-692, -5%) compared to the same period in 2019, with sales falling most in August (-21%) since the beginning of 2020. The overall reduction was primarily driven by a significant fall in EU27 exports of spirits (-19%), and wine (-14%); each representing over 30% in the EU27 overall decrease in their exports.

Similarly, for the period January-August 2020, the EU27 export values to **the United Kingdom** (-329, -1%) continued to decline in comparison to January-August 2019, with a monthly decline of 8% in August compared to the previous month. Decreasing exports have been primarily driven by important drops in sales of wine (-10%), poultry meat (-13%), and butter (-37%). On the other hand, increased exports of product categories such as pasta and pastry (+7%), oilcakes (+55%), and wheat (+90%) partially compensated for these falls.

Other destinations, for which the value of EU27 agri-food exports have decreased most since January 2020 compared to the same period last year, remained to be **Hong Kong** (-326, -17%) and **Singapore** (-315, -24%) - in both cases, this was driven by reduced sales of wine and spirits. EU agri-food exports continued to fall significantly to Lebanon (-281, -43%), but as well to Japan (-150, -3%), India (-145, -28%), Indonesia (-145, -54%) and Thailand (-135, -17%).

The most important EU27 export destinations in the first eight months of 2020 were the UK, the USA, China, Switzerland and Japan. More than 52% of EU agri-food exports went to these five countries.

CONTINUED STRONG GROWTH OF EU27 EXPORTS OF CEREALS AND PIGMEAT UNTIL AUGUST 2020

Looking at product categories, the increase in export values (January-August 2020 compared to January-August 2019, EUR million) was driven by continued exceptionally high exports of **pig meat** (+1975, +45% - principally to China); **wheat** (+1449, +41%) and **coarse grains** (+390, +27%) following increased availability and strengthened international demand from the neighbourhood countries, but also to Africa and China. Other product categories that displayed solid growth rates include pet food (+353, +11%), pasta and pastry (+335, +6%), cigars and cigarettes (+322, +12%), rapeseed and sunflower oils (+320, +18%), and infant food (+266, +5%).

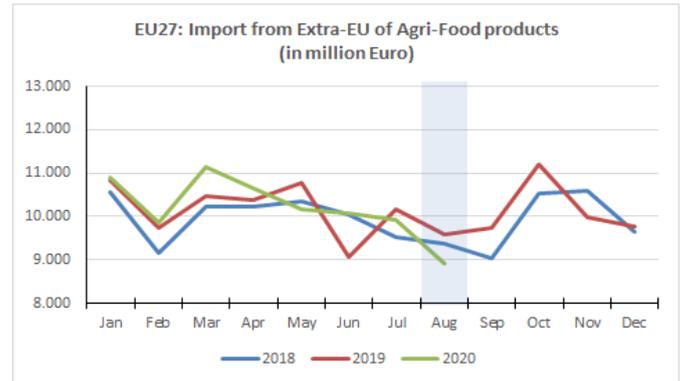
On the other hand, significant reductions in EU exports in value terms are to be noted in sectors most affected by decreasing trade with the US and the UK as well as by the economic crisis induced by the COVID-19 pandemic. Biggest losses continued to be reported in sales of **spirits and liqueurs** (-1295, -24%), **wine** (-1271, -13%), **raw hides and skins** (-640, -66%), cotton (-311, -36%), chocolate and confectionary (-268, -5%).

The top EU agri-food export products in the period January-August 2020 included wine, pig meat, infant food, pasta and pastry, as well as chocolate and confectionary. These products accounted for more than 26% of EU27 total agri-food exports.

STRONG INCREASE OF IMPORTS FROM INDONESIA AND MALAYSIA

During the first eight months of 2020, the value of EU27 agri-food imports has increased by nearly 1% (compared to January-August 2019). Over 60% rise of soya beans imports in value contributed to make **Brazil** (+623, +8%) the leading origin with the biggest increase in absolute terms. **Canada** (+590, +59%) came second with particularly high imports of rapeseeds (+205%) and wheat (+58%). Continued strong increase of palm oil further boosted imports from **Indonesia** (+592, +23%) and Malaysia (+387, +33%). Other origins for which the value of EU27 agri-food imports increased most included Turkey (+446, +17% - nuts and citrus fruit, preparations of vegetables and fruit), Cote d'Ivoire (+241, +11% - cocoa beans), South Africa (+168, +13% - citrus fruit and fruit), Russian Federation (+162, +17% - sunflower seeds, oilcakes), and Morocco (+152, +9% - fruit and tropical fruit).

For the period January-August 2020, the value of monthly imports from the **United Kingdom** continued to fall most (-1033, -10%) compared to the same period in 2019. While decreasing imports from the UK have affected the majority of agri-food products, the highest loss in value was reported for spirits and liqueurs (-23%), accounting for 75% of the decrease in extra-EU imports of spirits and liqueurs. Other countries, for which EU27 imports decreased most in value terms, included **Ukraine** (-711, -16%; decline largely driven by falling imports of wheat, but imports of sunflower oil and oilseeds on rise); and **the United States** (-606, -9% - mainly driven by reductions in soya beans and oilcake imports). Decreasing imports continued to be also reported for India (-258, -14% - other feed and feed ingredients, oilcakes); Australia (-181, -17%; oilseeds, wool); Singapore (-119, -41% - malt extract); Nigeria (-106, -25% - cocoa beans) and Mexico (-96, -13% - beer, spirits, fruit).



The top EU agri-food origins in the eight months period include the UK, Brazil, USA, Ukraine and China. These countries have accounted for almost 38% of EU27 agri-food imports.

EU27 IMPORT INCREASE DRIVEN BY FRUIT, PALM OIL AND OILSEEDS

Looking at product categories, since the beginning of 2020, the highest increases in import values were reported for **fresh and dried tropical fruit** (+707, +8%), **palm and palm kernel oil** (+564, +17%), **fatty acids and waxes** (+504, +31%), fruit fresh and dried (+411, +10%), and oilseeds other than soya beans- mainly rapeseed and sunflower seeds (+366, +14%).

On the other hand, imports of **coarse grains** (-922, -30%), **oilcakes** (-464, -10%), **spirits and liqueurs** (-409, -19%), bovine meat (-265, -19%), wool and silk (-232, -36%) have continued to decrease most in value terms. Furthermore, EU27 import values of raw tobacco (-12%), meat preparations (-17%), and infant food (-14%) have remained on a downward trend.

The top EU agri-food import products in the first eight months of 2020 included fruit (tropical and other than citrus), unroasted coffee and tea, oilcakes, palm and palm kernel oil. These products accounted for nearly 32% of EU27 agri-food imports.

EXPANDING SURPLUS IN EU27 AGRI-FOOD TRADE

As a result, the agri-food trade surplus during the period January-August 2020 stood at EUR **37.4 billion**, an increase by 2% compared to the corresponding period in 2019, despite the Covid-19 crisis. This net trade balance remained boosted by continued strong exports of **pig meat, wheat and coarse grains**. It also mitigated the negative impact of decreasing exports of important product categories such as **wine, spirits, raw hides and skins**.

TABLE 1: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD EXPORTS – MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES PER PARTNER COUNTRIES

PARTNER/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,00	168.964	181.636	119.028	1.369	1,2
China	8,0	10.476	14.477	11.213	2.767	32,8
Saudi Arabia	2,0	3.660	3.659	2.772	537	24,0
Switzerland	4,6	8.097	8.359	5.944	416	7,5
Morocco	1,0	1.459	1.757	1.514	383	33,9
Algeria	1,4	2.634	2.491	2.001	345	20,9
Ukraine	1,4	2.039	2.454	1.813	299	19,8
Nigeria	0,5	768	961	811	225	38,4
Norway	2,5	4.290	4.455	3.145	209	7,1
Iran, Islamic Republic of	0,3	477	577	514	102	24,9
Kuwait	0,3	620	615	488	99	25,4
Russian Federation	3,9	6.485	7.024	4.348	-125	-2,8
Thailand	0,6	991	1.169	653	-135	-17,2
Indonesia	0,5	758	931	491	-145	-22,8
India	0,4	651	744	368	-145	-28,3
Japan	4,0	6.276	7.254	4.685	-150	-3,1
Lebanon	0,5	979	913	372	-281	-43,0
Singapore	1,1	1.923	1.939	991	-315	-24,1
Hong Kong	1,5	3.152	2.797	1.534	-326	-17,5
United Kingdom	22,7	41.405	41.266	26.545	-329	-1,2
United States	12,0	19.842	21.840	13.863	-692	-4,8
<i>other countries</i>	<i>30,8</i>	<i>51.980</i>	<i>55.951</i>	<i>34.966</i>	<i>-1.373</i>	<i>-2,1</i>

TABLE 2: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD EXPORTS – TOP 20 DESTINATIONS

PARTNER/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
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United States	12,0	19.842	21.840	13.863	-692	-4,8
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Switzerland	4,6	8.097	8.359	5.944	416	7,5
Japan	4,0	6.276	7.254	4.685	-150	-3,1
Russian Federation	3,9	6.485	7.024	4.348	-125	-2,8
Norway	2,5	4.290	4.455	3.145	209	7,1
Saudi Arabia	2,0	3.660	3.659	2.772	537	24,0
Canada	2,0	3.347	3.547	2.294	-7	-0,3
Korea, Republic of	1,6	2.837	2.967	2.050	95	4,8
Australia	1,7	2.860	2.999	2.047	93	4,7
Turkey	1,9	2.993	3.414	2.002	-123	-5,8
Algeria	1,4	2.634	2.491	2.001	345	20,9
Ukraine	1,4	2.039	2.454	1.813	299	19,8
Hong Kong	1,5	3.152	2.797	1.534	-326	-17,5
Morocco	1,0	1.459	1.757	1.514	383	33,9
United Arab Emirates	1,3	2.205	2.384	1.399	-86	-5,8
Israel	1,1	1.843	2.012	1.381	62	4,7
Egypt	1,0	1.442	1.878	1.175	-35	-2,9
South Africa	1,0	1.452	1.733	1.090	-65	-5,7
<i>Other countries</i>	<i>23,6</i>	<i>40.169</i>	<i>42.869</i>	<i>26.216</i>	<i>-1.901</i>	<i>-4,8</i>

TABLE 3: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD EXPORTS – MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES PER PRODUCT CATEGORIES

PRODUCT/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	168.964	181.636	119.028	1.369	1,2
Pigmeat, fresh, chilled and frozen	4,4	5.650	7.943	6.397	1.975	44,7
Wheat	3,0	3.825	5.462	4.942	1.449	41,5
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1,3	2.056	2.359	1.839	390	26,9
Pet food	2,8	4.795	5.053	3.675	353	10,6
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	4,6	7.671	8.337	5.571	335	6,4
Cigars and cigarettes	2,4	3.855	4.278	3.107	322	11,6
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	1,5	2.788	2.668	2.110	320	17,9
Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk prep	4,7	8.041	8.471	5.892	266	4,7
Milk powders and whey	2,6	4.104	4.765	3.447	230	7,2
Offal, animal fat and other meats, fresh, chilled and frozen	1,8	2.720	3.305	2.235	169	8,2
Waters and soft drinks	3,1	5.154	5.556	3.691	-108	-2,8
Beet and cane sugar	0,4	1.288	665	336	-126	-27,3
Malt	0,6	948	1.015	552	-135	-19,6
Live animals	1,7	3.130	3.165	1.700	-174	-9,3
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1,6	2.845	2.997	1.749	-198	-10,2
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4,6	7.895	8.417	5.010	-268	-5,1
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	0,8	934	1.399	562	-311	-35,6
Raw hides, skins and furskins	0,7	1.390	1.271	329	-640	-66,1
Wine, Vermouth, Cidre and Vinegar	8,3	14.574	15.159	8.402	-1.271	-13,1
Spirits and liqueurs	4,6	7.479	8.387	4.089	-1.295	-24,1
<i>other products</i>	<i>44,57</i>	<i>77.822</i>	<i>80.961</i>	<i>53.392</i>	<i>87</i>	<i>0,8</i>

TABLE 4: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD EXPORTS – TOP 20 PRODUCT CATEGORIES

PRODUCT/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	168.964	181.636	119.028	1.369	1,2
Wine, Vermouth, Cidre and Vinegar	8,3	14.574	15.159	8.402	-1.271	-13,1
Pigmeat, fresh, chilled and frozen	4,4	5.650	7.943	6.397	1.975	44,7
Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk prep	4,7	8.041	8.471	5.892	266	4,7
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	4,6	7.671	8.337	5.571	335	6,4
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4,6	7.895	8.417	5.010	-268	-5,1
Food preparations, not specified	4,0	6.956	7.338	4.994	142	2,9
Wheat	3,0	3.825	5.462	4.942	1.449	41,5
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4,0	6.817	7.242	4.592	-107	-2,3
Spirits and liqueurs	4,6	7.479	8.387	4.089	-1.295	-24,1
Cheese	3,3	5.662	6.064	4.033	98	2,5
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3,2	5.556	5.801	3.781	90	2,4
Waters and soft drinks	3,1	5.154	5.556	3.691	-108	-2,8
Pet food	2,8	4.795	5.053	3.675	353	10,6
Milk powders and whey	2,6	4.104	4.765	3.447	230	7,2
Cigars and cigarettes	2,4	3.855	4.278	3.107	322	11,6
Meat preparations	2,4	4.222	4.272	2.759	10	0,4
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2,2	3.688	3.964	2.518	23	0,9
Beer	2,0	3.394	3.582	2.375	-56	-2,3
Offal, animal fat and other meats, fresh, chilled and frozen	1,8	2.720	3.305	2.235	169	8,2
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	1,5	2.788	2.668	2.110	320	17,9
<i>Other products</i>	<i>30,6</i>	<i>54.119</i>	<i>55.571</i>	<i>35.406</i>	<i>-1.307</i>	<i>-3,6</i>

TABLE 5: EU27 AGRI-FOOD IMPORTS – MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES PER PARTNER COUNTRIES

PARTNER/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	118.810	121.661	81.638	639	0,8
Brazil	8,8	11.004	10.760	7.937	623	8,5
Canada	1,7	1.627	2.053	1.777	605	51,6
Indonesia	3,2	4.177	3.897	3.146	592	23,2
Turkey	3,4	4.021	4.196	2.989	446	17,5
Malaysia	1,5	1.799	1.783	1.576	387	32,6
Côte d'Ivoire	2,7	3.125	3.265	2.464	241	10,8
South Africa	1,6	2.073	2.002	1.504	168	12,6
Russian Federation	1,3	1.521	1.523	1.088	162	17,4
Morocco	1,9	2.215	2.304	1.802	152	9,2
Tunisia	0,4	657	533	500	136	37,4
Costa Rica	1,3	1.554	1.560	1.024	-75	-6,9
Uruguay	0,4	489	511	269	-80	-23,0
Mexico	1,0	1.023	1.187	644	-96	-12,9
Nigeria	0,5	549	574	312	-106	-25,4
Singapore	0,3	339	424	174	-119	-40,6
Australia	1,1	1.627	1.388	911	-181	-16,5
India	2,1	2.621	2.610	1.637	-258	-13,6
United States	8,4	10.389	10.206	6.309	-606	-8,8
Ukraine	5,8	5.416	7.023	3.820	-711	-15,7
United Kingdom	13,7	16.525	16.728	9.690	-1.033	-9,6
<i>other countries</i>	38,7	46.059	47.134	32.067	396	0,7

TABLE 6: EU27 AGRI-FOOD IMPORTS – TOP 20 ORIGINS

PARTNER/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	118.810	121.661	81.638	639	0,8
United Kingdom	13,7	16.525	16.728	9.690	-1.033	-9,6
Brazil	8,8	11.004	10.760	7.937	623	8,5
United States	8,4	10.389	10.206	6.309	-606	-8,8
Ukraine	5,8	5.416	7.023	3.820	-711	-15,7
China	4,4	4.970	5.348	3.532	-55	-1,5
Indonesia	3,2	4.177	3.897	3.146	592	23,2
Turkey	3,4	4.021	4.196	2.989	446	17,5
Switzerland	3,8	4.467	4.598	2.932	-4	-0,1
Argentina	3,6	4.387	4.356	2.896	69	2,4
Côte d'Ivoire	2,7	3.125	3.265	2.464	241	10,8
Morocco	1,9	2.215	2.304	1.802	152	9,2
Canada	1,7	1.627	2.053	1.777	605	51,6
India	2,1	2.621	2.610	1.637	-258	-13,6
Malaysia	1,5	1.799	1.783	1.576	387	32,6
Peru	1,9	1.956	2.251	1.523	133	9,5
Viet Nam	1,8	2.217	2.134	1.520	55	3,8
South Africa	1,6	2.073	2.002	1.504	168	12,6
Chile	1,6	1.973	1.929	1.464	129	9,7
Colombia	1,6	1.867	1.935	1.348	57	4,4
Russian Federation	1,3	1.521	1.523	1.088	162	17,4
<i>Other countries</i>	25,3	30.460	30.761	20.685	-509	-3,3

TABLE 7: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD IMPORTS – MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES PER PRODUCT CATEGORIES

PRODUCT/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	118.810	121.661	81.638	639	0,8
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	10,6	12.187	12.883	9.096	707	8,4
Palm & palm kernel oil	4,0	5.427	4.844	3.848	564	17,2
Fatty acids and waxes	2,0	2.391	2.411	2.125	504	31,1
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	4,6	5.552	5.582	4.311	411	10,5
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	3,5	3.595	4.288	2.895	366	14,5
Citrus fruit	1,3	1.812	1.575	1.308	355	37,3
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2,5	2.389	2.997	2.275	326	16,7
Soyabeans	3,9	4.872	4.720	3.534	258	7,9
Ethanol	0,5	514	652	588	170	40,5
Cocoa paste and powder	1,6	1.839	1.995	1.440	165	13,0
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	0,5	754	651	341	-101	-22,9
Butter	0,2	366	289	122	-102	-45,4
Infant food and other cereals, flour, starch or milk prep	1,0	1.127	1.245	722	-120	-14,3
Meat preparations	1,1	1.374	1.370	791	-159	-16,7
Raw tobacco	1,9	2.383	2.371	1.445	-202	-12,3
Wool and silk	0,7	992	897	415	-232	-35,8
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1,7	2.025	2.027	1.092	-265	-19,5
Spirits and liqueurs	2,9	3.524	3.555	1.791	-409	-18,6
Oilcakes	5,5	6.782	6.705	4.116	-464	-10,1
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	3,6	3.959	4.395	2.097	-922	-30,5
<i>other countries</i>	46,2	54.943	56.213	37.286	-210	-0,6

TABLE 8: EU27 AGRICULTURE-FOOD IMPORTS – TOP 20 PRODUCT CATEGORIES

PRODUCT/PERIOD	Yearly data			Monthly data		
	Share 2019	2018	2019	Jan-20 - Aug-20	Difference Jan-20 - Aug-20 to Jan-19 - Aug-19	
	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU27	100,0	118.810	121.661	81.638	639	0,8
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	10,6	12.187	12.883	9.096	707	8,4
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	4,6	5.552	5.582	4.311	411	10,5
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	5,1	6.328	6.191	4.206	-3	-0,1
Oilcakes	5,5	6.782	6.705	4.116	-464	-10,1
Palm & palm kernel oil	4,0	5.427	4.844	3.848	564	17,2
Soyabeans	3,9	4.872	4.720	3.534	258	7,9
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3,8	4.268	4.606	3.098	-85	-2,7
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	3,5	3.595	4.288	2.895	366	14,5
Cocoa beans	3,3	3.770	4.058	2.869	97	3,5
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	2,8	3.309	3.421	2.358	161	7,3
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2,5	2.389	2.997	2.275	326	16,7
Fatty acids and waxes	2,0	2.391	2.411	2.125	504	31,1
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	3,6	3.959	4.395	2.097	-922	-30,5
Spirits and liqueurs	2,9	3.524	3.555	1.791	-409	-18,6
Food preparations, not specified	2,2	2.501	2.618	1.757	25	1,4
Raw tobacco	1,9	2.383	2.371	1.445	-202	-12,3
Cocoa paste and powder	1,6	1.839	1.995	1.440	165	13,0
Pet food	1,6	1.934	1.976	1.409	94	7,1
Fruit juices	1,7	2.297	2.115	1.379	-80	-5,5
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1,8	1.958	2.133	1.377	-19	-1,4
<i>Other products</i>	31,1	37.545	37.799	24.212	-856	-3,4

EU27 AGRI-FOOD TRADE BALANCE (EXPORTS – IMPORTS) BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

PRODUCT/PERIOD	ANNUAL TRADE			TRADE BALANCE		
	Exports 2019	Imports 2019	Trade balance 2019	Jan19-Aug19	Jan20-Aug20	Difference Jan-Aug20 to Jan-Aug19
	mio €			mio €		
All agri-food products	181.636	121.661	59.975	36.660	37.390	730
Commodities	28.669	47.042	-18.373	-12.611	-10.544	2.067
Other primary	36.627	32.252	4.375	1.290	2.423	1.133
Processed	38.870	12.041	26.830	17.268	16.023	-1.245
Food preparations	40.801	11.819	28.982	18.577	19.710	1.133
Beverages	17.722	5.624	12.098	8.107	7.193	-915
Non-edible	18.947	12.884	6.063	4.029	2.585	-1.443
Wheat	5.462	1.101	4.361	2.772	4.197	1.425
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	2.359	4.395	-2.035	-1.571	-258	1.313
Rice	394	1.172	-778	-552	-667	-115
Flours and other products of the milling industry	882	304	578	381	430	49
Malt	1.015	29	986	669	539	-130
Starches, inulin & gluten	1.047	99	947	622	631	9
Soybeans	104	4.720	-4.616	-3.221	-3.491	-270
Oilseeds, other than soybeans	1.059	4.288	-3.228	-1.817	-2.171	-353
Palm & palm kernel oil	222	4.844	-4.622	-3.141	-3.714	-574
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.668	2.997	-328	-159	-165	-6
Oilcakes	548	6.705	-6.157	-4.233	-3.697	536
Other feed and feed ingredients	1.487	981	506	347	435	88
Beet and cane sugar	665	1.014	-349	-177	-241	-64
Sugar, other than beet & cane	680	470	210	133	209	76
Milk powders and whey	4.765	303	4.462	3.014	3.253	239
Butter	1.499	289	1.210	754	885	130
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.456	1.075	382	268	279	11
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	515	6.191	-5.676	-3.871	-3.891	-20
Cocoa beans	76	4.058	-3.983	-2.729	-2.827	-99
Cocoa paste and powder	1.556	1.995	-438	-233	-416	-183
Agricultural commodities, not specified	208	13	195	131	136	5
Live animals	3.165	609	2.557	1.581	1.353	-228
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.934	2.027	-92	-98	163	262
Pigmeat, fresh, chilled and frozen	7.943	254	7.689	4.257	6.218	1.961
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	2.997	651	2.346	1.505	1.408	-97
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	221	981	-760	-561	-475	87
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	3.305	1.287	2.018	1.222	1.451	229
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.950	419	1.532	1.029	1.138	109
Eggs and honey	874	491	383	277	267	-10
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	5.801	4.606	1.195	508	682	175
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	3.964	5.582	-1.618	-1.406	-1.794	-388
Citrus fruit	940	1.575	-635	-354	-710	-356
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1.602	12.883	-11.281	-7.357	-8.055	-697
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1.899	867	1.031	683	764	81
Agricultural primary products, not specified	31	20	11	6	12	5
Meat preparations	4.272	1.370	2.903	1.800	1.969	169
Cheese	6.064	991	5.074	3.322	3.412	91
Olive oil	2.793	386	2.407	1.599	1.547	-52
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	7.242	3.421	3.821	2.503	2.235	-269
Fruit juices	1.708	2.115	-407	-300	-269	31
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	15.159	1.854	13.305	8.504	7.252	-1.252
Roasted coffee and tea	1.632	1.903	-272	-160	-124	36
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	8.417	2.160	6.258	3.866	3.675	-192
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	8.471	1.245	7.226	4.783	5.170	386
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	8.337	2.133	6.204	3.840	4.194	354
Soups and sauces	2.140	1.018	1.122	714	914	200
Coffee and tea extracts	1.044	670	374	246	255	9
Food preparations, not specified	7.338	2.618	4.720	3.121	3.237	117
Pet food	5.053	1.976	3.078	2.007	2.266	259
Waters and soft drinks	5.556	1.547	4.010	2.731	2.720	-12
Beer	3.582	507	3.075	2.063	2.071	8
Spirits and liqueurs	8.387	3.555	4.832	3.184	2.298	-886
Odoriferous substances	197	17	181	129	104	-25
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.271	588	684	574	-11	-585
Non edible animal products	567	452	115	105	34	-71
Wool and silk	96	897	-801	-577	-382	195
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	1.399	559	840	498	172	-326
Cut flowers and plants	1.471	1.273	198	159	121	-38
Bulbs, roots and live plants	2.664	1.004	1.660	1.165	1.132	-32
Raw tobacco	912	2.371	-1.459	-1.023	-917	107
Cigars and cigarettes	4.278	404	3.873	2.513	2.878	365
Fatty acids and waxes	734	2.411	-1.676	-1.109	-1.672	-563
Sugar alcohols	158	38	121	83	60	-23
Essential oils	694	927	-233	-164	-128	37
Ethanol	592	652	-59	-32	-179	-147
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	2.400	884	1.516	968	1.100	132
Non-edible, not specified	1.304	12	1.291	869	390	-479
Products non-attributable	406	412	-6	0	-14	-14