

European Livestock and Meat Trades Union –
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Brexit & TCA

Implications for Meat Trade

CDG Beef - remote meeting
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Current State of Play

- **Trade & Cooperation Agreement** very welcome (No Tariffs / No Quotas ...but trading environment significantly changed)
- Trade and logistic problems evident – **free trade but not frictionless trade**
- Cost of trade has increased (up to 40%)
- Groupage, return loads, landbridge, BCPs
- Customs controls, certification, SPS checks, GB-NI trade

UK food and drink exports			
	Jan-20	Jan-21	Change
All food and drink	£1.7bn	£824.9m	-51.1%
EU	£1.0bn	£256.4m	-75.5%
Non-EU	£639.9m	£568.5m	-11.1%

UK food and drink imports			
	Jan-20	Jan-21	Change
All food and drink	£3.8bn	£3.1bn	-18.1%
EU	£2.6bn	£1.9bn	-24.8%
Non-EU	£1.2bn	£1.2bn	-4.1%

Areas still to be addressed

- UK Border Operating model – next phase 1st October (SPS checks, certification & IPAFFS for EU exports to UK)
- Massive certification undertaking for EU businesses and authorities (pre-export certification concerns)
- Anomaly of chilled meat preps/products, chilled mince, triangular trade
- Groupage – implications for SMEs in particular / Just-in-time system
- TRACES NT – ready for 1st October?
- EU – UK veterinary agreement?
- Longer term – new UK bilateral trade deals



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Thank you very much for your attention!