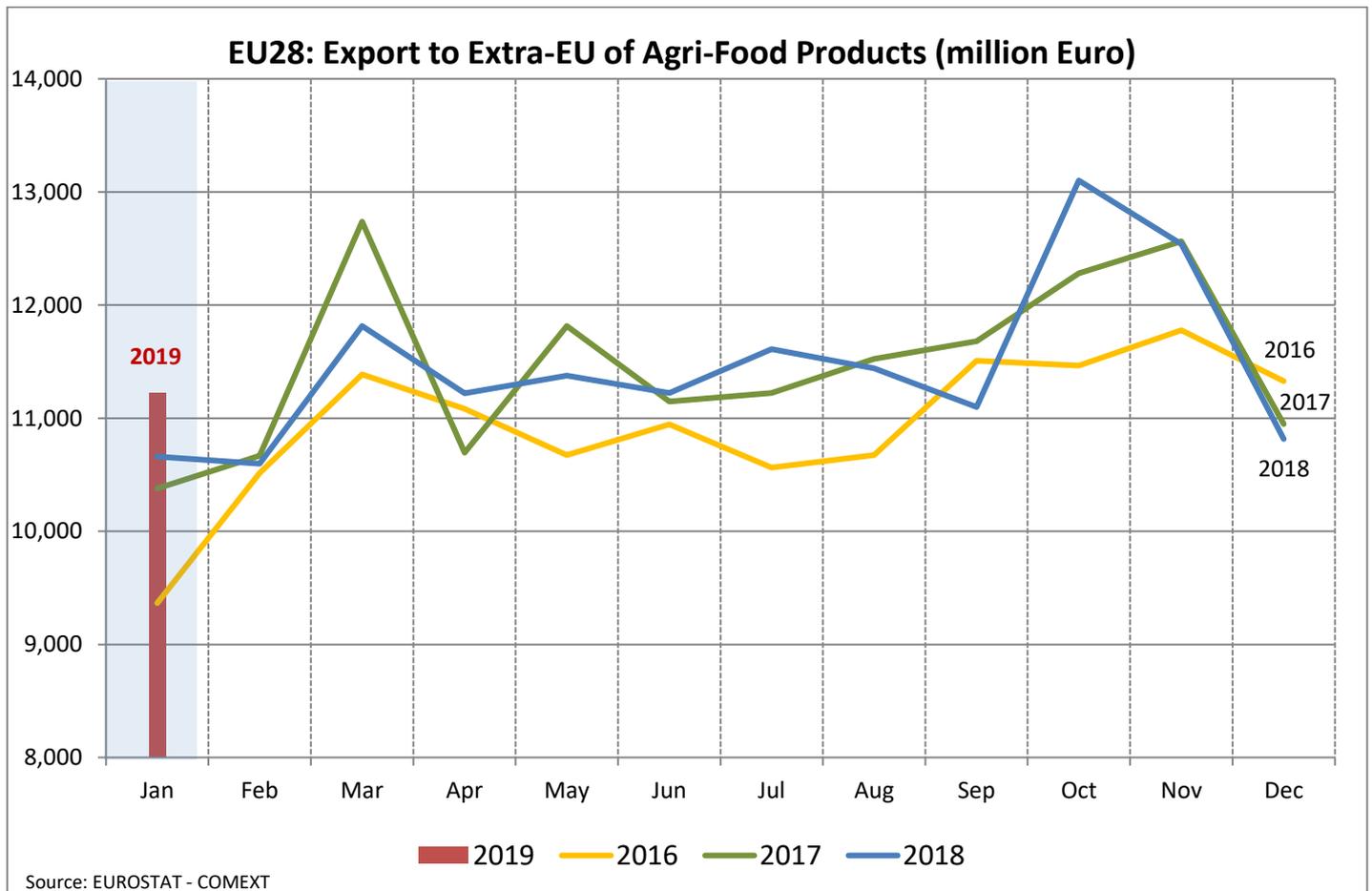


Monitoring EU Agri-Food Trade: Development until January 2019



January 2019: record start of a year for EU agri-food trade

The value of EU agri-food **exports in January 2019** increased for the 4th year in a row to reach a **new record** level of **EUR 11.2 billion**. With agri-food **imports** to the EU also increasing to a record **EUR 10.8 billion**, the monthly trade value topped EUR 22.0 billion, compared to EUR 21.0 billion in January 2018. Trade surplus increased to EUR 0.4 billion, compared to 0.3 billion a year ago.

Highest increases in monthly **export** values (Jan 2019 compared to Jan 2018, in EUR million) were recorded for **the USA** (+191), China (+91), Switzerland (+39), Philippines (+29) and

Russia (+29). Monthly exports fell to **Hong Kong** (-44), Turkey (-29), Angola (-26), Saudi Arabia (-24) and Jordan (-23).

By sector, the highest export growth was achieved in **spirits and liqueurs** (+81), wine (+68) and milk powders (+58). On the other hand, exports of **sugar** (-53) and cigarettes (-29) fell the most.

The value of January 2019 EU agri-food **imports** compared to January 2018 increased most from the **USA** (+291) and **Ukraine** (+246), while the decrease was most notable for Brazil (-145), Indonesia (-97) and Malaysia (-68). Imports of **cereals** other than wheat and rice (+170) and **oilcakes** (+134) rose the most, and the biggest decrease was recorded for **palm oil** (-165).

Export growth has resumed in 2019 thanks to the USA, Algeria, Ukraine

For the 12-month period February 2018 to January 2019, EU agri-food exports reached a value of **EUR 138.1 billion**, corresponding to a slight increase of 0.1% in value terms compared to the same period one year ago. This represents a reversal of the development of -0.2% recorded in 2018 versus 2017.

The **main export destinations** for EU products (in EUR billion) remain the **USA** (22.4), **China** (11.2), **Switzerland** (8.3), Japan (6.7) and Russia (6.7).

Major **gains** in annual values (in EUR million; % change) have been achieved in agri-food exports to the **USA** (+473; +2%), **Algeria** (+291; +12%), **Ukraine** (+242; +13%), Singapore (+216; +10%), Egypt (+186; +14%), Japan (+186; +3%) and Israel (+170; +9%).

Exports in the last 12 months were down for **China** (-615; -5%), **Turkey** (-583; -16%), Hong Kong (-432; -11%), the United Arab Emirates (-305; -10%) and Saudi Arabia (-198; -5%).

Spirits, wine, pasta and pastry are the biggest export growth contributors

In products, **spirits and liqueurs** (+642; +6%), **wine and vermouth** (+321; +3%) have continued to perform very well over the last twelve months. Export performance on a yearly basis also increased notably for **pasta and pastry** (+292; +6%), as well as **preparations for vegetables, fruit and nuts** (+216; +5%).

Annual exports of **wheat** (-398; -10%), **milk powders** (-386; -9%), **raw hides and furskins** (-368; -21%) and **offal** (-362; -12%), however, have experienced the most significant drop in value terms. Other categories with notable losses in export values over the last 12 months were **pork meat** (-258; -5%) and **fruit** (excluding citrus and tropical) (-220, -9%).

Sugar exports still show growth on the annual basis (+61; +6%) but decreased by half in January (-53; -50%).

Agri-food imports fall despite impressive growth from the USA

Agri-food **imports** from third countries in the 12-months period between February 2018 and January 2019 accounted for **EUR 116.6 billion**, representing a decrease of EUR 773 million or 0.7% compared to the same period a year ago.

The most important origins for EU agri-food imports over the past 12 months (EUR billion) remain the **USA** (12.4) and **Brazil** (11.8), while **Ukraine** (5.9) overtook **China** (5.7). Other significant origins are **Argentina** (5.2), **Switzerland** (4.6), **Turkey** (4.5) and **Indonesia** (4.2).

On a year-on-year basis, the value of agri-food imports (in EUR million; % change) grew impressively from the **USA** (+1555; +14%). EU import values also went up for agri-food products coming from **Russia** (+372; +29%), **Ukraine** (+331; +6%), **China** (+264; +5%), **Tunisia** (+189; +40%) and **Pakistan** (+185; +50%).

On the other hand, the value of agri-food imports from **Indonesia** has decreased significantly (-908; -18%). Imports also went down substantially from **Paraguay** (-390; -38%), **India** (-383; -11%) and **Australia** (-382; -16%).

EU imports of palm oil and unroasted coffee recorded the biggest reductions

Looking at product categories, import values decreased significantly in particular for **palm oil** (-1105; -15%) and **coffee** (-906; -12%), but also for **sugar** (-605; -47%), **vegetable oils** (excluding palm and olive oils) (-489; -18%) and **tropical fruit and nuts** (-431; -3%).

On the other hand, the highest increases in import values over the last twelve months (in EUR million; % change) were recorded for **coarse grains** (+976; +31%), followed by **fruit** (excluding citrus and tropical) (+546; +9%), **oilcakes** (+461; +7%) and **soybeans** (+288; +6%).

Trade surplus increases mainly due to decline in imports

Thanks to the 0.1% increase in exports and 0.7% decline in imports, the **annual agri-food trade surplus** increased to **EUR 21.5 billion** (+0.9 billion; +4%).

Regarding trade balance development by product category, it is worth noting that over the past 12 months, the highest increase in net imports was recorded in fruit (excluding citrus and tropical) and coarse grains, while the biggest reduction in net import values happened for palm oil and coffee.

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2018/19	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18		Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18	
				mio €	%			mio €	%
Extra-EU28		137.951	138.065	115	0,1	10.661	11.225	565	5,3
United States of America	1	21.970	22.443	473	2,2	1.628	1.819	191	11,7
China	2	11.805	11.190	-615	-5,2	844	936	91	10,8
Switzerland	3	8.234	8.292	58	0,7	681	720	39	5,7
Japan	4	6.478	6.664	186	2,9	516	538	22	4,3
Russia	5	6.549	6.653	103	1,6	548	577	29	5,4
Norway	6	4.484	4.515	31	0,7	348	369	21	6,1
Saudi Arabia	7	3.987	3.789	-198	-5,0	306	282	-24	-7,8
Canada	8	3.592	3.697	105	2,9	287	277	-9	-3,3
Hong Kong	9	4.067	3.635	-432	-10,6	285	241	-44	-15,5
Australia	10	3.259	3.387	128	3,9	274	276	3	1,0
Turkey	11	3.701	3.119	-583	-15,7	283	255	-29	-10,1
Korea (Republic of)	12	2.919	3.035	116	4,0	246	253	7	3,0
Algeria	13	2.375	2.666	291	12,2	170	177	7	3,8
United Arab Emirates	14	2.913	2.608	-305	-10,5	212	195	-17	-7,8
Singapore	15	2.210	2.426	216	9,8	171	178	7	4,3
Ukraine	16	1.848	2.090	242	13,1	178	204	26	14,5
Israel	17	1.814	1.983	170	9,4	148	176	28	19,0
Brazil	18	1.742	1.766	24	1,4	166	148	-18	-11,0
South Africa	19	1.797	1.730	-67	-3,8	181	200	19	10,4
Egypt	20	1.360	1.546	186	13,7	110	128	17	15,9
<i>other countries</i>		<i>40.846</i>	<i>40.832</i>	<i>-14</i>	<i>0,0</i>	<i>3.077</i>	<i>3.274</i>	<i>197</i>	<i>6,4</i>

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2018/19	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18		Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18	
				mio €	%			mio €	%
Extra-EU28		137.951	138.065	115	0,1	10.661	11.225	565	5,3
United States of America	1	21.970	22.443	473	2,2	1.628	1.819	191	11,7
China	2	11.805	11.190	-615	-5,2	844	936	91	10,8
Switzerland	3	8.234	8.292	58	0,7	681	720	39	5,7
Philippines	24	1.293	1.348	55	4,2	97	126	29	30,5
Russia	5	6.549	6.653	103	1,6	548	577	29	5,4
Israel	17	1.814	1.983	170	9,4	148	176	28	19,0
Ukraine	16	1.848	2.090	242	13,1	178	204	26	14,5
Japan	4	6.478	6.664	186	2,9	516	538	22	4,3
Vietnam	25	1.151	1.195	44	3,8	68	90	22	32,8
Norway	6	4.484	4.515	31	0,7	348	369	21	6,1
Canada	8	3.592	3.697	105	2,9	287	277	-9	-3,3
Syrian Arab Republic	78	184	188	3	1,7	22	10	-11	-52,0
United Arab Emirates	14	2.913	2.608	-305	-10,5	212	195	-17	-7,8
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	46	639	476	-163	-25,5	51	34	-17	-32,9
Brazil	18	1.742	1.766	24	1,4	166	148	-18	-11,0
Jordan	37	766	742	-24	-3,2	65	42	-23	-34,8
Saudi Arabia	7	3.987	3.789	-198	-5,0	306	282	-24	-7,8
Angola	39	767	642	-125	-16,3	69	43	-26	-38,2
Turkey	11	3.701	3.119	-583	-15,7	283	255	-29	-10,1
Hong Kong	9	4.067	3.635	-432	-10,6	285	241	-44	-15,5
<i>other countries</i>		<i>49.965</i>	<i>51.031</i>	<i>1.066</i>	<i>2,1</i>	<i>3.858</i>	<i>4.140</i>	<i>282</i>	<i>7,3</i>

Table 3: EU28 agri-food exports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 EXPORT							
	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Difference Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18		Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	137.951	138.065	115	0,1	10.661	11.225	565	5,3
Commodities	23.516	22.979	-537	-2,3	2.037	2.098	61	3,0
Other primary	23.941	23.191	-750	-3,1	1.958	2.057	99	5,0
Processed	26.796	27.325	529	2,0	1.933	2.061	127	6,6
Food preparations	30.490	30.798	307	1,0	2.341	2.471	130	5,5
Beverages	18.161	18.865	704	3,9	1.290	1.384	94	7,3
Non-edible	15.046	14.908	-138	-0,9	1.101	1.155	54	4,9
Wheat	3.971	3.573	-398	-10,0	311	298	-12	-4,0
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1.646	1.850	204	12,4	198	188	-10	-5,1
Rice	248	220	-28	-11,3	20	20	-1	-3,8
Flours and other products of the milling industry	788	713	-75	-9,5	65	61	-5	-7,0
Malt	983	1.033	50	5,1	78	96	18	23,3
Starches, inulin & gluten	1.086	974	-112	-10,3	79	93	15	18,8
Soybeans	128	45	-83	-64,9	3	4	1	30,2
Oilseeds, other than soybeans	796	780	-17	-2,1	118	125	7	6,2
Palm & palm kernel oil	174	160	-13	-7,7	15	13	-1	-8,9
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.311	2.253	-59	-2,5	176	195	19	10,9
Oilcakes	300	345	45	15,0	33	35	2	6,6
Other feed and feed ingredients	1.119	1.241	122	10,9	101	109	7	7,3
Beet and cane sugar	970	1.030	61	6,2	107	54	-53	-49,5
Sugar, other than beet & cane	523	578	55	10,6	43	56	13	29,7
Milk powders and whey	4.412	4.026	-386	-8,7	331	389	58	17,6
Butter	952	925	-27	-2,8	90	78	-13	-14,0
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.229	1.335	106	8,6	107	118	10	9,7
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	522	479	-43	-8,3	40	39	-1	-3,5
Cocoa beans	10	23	13	124,5	1	2	2	229,0
Cocoa paste and powder	1.273	1.197	-76	-6,0	107	107	1	0,5
Agricultural commodities, not specified	75	198	124	165,5	15	18	3	21,3
Live animals	2.871	2.817	-54	-1,9	223	215	-8	-3,6
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	809	844	35	4,3	48	62	14	28,8
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.067	4.809	-258	-5,1	421	444	23	5,5
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.508	1.576	68	4,5	115	132	17	14,6
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	140	127	-13	-9,1	8	8	1	7,3
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	2.974	2.613	-362	-12,2	229	216	-13	-5,6
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.280	1.271	-9	-0,7	103	112	8	8,1
Eggs and honey	677	695	19	2,7	61	64	3	4,1
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3.058	2.993	-66	-2,1	261	289	28	10,8
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2.337	2.117	-220	-9,4	167	182	15	9,3
Citrus fruit	519	526	8	1,5	71	67	-4	-6,2
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1.048	1.056	7	0,7	83	94	11	13,1
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1.651	1.747	96	5,8	167	171	4	2,5
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Meat preparations	1.327	1.394	67	5,1	100	101	1	0,5
Cheese	3.991	4.049	57	1,4	299	329	30	10,1
Olive oil	2.850	2.690	-159	-5,6	215	202	-13	-5,9
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4.616	4.832	216	4,7	360	375	15	4,0
Fruit juices	869	880	10	1,2	65	83	18	27,9
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	11.956	12.276	321	2,7	804	872	68	8,5
Roasted coffee and tea	1.187	1.204	17	1,4	90	99	9	9,5
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	5.499	5.624	125	2,3	411	452	41	9,9
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	7.408	7.461	53	0,7	601	593	-7	-1,2
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	5.061	5.353	292	5,8	377	425	47	12,6
Soups and sauces	1.310	1.328	18	1,4	99	101	1	1,3
Coffee and tea extracts	783	770	-13	-1,7	61	58	-3	-5,4
Food preparations, not specified	6.145	6.135	-9	-0,2	464	510	46	9,8
Pet food	4.285	4.127	-158	-3,7	328	333	5	1,6
Waters and soft drinks	3.763	3.965	202	5,4	286	299	13	4,7
Beer	3.368	3.273	-95	-2,8	260	256	-4	-1,6
Spirits and liqueurs	10.781	11.422	642	6,0	728	812	85	11,6
Odoriferous substances	249	204	-44	-17,9	17	17	0	-1,4
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.793	1.426	-368	-20,5	60	69	10	16,0
Non edible animal products	480	517	37	7,7	37	43	6	16,6
Wool and silk	140	134	-7	-4,7	12	9	-3	-26,7
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	821	969	148	18,0	68	122	54	79,6
Cut flowers and plants	723	755	32	4,5	55	65	10	17,5
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1.752	1.850	98	5,6	128	132	4	3,1
Raw tobacco	906	871	-35	-3,8	79	82	3	3,6
Cigars and cigarettes	3.457	3.325	-132	-3,8	257	228	-29	-11,1
Fatty acids and waxes	586	596	10	1,7	59	43	-16	-27,3
Sugar alcohols	128	139	12	9,2	13	10	-2	-18,4
Essential oils	752	776	24	3,2	64	59	-6	-9,0
Ethanol	174	188	14	8,3	15	17	2	13,9
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.951	1.818	-133	-6,8	140	171	31	22,1
Non-edible, not specified	1.224	1.380	156	12,7	99	92	-7	-7,2
Products non-attributable	160	163	3	2,1	14	12	-2	-12,5

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	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18	Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18		
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			117.389	116.616	-773	-0,7	10.429	10.839	411	3,9
United States of America	1	10.806	12.361	1.555	14,4	996	1.287	291	29,3	
Brazil	2	11.896	11.765	-131	-1,1	1.013	867	-145	-14,3	
Ukraine	3	5.531	5.862	331	6,0	646	891	246	38,0	
China	4	5.473	5.737	264	4,8	576	608	31	5,5	
Argentina	5	5.498	5.191	-307	-5,6	348	403	55	15,9	
Switzerland	6	4.666	4.593	-74	-1,6	371	371	0	-0,1	
Turkey	7	4.503	4.493	-10	-0,2	436	447	11	2,4	
Indonesia	8	5.152	4.244	-908	-17,6	397	300	-97	-24,4	
Ivory Coast	9	3.547	3.359	-187	-5,3	324	322	-1	-0,4	
India	10	3.503	3.120	-383	-10,9	301	269	-32	-10,6	
South Africa	11	2.740	2.897	157	5,7	253	252	-1	-0,4	
Chile	12	2.393	2.534	141	5,9	197	225	29	14,6	
Vietnam	13	2.715	2.475	-240	-8,8	243	239	-4	-1,6	
Thailand	14	2.337	2.454	117	5,0	208	242	33	16,1	
New Zealand	15	2.365	2.413	48	2,0	150	130	-20	-13,4	
Morocco	16	2.248	2.404	156	6,9	257	266	10	3,8	
Peru	17	2.160	2.313	153	7,1	238	271	33	13,7	
Colombia	18	2.394	2.205	-189	-7,9	183	201	17	9,4	
Australia	19	2.426	2.044	-382	-15,7	226	197	-29	-12,9	
Canada	20	2.214	1.950	-264	-11,9	255	219	-36	-14,0	
<i>other countries</i>			32.823	32.202	-621	-1,9	2.810	2.830	20	0,7

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

EU28 agri-food imports from	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data				
	PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2018/19	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18	Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18		
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			117.389	116.616	-773	-0,7	10.429	10.839	411	3,9
United States of America	1	10.806	12.361	1.555	14,4	996	1.287	291	29,3	
Ukraine	3	5.531	5.862	331	6,0	646	891	246	38,0	
Argentina	5	5.498	5.191	-307	-5,6	348	403	55	15,9	
Serbia	28	1.187	1.170	-18	-1,5	75	112	37	49,8	
Thailand	14	2.337	2.454	117	5,0	208	242	33	16,1	
Peru	17	2.160	2.313	153	7,1	238	271	33	13,7	
Ghana	25	1.290	1.463	173	13,4	112	144	32	28,7	
China	4	5.473	5.737	264	4,8	576	608	31	5,5	
Chile	12	2.393	2.534	141	5,9	197	225	29	14,6	
Russia	23	1.279	1.651	372	29,1	128	156	28	22,1	
Papua New Guinea	43	628	504	-124	-19,8	62	51	-11	-18,0	
New Zealand	15	2.365	2.413	48	2,0	150	130	-20	-13,4	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	48	433	370	-64	-14,7	52	26	-26	-49,6	
Australia	19	2.426	2.044	-382	-15,7	226	197	-29	-12,9	
Honduras	30	1.063	918	-145	-13,7	80	51	-29	-36,4	
India	10	3.503	3.120	-383	-10,9	301	269	-32	-10,6	
Canada	20	2.214	1.950	-264	-11,9	255	219	-36	-14,0	
Malaysia	21	2.064	1.849	-214	-10,4	191	123	-68	-35,5	
Indonesia	8	5.152	4.244	-908	-17,6	397	300	-97	-24,4	
Brazil	2	11.896	11.765	-131	-1,1	1.013	867	-145	-14,3	
<i>other countries</i>			47.693	46.702	-990	-2,1	4.178	4.265	87	2,1

Table 6: EU28 agri-food imports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 IMPORT							
	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Difference Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18		Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	117.389	116.616	-773	-0,7	10.429	10.839	411	3,9
Commodities	48.529	47.202	-1.327	-2,7	4.178	4.572	394	9,4
Other primary	32.758	33.086	328	1,0	3.000	2.989	-11	-0,4
Processed	12.837	12.645	-191	-1,5	1.083	1.103	20	1,9
Food preparations	7.618	8.010	392	5,1	748	774	26	3,5
Beverages	3.096	3.278	182	5,9	228	210	-18	-7,8
Non-edible	12.552	12.395	-157	-1,2	1.191	1.191	-1	0,0
Wheat	1.119	1.269	150	13,4	137	165	28	20,3
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	3.166	4.142	976	30,8	424	594	170	40,1
Rice	1.204	1.268	63	5,3	72	131	59	81,4
Flours and other products of the milling industry	165	161	-5	-2,9	13	16	2	17,9
Malt	6	9	4	0,0	0	2	2	879,5
Starches, inulin & gluten	63	77	14	22,8	7	12	5	76,5
Soyabeans	4.892	5.180	288	5,9	407	451	44	10,9
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	4.026	3.648	-379	-9,4	339	356	17	5,1
Palm & palm kernel oil	6.498	5.392	-1.105	-17,0	535	369	-165	-30,9
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.715	2.226	-489	-18,0	228	255	27	11,9
Oilcakes	7.061	7.521	461	6,5	527	661	134	25,4
Other feed and feed ingredients	963	1.131	168	17,4	97	132	35	36,5
Beet and cane sugar	1.302	697	-605	-46,5	47	84	37	78,4
Sugar, other than beet & cane	445	461	15	3,4	39	41	1	3,4
Milk powders and whey	51	46	-4	-8,7	4	6	2	57,4
Butter	67	101	34	51,1	5	7	2	44,5
Gums, resins and plant extracts	967	1.056	89	9,2	103	95	-8	-7,9
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	7.850	6.944	-906	-11,5	683	632	-51	-7,4
Cocoa beans	3.982	3.933	-49	-1,2	344	380	36	10,4
Cocoa paste and powder	1.981	1.915	-66	-3,3	161	182	21	13,3
Agricultural commodities, not specified	7	26	20		6	0	-6	
Live animals	229	240	11	4,7	13	15	2	19,5
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.704	1.656	-48	-2,8	196	192	-4	-2,3
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	30	26	-4	-12,3	2	2	0	-4,2
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	337	524	188	55,7	34	43	9	26,1
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.003	1.014	10	1,0	80	49	-31	-38,4
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.168	1.175	7	0,6	93	102	9	10,0
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	26	24	-2	-7,8	2	2	1	38,5
Eggs and honey	520	511	-9	-1,8	61	56	-5	-8,4
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	4.816	4.739	-77	-1,6	485	487	2	0,4
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	6.257	6.803	546	8,7	571	630	59	10,3
Citrus fruit	2.002	2.128	126	6,3	141	130	-11	-7,6
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	13.891	13.460	-431	-3,1	1.245	1.205	-39	-3,1
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	774	786	12	1,5	78	75	-3	-4,1
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0	336,8	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	1.866	1.808	-58	-3,1	161	170	9	5,6
Cheese	434	425	-9	-2,0	31	35	4	13,2
Olive oil	412	589	178	43,2	35	29	-6	-16,4
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	3.481	3.292	-189	-5,4	293	311	17	5,9
Fruit juices	2.283	2.196	-87	-3,8	227	218	-10	-4,3
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	2.702	2.745	43	1,6	213	216	3	1,4
Roasted coffee and tea	1.660	1.591	-70	-4,2	123	125	2	1,8
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	1.252	1.309	57	4,6	128	133	6	4,3
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	561	645	85	15,1	79	71	-8	-10,1
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1.337	1.405	68	5,1	125	138	13	10,6
Soups and sauces	730	730	-1	-0,1	68	69	2	2,4
Coffee and tea extracts	505	463	-42	-8,2	47	41	-7	-14,5
Food preparations, not specified	1.927	2.041	114	5,9	170	180	10	5,7
Pet food	1.307	1.417	110	8,4	130	141	11	8,4
Waters and soft drinks	1.057	1.134	76	7,2	84	87	3	3,6
Beer	371	446	75	20,2	23	28	5	24,1
Spirits and liqueurs	1.658	1.684	26	1,6	121	94	-27	-22,4
Odoriferous substances	10	14	4	43,0	1	2	1	110,5
Raw hides, skins and furskins	660	622	-38	-5,7	62	66	4	6,9
Non edible animal products	403	407	5	1,1	38	38	0	-0,6
Wool and silk	945	1.065	120	12,7	135	137	2	1,4
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	597	604	7	1,2	55	58	3	5,6
Cut flowers and plants	1.356	1.349	-7	-0,5	108	112	4	3,3
Bulbs, roots and live plants	915	966	51	5,6	91	107	16	17,2
Raw tobacco	2.422	2.410	-12	-0,5	228	284	56	24,5
Cigars and cigarettes	314	320	7	2,1	31	32	1	2,9
Fatty acids and waxes	2.504	2.264	-240	-9,6	218	152	-66	-30,2
Sugar alcohols	41	38	-3	-8,3	4	4	0	8,1
Essential oils	1.034	1.055	20	1,9	98	88	-10	-10,1
Ethanol	296	311	15	5,1	28	37	9	33,7
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	690	669	-21	-3,1	57	59	2	4,4
Non-edible, not specified	7	9	2	23,3	1	0	-1	-99,0
Products non-attributable	367	306	-61	-16,7	38	16	-21	-56,7

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

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU28 TRADE BALANCE							
	Feb-17 - Jan-18	Feb-18 - Jan-19	Difference Feb-18 - Jan-19 to Feb-17 - Jan-18		Jan-18	Jan-19	Difference Jan-19 to Jan-18	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	20.561	21.449	888	4,3%	232	386	154	66,3%
Commodities	-25.013	-24.223	790	3,2%	-2.141	-2.474	-333	-15,5%
Other primary	-8.818	-9.896	-1.078	-12,2%	-1.042	-933	110	10,5%
Processed	13.959	14.680	720	5,2%	851	958	107	12,6%
Food preparations	22.872	22.787	-85	-0,4%	1.593	1.696	104	6,5%
Beverages	15.065	15.587	522	3,5%	1.062	1.174	112	10,5%
Non-edible	2.495	2.513	19	0,7%	-90	-35	55	61,0%
Wheat	2.852	2.304	-548	-19,2%	173	133	-40	-23,2%
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	-1.520	-2.291	-771	-50,7%	-226	-407	-180	-79,7%
Rice	-956	-1.048	-91	-9,6%	-52	-111	-59	-114,9%
Flours and other products of the milling industry	623	553	-70	-11,2%	52	45	-7	-13,3%
Malt	978	1.024	46	4,7%	78	94	16	20,8%
Starches, inulin & gluten	1.023	897	-126	-12,3%	72	81	10	13,4%
Soybeans	-4.764	-5.136	-371	-7,8%	-404	-448	-44	-10,8%
Oilseeds, other than soybeans	-3.230	-2.868	362	11,2%	-221	-231	-10	-4,5%
Palm & palm kernel oil	-6.324	-5.232	1.092	17,3%	-520	-356	164	31,6%
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	-403	27	430	106,7%	-52	-60	-8	-15,4%
Oilcakes	-6.761	-7.176	-416	-6,1%	-495	-626	-132	-26,7%
Other feed and feed ingredients	157	110	-46	-29,5%	5	-23	-28	-579,1%
Beet and cane sugar	-332	334	666	200,5%	59	-30	-90	-150,7%
Sugar, other than beet & cane	77	117	40	51,9%	4	15	11	319,5%
Milk powders and whey	4.361	3.980	-381	-8,7%	327	384	56	17,2%
Butter	885	824	-61	-6,9%	85	71	-15	-17,4%
Gums, resins and plant extracts	262	279	17	6,6%	4	23	19	435,1%
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	-7.328	-6.465	863	11,8%	-643	-593	49	7,7%
Cocoa beans	-3.972	-3.909	62	1,6%	-344	-378	-34	-10,0%
Cocoa paste and powder	-708	-719	-11	-1,5%	-54	-75	-21	-38,6%
Agricultural commodities, not specified	68	172	104	152,8%	9	18	9	106,3%
Live animals	2.642	2.577	-65	-2,5%	211	200	-10	-5,0%
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-895	-812	83	9,3%	-148	-130	18	12,3%
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.036	4.782	-254	-5,0%	419	442	23	5,5%
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.172	1.052	-120	-10,2%	81	89	8	9,7%
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-863	-886	-23	-2,7%	-72	-41	31	43,4%
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.806	1.438	-368	-20,4%	136	114	-22	-16,3%
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.255	1.247	-7	-0,6%	102	110	8	7,6%
Eggs and honey	157	185	28	17,9%	0	8	8	
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	-1.757	-1.746	11	0,6%	-224	-198	26	11,6%
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	-3.920	-4.687	-766	-19,6%	-404	-448	-43	-10,7%
Citrus fruit	-1.484	-1.602	-118	-8,0%	-70	-63	6	9,1%
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	-12.843	-12.404	438	3,4%	-1.161	-1.112	50	4,3%
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	877	962	85	9,7%	89	97	7	8,2%
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0	-336,8%	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	-538	-414	125	23,2%	-61	-70	-9	-14,0%
Cheese	3.557	3.624	66	1,9%	268	294	26	0,0%
Olive oil	2.438	2.101	-337	-13,8%	180	173	-7	-3,8%
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	1.135	1.540	405	35,7%	67	64	-3	-4,3%
Fruit juices	-1.413	-1.316	98	6,9%	-162	-134	28	17,2%
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	9.254	9.531	277	3,0%	592	657	65	11,0%
Roasted coffee and tea	-473	-387	86	18,3%	-33	-26	6	19,5%
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4.247	4.315	68	1,6%	283	319	35	12,5%
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.847	6.816	-32	-0,5%	521	522	1	0,2%
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	3.724	3.947	223	6,0%	252	286	34	13,5%
Soups and sauces	580	598	18	3,2%	31	31	0	-0,9%
Coffee and tea extracts	278	307	28	10,2%	14	17	4	26,0%
Food preparations, not specified	4.218	4.094	-123	-2,9%	294	330	36	12,2%
Pet food	2.978	2.710	-268	-9,0%	198	192	-6	-3,0%
Waters and soft drinks	2.706	2.831	126	4,6%	202	212	10	5,2%
Beer	2.997	2.826	-170	-5,7%	237	228	-10	0,0%
Spirits and liqueurs	9.123	9.738	615	6,7%	607	718	112	18,4%
Odoriferous substances	239	190	-49	-20,3%	16	15	-1	-6,4%
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.133	803	-330	-29,1%	-2	4	5	296,7%
Non edible animal products	78	110	33	42,0%	-1	5	6	
Wool and silk	-805	-932	-127	-15,8%	-123	-128	-5	-4,2%
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	224	365	141	62,9%	13	63	51	
Cut flowers and plants	-634	-594	39	6,2%	-53	-47	6	11,6%
Bulbs, roots and live plants	837	884	48	5,7%	37	25	-12	-31,6%
Raw tobacco	-1.516	-1.539	-22	-1,5%	-149	-202	-53	-35,7%
Cigars and cigarettes	3.144	3.005	-139	-4,4%	226	196	-29	-13,0%
Fatty acids and waxes	-1.918	-1.667	250	13,0%	-159	-109	50	31,3%
Sugar alcohols	87	102	15	17,5%	9	6	-3	-29,8%
Essential oils	-283	-279	4	1,5%	-34	-30	4	12,3%
Ethanol	-123	-123	-1	-0,5%	-13	-20	-7	-57,3%
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.261	1.149	-112	-8,9%	84	112	29	34,1%
Non-edible, not specified	1.217	1.372	154	12,7%	99	92	-6	-6,5%
Products non-attributable	-207	-143	65	31,1%	-24	-4	20	83,1%