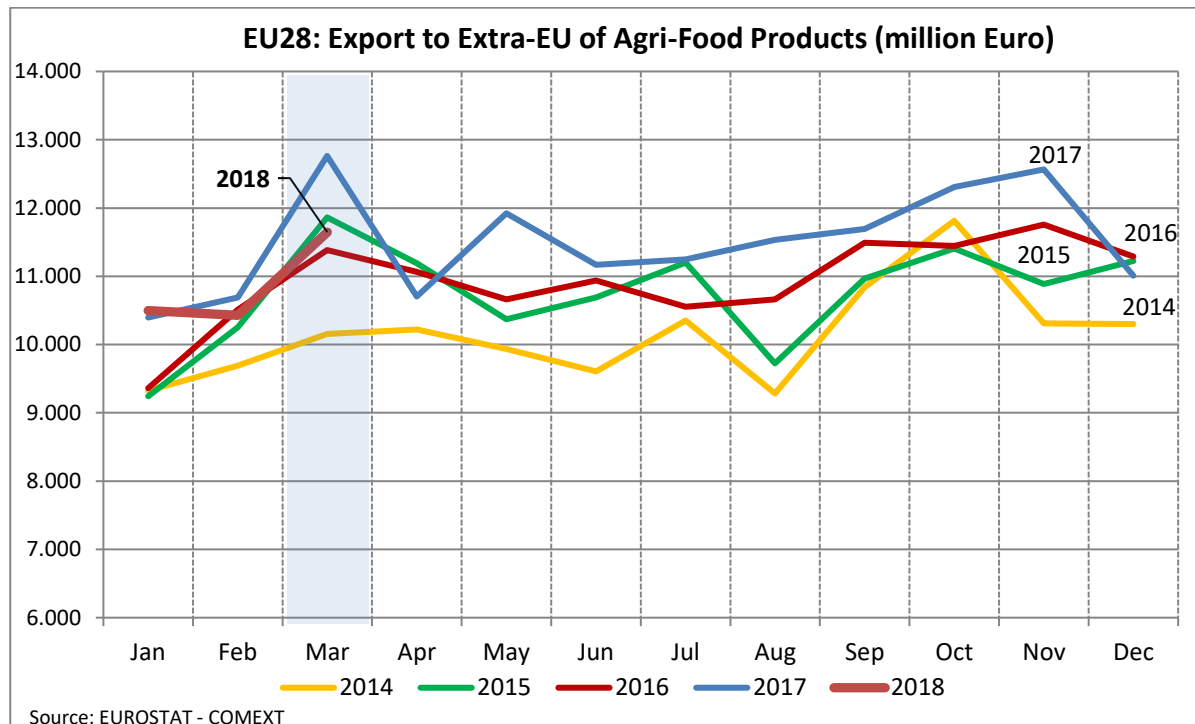


Monitoring EU Agri-Food Trade: Development until March 2018



March 2018: a further increase in EU agri-food trade surplus amid slowdown in trade

The monthly values of EU agri-food trade in March 2018, compared to February, increased in line with a seasonal pattern to **EUR 11.6 billion** in exports and **EUR 9.8 billion** in imports. Despite overall trade figures being lower when compared to all-time high levels recorded in March 2017 (-8.8% for exports and -11% for imports), monthly trade balance actually increased slightly to a surplus of EUR 1.8 billion.

Highest increases in monthly export values (Mar 2018 compared to Mar 2017, EUR million) were recorded for **Singapore** (+31), **Brazil** (+23) and **Korea** (+13). Monthly exports fell to the **China** (-121), **USA** (-118) and **Saudi Arabia** (-115).

By sector, the highest export growth (EUR million) was achieved in **sugar** (+57), **infant food** (+29), pet food (+14), and fatty acids (+13).

Wheat exports decreased most (EUR -221 million); raw hides and skins (-143), food preparations, nowhere else specified (-108) and milk powders (-101) also fell.

The value of March 2018 EU agri-food imports compared to March 2017 increased most for imports coming from **Ukraine** (EUR +67 million) and **Tunisia** (+42). The value of imports from the **USA** (-170), **Argentina** (-157) and **Indonesia** (-130) went down most. Major decreases were recorded in import values of **cocoa beans, unroasted coffee** and **palm oil**, while imports of **cereals (other than wheat or rice)** and **olive oil** saw the biggest increases in value terms.

Wine & spirits, dairy and sugar exports increase, offset decrease in wheat, pork and fruit & vegetables

For the 12-months period of April 2017 to March 2018, EU agri-food **exports** reached a value of EUR **136.7 billion**, corresponding to an increase of 2.1% in value terms compared to the same period one year ago.

Major gains in annual values have been achieved in agri-food exports to **Russia** (EUR +0.6 billion; +10%), the **USA** (EUR +0.6 billion; +3%), **Japan** (EUR +0.5 billion; +8%) and **Turkey** (EUR +0.5 billion; +15%). Further annual increases were recorded in agri-food exports to Ukraine (EUR +0.3 billion; +17%) and Philippines (EUR +0.3 billion; +24%) while increases of more than EUR 0.2 billion also took place in exports to Singapore and Serbia in the last twelve-month period.

Annual export values remain down for **North African** and **Middle East** destinations, in particular Saudi Arabia (EUR -0.7 billion; -15%), Vietnam (EUR -0.4 billion; -28%), the United Arab Emirates (EUR -0.4 billion; -13%), Egypt (EUR -0.3 billion; -16%), Algeria (EUR -0.2 billion; -8%) and Libya (EUR -0.2 billion; -17%). Agri-food exports to Morocco, Tunisia and India also went down over the last twelve-month period.

Wine (EUR +1.0 billion; +8%), **infant food** (EUR +0.7 billion; +10%), **milk powder** (EUR +0.5 billion; +14%) and **pet food** (EUR +0.5 billion; +14%) exports have been performing very well over the last twelve months. Export performance on a yearly basis also increased by EUR 473 million spirits and liqueurs (+5%) and by EUR 406 million for sugar, which saw an exceptional export growth rate of 60% on an annual basis.

On the other hand, **wheat** exports have experienced a significant drop in value terms on an annual basis (EUR -1.4 billion or -28%). Other categories with notable losses in export values over the last 12 months were: pork, cereals (other than wheat and rice), vegetable oils (excluding palm oil and olive oil), fresh or dried fruit (excluding citrus and tropical fruit); fresh, chilled and dried vegetables, beer and cocoa paste and powder.

With EU agri-food imports showing little growth, net trade surplus increases further

Agri-food **imports** from third countries in the 12-months period between April 2017 to March 2018 accounted for **EUR 115.4 billion**, i.e. an increase of just 0.5% compared to the same period one year ago. Driven by the stronger export performance over the 12-months period, the **export surplus** now stands at **EUR 21.3 billion** (+EUR 2.3 billion; +12%).

Main origins for EU agri-food imports over the past 12 months are **Brazil** (EUR 11.8 billion), the **USA** (EUR 10.5 billion), Ukraine (EUR 5.7 billion), followed by China, Argentina, Indonesia, Switzerland and Turkey, each accounting for between EUR 4.5 and 5.5 billion.

On the year-on-year basis, the value of agri-food imports from the **USA** have decreased the most (EUR -670 million; -6%), followed by **Argentina** (EUR -605 million; -10%), **Ghana** (EUR -517 million; -30%), **Ivory Coast** (EUR -462 million; -12%) and **Brazil** (EUR -437 million; -4%). Some other key partners also experienced reductions both in absolute and relative terms, most notably Uruguay (EUR -222 million), Nigeria (EUR -180 million) and Peru (EUR -177 million).

On the other hand, the value of imports from **Ukraine** (EUR +1.4 billion; +33%), and **India** (EUR 600 million; +21%) increased the most. Over the 12 months period, EU import values for agri-food products coming from Indonesia, China and Morocco also went up.

Looking at product categories, the highest increases in import values over the last twelve months were recorded for **cereals (excluding wheat and rice)** (EUR +1.0 billion; +43%), fatty acids (EUR +682 million; +37%) and tropical fruit (EUR +646 million; +5%). However, import values decreased in particular for **cocoa beans** (EUR -1.5 billion; -30%) as well as for soya beans (EUR -749 million; -14%).

This monthly newsletter again provides a table in the annex, presenting the **trade balance** and its development by product category. The largest gains in net exports were achieved in **wine**, with the biggest losses for **wheat**. At the same time net imports increased most for **other cereals** and decreased most for **cocoa beans**.

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2017/18	Apr16- Mar17	Apr17- Mar18	Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		133.870	136.725	2.855	2,1	12.763	11.646	-1.117	-8,8
United States of America	1	21.191	21.777	586	2,8	1.947	1.829	-118	-6,0
China	2	11.629	11.772	142	1,2	1.064	943	-121	-11,4
Switzerland	3	8.055	8.114	59	0,7	808	737	-70	-8,7
Russia	4	5.927	6.516	589	9,9	602	559	-43	-7,1
Japan	5	5.985	6.481	496	8,3	552	558	6	1,1
Norway	6	4.351	4.416	65	1,5	407	353	-54	-13,3
Hong Kong	7	3.821	4.008	187	4,9	372	315	-57	-15,3
Saudi Arabia	8	4.517	3.846	-672	-14,9	498	383	-115	-23,0
Turkey	9	3.241	3.731	489	15,1	352	316	-35	-10,1
Canada	10	3.445	3.565	121	3,5	316	282	-34	-10,8
Australia	11	3.053	3.242	189	6,2	263	248	-15	-5,8
Korea (Republic of)	12	2.801	2.939	138	4,9	267	280	13	4,8
United Arab Emirates	13	3.212	2.808	-403	-12,6	293	227	-66	-22,6
Algeria	14	2.565	2.358	-207	-8,1	229	203	-26	-11,5
Singapore	15	2.021	2.259	238	11,8	170	200	31	18,0
Ukraine	16	1.600	1.864	264	16,5	185	190	4	2,4
Israel	17	1.772	1.800	28	1,6	169	169	0	0,2
Brazil	18	1.597	1.780	183	11,5	132	156	23	17,5
South Africa	19	1.798	1.727	-71	-4,0	154	121	-34	-21,8
Morocco	20	1.658	1.503	-154	-9,3	184	143	-41	-22,4
<i>other countries</i>		<i>39.630</i>	<i>40.219</i>	<i>589</i>	<i>1,5</i>	<i>3.799</i>	<i>3.434</i>	<i>-365</i>	<i>-9,6</i>

Table 2: EU28 agri-food exports – most important changes in March 2018

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
	Rank 2017/18	Apr16- Mar17	Apr17- Mar18	Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		133.870	136.725	2.855	2,1	12.763	11.646	-1.117	-8,8
Singapore	15	2.021	2.259	238	11,8	170	200	31	18,0
Brazil	18	1.597	1.780	183	11,5	132	156	23	17,5
Korea (Republic of)	12	2.801	2.939	138	4,9	267	280	13	4,8
Ethiopia	82	170	181	11	6,5	8	20	11	134,7
Serbia	25	955	1.171	216	22,6	102	111	10	9,5
Ivory Coast	41	527	595	68	12,9	44	53	9	20,4
Sri Lanka	87	111	161	50	45,5	9	18	9	90,9
Syrian Arab Republic	74	138	202	64	46,7	13	21	8	60,1
Qatar	44	424	536	112	26,3	42	49	7	17,6
Venezuela	104	158	83	-74	-47,3	3	10	7	198,9
Morocco	20	1.658	1.503	-154	-9,3	184	143	-41	-22,4
Russia	4	5.927	6.516	589	9,9	602	559	-43	-7,1
Vietnam	27	1.516	1.090	-425	-28,1	138	87	-51	-36,8
Norway	6	4.351	4.416	65	1,5	407	353	-54	-13,3
Hong Kong	7	3.821	4.008	187	4,9	372	315	-57	-15,3
United Arab Emirates	13	3.212	2.808	-403	-12,6	293	227	-66	-22,6
Switzerland	3	8.055	8.114	59	0,7	808	737	-70	-8,7
Saudi Arabia	8	4.517	3.846	-672	-14,9	498	383	-115	-23,0
United States of America	1	21.191	21.777	586	2,8	1.947	1.829	-118	-6,0
China	2	11.629	11.772	142	1,2	1.064	943	-121	-11,4
<i>other countries</i>		<i>59.092</i>	<i>60.968</i>	<i>1.876</i>	<i>3,2</i>	<i>5.659</i>	<i>5.152</i>	<i>-508</i>	<i>-9,0</i>

Table 3: EU28 agri-food exports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 EXPORT							
	Apr16-Mar17	Apr17-Mar18	Difference Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	133.870	136.725	2.855	2,1	12.763	11.646	-1.117	-8,8
Commodities	23.819	22.983	-836	-3,5	2.484	2.030	-455	-18,3
Other primary	24.019	23.755	-264	-1,1	2.165	2.029	-137	-6,3
Processed	25.143	26.869	1.726	6,9	2.387	2.324	-63	-2,6
Food preparations	28.499	30.341	1.842	6,5	2.653	2.562	-91	-3,4
Beverages	17.576	18.119	543	3,1	1.525	1.474	-51	-3,4
Non-edible	14.814	14.987	173	1,2	1.549	1.347	-202	-13,0
Wheat	5.056	3.643	-1.413	-27,9	463	242	-221	-47,7
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1.857	1.600	-256	-13,8	276	214	-62	-22,3
Rice	209	247	38	18,4	27	24	-3	-12,2
Flours and other products of the milling industry	822	766	-56	-6,9	77	69	-8	-10,7
Malt	1.026	1.005	-21	-2,0	88	99	11	11,9
Starches, inulin & gluten	972	1.058	86	8,8	101	75	-26	-25,5
Soyabeans	79	118	39	49,1	3	4	0	12,9
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	818	798	-20	-2,4	99	97	-2	-2,4
Palm & palm kernel oil	179	170	-10	-5,5	21	15	-6	-28,0
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.426	2.218	-208	-8,6	259	206	-54	-20,7
Oilcakes	294	304	9	3,2	25	31	5	20,0
Other feed and feed ingredients	1.128	1.115	-14	-1,2	105	94	-11	-10,6
Beet and cane sugar	681	1.086	406	59,6	48	106	57	117,9
Sugar, other than beet & cane	527	520	-7	-1,3	51	46	-5	-9,9
Milk powders and whey	3.739	4.274	535	14,3	440	339	-101	-23,0
Butter	843	975	132	15,7	99	97	-2	-1,7
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.173	1.240	67	5,7	117	123	5	4,5
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	539	509	-30	-5,5	49	40	-9	-19,0
Cocoa beans	22	10	-12	-54,2	1	1	0	8,9
Cocoa paste and powder	1.371	1.233	-137	-10,0	125	92	-32	-26,0
Agricultural commodities, not specified	58	93	35	60,6	7	17	9	120,7
Live animals	2.638	2.902	264	10,0	186	197	11	5,9
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	746	809	63	8,5	75	78	3	3,7
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.521	4.968	-553	-10,0	507	432	-74	-14,6
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.483	1.537	54	3,6	125	137	11	8,8
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	95	140	45	47,3	14	13	-1	-6,1
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	3.021	2.960	-61	-2,0	273	238	-35	-12,8
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.127	1.276	149	13,2	105	110	5	5,0
Eggs and honey	661	667	6	0,9	72	66	-7	-9,3
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3.188	2.999	-189	-5,9	268	255	-13	-5,0
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2.454	2.260	-194	-7,9	214	173	-41	-19,0
Citrus fruit	501	531	31	6,1	62	63	2	2,5
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1.022	1.050	28	2,7	102	93	-9	-8,8
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1.562	1.656	94	6,0	162	173	11	6,9
Agricultural primary products, not specified	1	0	-1	-100,0	0	0	0	0
Meat preparations	1.257	1.335	78	6,2	115	115	1	0,6
Cheese	3.728	3.985	257	6,9	363	351	-12	-3,3
Olive oil	2.723	2.821	99	3,6	265	229	-35	-13,4
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4.467	4.675	208	4,7	424	416	-8	-1,9
Fruit juices	833	859	26	3,1	85	71	-14	-16,2
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	11.037	12.005	968	8,8	1.034	1.038	4	0,4
Roasted coffee and tea	1.098	1.188	90	8,2	101	103	1	1,3
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	5.300	5.475	174	3,3	444	421	-23	-5,1
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.798	7.498	700	10,3	660	689	29	4,3
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	4.794	5.083	288	6,0	424	429	5	1,1
Soups and sauces	1.227	1.309	83	6,7	118	116	-3	-2,2
Coffee and tea extracts	764	782	18	2,4	71	65	-6	-8,2
Food preparations, not specified	5.844	5.892	48	0,8	584	476	-108	-18,4
Pet food	3.772	4.301	530	14,0	352	366	14	4,0
Waters and soft drinks	3.526	3.785	259	7,4	329	329	0	-0,1
Beer	3.474	3.299	-175	-5,0	310	265	-46	-14,8
Spirits and liqueurs	10.323	10.796	473	4,6	861	864	3	0,4
Odoriferous substances	252	238	-14	-5,7	25	16	-8	-33,3
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.717	1.684	-33	-1,9	318	175	-143	-45,0
Non edible animal products	438	489	51	11,6	45	50	5	11,8
Wool and silk	139	143	3	2,4	13	13	0	-0,3
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	851	829	-22	-2,6	76	77	1	0,8
Cut flowers and plants	690	734	44	6,4	71	71	0	0,4
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1.678	1.752	75	4,5	205	182	-23	-11,2
Raw tobacco	975	890	-85	-8,7	74	73	-2	-2,4
Cigars and cigarettes	3.504	3.402	-103	-2,9	328	309	-19	-5,7
Fatty acids and waxes	527	709	182	34,4	48	61	13	27,4
Sugar alcohols	127	130	3	2,5	12	14	2	13,9
Essential oils	643	767	124	19,3	66	73	7	10,9
Ethanol	164	171	7	4,1	15	15	0	1,4
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.952	1.898	-54	-2,8	177	141	-36	-20,6
Non-edible, not specified	1.255	1.230	-25	-2,0	86	79	-6	-7,5
Products non-attributable	154	161	7	4,7	14	14	0	-2,4

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 2017/18	Apr16- Mar17	Apr17- Mar18	Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		114.867	115.428	561	0,5	11.012	9.798	-1.214	-11,0
Brazil	1	12.249	11.812	-437	-3,6	983	947	-37	-3,7
United States of America	2	11.131	10.461	-670	-6,0	1.119	949	-170	-15,2
Ukraine	3	4.244	5.664	1.420	33,5	482	549	67	13,9
China	4	5.128	5.467	339	6,6	441	441	0	0,1
Argentina	5	5.938	5.333	-606	-10,2	532	376	-157	-29,4
Indonesia	6	4.590	4.946	356	7,8	498	367	-130	-26,2
Switzerland	7	4.682	4.624	-58	-1,2	421	380	-41	-9,7
Turkey	8	4.617	4.513	-104	-2,3	378	390	12	3,2
India	9	2.859	3.458	600	21,0	327	289	-39	-11,9
Ivory Coast	10	3.828	3.367	-462	-12,1	382	263	-119	-31,1
South Africa	11	2.581	2.682	101	3,9	248	239	-9	-3,6
Vietnam	12	2.521	2.674	153	6,1	233	185	-48	-20,5
New Zealand	13	2.270	2.377	107	4,7	216	223	8	3,5
Colombia	14	2.170	2.350	180	8,3	213	200	-13	-6,1
Chile	15	2.336	2.338	2	0,1	230	184	-46	-19,9
Australia	16	2.140	2.328	188	8,8	234	192	-42	-18,0
Thailand	17	2.361	2.315	-46	-2,0	231	201	-30	-13,1
Morocco	18	2.036	2.257	221	10,9	291	302	11	3,9
Canada	19	2.299	2.155	-143	-6,2	178	184	6	3,5
Peru	20	2.265	2.087	-178	-7,8	172	150	-22	-13,0
<i>other countries</i>		32.623	32.221	-403	-1,2	3.203	2.788	-416	-13,0

Table 5: EU28 agri-food imports – most important changes in March 2018

EU28 agri-food imports from	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data			
PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2017/18	Apr16- Mar17	Apr17- Mar18	Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
		mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28		114.867	115.428	561	0,5	11.012	9.798	-1.214	-11,0
Ukraine	3	4.244	5.664	1.420	33,5	482	549	67	13,9
Tunisia	39	451	554	103	22,9	38	80	42	111,8
Pakistan	47	317	427	110	34,8	27	58	31	114,0
Madagascar	42	396	492	96	24,3	38	62	24	62,2
Guatemala	34	721	705	-16	-2,2	53	68	15	27,9
Turkey	8	4.617	4.513	-104	-2,3	378	390	12	3,2
Morocco	18	2.036	2.257	221	10,9	291	302	11	3,9
New Zealand	13	2.270	2.377	107	4,7	216	223	8	3,5
Nicaragua	55	187	265	78	42,0	18	25	7	39,9
Belize	69	102	125	23	22,3	8	15	7	83,2
Philippines	32	916	939	23	2,5	118	76	-42	-35,5
Australia	16	2.140	2.328	188	8,8	234	192	-42	-18,0
Ghana	26	1.721	1.204	-517	-30,0	142	96	-45	-32,1
Chile	15	2.336	2.338	2	0,1	230	184	-46	-19,9
Vietnam	12	2.521	2.674	153	6,1	233	185	-48	-20,5
Malaysia	21	2.042	2.055	13	0,7	225	168	-57	-25,3
Ivory Coast	10	3.828	3.367	-462	-12,1	382	263	-119	-31,1
Indonesia	6	4.590	4.946	356	7,8	498	367	-130	-26,2
Argentina	5	5.938	5.333	-606	-10,2	532	376	-157	-29,4
United States of America	2	11.131	10.461	-670	-6,0	1.119	949	-170	-15,2
<i>other countries</i>		62.363	62.403	40	0,1	5.750	5.169	-582	-10,1

Table 6: EU28 agri-food imports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 IMPORT							
	Apr16-Mar17	Apr17-Mar18	Difference Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	114.867	115.428	561	0,5	11.012	9.798	-1.214	-11,0
Commodities	48.631	47.152	-1.480	-3,0	4.649	3.785	-864	-18,6
Other primary	31.766	32.466	699	2,2	3.137	3.010	-128	-4,1
Processed	13.021	12.738	-283	-2,2	1.121	1.070	-51	-4,6
Food preparations	7.093	7.566	473	6,7	676	632	-45	-6,6
Beverages	2.939	3.100	160	5,5	258	260	2	0,8
Non-edible	11.416	12.473	1.057	9,3	1.170	1.063	-107	-9,1
Wheat	1.225	1.127	-98	-8,0	120	117	-3	-2,7
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	2.293	3.286	993	43,3	268	355	87	32,4
Rice	1.044	1.185	142	13,6	116	104	-13	-10,8
Flours and other products of the milling industry	167	158	-9	-5,3	16	12	-4	-26,8
Malt	7	8	1	0,0	1	3	2	204,1
Starches, inulin & gluten	53	64	11	20,2	7	7	0	-4,4
Soyabeans	5.520	4.770	-749	-13,6	446	370	-76	-17,0
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	3.610	3.973	363	10,1	351	330	-21	-6,0
Palm & palm kernel oil	5.936	6.242	306	5,2	623	459	-164	-26,3
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.403	2.635	232	9,6	228	199	-28	-12,5
Oilcakes	7.401	6.994	-407	-5,5	668	566	-102	-15,2
Other feed and feed ingredients	889	946	57	6,4	98	83	-15	-15,4
Beet and cane sugar	1.503	1.149	-353	-23,5	149	58	-91	-61,3
Sugar, other than beet & cane	441	445	4	0,9	40	30	-10	-24,1
Milk powders and whey	46	48	3	5,8	5	3	-2	-42,3
Butter	53	67	14	25,6	1	3	3	137,8
Gums, resins and plant extracts	933	975	42	4,5	91	92	1	0,7
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	7.890	7.528	-361	-4,6	755	573	-182	-24,1
Cocoa beans	5.129	3.610	-1.519	-29,6	478	270	-207	-43,4
Cocoa paste and powder	2.054	1.923	-131	-6,4	188	147	-41	-21,9
Agricultural commodities, not specified	35	18	-17	-49,1	0	5	5	
Live animals	284	241	-43	-15,1	15	25	10	67,8
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.749	1.664	-86	-4,9	118	99	-20	-16,5
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	30	30	0	-0,8	3	2	-1	-32,5
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	296	362	65	22,0	24	41	17	68,6
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	904	1.033	129	14,3	147	162	15	10,1
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.035	1.179	144	13,9	91	96	4	4,9
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	27	25	-2	-7,7	2	2	-1	-32,4
Eggs and honey	502	524	22	4,3	42	44	2	5,7
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	4.846	4.633	-213	-4,4	586	520	-66	-11,2
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	6.104	6.152	47	0,8	675	628	-47	-6,9
Citrus fruit	2.074	2.032	-42	-2,0	119	138	18	15,5
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	13.184	13.830	646	4,9	1.237	1.185	-52	-4,2
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	725	762	37	5,1	78	70	-9	-11,1
Agricultural primary products, not specified	6	0	-5	-97,3	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	2.105	1.831	-274	-13,0	174	155	-19	-11,1
Cheese	438	435	-3	-0,6	39	41	2	3,8
Olive oil	312	512	200	64,1	27	76	49	178,2
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	3.535	3.401	-134	-3,8	318	276	-42	-13,3
Fruit juices	2.269	2.249	-20	-0,9	181	173	-9	-4,7
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	2.693	2.681	-12	-0,5	226	225	-2	-0,7
Roasted coffee and tea	1.668	1.628	-40	-2,4	155	126	-30	-19,1
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	1.201	1.253	52	4,3	101	97	-4	-3,5
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	409	584	175	42,8	51	59	8	15,4
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1.268	1.333	65	5,1	118	110	-7	-6,1
Soups and sauces	703	716	13	1,8	67	58	-9	-13,7
Coffee and tea extracts	522	488	-34	-6,5	49	39	-10	-20,5
Food preparations, not specified	1.852	1.880	28	1,5	176	155	-21	-11,9
Pet food	1.137	1.311	174	15,3	115	114	-2	-1,4
Waters and soft drinks	1.002	1.057	54	5,4	90	90	0	-0,1
Beer	379	371	-8	-2,1	36	35	0	-1,2
Spirits and liqueurs	1.540	1.662	122	7,9	131	133	2	1,9
Odoriferous substances	18	10	-8	-43,5	1	1	0	7,9
Raw hides, skins and furskins	681	631	-50	-7,3	79	58	-21	-26,5
Non edible animal products	360	405	45	12,4	34	35	1	2,9
Wool and silk	913	928	15	1,7	87	79	-8	-9,2
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	516	595	79	15,2	57	56	-1	-2,0
Cut flowers and plants	1.318	1.335	17	1,3	133	124	-10	-7,2
Bulbs, roots and live plants	879	917	38	4,4	89	84	-5	-6,0
Raw tobacco	2.302	2.419	118	5,1	242	207	-35	-14,4
Cigars and cigarettes	314	324	10	3,2	25	31	6	24,8
Fatty acids and waxes	1.836	2.518	682	37,1	223	183	-40	-17,8
Sugar alcohols	22	44	22	99,8	2	3	1	82,2
Essential oils	947	1.031	84	8,9	94	83	-11	-12,0
Ethanol	258	294	36	13,8	22	24	1	6,1
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	672	673	1	0,1	65	51	-13	-20,5
Non-edible, not specified	5	6	1		1	1	0	-31,0
Products non-attributable	393	353	-40	-10,3	16	44	28	171,7

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

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU28 TRADE BALANCE							
	Apr16- Mar17	Apr17- Mar18	Difference Apr17-Mar18 to Apr16-Mar17		Mar-17	Mar-18	Difference Mar 18 to Mar 17	
	mio €				%	mio €		
All agri-food products	19.004	21.297	2.294	12,1	1.751	1.848	97	5,5
Commodities	-24.813	-24.169	643	-2,6	-2.165	-1.755	409	-18,9
Other primary	-7.747	-8.710	-963	12,4	-972	-981	-9	1,0
Processed	12.122	14.131	2.009	16,6	1.265	1.254	-12	-0,9
Food preparations	21.406	22.775	1.369	6,4	1.977	1.930	-47	-2,4
Beverages	14.636	15.019	383	2,6	1.267	1.214	-53	-4,2
Non-edible	3.398	2.514	-884	-26,0	379	284	-95	-25,0
Wheat	3.831	2.516	-1.315	-34,3	343	125	-218	-63,5
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	-436	-1.685	-1.249	286,4	8	-141	-149	-1.921,2
Rice	-835	-938	-103	12,4	-89	-80	9	-10,4
Flours and other products of the milling industry	656	608	-48	-7,2	61	57	-4	-6,4
Malt	1.019	998	-22	-2,1	87	96	8	9,5
Starches, inulin & gluten	919	994	75	8,2	94	68	-25	-27,1
Soyabeans	-5.440	-4.652	788	-14,5	-443	-366	76	-17,3
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	-2.792	-3.175	-383	13,7	-252	-234	19	-7,4
Palm & palm kernel oil	-5.757	-6.073	-316	5,5	-602	-444	158	-26,2
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	23	-417	-440	-1.918,9	31	6	-25	-79,8
Oilcakes	-7.107	-6.690	417	-5,9	-642	-535	107	-16,6
Other feed and feed ingredients	239	168	-71	-29,5	8	11	4	49,9
Beet and cane sugar	-822	-63	759	-92,3	-100	48	148	-147,8
Sugar, other than beet & cane	86	75	-11	-12,6	12	16	4	37,4
Milk powders and whey	3.693	4.225	532	14,4	435	336	-99	-22,8
Butter	789	908	118	15,0	98	95	-3	-3,2
Gums, resins and plant extracts	240	265	25	10,6	26	31	5	17,7
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	-7.351	-7.019	332	-4,5	-706	-533	172	-24,4
Cocoa beans	-5.107	-3.600	1.507	-29,5	-477	-269	207	-43,5
Cocoa paste and powder	-683	-689	-6	0,8	-64	-55	9	-13,8
Agricultural commodities, not specified	23	75	52	225,3	7	12	4	59,8
Live animals	2.354	2.662	307	13,1	171	172	1	0,6
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-1.004	-855	149	-14,8	-43	-21	22	-51,6
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.491	4.938	-553	-10,1	504	430	-73	-14,5
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.187	1.176	-11	-0,9	101	96	-5	-5,4
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-809	-893	-84	10,4	-133	-148	-16	11,8
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.986	1.781	-205	-10,3	182	142	-39	-21,7
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.100	1.251	151	13,7	102	108	6	5,8
Eggs and honey	158	143	-15	-9,7	31	22	-9	-29,6
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	-1.658	-1.634	24	-1,4	-318	-266	52	-16,4
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	-3.650	-3.892	-242	6,6	-461	-455	6	-1,3
Citrus fruit	-1.573	-1.501	72	-4,6	-58	-74	-17	29,3
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	-12.162	-12.780	-618	5,1	-1.135	-1.092	43	-3,8
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	837	894	57	6,8	84	104	20	23,7
Agricultural primary products, not specified	-5	0	5		0		0	
Meat preparations	-848	-496	352	-41,5	-60	-40	20	-33,5
Cheese	3.290	3.550	260	7,9	324	310	-13	-4,1
Olive oil	2.410	2.309	-101	-4,2	237	153	-84	-35,4
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	932	1.274	342	36,7	107	141	34	32,0
Fruit juices	-1.436	-1.390	46	-3,2	-97	-102	-5	5,3
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	8.343	9.324	981	11,8	808	814	6	0,7
Roasted coffee and tea	-570	-440	130	-22,8	-54	-23	31	-57,5
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4.099	4.221	123	3,0	343	324	-19	-5,6
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.389	6.914	525	8,2	609	630	21	3,4
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	3.527	3.750	223	6,3	306	318	12	3,9
Soups and sauces	524	593	70	13,3	51	58	7	12,7
Coffee and tea extracts	242	294	52	21,6	21	26	4	20,1
Food preparations, not specified	3.992	4.011	20	0,5	408	322	-87	-21,2
Pet food	2.635	2.991	356	13,5	237	253	16	6,6
Waters and soft drinks	2.523	2.728	205	8,1	239	238	0	-0,1
Beer	3.095	2.928	-167	-5,4	275	229	-45	-16,6
Spirits and liqueurs	8.783	9.135	351	4,0	730	731	1	0,1
Odoriferous substances	235	228	-7	-2,8	24	15	-8	-35,0
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.036	1.052	16	1,6	239	117	-122	-51,0
Non edible animal products	78	84	6	7,9	11	15	4	39,9
Wool and silk	-773	-785	-12	1,5	-74	-66	8	-10,9
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	335	234	-101	-30,1	19	21	2	9,3
Cut flowers and plants	-629	-602	27	-4,3	-62	-52	10	-15,9
Bulbs, roots and live plants	799	835	36	4,5	116	99	-18	-15,1
Raw tobacco	-1.327	-1.530	-203	15,3	-168	-135	33	-19,7
Cigars and cigarettes	3.191	3.078	-113	-3,5	303	278	-25	-8,2
Fatty acids and waxes	-1.309	-1.809	-500	38,2	-175	-123	53	-30,1
Sugar alcohols	105	86	-19	-17,8	10	11	0	3,9
Essential oils	-304	-265	39	-13,0	-29	-10	18	-64,2
Ethanol	-94	-123	-29	30,5	-7	-8	-1	16,2
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.281	1.225	-55	-4,3	112	89	-23	-20,6
Non-edible, not specified	1.250	1.223	-26	-2,1	85	79	-6	-7,2
Products non-attributable	-239	-192	48	-19,9	-2	-30	-28	1.455,8