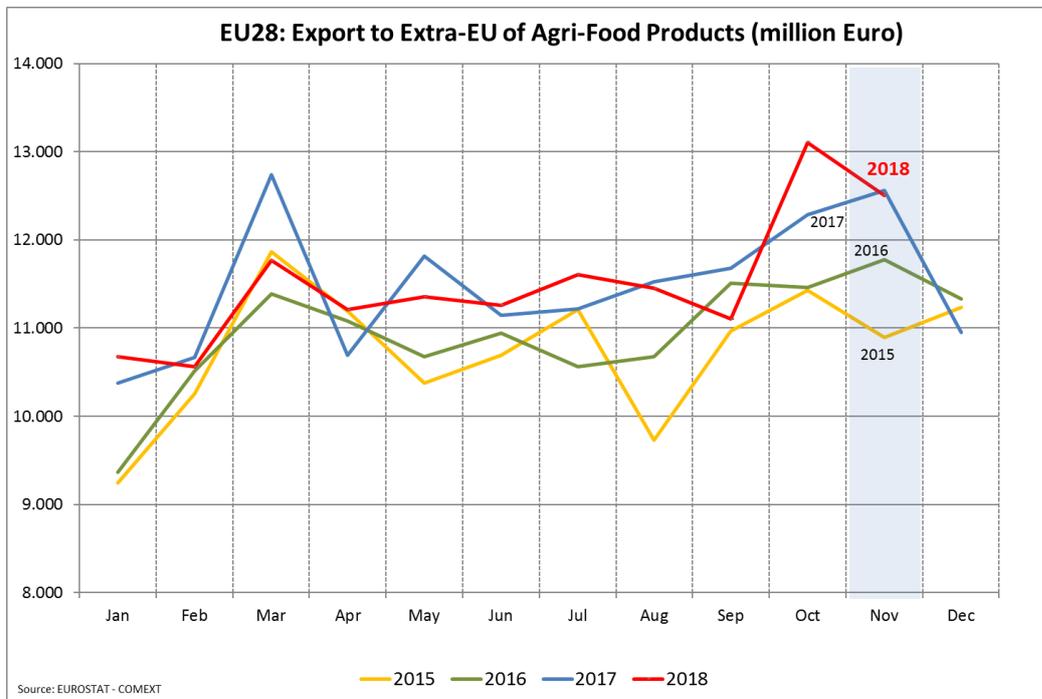


Monitoring EU Agri-Food Trade: Development until November 2018



November 2018: EU agri-food surplus increases on slower imports

The monthly value of EU agri-food exports in November 2018 experienced a slowdown from a record-breaking October level, but with a value of **EUR 12.5 billion** was nevertheless the second best month of 2018 and fourth biggest ever recorded, coming just 0.5% below the value of November 2017 and 4.6% below October 2018. Imports increased by 2.1% over a year ago to **EUR 10.2 billion** and set a record for the month of November. The monthly agri-food trade surplus stood at **EUR 2.3 billion**, 10.7% below the surplus of November 2017.

The highest increases in monthly export values (November 2018 compared to November 2017, EUR million) were recorded for **Algeria** (+54), **Saudi Arabia** (+51), **USA** (+43), **Libya** (+37) and **Mexico** (+36), while exports decreased most to **Turkey** (-164), **Hong Kong** (-76), **Morocco** (-37) and **Switzerland** (-34).

The slight decline in export values this month was caused primarily by the reduction of **wheat** (-109), **sugar** (-63) and **meat offal** (-42) exports. On the other hand, **other cereals** (+80), **spirits and liqueurs** (+37) and **water and soft drinks** (+34) saw biggest increases.

The value of November 2018 EU agri-food imports compared to November 2017 increased significantly for imports coming from the **USA** (+266), **Ukraine** (+168), **China** (+75), **Russia** (+67) and **Ghana** (+53). The value of imports from **Indonesia** (-130), **Brazil** (-85) and **Canada** (-56) went down the most.

Most of the increase in imports can be attributed to **coarse grains** (+243, or +128%), while imports of **tropical fruit, nuts and spices** (-151) and **palm oil** (-118) decreased most of all.

Wine and spirits exports lead export growth; milk powder and wheat exports decline

For the 12-months period of December 2017 to November 2018, EU agri-food **exports** increased to EUR **137.5 billion**, corresponding to a slight decrease of 0.4% in value terms compared to the same period one year ago.

The most important destination for EU agri-food exports over the past 12 months (EUR billion) were the **USA** (21.9), followed by **China** (11.1), **Switzerland** (8.0), **Japan** (6.6) and **Russia** (6.5).

Major gains in annual values (EUR million) have been achieved in agri-food exports to **Ukraine** (+253; +14%), **Japan** (+223; +4%), **Singapore** (+185; +8%) and **Algeria** (+181; +7%).

Exports to the **USA**, which remains by far the largest market for EU agri-food exports, recorded a slight reduction of 1% over the past 12 months (-229). Annual export values also showed a downward trend for EU's second most important export market, **China** (-694; -6%). Exports also declined to the **United Arab Emirates** (-408; -13%), **Hong Kong** (-328; -8%), **Turkey** (-328; -9%) and **Saudi Arabia** (-316; -8%).

In products, **spirits and liqueurs** (+438; +4%), **wine and vermouth** (+400; +3%) have continued to perform very well over the last twelve months. **Sugar** (+288; +34%) exports continued to show strong increase on a year-to-year basis, but the increase is expected to slow down. Export performance on a yearly basis also increased notably for **pasta and pastry** (+274), as well as **preparations for vegetables, fruit and nuts** (+198).

On the other hand, annual exports of **milk powders** (-540; -12%), **wheat** (-485; -12%) and **raw hides and furskins** (-450; -24%) have experienced the most significant drop in value terms (EUR million). Other categories with notable losses in export values over the last 12 months were **offal** (-316; -11%), **fruit** (excluding citrus and tropical) (-313, -13%), **pork meat** (-265; -5%) and **food preparations, not specified** (-227; -4%).

Sharp reduction of unroasted coffee imports continues, while cereal imports jump

Agri-food **imports** from third countries in the 12-months period between December 2017 and November 2018 accounted for **EUR 115.6 billion**, representing a decrease of -2.3% compared to the same period one year ago. As imports declined faster than exports, the **export surplus** increased to **EUR 22.0 billion** (+2.1 billion; +11%).

The most important origins for EU agri-food imports over the past 12 months (EUR billion) remain **Brazil** (11.9) and the **USA** (11.8), followed by **China** (5.6), **Ukraine** (5.3), **Argentina** (5.1), **Switzerland** (5.6), **Turkey** (4.5) and **Indonesia** (4.3).

On a year-on-year basis, the value of agri-food imports (EUR million) from **Indonesia** has decreased significantly (-953; -18%). Imports also decreased quite noticeably from **Argentina** (-605; -11%), **Australia** (-448; -18%), **Paraguay** (-403; -40%) and **Ivory Coast** (-290; -8%).

On the other hand, the annual value of imports from the **USA** (+640; +6%) increased the most. Over the last 12 months period, EU import values also went up for agri-food products coming from **Russia** (+254; +19%), **Tunisia** (253; +57%), **South Africa** (+221; +8%), **China** (+218; +4%) and **Pakistan** (+189; +55%).

Looking at product categories, the highest increases in import values over the last twelve months were recorded for **coarse grains** (+656; +22%), **fruit** (excluding citrus and tropical) (+441; +7%) and **olive oil** (+267; +72%). On the other hand, import values decreased significantly in particular for **unroasted coffee and tea** (-1.0 billion; -13%) and **palm oil** (-1.0 billion; -15%), but also for **sugar** (-683; -50%) and **oilseeds** (excluding soybeans) (-639; -15%).

Regarding **trade balance** and its development by product category, it is worth noting that over the past 12 months, the highest increase in net import value was achieved in **fruit** (excluding citrus and tropical) (up EUR 753 million).

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data				
	PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2017/18	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17	Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17		
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			138.033	137.549	-483	-0,4	12.564	12.508	-57	-0,5
United States of America	1	22.116	21.887	-229	-1,0	1.960	2.003	43	2,2	
China	2	11.835	11.141	-694	-5,9	1.065	1.052	-13	-1,2	
Switzerland	3	8.213	8.048	-165	-2,0	770	736	-34	-4,4	
Japan	4	6.377	6.600	223	3,5	552	547	-5	-1,0	
Russia	5	6.491	6.493	2	0,0	683	655	-28	-4,2	
Norway	6	4.471	4.392	-79	-1,8	414	410	-4	-0,9	
Saudi Arabia	7	4.124	3.807	-316	-7,7	345	396	51	14,7	
Hong Kong	8	4.066	3.738	-328	-8,1	424	348	-76	-17,9	
Canada	9	3.551	3.637	86	2,4	308	320	12	3,8	
Australia	10	3.225	3.298	72	2,2	274	291	16	6,0	
Turkey	11	3.587	3.260	-328	-9,1	381	217	-164	-43,0	
Korea (Republic of)	12	2.918	2.991	73	2,5	255	256	1	0,4	
United Arab Emirates	13	3.026	2.618	-408	-13,5	243	260	17	6,9	
Algeria	14	2.435	2.616	182	7,5	226	280	54	23,8	
Singapore	15	2.218	2.403	185	8,4	212	208	-4	-1,9	
Ukraine	16	1.789	2.042	253	14,1	188	207	20	10,6	
Israel	17	1.820	1.920	100	5,5	164	174	10	6,3	
Brazil	18	1.682	1.778	96	5,7	170	155	-16	-9,1	
South Africa	19	1.790	1.730	-60	-3,4	131	131	1	0,6	
Morocco	20	1.487	1.502	15	1,0	139	102	-37	-26,6	
<i>other countries</i>		<i>40.811</i>	<i>41.648</i>	<i>837</i>	<i>2,1</i>	<i>3.660</i>	<i>3.759</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>2,7</i>	

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

EU28 agri-food exports to	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data				
	PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2017/18	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17	Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17		
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			138.033	137.549	-483	-0,4	12.564	12.508	-57	-0,5
Algeria	14	2.435	2.616	182	7,5	226	280	54	23,8	
Saudi Arabia	7	4.124	3.807	-316	-7,7	345	396	51	14,7	
United States of America	1	22.116	21.887	-229	-1,0	1.960	2.003	43	2,2	
Libya	28	1.029	1.063	33	3,2	80	117	37	46,0	
Mexico	22	1.455	1.466	11	0,8	96	132	36	37,5	
Vietnam	26	1.211	1.165	-46	-3,8	95	119	23	24,6	
Ukraine	16	1.789	2.042	253	14,1	188	207	20	10,6	
United Arab Emirates	13	3.026	2.618	-408	-13,5	243	260	17	6,9	
Australia	10	3.225	3.298	72	2,2	274	291	16	6,0	
Ivory Coast	42	570	581	11	1,9	50	65	15	30,9	
Brazil	18	1.682	1.778	96	5,7	170	155	-16	-9,1	
Mauritania	70	203	211	8	3,8	30	15	-16	-51,6	
Angola	38	783	691	-92	-11,7	75	56	-19	-25,3	
Kenya	75	258	202	-55	-21,4	33	13	-20	-60,4	
Jordan	34	784	771	-12	-1,5	79	56	-23	-29,5	
Russia	5	6.491	6.493	2	0,0	683	655	-28	-4,2	
Switzerland	3	8.213	8.048	-165	-2,0	770	736	-34	-4,4	
Morocco	20	1.487	1.502	15	1,0	139	102	-37	-26,6	
Hong Kong	8	4.066	3.738	-328	-8,1	424	348	-76	-17,9	
Turkey	11	3.587	3.260	-328	-9,1	381	217	-164	-43,0	
<i>other countries</i>		<i>69.499</i>	<i>70.312</i>	<i>813</i>	<i>1,2</i>	<i>6.222</i>	<i>6.285</i>	<i>62</i>	<i>1,0</i>	

Table 3: EU28 agri-food exports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 EXPORT							
	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Difference Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17		Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	138.033	137.549	-483	-0,4	12.564	12.508	-57	-0,5
Commodities	23.645	23.005	-640	-2,7	2.073	1.992	-82	-3,9
Other primary	24.035	23.193	-842	-3,5	2.360	2.323	-38	-1,6
Processed	26.612	27.231	618	2,3	2.427	2.468	41	1,7
Food preparations	30.350	30.576	226	0,7	2.762	2.774	12	0,4
Beverages	18.223	18.681	458	2,5	1.651	1.692	42	2,5
Non-edible	15.168	14.865	-303	-2,0	1.292	1.259	-33	-2,5
Wheat	4.100	3.614	-485	-11,8	373	263	-109	-29,4
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	1.677	1.846	168	10,0	133	213	80	59,8
Rice	236	220	-15	-6,6	26	18	-8	-32,0
Flours and other products of the milling industry	797	724	-74	-9,2	70	67	-3	-3,7
Malt	998	1.000	2	0,2	89	78	-11	-12,0
Starches, inulin & gluten	1.085	977	-108	-9,9	93	92	-1	-1,6
Soyabeans	144	43	-101	-69,9	34	3	-31	-90,5
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	760	788	27	3,6	80	71	-8	-10,3
Palm & palm kernel oil	173	161	-12	-6,9	12	17	4	34,1
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.397	2.235	-162	-6,7	196	175	-21	-10,7
Oilcakes	299	346	47	15,9	36	31	-5	-13,9
Other feed and feed ingredients	1.100	1.236	136	12,3	94	116	22	23,0
Beet and cane sugar	849	1.137	288	34,0	126	63	-63	-49,8
Sugar, other than beet & cane	520	561	41	7,8	44	56	13	28,6
Milk powders and whey	4.480	3.940	-540	-12,0	339	343	4	1,0
Butter	894	947	54	6,0	60	86	25	41,8
Gums, resins and plant extracts	1.218	1.328	111	9,1	101	114	13	13,2
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	523	494	-29	-5,5	46	47	1	2,3
Cocoa beans	13	20	7	53,8	1	2	0	20,4
Cocoa paste and powder	1.316	1.201	-116	-8,8	116	118	1	1,1
Agricultural commodities, not specified	66	184	119	180,5	4	19	15	377,4
Live animals	2.840	2.850	10	0,4	265	248	-17	-6,2
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	829	834	5	0,6	71	70	-1	-1,1
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.092	4.827	-265	-5,2	464	453	-11	-2,4
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.509	1.558	49	3,3	148	144	-4	-2,4
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	136	127	-9	-6,6	12	10	-1	-11,2
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	3.004	2.688	-316	-10,5	289	247	-42	-14,6
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.251	1.275	24	1,9	111	114	3	2,3
Eggs and honey	666	693	27	4,1	54	61	7	12,3
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	3.100	2.934	-166	-5,3	376	397	21	5,6
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	2.407	2.094	-313	-13,0	227	238	11	4,9
Citrus fruit	504	529	25	5,0	75	70	-5	-6,7
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	1.047	1.050	4	0,4	102	99	-4	-3,5
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	1.649	1.731	82	5,0	165	170	5	3,2
Agricultural primary products, not specified	0	0	0		0	0	0	
Meat preparations	1.316	1.392	77	5,8	125	135	10	8,3
Cheese	3.970	4.018	48	1,2	345	362	18	5,1
Olive oil	2.831	2.723	-108	-3,8	258	234	-23	-9,1
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	4.596	4.794	198	4,3	403	431	28	7,1
Fruit juices	873	849	-24	-2,7	70	79	8	12,1
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	11.855	12.255	400	3,4	1.115	1.110	-5	-0,5
Roasted coffee and tea	1.172	1.199	27	2,3	111	116	5	4,6
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	5.480	5.597	117	2,1	539	523	-16	-3,0
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	7.355	7.456	100	1,4	644	645	1	0,1
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	5.017	5.291	274	5,5	468	492	25	5,3
Soups and sauces	1.300	1.326	26	2,0	115	117	3	2,4
Coffee and tea extracts	779	769	-10	-1,3	65	62	-3	-4,7
Food preparations, not specified	6.205	5.977	-227	-3,7	552	561	10	1,8
Pet food	4.213	4.159	-54	-1,3	380	373	-7	-1,8
Waters and soft drinks	3.750	3.936	186	5,0	317	351	34	10,8
Beer	3.414	3.291	-123	-3,6	268	241	-27	-10,2
Spirits and liqueurs	10.810	11.248	438	4,1	1.047	1.084	37	3,6
Odoriferous substances	249	206	-43	-17,3	19	16	-3	-14,1
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.877	1.426	-450	-24,0	55	48	-7	-13,2
Non edible animal products	486	510	24	4,9	41	42	0	1,2
Wool and silk	136	141	5	4,0	12	8	-4	-32,9
Colton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	824	879	56	6,8	131	135	4	3,3
Cut flowers and plants	711	748	37	5,2	66	72	6	9,3
Bulbs, roots and live plants	1.725	1.845	120	7,0	146	146	0	0,2
Raw tobacco	930	879	-51	-5,5	75	80	5	6,4
Cigars and cigarettes	3.499	3.388	-111	-3,2	332	310	-21	-6,4
Fatty acids and waxes	569	614	44	7,8	49	41	-8	-16,0
Sugar alcohols	127	141	14	11,0	10	14	3	29,9
Essential oils	736	780	44	6,0	68	66	-3	-4,0
Ethanol	175	183	8	4,6	17	15	-3	-15,8
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.984	1.790	-194	-9,8	174	163	-10	-5,9
Non-edible, not specified	1.229	1.374	145	11,8	101	107	5	5,0
Products non-attributable	162	166	5	3,0	14	13	-1	-5,3

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	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17		Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17	
			mio €	mio €	mio €	%	mio €	mio €	mio €	%
Extra-EU28			118.228	115.564	-2.664	-2,3	10.031	10.244	214	2,1
Brazil	1	11.833	11.929	96	0,8	1.051	966	-85	-8,1	
United States of America	2	11.156	11.797	640	5,7	1.019	1.284	266	26,1	
China	3	5.411	5.628	218	4,0	452	527	75	16,6	
Ukraine	4	5.478	5.295	-182	-3,3	463	632	168	36,4	
Argentina	5	5.754	5.149	-605	-10,5	481	489	8	1,8	
Switzerland	6	4.698	4.560	-139	-2,9	472	459	-13	-2,7	
Turkey	7	4.520	4.465	-55	-1,2	507	459	-47	-9,4	
Indonesia	8	5.304	4.351	-953	-18,0	468	338	-130	-27,9	
Ivory Coast	9	3.616	3.326	-290	-8,0	258	252	-7	-2,7	
India	10	3.341	3.248	-93	-2,8	290	251	-39	-13,5	
South Africa	11	2.699	2.920	221	8,2	148	146	-2	-1,2	
Chile	12	2.376	2.500	124	5,2	183	174	-9	-5,1	
Vietnam	13	2.665	2.485	-180	-6,8	204	196	-8	-3,8	
New Zealand	14	2.352	2.403	52	2,2	165	170	5	2,9	
Morocco	15	2.243	2.389	146	6,5	187	175	-12	-6,4	
Thailand	16	2.342	2.377	34	1,5	182	196	14	7,6	
Peru	17	2.213	2.216	3	0,2	212	256	44	20,5	
Colombia	18	2.439	2.168	-271	-11,1	221	191	-30	-13,4	
Canada	19	2.320	2.069	-252	-10,8	236	180	-56	-23,7	
Australia	20	2.506	2.058	-448	-17,9	143	136	-7	-4,6	
<i>other countries</i>		32.963	32.231	-732	-2,2	2.690	2.769	79	2,9	

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

EU28 agri-food imports from	cumulative data: 12 month period					monthly data				
	PARTNER/PERIOD (million Euro) source: COMEXT	Rank 2017/18	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17		Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17	
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United States of America	2	11.156	11.797	640	5,7	1.019	1.284	266	26,1	
Ukraine	4	5.478	5.295	-182	-3,3	463	632	168	36,4	
China	3	5.411	5.628	218	4,0	452	527	75	16,6	
Russia	24	1.320	1.574	254	19,3	117	184	67	57,6	
Ghana	25	1.344	1.412	68	5,1	100	153	53	52,3	
Peru	17	2.213	2.216	3	0,2	212	256	44	20,5	
Papua New Guinea	42	628	509	-119	-18,9	35	61	26	75,7	
Serbia	28	1.228	1.111	-117	-9,5	77	101	24	30,7	
Guatemala	33	684	785	101	14,7	62	83	21	34,0	
Thailand	16	2.342	2.377	34	1,5	182	196	14	7,6	
Malaysia	21	2.067	1.918	-149	-7,2	188	169	-19	-10,1	
Philippines	31	1.000	901	-99	-9,9	97	70	-26	-27,2	
Colombia	18	2.439	2.168	-271	-11,1	221	191	-30	-13,4	
Moldova	36	634	616	-18	-2,9	97	67	-31	-31,6	
Madagascar	43	466	506	40	8,7	74	42	-32	-43,1	
India	10	3.341	3.248	-93	-2,8	290	251	-39	-13,5	
Turkey	7	4.520	4.465	-55	-1,2	507	459	-47	-9,4	
Canada	19	2.320	2.069	-252	-10,8	236	180	-56	-23,7	
Brazil	1	11.833	11.929	96	0,8	1.051	966	-85	-8,1	
Indonesia	8	5.304	4.351	-953	-18,0	468	338	-130	-27,9	
<i>other countries</i>		52.500	50.689	-1.811	-3,4	4.084	4.035	-48	-1,2	

Table 6: EU28 agri-food imports by product category

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU 28 IMPORT							
	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec-17 - Nov-18	Difference Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17		Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	118.228	115.564	-2.664	-2,3	10.031	10.244	214	2,1
Commodities	49.542	46.226	-3.316	-6,7	3.903	4.275	372	9,5
Other primary	32.717	33.096	379	1,2	2.811	2.646	-165	-5,9
Processed	12.936	12.662	-275	-2,1	1.234	1.164	-70	-5,7
Food preparations	7.499	7.919	420	5,6	684	725	41	6,0
Beverages	3.080	3.297	217	7,0	301	315	15	5,0
Non-edible	12.453	12.363	-90	-0,7	1.097	1.118	22	2,0
Wheat	1.212	1.185	-27	-2,2	88	114	26	29,8
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	3.013	3.669	656	21,8	190	434	243	128,0
Rice	1.162	1.250	87	7,5	113	100	-13	-11,6
Flours and other products of the milling industry	170	156	-14	-8,2	14	16	2	14,4
Malt	6	7	1	0,0	0	0	0	43,1
Starches, inulin & gluten	61	71	10	17,0	5	6	1	31,3
Soyabeans	4.992	5.052	60	1,2	363	396	33	9,1
Oilseeds, other than soyabeans	4.210	3.571	-639	-15,2	361	366	5	1,4
Palm & palm kernel oil	6.601	5.595	-1.006	-15,2	606	488	-118	-19,5
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	2.702	2.222	-479	-17,7	189	233	44	23,6
Oilcakes	7.344	7.302	-42	-0,6	603	664	61	10,1
Other feed and feed ingredients	951	1.055	104	10,9	83	132	49	59,4
Beet and cane sugar	1.378	696	-683	-49,5	65	65	0	-0,7
Sugar, other than beet & cane	448	460	12	2,6	36	51	15	42,8
Milk powders and whey	49	43	-6	-12,9	4	3	-2	-36,6
Butter	71	89	18	26,0	6	9	3	48,4
Gums, resins and plant extracts	959	1.055	96	10,0	73	84	11	15,2
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	8.026	7.026	-1.000	-12,5	647	596	-52	-8,0
Cocoa beans	4.158	3.802	-356	-8,6	274	321	47	17,2
Cocoa paste and powder	2.030	1.892	-137	-6,8	182	193	11	6,0
Agricultural commodities, not specified	0	30	29		0	3	3	
Live animals	268	245	-23	-8,7	30	19	-12	-37,9
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.712	1.651	-62	-3,6	135	120	-15	-10,8
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	29	27	-2	-7,3	3	2	0	-13,7
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	312	517	206	66,0	39	35	-4	-9,7
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	973	1.043	70	7,2	66	51	-15	-23,4
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.155	1.166	11	1,0	105	104	-1	-1,2
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	26	23	-3	-11,3	2	2	0	6,8
Eggs and honey	522	518	-4	-0,8	42	42	0	0,3
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	4.898	4.722	-176	-3,6	411	426	15	3,6
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	6.239	6.679	441	7,1	449	489	41	9,0
Citrus fruit	2.009	2.130	121	6,0	105	87	-18	-17,1
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	13.804	13.585	-219	-1,6	1.353	1.202	-151	-11,1
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	766	789	23	3,0	72	67	-6	-7,7
Agricultural primary products, not specified	3	0	-2	-89,3	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	1.928	1.784	-143	-7,4	161	159	-3	-1,7
Cheese	431	425	-6	-1,5	50	52	2	3,8
Olive oil	370	637	267	72,2	51	37	-14	-27,8
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	3.534	3.284	-250	-7,1	317	309	-8	-2,5
Fruit juices	2.269	2.228	-41	-1,8	203	160	-43	-21,2
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	2.714	2.740	25	0,9	278	277	0	-0,1
Roasted coffee and tea	1.691	1.564	-127	-7,5	174	170	-4	-2,0
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	1.241	1.297	56	4,5	120	122	1	0,9
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	513	636	123	24,0	60	51	-9	-14,9
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	1.334	1.379	44	3,3	116	125	9	8,2
Soups and sauces	722	723	1	0,2	63	64	1	1,8
Coffee and tea extracts	516	474	-41	-8,0	44	43	-1	-2,3
Food preparations, not specified	1.912	2.002	90	4,7	171	188	17	9,7
Pet food	1.261	1.409	147	11,7	110	133	23	20,5
Waters and soft drinks	1.049	1.123	74	7,1	81	90	10	11,8
Beer	377	433	56	14,8	29	35	6	18,8
Spirits and liqueurs	1.644	1.728	83	5,1	190	188	-1	-0,8
Odoriferous substances	10	13	3	32,9	0	2	1	279,7
Raw hides, skins and furskins	672	625	-47	-7,0	61	52	-9	-14,7
Non edible animal products	395	411	17	4,2	33	37	4	12,3
Wool and silk	910	1.053	143	15,7	92	119	27	29,2
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	582	598	16	2,7	43	53	10	22,7
Cut flowers and plants	1.355	1.345	-10	-0,7	107	114	7	6,5
Bulbs, roots and live plants	909	949	40	4,4	80	93	13	16,1
Raw tobacco	2.437	2.362	-75	-3,1	204	241	37	18,0
Cigars and cigarettes	299	326	27	9,2	33	31	-2	-5,9
Fatty acids and waxes	2.434	2.304	-129	-5,3	250	184	-66	-26,6
Sugar alcohols	38	39	0	0,9	4	2	-2	-53,3
Essential oils	1.025	1.069	43	4,2	90	78	-12	-12,8
Ethanol	275	296	21	7,7	28	29	1	5,0
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	689	663	-26	-3,8	60	61	1	1,5
Non-edible, not specified	7	9	3	38,5	0	1	1	
Products non-attributable	428	315	-113	-26,3	12	25	12	103,2

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

PRODUCT/PERIOD	EU28 TRADE BALANCE							
	Dec-16 - Nov-17	Dec -17 - Nov-18	Difference Dec-17 - Nov-18 to Dec-16 - Nov-17		Nov-17	Nov-18	Difference Nov-18 to Nov-17	
	mio €		%		mio €		%	
All agri-food products	19.805	21.986	2.181	11,0%	2.534	2.263	-270	-10,7%
Commodities	-25.897	-23.222	2.676	10,3%	-1.830	-2.283	-453	-24,8%
Other primary	-8.682	-9.903	-1.221	-14,1%	-451	-323	128	28,3%
Processed	13.676	14.569	893	6,5%	1.192	1.304	111	9,3%
Food preparations	22.851	22.657	-194	-0,9%	2.078	2.049	-29	-1,4%
Beverages	15.142	15.384	241	1,6%	1.350	1.377	27	2,0%
Non-edible	2.715	2.502	-214	-7,9%	195	141	-54	-27,8%
Wheat	2.888	2.429	-459	-15,9%	285	149	-136	-47,7%
Cereals, other than wheat and rice	-1.335	-1.823	-488	-36,5%	-57	-220	-164	-287,8%
Rice	-927	-1.030	-103	-11,1%	-87	-83	5	5,6%
Flours and other products of the milling industry	628	568	-60	-9,5%	55	51	-5	-8,3%
Malt	992	993	0	0,0%	89	78	-11	-12,0%
Starches, inulin & gluten	1.024	906	-118	-11,5%	88	86	-3	-3,3%
Soybeans	-4.848	-5.009	-161	-3,3%	-329	-393	-64	-19,3%
Oilseeds, other than soybeans	-3.450	-2.783	667	19,3%	-281	-294	-13	-4,7%
Palm & palm kernel oil	-6.427	-5.434	994	15,5%	-594	-471	122	20,6%
Vegetable oils other than palm & olive oil	-305	13	318	104,2%	7	-58	-65	-915,2%
Oilcakes	-7.045	-6.956	89	1,3%	-568	-633	-66	-11,6%
Other feed and feed ingredients	149	181	32	21,6%	11	-17	-28	-251,3%
Beet and cane sugar	-529	442	971	183,5%	60	-2	-62	-103,1%
Sugar, other than beet & cane	72	101	29	40,4%	8	5	-3	-35,3%
Milk powders and whey	4.431	3.898	-533	-12,0%	335	340	5	1,5%
Butter	823	858	35	4,3%	54	77	22	41,1%
Gums, resins and plant extracts	259	273	15	5,7%	28	30	2	8,2%
Unroasted coffee, tea in bulk & mate	-7.503	-6.531	972	13,0%	-601	-548	53	8,8%
Cocoa beans	-4.145	-3.782	363	8,8%	-273	-320	-47	-17,2%
Cocoa paste and powder	-713	-692	22	3,0%	-66	-75	-10	-14,7%
Agricultural commodities, not specified	65	155	90	136,8%	4	16	12	296,8%
Live animals	2.572	2.606	33	1,3%	235	230	-5	-2,1%
Bovine meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-883	-817	66	7,5%	-64	-50	14	21,7%
Pork meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	5.063	4.800	-262	-5,2%	462	451	-11	-2,4%
Poultry meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	1.197	1.041	-157	-13,1%	109	109	0	0,2%
Sheep and goat meat, fresh, chilled and frozen	-837	-916	-79	-9,4%	-54	-40	14	26,0%
Offal, animal fat & other meats, fresh, chilled & frozen	1.849	1.522	-327	-17,7%	184	143	-41	-22,2%
Fresh milk and cream, buttermilk and yoghurt	1.225	1.252	27	2,2%	109	112	2	2,2%
Eggs and honey	143	175	32	22,0%	13	19	7	51,3%
Vegetables, fresh, chilled and dried	-1.798	-1.788	10	0,6%	-35	-29	6	17,3%
Fruit, fresh or dried, excl. citrus & tropical fruit	-3.832	-4.586	-753	-19,7%	-222	-252	-29	-13,2%
Citrus fruit	-1.505	-1.601	-96	-6,4%	-30	-17	13	43,5%
Tropical fruit, fresh or dried, nuts and spices	-12.757	-12.534	223	1,7%	-1.251	-1.104	147	11,8%
Miscellaneous seeds and hop cones	884	942	59	6,6%	93	104	11	11,6%
Agricultural primary products, not specified	-3	0	2	89,3%	0	0	0	
Meat preparations	-612	-392	220	36,0%	-37	-23	13	36,1%
Cheese	3.539	3.593	54	1,5%	295	311	16	0,0%
Olive oil	2.461	2.086	-375	-15,2%	207	198	-9	-4,5%
Preparations of vegetables, fruit or nuts	1.062	1.510	448	42,2%	86	122	36	42,4%
Fruit juices	-1.396	-1.379	17	1,2%	-133	-81	52	38,8%
Wine, vermouth, cider and vinegar	9.141	9.516	375	4,1%	837	833	-5	-0,6%
Roasted coffee and tea	-519	-365	154	29,7%	-63	-55	9	13,7%
Chocolate, confectionery and ice cream	4.240	4.300	61	1,4%	418	401	-17	-4,1%
Infant food & other prep of cereals, flour, starch or milk	6.843	6.820	-23	-0,3%	584	594	10	1,7%
Pasta, pastry, biscuits and bread	3.683	3.912	229	6,2%	352	367	15	4,4%
Soups and sauces	578	603	25	4,4%	51	53	2	3,1%
Coffee and tea extracts	263	295	31	12,0%	22	20	-2	-9,5%
Food preparations, not specified	4.293	3.976	-317	-7,4%	381	374	-7	-1,8%
Pet food	2.952	2.751	-201	-6,8%	269	240	-30	-11,0%
Waters and soft drinks	2.701	2.812	112	4,1%	236	260	25	10,4%
Beer	3.037	2.858	-179	-5,9%	239	206	-33	0,0%
Spirits and liqueurs	9.166	9.521	355	3,9%	857	896	39	4,5%
Odoriferous substances	239	193	-46	-19,3%	18	14	-4	-21,7%
Raw hides, skins and furskins	1.205	802	-404	-33,5%	-6	-4	2	28,1%
Non edible animal products	91	99	7	8,0%	8	5	-4	-41,9%
Wool and silk	-775	-912	-137	-17,7%	-80	-110	-31	-38,7%
Cotton, flax and hemp, and plaiting materials	241	281	40	16,6%	88	82	-5	-6,2%
Cut flowers and plants	-644	-597	46	7,2%	-41	-42	-1	-1,9%
Bulbs, roots and live plants	816	897	80	9,8%	66	53	-13	-19,3%
Raw tobacco	-1.507	-1.483	24	1,6%	-129	-161	-32	-24,8%
Cigars and cigarettes	3.200	3.062	-138	-4,3%	299	280	-19	-6,5%
Fatty acids and waxes	-1.864	-1.691	174	9,3%	-201	-143	59	29,1%
Sugar alcohols	89	102	14	15,3%	6	12	6	91,7%
Essential oils	-289	-288	1	0,3%	-22	-13	9	40,6%
Ethanol	-100	-113	-13	-13,1%	-11	-15	-4	-39,2%
Casein, other albuminoidal sub. & mod. starches	1.295	1.127	-168	-12,9%	114	102	-11	-9,8%
Non-edible, not specified	1.222	1.364	142	11,7%	101	106	4	4,2%
Products non-attributable	-266	-149	118	44,1%	2	-11	-13	-718,9%