



Metadata - Yearly simple table

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Comparison between countries**

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Overview of the query

This predefined query allows to extract yearly data on imports in the EU from non-EU countries, by making use of two pre-selected filters:

1. Countries, which includes all EU Member States and the EU aggregate¹
2. Year, for an historical series back to 2002.

Through this query, it is possible to compare imports of different EU Member States or the EU as a whole from non-EU countries at the same time for a given period.

The table can be drilled in to a more disaggregated level by the user by clicking on the underlined elements (i.e. Commodity groups). As a result, the table will display those Main commercial species pertaining to the Commodity group selected.

Data can be downloaded in different formats (xlsx, csv, ods).

Click [here](#) to consult the User guide for using predefined queries.

¹ The United Kingdom is considered as part of the EU till 2019 and related yearly data on imports from non-EU countries till this year are available in all tables at EU level. Starting from 2020, the United Kingdom's data on imports are available together with other non-EU countries (Iceland and Norway).



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Type of data and sources

Yearly data on extra-EU imports refer to **fisheries and aquaculture products imported** in each EU Member State, **originating from non-EU countries**, as recorded at the relevant EU Customs offices. The source from which the EUMOFA collects these data is EUROSTAT – COMEXT (monthly data aggregated on a yearly basis).

Each month, latest 24 months are downloaded by the EUMOFA Team from EUROSTAT-COMEXT and uploaded into EUMOFA. This is due to the fact that import-export data of the latest 24 months could be submitted to updates.

Products specifications

Data on the fisheries and aquaculture products imported in each EU Member State from non-EU countries are disseminated in this query aggregated into the related Main commercial species and Commodity groups. Main commercial species and Commodity groups are **aggregates of different fish species and products**. Details on Presentation and Preservation states are also available.

For details on the correlation carried out for aggregating raw trade data at CN-8 code level to the EUMOFA Main commercial species and Commodity groups, please consult the “Data management” Metadata and its Annexes available [here](#)².

Reference period

Data in the resulting table are displayed for the year selected. For details on the frequency and the time lag of data submissions from EUROSTAT-COMEXT, consult the metadata dedicated to “Data collection” available [here](#)³.

For checking the state of update of data included in the query, consult the [Data supply monitoring](#)⁴.

Unit of measure

Volumes are expressed in tonnes net weight. Values are expressed in 1.000 EUR. Prices are expressed in Euro/Kilogram (without VAT).

² <http://www.eumofa.eu/supply-balance-and-other-methodologies>

³ <http://www.eumofa.eu/documents/20178/24415/Metadata+1+-+DATA+COLLECTION.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.eumofa.eu/data-supply-monitoring>



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Quality assurance

At EUMOFA level, regular checks are performed at two stages:

- Data entry: data not in compliance with completeness, consistency and correctness rules are automatically discarded and stored in a specific table within the Database. Checks performed consist in:
 - o File format check
 - o Existence of codes (against codes registers)
 - o Duplicate records
- Data dissemination: the instances of abnormal data are cross-checked with the contact persons of EUROSTAT-COMEXT in order to i) clarify if they actually reflect market phenomena and ii) collect revised data and substituting incorrect figures with the new ones.