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RESUME

Den seneste udvikling i EF's handel med landbrugsvarer viser et voksende underskud over for tredjelande. Det er imidlertid værd at bemærke, at fra udvidelsen af Fællesskabet i 1973 og indtil 1977 har stigningen i importen fra tredjelande været på 30,9%, medens stigningen i eksporten til tredjelande har været på 40,0%, samtidig med at handelen EF-landene imellem er steget med 54,8%, regnet i løbende priser. Da væksten i verdenshandelen med landbrugsvarer i nævnte periode har været på 58,6%, følger det, at Fællesskabets andel af verdenshandelen har været faldende. Fællesskabets import i procent af verdenshandelen er således faldet fra 30,3% i 1973 til 27,2% i 1977, medens eksporten er faldet fra 9,5% til 8,9%.

Som handelspartner er det interessant at bemærke den voksende betydning af udviklingslandene - specielt AVS-landene. Udviklingslandene har vist en voksende betydning både med hensyn til import og eksport, såvel relativt som absolut.

Blandt produktgrupperne er det for det første vigtigt at bemærke den værdimæssige, voksende betydning af importen af kaffe, te og kakaoprodukter (stigning fra 8,1% af den totale import af landbrugsprodukter i 1973 til 18,3% i 1977), dernæst må man hæfte sig ved den mængdemæssige øgede import af foderprodukter med højt indhold af protein, som viser en voksende afhængighed af proteinimport fra tredjelande.

ZUSAMMENFASSUNG

Die jüngsten Entwicklungen im EG-Agrarhandel mit Drittländern sind gekennzeichnet durch ein wachsendes Defizit der EG im Verhältnis zu Drittländern. Betrachtet man den Zeitraum 1973-1977, so ist jedoch zu vermerken, dass die Einfuhren aus Drittländern mit 30,9% zugenommen haben, während die Ausfuhren nach Drittländern mit 40,0% zugenommen haben, gleichzeitig ist der Handel zwischen den EG-Ländern mit 54,8% gestiegen (jeweils zu Marktpreisen). Erklären lässt sich diese Entwicklung nicht zuletzt aus der Erweiterung der Gemeinschaft im Jahre 1973. Aus dem Wachstums im Welthandel mit Agrarprodukten um 58,6%, folgt, dass der Gemeinschaftsanteil am Welthandel gesunken ist. Der Anteil der Gemeinschaftseinfuhren am gesamten Welthandel ging von 30,3% im Jahre 1973 auf 27,2% im Jahre 1977, der Anteil der Ausfuhren im gleichen Zeitraum von 9,5% auf 8,9% zurück.

Hervorzuheben ist die wachsende Bedeutung der Entwicklungsländer - insbesondere der AKP-Länder - als Handelspartner; diese machte sich - sowohl relativ als auch absolut - im Import und im Export bemerkbar.

Bei den einzelnen Warengruppen ist zunächst der Wertzuwachs der Einfuhren von Kaffee, Tee und Kakaoerzeugnissen (von 8,1% der gesamten Agrareinfuhren im Jahre 1973 auf 18,3% im Jahre 1977) zu erwähnen. Darüber hinaus stieg die Einfuhr von Erzeugnissen mit hohem Proteingehalt für Futtermittel - ein Zeichen der wachsenden Abhängigkeit von Proteineinfuhren aus Drittländern.

SUMMARY

Recent developments in the EC's trade in agricultural products with third countries show a growing deficit of the EC as a region against third countries. Taken over the period 1973 to 1977 it is, however, worthwhile to remark that the enlargement of the Community in 1973 has led to a growth in imports from third countries of 30,9% - and exports to third countries of 40,0%, as against a 54,8% growth in intra-Community trade - all at current prices. As the growth rate of world trade in agricultural products has been 58,6%, it follows that the Community's share of world trade has been declining. Community imports as a percentage of total world trade fell declining from 30,3% in 1973 to 27,2% in 1977 with exports falling from 9,5% to 8,9%

As trading partners it is interesting to remark upon the growing importance of the developing countries - especially the ACP countries. The developing countries have shown a growing importance for both imports and exports, relatively as well as in absolute figures.

As far as commodity groups are concerned the first element worthy of remark is the growing importance in terms of value of imports of coffee, tea and cocoa products (from 8,1% of total agricultural imports in 1973 to 18,3% in 1977), and the second the increase in the volume of imports of high protein products for animal feedingstuffs, demonstrating a growing dependence on protein imports from third countries.

RESUME

Les développements récents dans le commerce agricole de la Communauté peuvent être caractérisés par un déficit croissant en prix courants envers le reste du monde. Néanmoins, il est intéressant de constater que pour l'ensemble des neuf le taux de croissance du commerce intracommunautaire a été de 54,8% pendant la période 1973 - 1977, contre 30,9% pour les importations en provenance des pays tiers et de 40,0% pour les exportations vers les pays tiers (le tout aux prix courants). L'élargissement de la Communauté en 1973 explique en grande partie ce développement. Le commerce mondial ayant eu une croissance de 58,6%, la part de la Communauté s'en est trouvée diminuée. Le pourcentage des importations communautaires dans le commerce mondial est tombé de 30,3% en 1973 à 27,2% en 1977 et, pour les exportations, de 9,5% à 8,9% pendant cette même période.

Il est intéressant de constater l'importance accrue des pays en voie de développement, notamment les pays ACP, en tant que partenaires commerciaux. Les pays en voie de développement prennent de plus en plus d'importance, tant pour les exportations que pour les importations et tant en valeur relative qu'en valeur absolue.

En ce qui concerne les différents groupes de produits, le premier élément digne d'intérêt est représenté par l'importance accrue des importations de café, de thé et de cacao (de 8,1% en valeur des importations agricoles totales en 1973 à 18,3% en 1977). Le deuxième élément est l'augmentation en volume des importations des produits protéiques pour les aliments de bétail. Celle-ci souligne une dépendance croissante de la Communauté sur les importations des pays tiers pour son approvisionnement en protéines d'origine végétale.

BREVE RIASSUNTO

I recenti sviluppi del commercio agricolo con i paesi terzi mostravano l'acuirsi del deficit della Comunità presa nel suo insieme nei confronti di questi paesi. E' opportuno sottolineare gli effetti apportati nel periodo 1973-1977 dall'allargamento della Comunità. L'interscambio comunitario è aumentato del 59,8%, mentre, da e verso i paesi terzi, le importazioni sono salite del 30,9% e le esportazioni del 40,0% (a prezzi correnti). Così, mentre il tasso di crescita del commercio agricolo mondiale è salito a 58,6%, la presenza comunitaria nei mercati mondiali si è indebolita. Rispetto al totale del mercato mondiale, per le importazioni si è scesi dal 30,3% del 1973 al 27,2% del 1977, e per le esportazioni dal 9,5% all'8,9%.

E' interessante altresì sottolineare il peso crescente dei paesi in via di sviluppo come "partners" commerciali della Comunità, con particolare riferimento ai paesi associati ACP. Ciò vale tanto per le importazioni che per le esportazioni sia in valore assoluto che come quota relativa.

Dal punto di vista dei prodotti bisogna in primo luogo notare l'incidenza in continuo aumento delle importazioni di caffè, té e prodotti del cacao. Queste merci sono passate dall'8,1% del totale delle importazioni agricole nel 1973 al 18,3% nel 1977. C'è poi da sottolineare il peso crescente (in volume) delle sostanze ad alto tenore proteico per i mangimi da allevamento. Il che sta a dimostrare il crescente grado di dipendenza dalle importazioni dai paesi terzi per l'approvvigionamento proteico della Comunità.

SAMENVATTING

De recente ontwikkeling van de EG-handel met derde landen in landbouwprodukten vertoont een groeiend tekort van de Europese Gemeenschap als geheel ten opzichte van derde landen. Het is echter opvallend, dat na de uitbreiding van de Gemeenschap in 1973 de invoer uit derde landen toenam met 30,9%; terwijl de uitvoer naar derde landen steeg met 40,0%, tegen 54,8% in groei van de handel binnen de Gemeenschap. (Gerekend in lopende prijzen). De stijging van de wereldhandel in landbouwprodukten is 58,6% geweest. Hieruit valt af te leiden dat de rol van de Gemeenschap op de wereldmarkt geringer is geworden. De invoer van de Gemeenschap daalde ten opzichte van de totale wereldhandel van 30,3% in 1973 tot 27,2% in 1977, terwijl in dezelfde periode de uitvoer afnam van 9,5% tot 8,9%.

Het blijkt dat de landen in ontwikkeling als handelspartners belangrijker zijn geworden, en met name de ACS-landen. De landen in ontwikkeling hebben zowel hun invoer als uitvoer zien stijgen, relatief en absoluut.

Wat betreft de produkten, valt de groeiende invoer (in waarde) van koffie, thee en cacao op (van 8,1% van de totale invoer van landbouwprodukten in 1973 naar 18,3% in 1977), en voorts de toegenomen invoer (in volume) van hoogwaardige eiwitrijke produkten voor diervoeder, hetgeen wijst op een stijgende afhankelijkheid van de Gemeenschap ten aanzien van de invoer van eiwitten uit derde landen.

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I Introduction

The object of this study is to analyze the development and structure of the European Communities' trade in agricultural products in the period from 1973 to 1977.

It covers the Community's trade with third countries (external trade) and trade between Member States (internal trade), and the foreign trade of the individual Member States.

The study is almost exclusively concerned with the period from 1973 to 1977, i.e. from the enlargement of the Community until the last year for which statistics are available (situation at the beginning of February 1979).

Statistics used in the analysis are mostly based on value; quantities are used only where the position in the individual commodities is analysed. For the sake of comparability, values are given in EUR; for conversion to national currencies see Annex 3.

The period covered by the analysis was marked by high inflation and international monetary disorder, and it must be borne in mind that international trade in agricultural products is governed by a great many restrictions and national subsidy schemes.

As can be seen, the main sources used in the statistical analysis were the Statistical Office of the European Community (EUROSTAT), the Commission's Directorate-General for Agriculture, and the OECD.

II Definition of agricultural products

The definition of agricultural products in this analysis is that used by the Commission, and comprises the commodities listed below with the corresponding headings from the first revised SITC¹. It will be seen that 'agricultural products' include amongst others fishery and forestry products, as well as products of the food processing industry.

¹ The SITC (Standard International Trade Classification) is a system recommended by the UN for classifying international trade. From 1978 onwards, EUROSTAT has published Community statistics on the basis of the second revised SITC, which raises some problems in directly comparing pre- and post-1978 figures.

Table A: Agricultural products

<u>Revised SITC</u>	<u>Agricultural products</u>
0	Food products and live animals
1	Beverages and tobacco
21	Skins and furs
22	Oilseeds
231.1	Natural rubber
24	Timber and cork
261-265	Natural textile fibres
29	Animal and vegetable raw materials
4	Animal and vegetable fats and oils
599.51/52	Starch

II.1 Classification of agricultural products

The above is a very broad classification, especially in the case of some of the commodity groups (for example, 66.4% of total agricultural imports in 1977 were imports of 'Food products and live animals' from third countries), and this necessitated a more detailed classification for analysis of import and export patterns. Annex 1 gives details of the various commodity groups.

III External trade in agricultural products

III.1 The Community and the world market

As Table B below shows, the Community is the world's largest trading partner for agricultural products.

Table B: The EEC share of world agricultural exports

	1969 ¹	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977
EEC agricultural exports (f.o.b.) as a percentage of world exports	9.7%	9.4%	9.3%	9.0%	8.4%	8.9%
EEC agricultural imports (c.i.f.) as a percentage of world exports	32.6%	30.3%	26.4%	25.0%	26.4%	27.2%

Source: The Agricultural Situation in the Community, 1978 Report, Commission, Brussels-Luxembourg

¹ When this text refers to the Community, it always concerns the enlarged Community, also for periods earlier than 1973.

The table shows that from 1969 to 1977 the EEC was importing about 30% of world exports; its share has declined over the period from 32.6% to 27.2% in 1977. Exports have also fallen from 9.7% in 1969 to 8.9% in 1977. The Community has therefore declined in importance both as a supplier and purchaser on the world market, partly explained by the enlargement of the Community in 1973 (see table K on page 12).

III.2 The Community's trade with third countries

Between 1969 and 1977 the Community has constantly been in deficit in its trade in agricultural products with third countries. In 1969 the deficit was 14.8 milliards EUR, 16.8 in 1973 and 21.1 in 1977. Thus the whole period from 1969 to 1977 has been marked by a rising deficit at current prices.

Table C: Growth rates of agricultural imports and exports

	1969-1977	1969-1973	1973-1977
Exports (f.o.b.)	64.1%	17.2%	40.0%
Imports (c.i.f.)	48.9%	13.7%	30.9%

The actual development in the trade with third countries implies that the exports have been growing relatively faster than imports (but from a much lower base). These rates are compared in table C, while table 1¹ gives details of the trend in trade with third countries.

Agricultural imports and exports as a percentage of total imports and exports have declined over the whole period. Agricultural exports were 8.5% of total exports in 1969, 9.3% in 1973 and 7.5% in 1977, while the corresponding figures for imports were 28.5%, 28.9% and 21.9%; this development is partly explained by the enlargement of the Community.

III.3 Trading partners

Table D on the following page shows the pattern and development of the Community's trade in agricultural products, on a regional basis.

¹ The numbered tables are grouped together in section VII: "Statistical Tables".

Table D: Trade with third countries analyzed on a regional basis, for 1973 and 1977 (expressed as a percentage)

	Imports (c.i.f.)		Exports (f.o.b.)	
	1973	1977	1973	1977
Major industrialized countries	49.3	43.2	55.5	49.3
(USA)	(17.2)	(17.2)	(16.6)	(13.4)
Developing countries	41.1	49.5	33.1	43.8
(ACP countries)	(10.8)	(16.4)	(7.7)	(10.4)
State-trading countries	8.9	7.3	10.1	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Note the developing countries' increasing share of imports and exports and the developing importance of the ACP countries. Thus in 1977 the developing countries as a whole were the largest suppliers to the Community (49.5%). The growing importance of the developing countries as trading partners has been at the expense of the other two regional groupings. The role of the USA as a source of Community imports was exactly the same (17.2%) in 1977 as it was in 1973, while it took a smaller percentage of Community exports (13.4% in 1977 as against 16.6% in 1973).

Table 2 analyzes these trends in detail, giving absolute values.

III.4 Trade with third countries, analyzed by commodity groups

Tables 3 and 4 provide a detailed statistical analysis, with figures for volume as well as value.

In most of the commodity groups the Community has had a negative trade balance with third countries, in terms both of quantity and value.

In three commodity groups only, in order of importance, respectively: 'Dairy products, etc.', 'Products of the milling industry, etc.' and 'Beverages' has the Community shown a surplus, in value and quantity.

Exports were dominated by firstly 'Beverages' and secondly 'Dairy products, etc.', in value terms in 1973, 1975 and 1977. In 1977 these two groups alone accounted for 30% of exports (29% in 1973).

In 1977 the most important groups of imports were as follows, respectively: 'Coffee and tea etc.', 'Fruit and vegetables etc.'¹, 'Timber and cork' and finally 'Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit etc.'. In 1977 these four groups accounted for 48% of imports (40% in 1973). In 1973 the four major commodity groups were, in order of importance, respectively: 'Timber and cork', 'Fruit and vegetables etc.', 'Cereals' and finally 'Natural textile fibres'. In 1973 these four groups accounted for 44% of total imports as against 39% in 1977. Animal feedingstuffs (see table E) made a total of 23.5% in both 1973 and 1977.

'Coffee and tea etc.' was the group showing the highest rate of increase among imports. Thus in 1977 it accounted for 14% of imports, as against 6% in 1973 and 7% in 1975. Over this period the actual volume has dropped, and the rise in value can therefore be ascribed to price rises alone, beginning in 1976, when 'Coffee etc.' accounted for 9% of imports by value².

A similar trend can be seen in 'Cocoa and cocoa products', but this group is statistically less significant.

The rise in absolute value of the imports in the period 1973 to 1977 of 'Coffee and tea etc.' and 'Cocoa and cocoa products' was 3818 mill. EUR corresponding to 51.4% of the total growth in the import value of agricultural products. Excluding these commodities from the import statistics would, therefore, roughly half the growth rate of the import of agricultural products, that is from 31% to 16.4%.

Among the major commodity groups the greatest rises in value of exports occurred in firstly 'Dairy products etc.' and secondly 'Beverages', which grew by 49% and 44% respectively between 1973 and 1977. In terms of quantity, exports of 'Dairy products etc.' rose by 13%, while the figure for beverages is not available.

Tables E and F show the commodities broken down into three categories: 1. Food products, 2. Feedingstuffs and 3. Other commodities. Table E shows the actual values involved while table F shows the distribution of exports and imports among the three categories.

¹ Of the total imports of 'Fruit and vegetables etc.' of 4399 mill. EUR in 1977, typically tropical products accounted for about 15%.

² The indicator prices for 'All coffee' under the International Coffee Agreement was 86 cts./lb. at the beginning of 1976 against 208 cts./lb. at the end of 1976. The peak value was in April 1977 at 333 cts./lb.

TABLE E

Community external trade and trade balances of principal groups of agricultural products, in million EUR
 A : Food products¹ ; B : Animal feedingstuffs² ; C : Other commodities³

	1973			1975			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance	Export	Import	Balance	Export	Import	Balance
	<u>A : Food products</u>								
Coffee, tea, maté, spices	75	1493	- 1418	88	1626	- 1538	173	4413	- 4240
Cocoa and cocoa products	159	453	- 294	242	718	- 476	430	1351	- 921
Other products	4610	8436	- 3826	5408	8791	- 1039	6524	9424	- 2900
Food products, total	4844	10382	- 5538	5738	11135	- 5397	7127	15188	- 8061
<u>B : Animal feedingstuffs</u>									
Maize	27	1154	- 1127	38	1738	- 1700	31	1445	- 1414
Other cereals	568	1020	- 452	828	1631	- 803	271	953	- 686
Soya beans	4	1126	- 1122	3	1514	- 1511	0	1864	- 1864
Oil cakes	172	1143	- 971	58	865	- 807	103	1407	- 1304
Other products	324	1200	- 876	360	1188	- 828	512	1647	- 1135
Animal feedingstuffs, total	1095	5643	- 4548	1287	6936	- 5649	917	7316	- 6399
<u>C : Other commodities</u> ⁴									
	1445	7967	- 6522	1775	6426	- 4651	2283	8921	- 6638
A + B + C	7384	23992	- 16608	8800	24497	- 15697	10327	31425	- 21098

Source : Table No. 3

Note: ' - ' denotes a trade deficit

¹ : Groups 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,11,12,13,14 see Annex 1; ² Groups 7,9 and 15 see Annex 1; ³ Other agricultural commodities including commodities which cannot be classified as typical food products, nor typical animal feedingstuffs

Table F shows the main trends in the pattern of imports and exports. The declining importance of feedingstuff exports will be noted. The higher figure for food products was largely accounted for by dairy produce and beverages.

Table F: Imports and exports broken down into 1. Food products, 2. Feedingstuffs and 3. Other commodities

	Exports		Total Imports		Imports without coffee etc., and cocoa etc.	
	1973	1977	1973	1977	1973	1977
Food products	65.6%	69.0%	43.3%	48.3%	38.3%	36.7%
Animal feeding-stuffs	14.8%	8.9%	23.5%	25.3%	25.6%	28.5%
Other commodities	19.6%	22.1%	33.2%	28.4%	36.1%	34.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Table E

Both food products and animal feedingstuffs account for a higher percentage of imports but if we exclude coffee, tea, etc., and cocoa, etc., the rise is confined to animal feedingstuffs. A detailed analysis of animal feedingstuff imports is given below.

III.4.1 Animal feedingstuff imports

While the increased value of food product imports can be ascribed almost exclusively to higher prices for coffee and cocoa, the higher values for animal feedingstuff imports are wholly or partly due to increased volume, as shown in Table G below.

Table G: Growth of imports, by quantity and value, of certain categories of animal feedingstuff during the period 1973-77

	Growth of imports by quantity	Growth of imports by value
Maize	18.8%	25.2%
Other cereals	99.0%	-6.6%
Soya beans	31.3%	65.6%
Other oil seeds and oleaginous fruit etc.	- 1.5%	26.5%
Oil cake	21.0%	23.1%
Other prepared feedingstuffs	59.7%	52.4%

Source: Tables H and I

TABLE H

Community external trade and trade balance in animal feedingstuffs¹ by volume ('000 tonnes) in 1973 and 1977

Animal feedingstuffs	1973			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance	Export	Import	Balance
Maize	262	13869	- 13607	83	16477	- 16394
Other cereals	3552	4301	- 749	2139	8560	- 6421
Soya beans	29	6666	- 6637	1	8755	- 8754
Other oilseeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	267	3064	- 2797	227	3019	- 2792
Oil cakes	919	7582	- 6663	490	9171	- 8681
Other prepared animal fodder products	848	3757	- 2909	1355	6001	- 4646
Total	5877	39239	- 33362	4295	51983	- 47688

Source : Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT , Luxembourg

Note : ' - ' denotes a trade deficit

¹Groups 7, 9 and 15, see Annex 1

TABLE I

Community imports in 1973 and 1977 of major animal feeding commodities
analysed by country/economic zone of origin

Commodity	1973		1977	
	million EUR	% of total extra	million EUR	% of total extra
<u>1.Cereals</u>				
Total external imports	<u>2174</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>2398</u>	<u>100.0</u>
of which maize	(1154)		(1445)	
Total western industrialized countries		<u>81.6</u>		<u>84.2</u>
USA		61.0		60.7
Canada		15.0		15.1
Total developing countries		<u>17.4</u>		<u>14.9</u>
<u>2.Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit etc.</u>				
Total external imports	<u>1873</u>	100.0	<u>2772</u>	100.0
of which soya beans	(1126)		(1865)	
Total western industrialized countries		<u>59.9</u>		<u>67.9</u>
USA		49.2		61.8
Total developing countries		<u>33.6</u>		<u>28.5</u>
Brazil		15.1		6.9
<u>3.Prepared animal fodder</u>				
Total external imports	<u>1626</u>	<u>100.0</u>	2146	<u>100.0</u>
of which oil cakes	(1143)		(1407)	
Total western industrialized countries		<u>51.3</u>		<u>40.8</u>
USA		34.9		28.2
Total developing countries		<u>48.5</u>		<u>58.6</u>
Brazil		11.8		21.1
Argentina		9.2		13.4
India		4.3		4.9

Source : Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, Nimex and CST, 1973, EUROSTAT,
Luxembourg

The volume of animal feedingstuffs imported has risen by 32% overall; the rise is particularly marked for high-protein products, demonstrating the Community's growing dependency on protein imports from third countries.

The increase was 30% in terms of value.

Table 5 shows the individual Member States' foreign trade in animal feedingstuffs, from which it can be seen that the only country in surplus in terms of value is France, which had a surplus of 931 m EUR in 1973 (Cereals: 1303 m EUR), and 554 m EUR in 1977 (Cereals: 1006 m EUR), which shows that for other animal feedingstuffs than cereals France has had a deficit.

To supplement this analysis of feedingstuff imports we shall examine two products imported in large quantities, but not included under 'Animal feedingstuffs' as defined here: manioc and molasses, the figures for which are shown in Table J below.

Table J: Community imports of manioc and molasses, by value and volume

	1973		1975		1977	
	mill. kg	mill. EUR	mill. kg	mill. EUR	mill. kg	mill. EUR
Manioc	1667	120	2337	214	3810	322
Molasses	1455	75	1731	88	2648	116

Source: Analytical Tables on Foreign Trade, CST and NIMEXE, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg

As can be seen, these are relatively cheap products which can be used as cereal-substitutes, and as neither is covered by the Community's organisations of market and as they are subject to only low rates of duty (6% for manioc and 0% for molasses), nor subject to levies, they have an unintended advantage over cereals in Member States.

Manioc is imported almost exclusively from Thailand (96% by volume in 1977). The Netherlands is the major importing country, taking 53% in 1977, followed by the Federal Republic of Germany and Belgium-Luxembourg taking 24% and 16% respectively, while Italy imported none at all. Molasses is imported mainly from a number of developing countries (71% in 1977). The balance is supplied by Western industrialised countries and state-trading countries. In 1977 imports were distributed

among the Member States as follows: Federal Republic of Germany, 9.9%, France 9.0%, Italy 12.6%, Netherlands 28.3%, Belgium-Luxembourg, 9.7%, United Kingdom 21.4%, Ireland 0.5% and Denmark 8.5%.

IV Internal Community trade in agricultural products in relation to external trade

The Community's total trade and trade in agricultural products for 1971, 1974 and 1977 are shown in Table K.

Over the whole period, in respect of both imports and exports, about 50% of total trade was conducted between Member States (internal trade) and 50% with third countries (external trade), without any significant variation.

In agricultural products there has, on the other hand, been a significant shift towards an intra-Community trade, which must be linked to the common agricultural policy and the related commercial policy. Table K demonstrates this trend.

Developments in the internal trade of each Member State are given in tables 6, 7 and 8. It is interesting to note that in the period 1973 to 1977 each Member State's growth rate for exports of agricultural products to other Members has exceeded that for exports to third countries. This is also the case for imports with the exception of Belgium and the Netherlands.

Another element in the intra-Community trade worth-while pointing out - although not unexpected - is, that the growth rate for exports from each of the original Member States to the new Member States as a group has exceeded the growth rate for exports to all other of the original Member States. For the new Member States the opposite is the case, i.e. the growth rate of exports to the original Member States has exceeded the growth rate for exports to other new Member States.

V Member States' foreign trade in agricultural products

The Community as a whole is therefore a net importer of agricultural products.

TABLE K

Internal and external Community trade in 1,000m EUR in the years 1971, 1974 and 1977

	Imports						Exports					
	1971		1974		1977		1971		1974		1977	
	1,000m	%	1,000m	%	1,000m	%	1,000m	%	1,000m	%	1,000m	%
<u>Total trade</u>												
Internal	66.7	49.3	110.4	46.9	141.1	49.5	66.4	50.8	111.7	50.6	141.3	50.6
External	65.0	50.7	124.8	53.1	143.7	50.5	64.2	49.2	109.0	49.4	137.7	49.4
Total	131.7	100.0	235.2	100.0	284.7	100.0	130.6	100.0	220.7	100.0	279.0	100.0
<u>Agricultural products</u>												
Internal	10.6	36.7	17.5	39.6	23.4	42.7	10.5	66.5	17.8	66.8	23.3	69.3
External	18.3	63.3	26.7	60.4	31.4	57.3	5.3	33.5	8.9	33.2	10.3	30.7
Total	28.9	100.0	44.2	100.0	54.8	100.0	15.8	100.0	26.7	100.0	33.7	100.0

Source : The Agricultural Situation in the Community, 1976, DG IV, Commission, Brussels

Trade by commodities, market summaries, 1971, OECD, Paris

Monthly External Trade Bulletin, Special number, 1958-1977, Eurostat, Luxembourg

If we consider the individual countries (Table 9) we find that only the Netherlands, Ireland and Denmark have been in surplus in the three periods in question. France showed surpluses in 1973 and 1975, but a deficit in 1977¹. The Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Belgium/Luxembourg and the United Kingdom have constantly been in deficit.

Only Ireland and Denmark had surpluses in their trade with third countries in this period, Ireland in 1977 and Denmark in 1973 and 1975, but over the whole period from 1973 to 1977 both countries' imports have roughly balanced exports.

The Federal Republic of Germany is the largest net importer, followed by the United Kingdom. The same applies in respect of third countries. In 1973, however, the United Kingdom was running a larger deficit with third countries than Germany was.

If we take agricultural imports as a percentage of total imports, the figures for Italy (1977: 23.5%) and the United Kingdom (1977: 22.1%) are above the Community average (21.9%). The highest figures for agricultural exports as a percentage of total exports were those for Ireland (41.5%), Denmark (38.3%) and the Netherlands (24.7%), all in 1977 (see Table 10).

A detailed commodity analysis country by country will be found in annex 4.

¹ In 1976 the French deficit was 217 million EUR and in 1978 the deficit will be about 500 million EUR.

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Annex 1 - Commodity groups

Group	Commodity
1	Live animals
2	Meat and edible meat offals
3	Fish : crustaceans, molluscs and preparations thereof
4	Dairy produce, birds' eggs
5	Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof
6	Coffee, tea, maté and spices
7	Cereals
8	Products of milling industry; malt and starches, gluten, inulin
9	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit etc.
10	Animal and vegetable fats and oils
11	Sugars and sugar confectionery; natural honey
12	Cocoa and cocoa preparations
13	Beverages
14	Tobacco
15	Prepared animal fodder etc.
16	Live trees and other plants, bulbs, roots and similar, cut flowers and ornamental foliage
17	Hides, skins and furskins, raw
18	Cork and wood
19	Natural textile fibres

ANNEX 2

Cross reference : SITC (rev.) - NIMEXE

Commodity Group	SITC(rev.)	NIMEXE
1	Division 00	Chapter 01
2	01	02 less heading 0205
3	Group 013, 031, 032	03 + 16
4	Division 02	04 less headings 0406, 0407
5	Group 051,052,053,054 less items 05482/83/84/89, plus item 05510/51/52	07, 08, 20
6	Group 074,075, item 07110 and 08191	09
7	Group 041,042,043,044,045	10
8	046,047, item 04811/20, 05541/42/43/44, 59951/52	11
9	Division 22, item 05482/83/84/89, 08111/12,29240/50	12
10	Section 4 and item 09130/40	15 heading 0205 less 1510-70,151100
11	Division 06	17 and heading 0406
12	Group 072,073 and item 08192	18
13	Division 11	22 less heading 2208,2210
14	12	24 less heading 249890, 249900
15	Group 081 less item 08111/12/91/ 92	23
16	Item 29261/69/71/72	6
17	Division 21	Heading 4101, 4301
18	24	4401, 4402, 4403, 4404, 4405, 4407, 440910, 4413, 4501, 4502
19	Group 261,262,263,264 and 265	5001, 5002, 5003, 5301, 5302, 5303, 5304, 530510/29,/32/39/50, 5401, 5402, 5501, 5502, 5503, 5504, 5701, 5702, 5703, 5704, 0503

Annex 3 : Exchange rates

Currency Year	1 EUR = DM	1 EUR = FF	1 EUR = Lit	1 EUR = FL	1 EUR = FB/FLux	1 EUR = £	1 EUR = d.kr.
1971	3.655144	5.554197	625.000000	3.620001	50.000000	0.416666	7.484357
1972	3.498717	↓	631.313131	3.522813	48.657065	0.436999	7.630325
1973	3.328108		728.862973	3.474104	↓	0.511000	↓
1974	3.219782	6.010012	813.008130	3.355074	↓	0.534000	↓
1975	3.219782	5.680010	862.812769	↓	↓	0.596999	↓
1976	3.206844	6.059981	1053.740779	↓	↓	0.705999	7.642981
1977	3.156652	6.680004	1199.315205	3.355068	48.657767	0.778999	8.092400

Annex 4: Commodity analysis by country

Tables 11.1 to 11.8 and 12.1 to 12.8 show the individual Member States' major export and import commodities. They have been selected on the basis of value period by period. For each period those commodities are included which exceeded 5% of total agricultural imports or exports.

Federal Republic of Germany

Exports: Dairy produce has been the largest single commodity group exported, its share rising from 14% of total agricultural exports in 1973 to 17% in 1977.

Meat and edible meat offals have shown the greatest increase; 210% by value, 118% by volume.

Imports: The largest commodity group was edible fruits and vegetables etc. which accounted for 20% by value of imports in 1977 as against 21% in 1973.

France

Exports: Cereals and beverages were the most important commodity groups, both accounting for 17% of exports in 1977, as compared with 23% for cereals and 17% for beverages in 1973.

Imports: The largest group was edible fruit and vegetables, with 17% in 1977 and 15% in 1973. The largest increases were recorded for coffee, tea etc., viz. 240% for the same quantity.

Italy

Exports: Exports are concentrated heavily on edible fruit and vegetables, accounting for 50% of all exports in 1977 as opposed to 47% in 1973.

Imports: Meat and edible meat offals were the largest group of imports, but with a declining share of the total. For the rest, imports are evenly distributed over a range of products.

Netherlands

Exports: Dairy produce; meat and edible meat offals, and edible fruit and vegetables are the major commodity groups exported, each with 14%-15% in both 1973 and 1977. Note the relative importance of exports of live plants etc., 8% of all exports in 1977 -, increasing in value by 60% from 1973 to 1977.

Imports: Mainly edible fruit and vegetables, prepared animal feeding-stuffs (including oilcake) and cereals. The figures for 1977 were 12%, 11% and 10% respectively, as against 11% and 16% in 1973.

Belgium/Luxembourg

Exports: Meat and edible meat offals, dairy produce etc., and edible fruit and vegetables were the largest groups, each with over 10% in 1977 and 1973.

Imports: Evenly distributed over a number of commodity groups, with the emphasis on cereals (13% in 1977, 15% in 1973), and edible fruit and vegetables (12% in 1977, 10% in 1973).

United Kingdom

Exports: Beverages were the largest commodity group (23% in 1977).

Imports: Edible fruit and vegetables (14%), cereals (10%) and meat and edible meat offals (9%) were the major commodity groups in 1977. In 1973 meat and edible meat offals were the largest single group (13%).

There has been a noticeable shift from imports from third countries to imports from Community countries in certain commodity groups, e.g. meat and edible meat offals (1973: 61.5% external; 1977: 35.8% external) and dairy produce etc. (1973: 36.7% external; 1977: 21.8% external).

Ireland

Exports: In both 1973 and 1977 meat and edible meat offals, dairy produce etc. and live animals accounted for 70% of exports.

Imports: Imports show a more even distribution, with the emphasis on cereals and edible fruit and vegetables.

Denmark

Exports: Three main groups: meat and edible meat offals (1977: 27%; 1973: 31%;), fish, etc., (1977: 18%; 1973: 22%) and dairy produce (1977: 14%; 1973: 13%).

Imports: The largest single group was prepared animal feeding-stuffs, 17% in 1977 and 16% in 1973. Coffee, etc., and edible fruit and vegetables showed the sharpest increases, of 164% and 64% in terms of value.

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TABLE 1

Community agricultural trade with third countries (non -EEC) during the period 1969 to 1977 in million EUR and as % of total trade

	1969		1973		1974		1975		1976		1977	
	million EUR	% of total trade	million EUR	% of total trade	million EUR	% of total trade	million EUR	% of total trade	million EUR	% of total trade	million EUR	% of total trade
Exports (fob)	6300	8.5	7384	9.3	8853	8.2	8800	7.7	9303	7.5	10341	7.5
Imports (cif)	21100	28.5	23992	28.9	26657	21.5	24497	20.9	29114	20.8	31411	21.9
Balance agricultural trade ¹	-14800	-	-16608	-	-17804	-	-15697	-	-19811	-	-21080	-
Overall balance ¹	-3186	-	-3771	-	-15771	-	-3802	-	-16074	-	-6889	-

Source : Monthly External Trade Bulletin, Eurostat, Luxembourg (various numbers)

The Agricultural Situation in the Community, 1976, 1977 and 1978 reports, DG IV, Commission, Brussels

¹ - ' denotes a deficit on the trade balance

TABLE 2

Community trade in agricultural products¹ by country and economic zone during the period 1973-1977 in million EUR

Country/ Economic zone	1973		1974		1975		1976		1977	
	Import	Export	Import	Export	Import	Export	Import	Export	Import	Export
Total external trade (1+2+3)	23992	7384	26657	8853	24497	8800	29114	9303	31425	10327
of which :										
1. Western industrialized countries	11829	4095	13054	4774	11952	4438	13726	4831	13580	5094
of which :										
USA	4122	1224	5046	1305	5125	1131	5775	1310	5394	1379
Canada	907		1212		972		1086	279	1058	321
EFTA	1891	1599	2031	1887	1591	1855	1947	2032	2619	2235
2. Developing countries	9857	2441	11296	3274	10488	3809	12718	3727	15559	4527
of which :										
ACP countries	2599	570	3214	696	3142	770	3817	870	5167	1077
3. State-trading countries	2170	748	2279	753	2033	529	2402	715	2281	686
Candidate countries (Greece, Spain, Portugal)	1358	420	-	-	-	-	1578	482	1676	490
Mediterranean countries ^{2,3}	2783	-	2910	1631	2652	1637	3085	1453	3183	1475

Source : Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, CST and The Agricultural Situation in the Community, Commission, Brussels-Luxembourg

¹ For definition of agricultural products see Annex 1

² Include both countries from the 'Western industrialized countries' zone and 'Developing countries' zone

³ Spain, Greece, Turkey, Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria, Malta, Cyprus, Israel, Liberia, Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Portugal

TABLE 3

EC trade by value with third countries in Agricultural Products analysed by commodity in million EUR

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance ¹	Export	Import	Balance ¹	Export	Import	Balance ¹
<u>Total agricultural trade</u>	<u>7384</u>	<u>23992</u>	<u>-16608</u>	<u>8800</u>	<u>24497</u>	<u>-15697</u>	<u>10327</u>	<u>31425</u>	<u>-21098</u>
Live animals	106	545	-439	112	327	-215	137	276	-139
Meat and edible meat offals	242	1860	-1618	379	993	-614	407	1093	-686
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	602	970	-368	535	993	-458	629	1287	-658
Dairy products, birds' eggs	919	298	<u>621</u>	945	309	<u>636</u>	1365	310	<u>1055</u>
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	528	3057	-2529	626	3676	-3050	749	4399	-3650
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	75	1493	-1418	88	1626	-1538	173	4413	-4240
Cereals	595	2174	-1579	866	3369	-2503	302	2398	-2096
Products of milling industry, malt, starches gluten, insulin	372	44	<u>328</u>	654	30	<u>624</u>	524	64	<u>460</u>
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	116	1843	-1727	145	2262	-2117	152	2772	-2620
Animal and vegetable fats and oils	283	983	-700	531	1100	-569	541	1305	-764
Sugars and confectionery, natural honey	489	519	-30	563	1210	-647	735	696	39
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	159	453	-294	242	718	-476	430	1351	-921

TABLE 3 continued

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance ¹	Export	Import	Balance ¹	Export	Import	Balance ¹
Beverages	1187	410	777	1336	368	968	1704	396	1308
Tobacco	165	733	-568	257	885	-627	274	903	-629
Hides and skins and furskins, raw	189	888	-699	170	672	-502	260	995	-735
Cork and wood	123	3127	-3004	166	2287	-2121	180	3442	-3262
Natural textile fibres	292	2091	-1799	190	1518	-1328	242	1967	-1725
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	384	1626	-1244	276	1305	-1029	463	2146	-1683
Other commodities	558	876	-318	718	849	-131	1060	1212	-152

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg

1 ' - ' denotes a trade deficit

Note

For a definition of the commodity groups see annex 1

TABLE 4

EC trade by volume with third countries in agricultural products analysed by commodity in million kilos

Commodities	1973 ¹			1975			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance ²	Export	Import	Balance ²	Export	Import	Balance ²
Total agricultural trade	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Live animals	47	610	-563	41	386	-345	57	292	-235
Meat and edible meat offals	234	1400	-1166	397	984	-587	385	1004	-619
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	504	1166	-662	423	883	-460	445	1016	-571
Dairy produce, birds' eggs	1673	337	<u>1336</u>	1276	289	<u>987</u>	1889	245	<u>1644</u>
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	1005	8698	-7693	2186	12813	-10627	2087	15375	-13288
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	65	1626	-1561	58	1570	-1512	61	1478	-1417
Cereals	3814	18170	-14356	7417	26432	-19015	2222	25037	-22815
Products of milling industry; malt and starches; gluten, insuling	3329	236	<u>3093</u>	3413	128	<u>3285</u>	3419	256	<u>3163</u>
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, etc.	296	9730	-9434	250	10545	-10295	228	11774	-11546
Animal and vegetable fats and oils	755	3083	-2328	939	2526	-1587	1005	2984	-1979
Sugars and sugar confectionery; natural honey	2137	4010	-1873	1093	4145	-3052	2943	4782	-1839
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	159	610	-451	158	586	-428	191	577	-386

TABLE 4 continued

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance ²	Export	Import	Balance ²	Export	Import	Balance ²
Beverages	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1791	837	954	2246	795	1451
Tobacco	n.a.	490	n.a.	188	530	-342	204	528	-324
Hides and skins and furskins, raw	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	146	345	-199	142	415	-273
Cork and wood	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3029	17172	-14143	2437	22132	-19695
Natural textile fibres	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	142	1653	-1511	141	1609	-1468
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	1767	11339	-9572	1340	11103	-9763	1845	15172	-13327

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

1 The quantities for 1973 are to a certain degree estimated for the UK and Irish part

2 ' - ' denotes a trade deficit

Note: For a definition of the commodity groups see annex 1.

TABLE 5

Import, export and trade balance in animal feedstuffs¹ of each Member State² in 1973 and 1977 in million EUR

	1973			1977		
	Export	Import	Balance	Export	Import	Balance
<u>Germany</u>						
Cereals	175	799	-624	240	832	-592
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	94	737	-643	124	1998	-1074
Prepared animal fodder	344	540	-196	357	714	-357
Total	613	2076	-1463	721	2744	-2023
<u>France</u>						
Cereals	1433	130	1303	1276	270	1006
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	98	244	-146	100	327	-227
Prepared animal fodder	141	367	-226	263	488	-225
Total	1672	741	931	1639	1085	554
<u>Italy</u>						
Cereals	74	915	-841	105	893	-788
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	20	367	-357	35	358	-323
Prepared animal fodder	35	268	-233	73	318	-245
Total	129	1550	-1431	213	1569	-866
<u>Netherlands</u>						
Cereals	250	622	-372	373	643	-270
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	69	365	-296	145	521	-376
Prepared animal fodder	226	417	-191	329	698	-369
Total	545	1404	859	847	1862	-1015
<u>Belgium/Luxembourg</u>						
Cereals	87	454	-367	265	602	-337
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	15	127	-112	24	245	-221
Prepared animal fodder	76	234	-158	148	318	-170
Total	178	815	-637	437	1165	-728
<u>United Kingdom</u>						
Cereals	31	690	-659	96	1001	-905
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	8	209	-201	17	425	-408
Prepared animal fodder	57	301	-244	77	268	-191
Total	96	1200	-1104	190	1694	-1504
<u>Ireland</u>						
Cereals	5	44	-39	8	93	-85
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	1	16	-15	1	12	-11
Prepared animal fodder	20	27	-7	28	60	-32
Total	26	87	-61	37	165	-128
<u>Denmark</u>						
Cereals	35	44	-9	91	84	7
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	31	72	-41	71	127	-56
Prepared animal fodder	115	157	-42	135	275	-140
Total	181	273	-92	297	486	-189
<u>Total EC trade with third countries</u>						
Cereals	595	2174	-1579	302	2398	-2096
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits etc.	116	1843	-1727	152	2772	-2620
Prepared animal fodder	384	1626	-1242	463	2146	-1683
Total	1095	5643	-4548	917	7316	-6399

Source : Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg
¹ group 7, 9 and 15, see Annex 1

² Including trade with other Member States and third countries.

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Note: ' - ' denotes a deficit.

TABLE 6

Agricultural trade between Member States in 1973 and 1977

To From	D		F		I		NL		B/L		UK		IR		DK	
	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change
D 1973	-	-	288	129	624	58	444	70	179	97	97	201	4	178	107	80
1977	-	-	664	-	998	-	762	-	352	-	294	-	10	-	194	-
F 1973	1111	21	-	-	1103	32	408	23	866	23	523	43	36	86	30	77
1977	1341	-	-	-	1462	-	503	-	1069	-	746	-	67	-	53	-
I 1973	572	55	245	119	-	-	46	63	48	104	103	80	2	327	13	108
1977	891	-	537	-	-	-	75	-	98	-	185	-	6	-	27	-
N 1973	1957	43	517	81	497	14	-	-	568	83	411	60	12	196	31	84
1977	2821	-	945	-	574	-	-	-	1048	-	663	-	35	-	57	-
B/ L 1973	564	12	431	78	115	43	415	86	-	-	70	101	2	218	5	144
1977	632	-	769	-	165	-	773	-	-	-	141	-	7	-	11	-
UK 1973	167	101	189	97	99	41	126	87	79	138	-	-	157	78	41	20
1977	334	-	371	-	140	-	235	-	187	-	-	-	278	-	49	-
IR 1973	34	167	59	119	19	42	34	235	28	150	469	47	-	-	1	500
1977	90	-	129	-	27	-	114	-	70	-	490	-	-	-	5	-
DK 1973	308	78	68	96	211	32	51	49	28	89	577	11	2	91	-	-
1977	558	-	136	-	285	-	78	-	54	-	654	-	4	-	-	-

Source : Trade by commodities, exports, volume 1,1973 OECD
 Analytical tables of foreign trade, SITC, 1977, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg

Table 7: Agricultural trade of each Member State with other Member States, third countries and total agricultural trade in 1973 and 1977

	Exports ¹										Imports ²							
	Member States			Third countries			Total agri-cultural trade			Member States			Third countries			Total agri-cultural trade		
	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change	million EUR	% change
D: 1973	1742	88	1080	57	2822	76	4542	45	5581	42	10123	43						
1977	3277		1693		4970		6604		7922		14526							
F: 1973	4082	28	2016	21	6098	26	1763	101	3879	39	5642	58						
1977	5241		2444		7685		3541		5375		8916							
I: 1973	1029	77	604	50	1633	67	2608	40	4167	11	6775	21						
1977	1819		908		2727		3651		4611		8223							
NL: 1973	3993	54	1150	53	5143	54	1522	50	2360	64	3882	58						
1977	6143		1760		7903		2283		3879		6162							
B/L: 1973	1600	56	344	49	1944	51	1862	53	1076	64	2938	58						
1977	2499		512		3011		2856		1761		4617							
UK: 1973	857	86	1268	35	2125	56	2537	51	5956	9	8493	21						
1977	1594		1712		3306		3818		6477		10295							
IRL: 1973	644	75	137	59	781	72	188	144	215	-9	403	63						
1977	1125		218		1343		459		196		655							
DK: 1973	1245	42	779	40	2024	41	221	91	758	57	979	65						
1977	1769		1094		2863		422		1190		1612							
Total 1973	15192	54	7378	40	22570	50	15243	55	23992	31	39235	42						
EC-9 1977	23467		10341		33808		23595		31411		55006							

Source: Trade by commodities, Exports, Volume 1, 1973, OECD Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, SITC, 1977, EURATOM

¹ Exports are f.o.b.

² Imports are c.i.f.

Table 8

Member States' growth rates (%) for exports in the period 1973 to 1977 analysed by original Member State, new Member State, total internal and total external trade

From \ To	Original	New	Internal	External
	Member States	Member States		
	%		%	%
D	81	139	88	57
F	25	47	28	21
I	76	85	77	50
NL	52	66	54	53
B/L	53	106	56	49
UK	92	65	86	35
IRL	147	48	75	59
DK	67	14	42	40

Source: Tables 6 and 7

Table 9: Analyses of the agricultural trade in the EC countries during the period 1973-1977, in million EUR

	1973		1975		1977	
	Total	Of which external	Total	Of which external	Total	Of which external
EUR-9: Export ¹	22620	7378	28391	8800	33808	10341
	Import ²	39235	23992	43445	24497	55006
	Balance ³	-16615	-16614	-15054	-15697	-21198
D: Export ¹	2822	1080	3689	1120	4970	1693
	Import ²	10123	5581	11102	5829	14526
	Balance ³	- 7301	- 4501	- 7413	- 4709	- 9556
F: Export ¹	6098	2016	6689	2439	7685	2444
	Import ²	5642	3879	6420	3886	8916
	Balance ³	456	- 1863	269	- 1447	- 1231
I: Export ¹	1633	604	2363	848	2727	908
	Import ²	6775	4167	7040	3781	8223
	Balance ³	- 5142	- 3563	- 4677	- 2933	-5496
NL: Export ¹	5143	1150	6694	1355	7903	1760
	Import ²	3882	2360	4812	2964	6162
	Balance ³	1261	- 1210	1882	- 1609	1741
B/L: Export ¹	1994	344	2438	391	3011	512
	Import ²	2938	1076	3458	1257	4617
	Balance ³	- 944	- 732	- 1020	- 866	- 1606
UK: Export ¹	2125	1268	2791	1601	3306	1712
	Import ²	8493	5956	9110	5787	10295
	Balance ³	- 6368	- 4688	- 6319	- 4186	- 6989
IRL: Export ¹	781	137	1181	146	1343	218
	Import ²	403	215	473	231	655
	Balance ³	378	- 78	708	- 85	688
DK: Export ¹	2024	779	2546	900	2863	1094
	Import ²	979	758	1030	762	1612
	Balance ³	1045	21	1516	138	1251

Source: The Agricultural Situation in the Community, 1976, DG IV, Commission, Brussels.
Monthly External Trade Bulletin 6-1978, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

1 f.o.b.

2 c.i.f.

3 '-' denotes a trade deficit

Table 10: Import and export of agricultural products of the EC countries as % of total trade in 1973 and 1977

	Import		Export	
	1973	1977	1973	1977
EUR-9	28.9	21.9	9.3	7.5
Germany	23.2	19.5	5.3	5.7
France	19.1	17.2	21.4	16.4
Italy	30.4	23.5	9.2	8.2
Netherlands	19.9	18.5	26.7	24.7
Belgium/Luxembourg	16.8	15.6	11.1	10.9
United Kingdom	27.4	22.1	8.7	7.8
Ireland	18.1	16.5	45.9	41.5
Denmark	15.8	16.4	40.8	38.3

Source: The Agricultural Situation in the Community, Report 1976, Commission, Brussels.
 Monthly External Trade Bulletin, various numbers,
 EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Germany

Table 11.1

Export totals for the most important commodity groups, by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Dairy products, birds, eggs	395	20.4	1028	681	11.6	1231	845	19.2	1847
Animal and vegetable fats and oils	248	37.6	759	-	-	-	521	36.6	1122
Meat and edible meat offals	162	10.3	120	297	3.9	171	409	11.0	261
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	344	49.6	2037	228	34.1	1632	358	46.5	2188
Beverages	142	51.8	6095	-	-	-	294	66.0	6121
Live animals	208	9.5	153	217	8.4	167	-	-	-
Cereals	175	66.5	1865	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cork and wood	-	-	-	186	46.6	3485	-	-	-
All agricultural products	2822	37.7	-	3689	30.4	-	4970	34.0	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: France

Table 11.2

Export totals for the most important commodity groups, by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Cereals	1433	28.2	14946	1332	41.7	11724	1276	14.4	10140
Beverages	1037	42.3	1567	908	44.4	1494	1222	45.4	1883
Dairy products, birds' eggs	626	36.4	1127	722	33.8	924	899	33.6	1207
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	494	17.9	1859	521	19.6	1785	610	20.3	1622
Sugars and sugar confectionary; natural honey	405	57.7	2028	529	37.3	1500	512	56.4	2260
Meat and edible meat offals	-	-	-	468	32.2	408	462	25.7	353
Live animals	-	-	-	446	4.1	274	399	5.3	247
Natural textile fibres	327	22.1	n.a.	-	-	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	6098	33.1	-	6689	36.5	-	7685	31.8	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Italy

Table 11.3

Export totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973				1975				1977			
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	761	28.3	2705	28.9	1088	23.5	3379	24.8	1359	23.3	3906	23.2
Beverages	311	32.8	1099	21.2	386	31.5	1466	17.5	413	37.5	1272	23.9
Cereals	-	-	-	-	124	64.1	457	63.0	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	1633	36.8	-	-	2363	35.9	-	-	2727	33.3	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Netherlands

Table 11.4

Export totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Dairy products, birds' eggs	808	33.6	1162	44.5	1077	30.7	1156	40.4	1247	36.3	1335	49.1
Meat and edible meat offals	810	3.7	632	5.0	978	2.3	706	3.2	1130	4.6	814	6.8
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	756	12.8	3225	14.2	910	12.4	3389	13.6	1103	11.9	3529	13.0
Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage	392	14.3	248	13.1	490	21.1	281	20.9	628	22.0	314	21.0
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	510	37.9	250	27.2
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	405	35.4	371	27.1	-	4.3	-	3.6	411	23.4	326	21.0
Cereals	-	-	-	-	614	-	4890	-	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	5143	22.2	-	-	6694	20.2	-	-	7903	22.3	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Belgium/Luxembourg

Table 11.5

Export totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Meat and edible meat offals	325	2.2	256	326	3.2	255	359	3.3	254
Dairy products, birds' eggs	247	41.0	461	256	31.9	382	347	41.5	477
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	214	11.3	889	272	8.0	979	304	9.1	973
Cereals	-	-	-	255	28.0	1947	265	1.9	1815
Sugars and sugar confectionery	-	-	-	-	-	-	173	58.2	704
Live animals	136	0.8	134	140	1.5	138	168	1.6	156
Animal and vegetable fats and oils	-	-	-	-	-	-	161	7.5	342
Natural textile fibres	143	30.7	n.a.	-	-	-	151	7.5	342
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	115	5.1	80	-	7.3	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	1994	17.3	-	2438	16.0	-	3011	17.0	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: United Kingdom

Table 11.6

Export totals for the most important commodity groups, by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Beverages	598	82.0	n.a.	732	80.4	736	773	79.8	735
Meat and edible meat offals	148	10.4	120	225	5.2	172	302	11.4	203
Tobacco	114	69.9	n.a.	176	77.7	38	210	68.5	44
Hides and skins and furskins, raw	194	22.0	n.a.	171	25.8	88	206	25.7	61
Natural textile fibres	209	63.9	n.a.	-	-	-	188	48.3	92
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	-	-	-	-	-	-	184	56.0	108
Cereals	-	-	-	152	7.9	1384	-	-	-
All agricultural products	2131	59.4	-	2791	57.4	-	3306	51.5	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Ireland

Table 11.7

Export totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Meat and edible meat offals	245	13.7	207	389	9.6	311	465	3.4	334
Dairy products, birds' eggs	145	39.8	220	256	8.8	256	246	22.0	289
Live animals	166	3.3	216	209	5.1	287	199	16.7	202
All agricultural products	781	17.7	-	1181	12.4	-	1343	16.2	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Denmark

Table 11.8

Export totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Meat and edible meat offals	624	14.7	525	825	15.5	566	776	15.7	567
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	453	57.6	432	455	49.7	388	504	58.7	424
Dairy products, birds' eggs	261	42.0	320	372	33.5	307	408	39.6	358
Hides and skins and furskins, raw	116	41.0	21	-	-	-	181	42.2	28
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	115	51.5	413	-	-	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	2024	39.0	-	2546	35.3	-	2863	38.2	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Germany

Table 12.1

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	2152	41.8	8016	47.6	2446	45.9	7907	46.9	2855	44.3	8503	49.0
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1450	98.9	430	98.5
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, ect.	737	87.1	4312	84.1	1009	92.0	4881	90.8	1198	92.1	5186	92.9
Meat and edible meat offals	970	30.5	797	28.0	990	14.7	807	15.1	1144	17.3	694	21.1
Cereals	799	58.6	8267	64.9	868	89.6	6491	82.8	833	42.0	6626	53.8
Cork and wood	623	91.9	5762	83.4	451	89.6	3857	82.8	752	88.3	5045	82.8
Dairy products, birds' eggs	539	4.2	657	2.6	531	6.0	626	14.4	749	4.8	694	3.7
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	540	85.9	3718	86.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	10123	55.1	-	-	11102	52.5	-	-	14526	54.5	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: France

Table 12.2

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973				1975				1977			
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total
	Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	854	74.8	3446	81.0	1194	70.7	3581	72.8	1507	65.4	4448
Meat and edible meat offals	735	37.4	552	40.4	783	26.2	559	33.3	1048	23.0	666	30.7
Coffe, iea, maté and spices	285	98.8	293	99.0	-	-	-	-	971	95.4	291	95.7
Natural textile fibres	542	92.9	n.a.	-	419	90.3	471	88.0	568	88.4	488	83.6
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparation thereof	299	61.8	301	50.1	--	-	-	-	513	57.3	396	46.0
Cork and wood	449	98.1	3971	96.4	347	91.9	2749	86.9	499	94.2	3379	91.3
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	367	74.0	2163	76.5	-	-	-	-	489	72.3	2681	76.2
Animal and vegetable fats and oils	302	59.5	787	54.9	-	-	-	-	480	55.1	909	51.6
All agricultural products	5642	68.8	-	-	6420	60.5	-	-	8916	60.3	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Italy

Table 12.3

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Meat and edible meat offals	1016	39.3	656	41.3	1019	18.3	614	26.7	999	16.2	624	21.2
Cereals	793	85.4	8719	88.6	899	93.3	7054	94.0	893	69.7	8525	77.4
Cork and wood	674	93.8	7448	89.8	613	90.3	5835	87.3	787	92.6	7349	89.8
Dairy products, birds' eggs	442	12.5	895	4.7	628	12.0	1012	3.8	747	11.6	1548	3.1
Natural textile fibres	574	76.3	n.a.		477	77.0	394	68.0	687	74.7	411	81.2
Live animals	813	47.8	772	55.9	845	25.0	706	37.5	666	25.9	527	37.2
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	560	98.6	193	98.5
Hides, skins and furskins, raw	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	452	59.6	344	52.8
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, etc.	-	-	-	-	337	93.5	1484	97.5	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	6775	61.5	-	-	7040	53.7	-	-	8223	56.1	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Netherlands

Table 12.4

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977		
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	422	67.9	2347	74.4	2855	76.2	751	70.9	3873
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	417	68.8	4067	65.2	4611	63.5	698	71.6	6216
Cereals	622	58.4	6627	63.7	8891	76.9	643	65.5	6463
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, etc.	365	85.8	2163	76.5	2231	77.1	521	89.3	2510
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	-	-	-	-	-	-	505	90.2	164
Cork and wood	346	84.3	2966	76.0	2168	63.0	485	83.5	2953
Cocoa and cocoa preparations	-	-	-	-	-	-	468	79.8	214
Dairy products, birds' eggs	197	2.5	531	1.5	538	2.5	366	2.1	731
Animal vegetable fats and oils	213	57.8	829	62.3	-	-	359	59.2	961
All agricultural products	3882	60.7	-	-	4812	61.6	6162	62.9	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Belgium/Luxembourg

Table 12.5

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Cereals	454	20.1	4278	21.2	638	43.5	5003	44.2	601	52.3	4956	62.7
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	300	47.2	1476	54.5	397	45.0	1657	53.9	546	42.1	2094	54.5
Dairy products, birds' eggs	208	6.9	312	3.4	256	14.5	230	15.0	407	5.4	311	3.0
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	234	44.2	1876	43.9	210	41.4	1855	42.5	318	41.7	2426	37.4
Cork and wood	196	63.4	2994	40.0	1827	61.7	2334	29.2	291	59.6	2936	34.6
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	266	63.5	74	67.9
Beverages	159	8.9	795	5.9	212	7.7	627	6.4	257	8.7	565	9.4
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, etc.	-	-	-	-	181	68.0	1044	60.1	245	70.5	1602	47.6
Natural textile fibres	291	61.0	n.a.	-	195	55.6	183	83.4	244	56.8	280	48.2
All agricultural products	2938	36.7	-	-	3458	36.4	-	-	4617	38.1	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: United Kingdom

Table 12.6

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume	
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	1092	78.9	n.a.		1160	74.2	3340	74.5	1403	73.0	3739	74.6
Cereals	695	59.6	4014	59.4	-	-	-	-	1001	49.2	9376	55.2
Meat and edible meat offals	1132	61.5	n.a.		908	38.6	862	45.5	948	35.8	897	41.7
Cork and wood	1101	97.4	n.a.		609	96.7	3814	95.6	812	96.6	4498	95.7
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	-		-		-		-		729	93.2	341	93.5
Dairy products, birds' eggs	450	36.7	564	39.2	875	14.5	759	21.1	574	21.8	472	27.8
Sugars and sugar confectionery; natural honey	343	92.2	2565	95.3	1059	73.5	2853	74.1	558	76.7	2598	83.2
Fish, contaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	533	59.4	n.a.		-		-		557	54.7	418	50.4
Natural textile fibres	684	90.4	n.a.		-		-		-		-	
Beverages	450	27.0	n.a.		--		-		-		-	
All agricultural products	8493	59.4	-		9110	63.5	-		10295	62.9	-	

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Source:

Country: Ireland

Table 12.7

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Cereals	44	50.3	564	51.1	77	36.8	656	34.8	94	10.6	681	11.1
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	45	70.2	165	70.6	51	67.6	165	71.3	64	48.8	189	50.2
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	27	67.7	179	73.7	27	75.6	191	83.0	61	40.0	340	46.4
Live animals	42	12.5	n.a.		-		-		51	1.1	60	0.0
Cork and wood	45	94.0	274	13.2	37	95.1	191	94.6	50	86.3	257	87.8
Natural textile fibres	33	51.5	n.a.		24	93.3	22	63.0	43	10.1	26	26.0
Sugars and sugar confectionery; natural honey	-		-		41	72.0	151	48.3	34	31.6	187	32.1
Tobacco	29	81.4	16	81.3	39	80.9	19	81.4	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	403	53.4	-		473	48.8	-		655	29.9	-	-

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

Country: Denmark

Table 12.8

Import totals for the most important commodity groups by value (million EUR) and volume (1000 metric tons)

Commodities	1973			1975			1977					
	Value	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Volume	External % as of total	Value	External % as of total	Volume			
Prepared animal fodder, etc.	157	73.6	947	78.4	154	67.5	1232	70.6	275	72.1	1804	76.5
Coffee, tea, maté and spices	72	96.4	64		73	96.5	69	98.1	190	91.0	56	92.8
Cork and wood	158	93.9	1300	96.3	117	95.0	714	87.3	181	95.0	919	89.5
Edible fruits and vegetables and preparations thereof	86	79.3	267	78.0	99	72.2	265	69.7	141	68.2	361	69.9
Oil seeds and oleaginous fruit, etc.	72 ¹	95.2	471 ¹	98.1	103	91.0	475	98.2	127	91.9	513	97.9
Fish, crustaceans and molluscs and preparations thereof	81	86.1	160	77.6	84	90.8	159	90.2	127	86.4	183	85.9
Hides and skins and furskins, raw	53	92.0	8	57.3	-	-	-	-	93	94.7	5	65.6
Cereals	49	59.0	392	70.7	-	-	-	-	84	84.0	612	87.5
Beverages	51	40.4	70	61.8	54	31.0	72	46.1	-	-	-	-
Tobacco	53	92.9	29	96.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All agricultural products	979	77.6	-		1030	74.0	-		1612	74.6	-	

Source: Analytical Tables of Foreign Trade, NIMEXE and CST, EUROSTAT, Luxembourg.

¹ Excluding SITC items 292.40/50