

# 2019 UK/EU Seafood Import and Export Summary Factsheet Finalised Data

Source: HMRC data via BTS

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# UK/EU import and export summary

- The UK's total seafood imports and exports with the EU increased in 2019 in terms of value and volume, whilst the average £/kg continued to rise
- Seafood exports increased in value whilst volume declined, as the average £/kg rose
- Seafood import value and volume increased, whilst the average £/kg fell
- Exports continue to hold the largest share of trade, but imports increased their share

# UK/EU import and export summary dashboard 2019



£2,578m  
(+9.2%)



£1,352m  
(+6.4%)



£1,226m  
(+12.5%)



613k t  
(+7.6%)



335k t  
(-1.8%)



278k t  
(+21.8%)



£4.21/kg  
(+1.5%)



£4.03/kg  
(+8.3%)



£4.41/kg  
(-7.6%)

# UK seafood exports to the EU

- Seafood exports increased in value whilst volume declined, as the average £/kg rose
- The EU countries that receive the largest value of seafood exports are France, Spain, and the Irish Republic
- The species with the greatest export value are salmon, nephrops and scallops

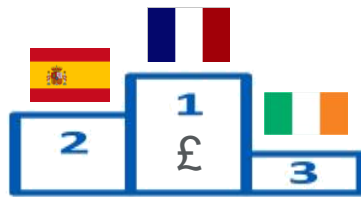
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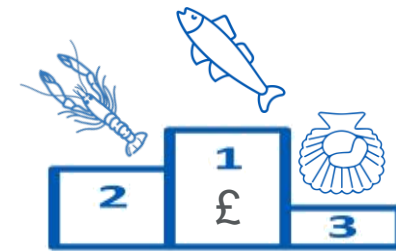
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Spain France Irish Republic



Nephrops Salmon Scallops



France  
Belgium  
Romania  
Estonia  
Sweden  
Greece  
Cyprus  
Croatia  
Czech Republic  
Bulgaria  
Slovenia  
Finland



Spain  
Irish Republic  
Italy  
Netherlands  
Denmark  
Luxembourg  
Malta  
Austria  
Gibraltar  
Hungary



Salmon  
Nephrops  
Crabs  
Lobster  
Clam  
Squid  
Coley  
Whiting  
Sole



Scallops  
P&P Shrimps & Prawns  
Cod  
Monkfish  
Hake  
Herring  
Tuna

Key: value & volume increase, value & volume decline

# UK seafood imports from the EU

- Seafood import value and volume increased, whilst the average £/kg fell
- The EU countries that import the largest value of seafood into the UK are Germany, Sweden and Denmark
- The species with the greatest import value from the EU are salmon, tuna, and cod

# UK seafood imports from the EU dashboard 2019



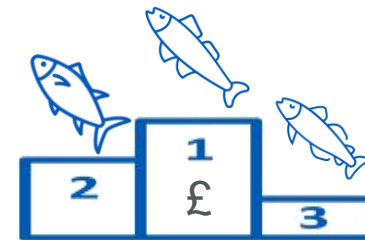
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Sweden Germany Denmark



Tuna Salmon Cod



Germany  
Sweden  
Spain  
France  
Irish Republic  
Lithuania  
Belgium  
Portugal  
Finland  
Latvia  
Greece  
Italy  
Slovakia  
Estonia  
Malta  
Austria  
Czech Republic



Denmark  
Poland  
Croatia  
Luxembourg  
Bulgaria  
Slovenia  
St Pierre-Mique  
Hungary



Salmon  
Tuna  
Mackerel  
Pollack  
Haddock  
Surimi  
Nephrops  
Sardine  
Scallops  
Seabream



P&P Shrimps &  
Prawns  
CW Shrimps &  
Prawns  
WW Shrimps &  
Prawns

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No traceability is implied to the country of origin or geographic catch area of the seafood i.e. the named country may be part of a complex distribution chain.

The values quoted are based on Cost, Insurance and Freight (CIF) delivery terms value for imports to the UK and the Free on Board (FOB) delivery terms value for exports from the UK.

The volumes quoted are based on the actual product weight of the "goods" themselves without any packaging.

% figures represent the change against previous year unless stated otherwise.

Data excludes "non-food use" commodity codes.

All calculations in this report were performed on the source data which may include many decimal places. For presentation purposes, the data in this report has been rounded at the end to reduce decimal places as far as possible. Therefore, manual calculations may provide slightly different results to those shown; please contact Seafish for the source data if you require further information.

Key:

k t = thousand tonnes

YA = Year Ago

Unless stated otherwise: green text = positive change v YA, red text = negative change v YA



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